From the Chair

Greetings to one and all as we are passing through the beautiful Fall and entering the season of peace and joy.

We had an excellent membership meeting in late May organized by Kirstin Krumsee and the Programing Committee at the State Library of Ohio in Columbus. The GPO Outreach Librarians Jaime Huaman and Ashley Dahlen joined us in person for a presentation about the GPO’s beta website that will eventually replace the Federal Digital System (FDsys) public website. They graciously took time to answer our questions about depository resources and operations. Many thanks to both Jaime and Ashley.

I also would like to take advantage of this opportunity to thank Lorna Newman, Chair of the Membership Committee and Carol Ottolenghi, our Treasurer for working hard to put together excellent programs for our upcoming meeting to be held at the University of Cincinnati’s Langsam Library in November 4th. I encourage everyone to participate and look forward to seeing you in Cincinnati.

Akram Sadeghi Pari
University of Cincinnati

From the Editor’s Desk

I hope you all enjoy this issue of Docs Prescriptions! The school year has flown by so quickly that I didn’t get my request for articles out as early as I had planned. (I can only hope the winter flies by as quickly!

Despite the short notice, some of our members came through with wonderful articles! Mary Ries’ article on the Earth Art series even inspired me to make a quiz. Try to identify some of the incredible pictures from the sources that Mary talks about in her article. If you’re like me, you’ll be very lucky if you can identify even a single picture.

Carol A. Singer
Bowling Green State University
In attendance:
Akram Sadeghi Pari, Becky Savage, Carol Ottolenghi, Cheryl Lubow, Elizabeth Cline, John Skutnik, Joy Gao, Kathy Hughes, Kevin Carey, Kirstin Krumsee, Lorna Newman, Marsha McDevitt-Stredney, Mary Ann Ries, Peter Thayer, Sarah Dobransky. Guests from the GPO: Ashley Dahlen (Senior Outreach Librarian) & Jaime Huaman (Outreach Librarian).

Welcome
President Akram Sadeghi Pari welcomed everyone to the Spring GODORT meeting. She encouraged all to partake of the fruit and truly excellent cookies she’d brought before the program began.

Cheryl Lubow proposed and read aloud a Resolution thanking Marsha McDevitt-Stredney for her help with GODORT exhibits (see below). Ms. Sadeghi Pari moved to accept the resolution, and present it during the business meeting. Carol Ottolenghi seconded. The resolution passed unanimously.

Program
Kirstin Krumsee introduced GPO librarians Ashley Dahlen & Jaime Huaman, and explained that she had been visiting some of Ohio’s northern depository libraries with them.

Ms. Dahlen and Ms. Huaman went through the beta version of govinfo.gov, the GPO site that will replace FDsys. Handouts included a “Snapshot of Selected Collections/Publications on govinfo,” which is attached at the end of these minutes.

After the presentation, Ms. Lubow commented that it would be nice to present future programs as webinars so GODORT members who could not attend in person could still watch the program.

Peter Thayer noted that govinfo had a lot of value-added features. He looks forward to using the cross-referencing features. and to adding regulatory instruction to policy-related classes.

Lunch
Ms. Lubow had created a slide show of past and current GODORT Marketing Committee government documents exhibits at the Ohio Statehouse. This year’s exhibit focuses on
posters, photographs, patches and other publications about the U.S. Space Program. The slideshow played during lunch, which was pizza and salad, paid for by GODORT.

**Business Meeting**

President Akram Sadeghi Pari opened the business portion of the spring meeting.

Ms. Lubow introduced Ms. McDevitt-Stredney, Director of Marketing and Communications at the State Library for the past nine years. She has been extremely helpful in creating and implementing the GODORT Marketing Committee government documents exhibits at the Ohio Statehouse. Ms. Lubow read aloud the Resolution below, and gave Ms. McDevitt-Stredney a copy of it and a gift card.

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Resolution Thanking Marsha McDevitt-Stredney
for Her Contributions to GODORT

May 6, 2016

WHEREAS, Marsha McDevitt-Stredney has served the State Library of Ohio as a dedicated and valued employee since 2006; and

WHEREAS, Marsha McDevitt-Stredney has assisted GODORT in creating, implementing and organizing displays of government documents for the Ohio Statehouse exhibit areas;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Board of the Government Documents Roundtable of Ohio expresses its appreciation and gratitude to Marsha McDevitt-Stredney for her assistance in the promotion and use of government information.
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**Secretary/Treasurer's Report**

Ms. Ottolenghi presented the secretary’s and treasurer’s reports. The secretary’s report covered the 2015 Fall Business Meeting. The Treasurer’s report covered November 2, 2015 – May 1, 2016. No changes were made. Lorna Newman moved to accept the reports. Ms. Sadeghi Pari seconded, and the reports were accepted unanimously.

**Election of Officers**

Spring means GODORT officer elections. Ms. Sadeghi Pari agreed to serve as President for another year. Ms. Ottolenghi agreed to serve as President-elect. SaraJean Petite is the new Secretary/Treasurer. This slate was presented to the members present and elected unanimously.
Ms. Ottolenghi introduced and read aloud the resolution below which is needed by banks to recognize the Treasurer transition.

**BE IT RESOLVED**

that SaraJean Petite of this organization, is designated as this organization’s Super User for Online Banking with authority to grant to herself and other individuals access to, and the right to perform transactions affecting, all of this organization's deposit, loan and other accounts, and that the certification of this resolution may be relied upon until written notice of any change therein, in satisfactory form, shall have been received by an appropriate officer.

Sarah Dobransky moved to accept the resolution. Mr. Thayer seconded. The resolution passed unanimously. Ms. Ottolenghi will meet with Ms. Petite in June to transfer records and financial responsibilities.

**Committees Business and Reports**

**Digital Collection Committee**
No one was present from the Digital Collection Committee, and it appears that it may need re-invigorating. Discussion was tabled for the fall meeting.

**ALA/GODORT liaison**
No one present at the Spring meeting plans to attend ALA. So, those present nominated Kirstin Krumseeto, who does plan to attend ALA, to be the liaison. Ms. Krumsee was escorting the GPO guests around Columbus during this portion of the meeting, but she agreed after the fact to be drafted.

**Web Committee**
Ms. Petite asked Ms. Ottolenghi to issue a call for volunteers to help with the website. Becky Savage volunteered.

**Marketing Committee**
Ms. Lubow noted that the State Library’s anniversary next year will preclude Ms. McDevitt-Stredney from helping with the labor-intensive GODORT displays at the Statehouse. She explained that the Marketing Committee will move forward instead with gov doc-inspired articles, teacher guides, etc.

Group discussion ensued about doing something about the centennial of the National Park Service. Discussion ended with a request that people send four (4) annotated resource suggestions to Ms. Lubow. The gov docs should be related to the Park Service or National Monuments, Memorials, Historic Sites, etc. **within Ohio**. The Marketing Committee will turn these suggestions into an article, teachers’ guide, and possible Pinterest display.

Elizabeth Cline suggested tracking a specific bill from conception to passage, following all of the back-to-committee moments, etc.
New Business

Ms. Ottolenghi asked for some gov docs references for specific topics. Elizabeth Cline, John Skutnik, Kevin Carey, Lorna Newman, Mary Ann Ries, Peter Thayer, and Sarah Dobransky offered useful paper and online suggestions.

Fall Meeting Set

The Fall Meeting will be held on November 4 at the University of Cincinnati. As of this writing, the FBI will send a spokesperson to talk about information available via the agency’s publications and website.

Adjournment

Ms. Newman moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Thayer seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Ottolenghi
Secretary/Treasurer

Treasurer’s Report

Ohio GODORT Fall 2016 Newsletter
Treasurer’s Report

The Treasurer’s Report will be available at the November 4th Fall Meeting.

Looking for more information about GODORT of Ohio?

See the GODORT of Ohio Blog

http://ohiogodort.org/
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Akram Sadeghi Pari        Kirstin Krumsee            Carol Ottolenghi
President                  State Library Consultant     Secretary/Treasurer
This summer, at the State Library we were able to do a major shifting project for our federal documents. Nearly all of the documents in our compact shelving have been moved to make room for collections we’ve received in the last few years and allow for additional materials to be added as they come in. We're very fortunate at the State Library to have the space we do have for government documents and appreciate the opportunities to grow our collection further. We were also able to acquire a new extra-large map case to accommodate our recently encapsulated collection of World War II Newsmaps. The Newsmaps were produced weekly throughout the war and include maps of where soldiers were fighting and additional information on the war. Of the 212 produced, the State Library has 206.

Image from the University of North Texas WWII Newsmaps collection

We’ve continued our updates to the public areas which have included new signage in the stacks. The signage is suspended over the stacks and will allow for easier browsing in our state, federal and general collections by subject and agency.
New furniture has also come in and we recently installed several new display cases. The display cases currently house our exhibit in honor of the 100th anniversary of the National Parks Service.

To see more of the changes in the State Library, come in for a visit!

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You Put the Government Where?
By Sarah Dobransky, Cleveland Public Library

We’ve all heard it before:
“Ugh, I HATE government.”
“Trump vs. Clinton: Ready, FIGHT!”
“I don’t even know why we bother paying taxes; they just line the pockets of Congress”
“Stop! Just Stop! Please!”

Now, don’t get me wrong. Elections these days suck. How many of us have had a pleasant conversation turn into “I can’t believe you support [insert candidate here]! Don’t you know they [insert scandal here]. I can’t even talk to you at this point”? Or just want to strangle half of our friends and family on Facebook? That part of government is the ugly side. And unfortunately, that’s what most people see.

Lately, I’ve been on a personal campaign to help broaden our understanding of what “government” really means, without all the political mudslinging. When you look at all the agencies, bureaus, and departments out there, you start to realize that government is more than just the basics we learned in civics class. The idea of highlighting “non-political” government came after arguing with a friend about politics. Finally, I started to think about how much MORE there was to government than just what we see on TV. Processing hundreds of docs - some of the coolest books, DVDs, and even games that our library has - got my wheels turning. I grabbed a bottle of hot sauce off the table (we were at Chipotle) and started rattling off a bunch of
agencies that could be found in that bottle. What started out as an argument turned quickly into my "hot sauce routine".

Here are 10 ways that the government was involved in this little bottle of hot sauce:

1. Federal Trade Commission (FTC) – all those lovely commercials we can’t stop seeing, even those annoying ads online, are supposed to be accurate and truthful. Anyone who steps out of line gets investigated (and sometimes taken to court) by the FTC.

2. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) – these bottles were all produced in a factory, and those factories have to be up to safety standards!

3. Census – This really applies more to small businesses, but you can use Census data to gather customer information. They have a Small Business Builder that can help pinpoint which neighborhoods to target, how concentrated markets are in those areas, and lots more.


5. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) – Next time you want to know how much sodium you just added to your plate, look at the Nutrition Facts, courtesy of FDA requirements.

6. Department Of Transportation (DOT) – these bottles have to get from A to B somehow, and that’s probably going to be on a big rig. Not only are special licenses required to drive them, big trucks have a different set of requirements for transporting loads, time on the road, and other conditions that must be met.

7. Customs and Border Patrol & Dept. Of Agriculture – They regulate the importing of any ingredients, including things like peppers from south of the border. ¡ Muy caliente!

8. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) – the main ingredient in this little bottle is – you guessed it – WATER!

9. Patent and Trademarks (USPTO) – the name and the label are both registered federal trademarks. Anytime that company slaps a logo on a t-shirt, a cell phone case, or a water bottle; they pay for a separate class of goods and services.

10. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) – Tapatio’s parent company is Kraft foods (Kraft Heinz Company) – publically traded (KHZ on the NASDAQ).
So, next time you go pick up your Grande Caramel Macchiato with skim milk and double espresso from Starbucks, that you ordered using your Apple iPhone, while you shop at Target to pick up eggs, milk, and about 55 other things you didn’t need, just remember how many times the government was involved. And when one of your students, patrons, or coworkers starts to complain about the government, give them a little reminder that it’s not all about what we see on TV.

**Marketing Committee’s PowerPoint from the Spring Meeting**

Thanks very much to Cheryl Lubow, both for making the PowerPoint that was shown during lunch at the Spring 2016 meeting, and also for supplying a link to it for *Docs Prescriptions*. If you didn’t have the opportunity to see the PowerPoint, you’ll find it at:

https://www.dropbox.com/s/ez8pkhboj21t0m/GODORT%20displays%20ppt.pptx?dl=0
The Wild Side of WOW!!!
By Mary Ries, Ohio State University

The first word that comes to mind when thinking about government documents is not PRETTY. Statistics, data, law, hearings are more likely what most think of when government documents are mentioned. They are usually heavy on data, legalese or quick brochures on some currently hot topic. All-in-all rather dry reading. But every so often the only word that does the document full justice is PRETTY, followed by WOW!!!, or just a plain deep exhalation.

I invite you to step out of the sometimes dry side of government documents, go beyond your comfort zone, and take a walk on the wild side. But be warned the following link may be addictive. Oh but what a way to go.

Click on <http://permanent.access.gpo.gov/gpo69443/gip161.pdf>, and enjoy. If you must, read the captions, but keep in mind curiosity killed the Cat. But what the heck, we are GovDoc Librarians so RIP, and above all enjoy!!!
P.S. Having a bad day or need another fix. Here are three more.
<http://permanent.access.gpo.gov/gpo35438/703154main_earth_art-ebook.pdf>
<http://eros.usgs.gov/imagegallery/earth-art-3>

Looking for Previous Issues of Docs Prescriptions?

Beginning with Issue 47 (Summer 1998), issues are available full text online at:

http://ohiogodort.org/organization-resources/docs-rx/
Muskingum University Celebrates Constitution Day

Thanks to Connie Burke for sending us the press release and photos of Muskingum’s Constitution Day celebration.

For immediate release
Contact Janice McCloud, 740-826-8024, Muskingum Public Relations, for more information

Constitution Week Activities To Be Observed at Muskingum University

NEW CONCORD, OH -- September 15, 2016 -- Muskingum University will be commemorating Constitution Day on Monday, September 19 with a variety of activities at the Roberta A. Smith University Library. The public is invited to “help us celebrate our constitutional rights with snacks and activities,” said Connie Burke, library acquisitions assistant.
Visitors can play “Constitution Trivia” in the Library’s reference and Research Center throughout the day. “Constitutional coffee” is available from 8 to 11 a.m. and “patriotic punch” will be served, along with “liberty lollipops” in the afternoon. The first ten visitors can pick up pocket-sized copies of the U.S. Constitution.

The Library is the Federal Depository Library for Ohio’s Sixth Congressional District and receives numerous print and electronic government publications from the United States federal government and the state of Ohio. The Library also houses the University’s archives and special collections, Burke explained.

Marty Kurtz, program director for Muskingum’s radio station WMCO 90.7, is featuring a number of public service announcements about the U.S. Constitution throughout the week. The announcements were written and provided by the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR).

Listeners can stream WMCO 90.7 FM at orbitmediaonline.com or by downloading the official WMCO Radio mobile application from the Google Play Store or iTunes. Search for “WMCO.” The station is also available through TuneIn’s website or mobile application by searching “WMCO.”

On Friday night, Muskingum’s Programming Board hosted “Red, White, and Bingo,” a constitution-themed bingo event for students.

Constitution Week is an American observance to commemorate the adoption of the United States Constitution. The observance runs annually from September 17 to September 23. It was officially enacted on August 2, 1956 and the inception of Constitution Week was declared in September 2002. The purpose of the observance week is to promote study and education about the constitution which was originally adopted by the American Congress of the Confederation on September 17, 1787.

Janice Tucker McCloud
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I’ve heard many times that you can find anything in government documents. I now know that’s true! In 1991, a Congressman invoked the Great Pumpkin to explain why members of the other major party advocated for the investigation of an October Surprise in the election. As Congressman Shaw explained:

“about this time every year, the cartoon character Linus, in Peanut, tells us that the great pumpkin is coming. No one else believes in the great pumpkin. Lucy mocks Linus. But the great pumpkin never shows up…Like Linus, they search for the great pumpkin of politics, something or someone that is going to rescue them from their own worn-out philosophy…So the [other party] now believe the October surprise investigation is their great pumpkin. They are certain it will sweep them into the White House. This is what has befallen a once great party. It is all too sad for words.”

Maybe the other party would have won the White House if they had spent time in a sincere pumpkin patch!
Happy Anniversary!

We had a lot to celebrate in 2016!

130th (Became a Federal Depository in 1886):
Cleveland Public Library
Ohio University

65th (Became a Federal Depository in 1951):
Bluffton University

50th (Became a Federal Depository in 1966):
Cleveland State University, Michael Schwartz Library
College of Wooster
Muskingum University
University of Rio Grande

45th (Became a Federal Depository in 1971):
Chardon Public Library
Youngstown State University

35th (Became a Federal Depository in 1981):
University of Toledo, College of Law Library

30th (Became a Federal Depository in 1986):
Wilmington College

25th (Became a Federal Depository in 1991):
Porter Public Library

Looking ahead to 2017, there's still plenty to celebrate!

30th (Became a Federal Depository in 1987)
Shawnee State University

50th (Became a Federal Depository in 1967)
Otterbein University

55th (Became a Federal Depository in 1962)
Kent State University

65th (Became a Federal Depository in 1952)
Akron-Summit County Public Library

110th (Became a Federal Depository in 1907)
Ohio State University
Where Is It?
By Carol A. Singer, Bowling Green State University

Inspired by Mary Ries’ article about the Earth Art documents, here’s a series of puzzlers taken from that series. How many of these places can you guess? Don’t look in the Earth Art books – that would be cheating! The answers are at the end of this quiz.

1.

2.
ANSWERS
1. Nile River
2. Bering Sea
3. Rocky buttes in Utah & Arizona
4. Mojave Desert
5. Green River & Colorado River in Utah
6. Caicos Islands
7. Great Salt Desert in Iran
8. Himalayas
9. Mississippi River Delta
10. Cancun
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We Want YOU for Ohio GODORT!

Membership dues (only $20.00) are due at the Spring Meeting.

Send your checks made to “GODORT of Ohio”
To SaraJean Petite (see address above)
AGENDA

9:30-10:00 a.m.
Welcome and Refreshments

10:00 -10:45 a.m.
Business Meeting

11:00 – 12:00 pm
Tour of Langsam Library

12:00 – 1:00 p.m.
Lunch
A complementary lunch –authentic oriental vegetarian/non vegetarian food - will be offered to all participants.
Please RSVP to Akram Pari at akram.pari@uc.edu as soon as possible and no later than Thursday, November 3 at noon.

1:30 – 2:30
Program
Todd Lindgren from FBI's Cincinnati Office
Todd is going to take us on a tour of the FBI and DOJ websites, explaining where to find various reports, statistics, etc.

Directions
The Langsam Library is located in the West Campus of University of Cincinnati at 2911 Woodside Dr, Cincinnati OH 45221
http://www.libraries.uc.edu/map/langsam.html

Parking
Information on parking spots available at:
https://www.uc.edu/parking/visitors-maps.html