

Rocky Mountain GITA Goals and Results for 2008

1. **Continue to provide educational and networking opportunities for our membership. Host at least three educational seminars and one social event during the year.**
 - § **This year we hosted or participated in: 2 Workshops (GIS Workflow at ESRI, and ROI at GISITR), 1 seminar (Phil The Sink Hole at Denver Water), a resume review booth at GISITR, GIS Day, GIS in the Rockies conference, Student Chapter initiation, and the Denver Metro Rogues Geospatial Holiday Social**

2. **Continue to grow the funding base for the scholarship program. Dedicate at least 50% of the proceeds from our events to fund the scholarship program.**
 - § **The chapter hosted a series of seminars and workshops this year. Proceeds from those events as well as income received from our participation in GIS in the Rockies are used to fund our scholarship program. In 2008 these efforts provided about \$3000 which will be used to fund our scholarship program.**

3. **Improve the Chapter website by appointing a web liaison to work with GITA on updating and improving the chapter web pages. Place additional information and more communication items on the website.**
 - § **The chapter chose to have the President act as the web liaison for updating and improving the chapter web pages. In addition, each event had a point person that worked with GITA Staff to post registration and event information to the chapter web pages.**

4. **Keep our scholarship program active by providing at least 4 scholarships to education institutions within our Rocky Mountain region.**
 - § **In 2008, the Rocky Mountain chapter provided 3 scholarships for \$1,000 each. The scholarships were awarded to the different universities in the rocky mountain region. An attempt was made to award a fourth scholarship but the university was not responsive therefore the scholarship was withdrawn. In addition, funds were allocated to be used to start a new GITA student chapter at Metropolitan State College.**

5. Continue to promote membership in GITA by highlighting the benefits at all events as well as offering GITA corporate staff the opportunity to present membership material at our events.
 - § The Board promotes GITA membership at all events. Listed below are some of the ways we promote membership.
 - We have membership materials available at all of our events.
 - We invite GITA staff to make a short presentation about member benefits and GITA events at our local chapter events.
 - We offer member discount pricing at local chapter events. Provided a free booth to GITA at GIS in the Rockies conference. Expand our educational outreach.

6. Continue to improve GIS in the Rockies. Work on hosting a pre or post – conference event as well as improve the content of the RM-GITA sponsored tract.
 - § The chapter worked to strengthen our track as well as the general program at GIS in the Rockies by recruiting specific papers and speakers. Cherie Jarvis, last year's past president was the GISITR chair. The GITA Track this year focused on Workflow and ROI.

 - § Additionally, GITA presented a Resume Review Booth at GISITR with a great turnout of over 32 resumes.

 - § Also, GIS Day, outreach to Skinner Middle School and the initiation of a student chapter at Metropolitan State College were other educational outreach focus areas.

7. Continue or expand our relationships with other local Geospatial related societies.
 - § We continued to work with and expand our relationships with other local Geospatial related societies. We were one of 5 sponsoring societies for the 21st Annual GIS in the Rockies conference. It is a joint effort of ASPRS, GIS Colorado, GITA, PLSC, and URISA. We also participated in a joint Holiday Social.