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From the Chair

Greetings, Ohio GODORT members and friends

It has been an honor to serve as President of Ohio GODORT this past year and a half. Thank you GODORT for this great opportunity. I have learned much during my term and I have really enjoyed working with the officers. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to my fellow board members and all other members for their help.

Congratulations to Carol Ottolenghi, our dedicated and faithful Secretary/Treasurer for assuming the presidency for 2017-2018. Also, thank you to SaraJean Petite for filling in the position of Secretary/ Treasurer. I would like to take advantage of this opportunity to seek nominations for the position of Program Chair/President elect for this coming year. I encourage all of you to step up or nominate one of your fellow GODORT members to fill this role.

Our spring meeting will take place on Friday, May 12th, 2017, at the State Library of Ohio. I look forward to seeing you there.

Akram Sadeghi Pari
University of Cincinnati

From the Editor's Desk

I hope you all enjoy this issue of Docs Prescriptions! As usual, you'll find messages and minutes from GODORT of Ohio officers. Mary Ries has written another interesting article for us, this time about an issue many of us face – what will happen to our documents collections after we're gone.

Don't forget to take the Presidential Quiz! I was inspired by our History Department's History Trivia Night. I wrote 160 questions for use at the contest and served as the official scorekeeper. We had six teams – History faculty, two teams each of History graduate and undergraduate students, and a team of American Culture Studies students. Each team had at least five contestants. Of course we had to have the official History Department meal – pizza! The students had so much fun that we're planning to do this at least several times next year. The Presidential Quiz includes some questions from the contest, plus a few new ones. As you can imagine, I've already started compiling questions for next year.

Carol A. Singer
Bowling Green State University



**Government Documents Roundtable of Ohio
Spring Business Meeting Minutes
State Library of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio
May 6, 2016**

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.

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.

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 May 12th Spring Meeting.

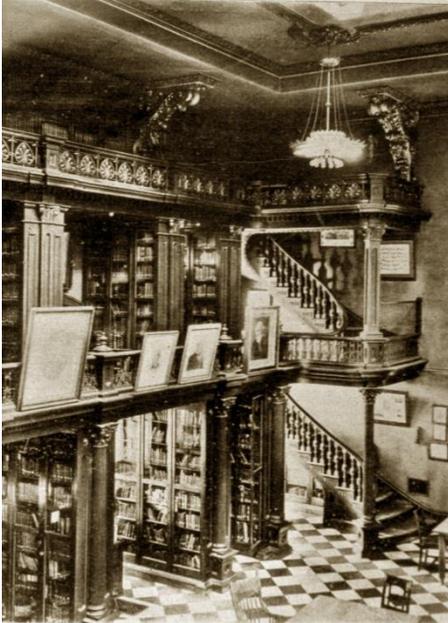
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See the GODORT of Ohio Blog

<http://ohiogodort.org/>

News from the State Library

By Kirstin Krumsee, State Library of Ohio



In 2017 the State Library of Ohio is celebrating its 200th anniversary. In honor of our bicentennial, the State Library will be hosting an Open House on August 4th. The official Save the Date card is below.

In addition to the Open House, the State Library currently has an exhibit on site with materials from throughout our history. The exhibit includes many historical government documents from our state and federal collections as well as materials on many of the different services offered by the library since our creation in 1817.

The State Library also produced a book on our history, [The State Library at 200: A Celebration of Library Services to Ohio](#). The book includes numerous photographs and stories about the State Library's contributions to Ohio. Paper copies are being distributed to Ohio documents depositories and many other libraries throughout the state. Many of the items in the exhibit and in the book can be viewed online at bicentennial.library.ohio.gov.

Save the Date

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Bicentennial Open House on **August 4, 2017** starting at
1:00 p.m. The celebration will take place at:

State Library of Ohio
274 East First Avenue, Suite 100
Columbus, OH 43201



Wanted Chickens!!!

By Mary Ries

Ohio State University

As government documents librarians and subject specialists, we all work in a dynamic and ever changing environment. Institutions change, reporting lines change, personnel change, and the nature of government documents change. As change occurs the fine details of the care and handling of government documents on an institutional level can get lost.

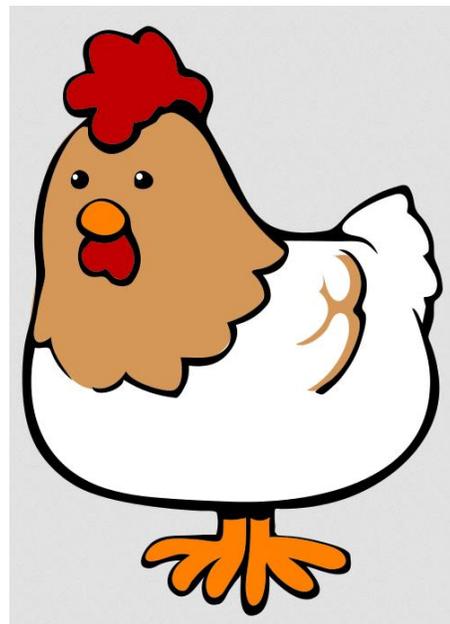
How many of us have taken time to distill our years of government document institutional memory into a tangible form for those who will inevitably come after us? And who may not have the luxury of learning the job from us! If the next generation of documents librarians are lucky we will still be around to answer questions about the day-to-day care and feeding of a depository collection, but remember Luck is a very fickle Lady.

Recently I began to think about who knew my job in case something happened to me. People come and go, retire, get new jobs within the organization and without, go on maternity/paternity leave, get sick, etc. This got me thinking about institutional memory, specifically government documents institutional memory. It was a very sobering thought to realize that I could not name one person here at Thompson Library who could at moment's notice step into my shoes.

But you say the GPO has training programs for new government document librarians. These programs do contain lots of very useful information on the job, etc. Moreover, other documents librarians are available to be mentors and answer questions. However, need I remind you, each depository is slightly different in how government documents are handled on a day-to-day basis, who does what with which items received, etc. How the day-to-day workflow is handled at Thompson Library is not the same as how it is handled by the depository at Ohio State University's Moritz Law Library, or any other depository library. The devil is in the details.

When I first started working with government documents I was lucky enough to receive training from the outgoing person, and my then immediate boss was the government documents librarian. Both of whom are no longer with the University. Whoever follows me, will they be as lucky? What if something happened to me, who would step in to my job? Would they know what to do? Who could train them?

One of the comments made in the recent review by the GPO of OSU Thompson's Depository was the lack of cross-trained personnel. Since my initial supervisor, none of my immediate supervisors have been government documents librarians, although all have worked with government documents during their careers as reference and subject specialist

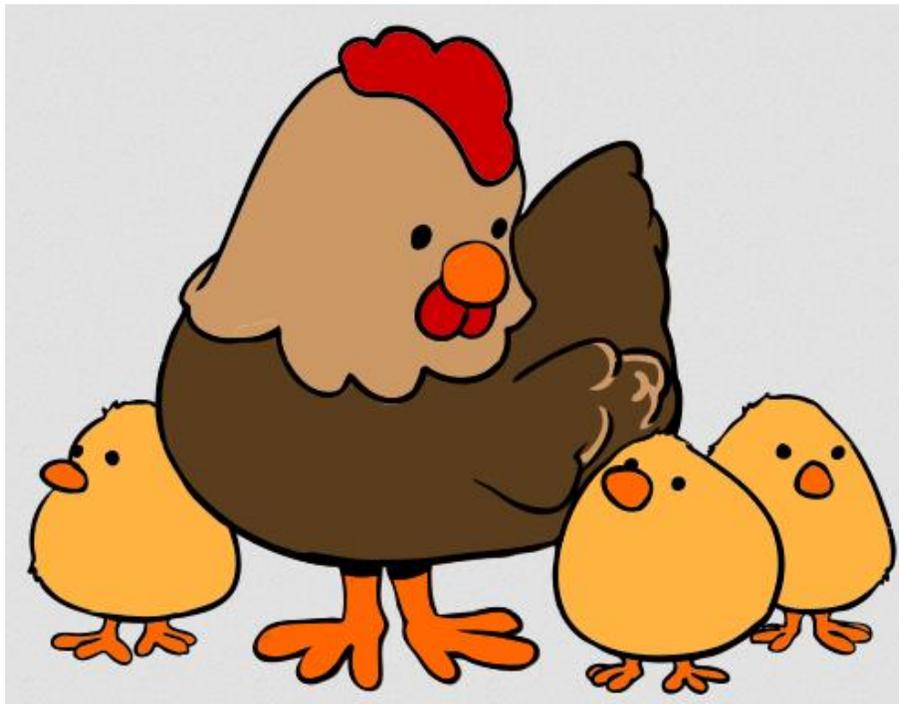


librarians. I have co-workers that do similar things but not exactly the same job. Sure, I have student help, but they are like Mayflies, here a year or if you are lucky four years then gone. Furthermore, they only know parts of the care and feeding of the depository collection. Currently there is no one other than myself who knows all the minutia of the handling of a depository item from cradle to grave here at Thompson.

The last time any sort of government documents manual was written was over 12 years ago. A lot has changed in that time both with OSU Libraries and in the greater universe of government documents. With this in mind, I decided, with my current boss' whole-hearted approval, to try to codify my workflow; to set down what my job is, how it is done step by step. Six months later, I am still trying to distill what it is I do, and how I do it. I have done flow charts, made countless notes, drafts and outlines, which all make perfect sense to me, but to others look like scribbles of a mad woman. I hope to have a clear and concise manual done before I retire, but until then my boss had better continue to sacrifice chickens daily for my continued good health and happiness.

Are you the only one handling government documents at your institution, or do you have staff? Do you know what exactly they do on a day-to-day basis? Do you have a manual outlining the day-to-day routine of your government documents department? Detailing the workflow from the time a shipment hits your mailroom to the day a document is withdrawn. Detailing who in your organization creates the item record for each addition, who decides on which items are included in/excluded from your collection, how frequently are selection criteria reviewed, etc.? Who to contact to add, delete, or fix software and equipment issues? Does it deal with the mundane details of how to order supplies for such things as pens, correction fluid, labels, bar codes, etc.? Will your institution be scrambling to find a cheap supply of chickens?

Chicken recipes available on demand.



Presidential Quiz – How Many Can You Answer?

By Carol A. Singer, Bowling Green State University

1. Which U.S. president was born in Delaware, Ohio?
2. Who was the U.S. president when Iran released the hostages from the U.S. Embassy?
3. Which U.S. president signed the Civil Rights Act of 1964?
4. Who led his troops in the Battle of San Juan Hill?
5. What did President Franklin D. Roosevelt call “a date that will live in infamy”?
6. Which U.S. president pardoned Richard Nixon?
7. Which U.S. president was assassinated at the Pan American Exposition in Buffalo, New York in 1901?
8. In 1912, which presidential candidate was shot in the chest, but insisted on giving his campaign speech before being treated?
9. Who was the last U.S. president to be born in a log cabin?
10. Who was the U.S. president at the beginning of the Great Depression?
11. Which U.S. president asked Congress to declare war because, “[T]he world must be made safe for democracy”?
12. Who was the first woman to run for U.S. president?
13. What U.S. president called his program to end the Great Depression, the New Deal?
14. What U.S. president was famous for being silent?
15. The Baby Ruth candy bar was purportedly named after the daughter of which U.S. president?
16. Which U.S. president said “Sock it to me!” on Rowan & Martin’s Laugh-In?
17. Who are the four presidents on Mount Rushmore?
18. What recent U.S. president owned a baseball team?
19. What U.S. president received a lot of criticism when he said he didn’t like broccoli?
20. What U.S. president served hot dogs to the King and Queen of England?
21. What U.S. president liked to keep a jar of jelly beans on his desk?
22. What U.S. president was famous for showing the scar from his gall bladder operation to the press?
23. Who played the U.S. president when the TV show “West Wing” debuted?
24. What U.S. president said, “Speak softly, and carry a big stick”?
25. Who was Tippecanoe from the campaign slogan, “Tippecanoe and Tyler Too”?
26. Who was the only U.S. president to serve in both the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812?
27. What U.S. president was called “Old Rough and Ready”?
28. How many future presidents signed the Declaration of Independence and who were they?
29. Who was the first president to have a Christmas tree in the White House?
30. Who was the first U.S. president to see a baseball game? (Hint: It was between the Cincinnati Reds and the Washington Senators in 1892)

Answers to the Presidential Quiz

By Carol A. Singer, Bowling Green State University

1. Rutherford B Hayes
2. Ronald Reagan
3. Lyndon B. Johnson
4. Theodore Roosevelt
5. The attack on Pearl Harbor
6. Gerald Ford
7. William McKinley
8. Theodore Roosevelt
9. James A. Garfield
10. Herbert Hoover
11. Woodrow Wilson
12. Victoria Woodhull
13. Franklin D. Roosevelt
14. Calvin Coolidge
15. Grover Cleveland
16. Richard Nixon
17. Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt, George Washington, and Abraham Lincoln
18. George W. Bush
19. George H. W. Bush
20. Franklin D. Roosevelt
21. Ronald Reagan
22. Lyndon B. Johnson
23. Martin Sheen
24. Theodore Roosevelt
25. William Henry Harrison
26. Andrew Jackson
27. Zachary Taylor
28. Two – John Adams and Thomas Jefferson
29. Franklin Pierce
30. Benjamin Harrison

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<http://ohiogodort.org/organization-resources/docs-rx/>

Happy Anniversary!

It's time to celebrate in 2017!

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



Don't Forget the Celebration at the State Library!

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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)

**Government Documents Round Table of Ohio
Spring Meeting – May 12, 2017
State Library of Ohio (Columbus, Ohio)**

AGENDA

9:30-10:00 a.m.

Welcome and Refreshments

10:00 – 12:00 p.m.

Program:

Update on the latest GPO Conference Presented by: Kirstin Krumsee

12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch

Free lunch will be offered to all participants.

Please RSVP to Carol Ottolenghi at carol.ottolenghi@ohioattorneygeneral.gov by Wednesday, May10.

1:00 – 2:30 pm

Business Meeting

Members please note: Membership renewal takes place at the spring meeting. An annual membership is \$20.

For meeting information contact Akram Pari (akram.pari@uc.edu).

Directions

The State Library of Ohio is located at [274 East First Avenue in Columbus](#). The building is in the Jeffrey Mining Corporate Center along the north side of East First Avenue. The parking lot and entrance are on the west side of the building. Parking is free.

From the North

Take I– 71 S.

Take Exit 109A to merge onto I– 670 W

Take Exit 4A (Fourth St/US–23 (N)) to N 4th St (US–23)

Turn right (E) on E 1st Ave.

Continue East on E 1st Ave for 0.08 mi until you reach 274 E 1st Ave. (on left)

From the South

Take I- 71 N.

Take Exit 106B to OH-315 (N)

Merge onto 670 (E)

Exit at 4th St. (Exit 4B – US 23, Third St/Fourth St – to the Right)

Turn Left on E Goodale St.

Turn left at light – (N) on N 4th St (US-23)

Turn right at first light – (E) on E 1st Ave.

Continue East on E 1st Ave until you reach 274 E 1st Ave (on left)

From the East

Take I-70 W.

Take Exit 100B (US-23/Fourth St)

Turn Right onto US-23 (US-23/S 4th St)

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