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From the Chair

We've all been touched by the impact of rising costs and budget constraints, either at work, in our personal lives, or most likely, both. Gas has topped \$4/gallon, and libraries are struggling with flat-line or decreasing budgets and rising costs of materials. Tough decisions need to be made.

Yet, despite this being the norm rather than the exception for quite some time, I somehow never imagined that the day would come that we'd see the death of *Statistical Abstract of the United States*. When I first began my career in government documents, *Statistical Abstract* was the first document to which I was introduced. For me, this one work exemplifies government information: of the people, by the people, for the people. I know I am not alone in my sadness and dismay that the FY2012 Federal budget calls for the cut of the Statistical Compendia branch which publishes *Statistical Abstract*.

What can you do? If you share my opinion that *Statistical Abstract* should continue to be produced in print, you can contact your legislators and let them know you oppose the defunding of the Statistical Compendia branch of the Census Bureau, and why. The ALA Washington Office has issued an Action Alert <http://capwiz.com/ala/callalert/index.tt?alertid=37054501>. From here you can enter your zip code to find the appropriate legislator to voice your concerns. The webpage includes talking points to help guide you through the conversation. There are also numerous examples of letter templates available on blogs to aid you in your request, including here <http://freegovinfo.info/node/3219>. Additionally, Alesia McManus, the Library Director at Howard Community College in Columbia, MD, has created a Facebook group "[Save the US Statistical Abstract](#)". I called the Census Bureau and they report that it is not too late to act. If we speak loudly enough, perhaps our voices will be heard.

On to better and brighter changes: please take a look at our colorized logo at the top of the page! We owe many thanks to Michael Reilly, Digital Specialist at Kenyon College, for enhancing our current logo with color. According to the Spring 2001 *Docs Prescription*, the original design was done by Patricia Beike, owner of PB Graphics in North Jackson, Ohio. Michael updated the logo by adding the color version of the state seal of Ohio. A scrutinizing eye will notice that this design varies from the one used for the past few years on the *Docs Prescription* masthead and our webpage. We're not sure of the origins of the variation, but as far as the Executive Board can discern, the logo above is the "official" logo of the Government Documents Round Table of Ohio.

As the time draws near to pass the gavel to our current Program Chair/President-Elect Thomas Adamich, I want to thank each and every one of you for the opportunity and honor to serve as Program Chair and President. Thank you, all.

Andrea Peakovic, Chair of Government Documents Round Table of Ohio
Kenyon College, Library and Information Services

<http://www.wooster.edu/library/gov/ohgodort/docsrx/index.htm>

From the Editor's Desk

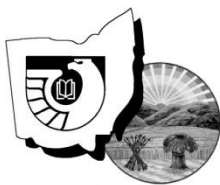
Once again my colleagues have rescued me by sending in interesting and informative articles, to say nothing of a picture of one of our young government documents readers, just the kind of person that Gov Doc Kids wants to reach. I think, if there's a theme to this issue, it's that so many of our articles are about the results of the hard work of our members to make our collections more accessible and to promote their use.

Ellen Conrad has contributed an article about the CONSORT project that will increase consolidation of the government documents collections at Denison University, Kenyon College, Ohio Wesleyan University, and the College of Wooster. I'm sure we'll all be looking at this project to see if something similar might be in our future. We have an update on the Digital Collections Working Group's digitization projects. Soon we'll be seeing the results of their first digitization project, when they make their War Relocation Authority Collection accessible. We've highlighted several promotional activities, including Kellie Tilton's article about promotional activities connected with World Water Week. It's good to see our colleagues from Gov Doc Kids presenting at an international conference.



The History Digitized column includes some useful and interesting web sites, including one that has the poster on this page. It's at the end of the issue, so I'm hoping you'll be curious enough about the poster that you'll read through to the end!

*Carol A. Singer, Editor
Bowling Green State University*



Government Documents Roundtable of Ohio Fall Business Meeting Muskingum University, New Concord, OH November 5, 2010

In Attendance

Tom Adamich, Christine Adams, Michael Besl, Laura Burns, Nina Clements, Schuyler Cook, Cynthia Cort, Kathy Davis, Sheila J. Ellenberger, Audrey Hall, Jeffrey Hartsell-Gundy, Doreen Hockenberry, Suzanne Johnson-Varney, George A. Kline, Roger Kosson, Jeanne M. Langendorfer, Shari Laster, Cheryl Lubow, Cheryl Paine, Andrea Peakovic, SaraJean Petite, Allen Reichert, Josh Teeters, J. Peter Thayer, Kellie A. Tilton, Charlene Willey

Welcome from Chair

Andrea welcomed everyone and congratulated Shari Laster on becoming a member of the Depository Council.

Secretary-Treasurer Report

SaraJean presented the minutes from the previous meeting and several typographical errors were noted. Schuyler moved that the minutes be approved with corrections. Tom seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved. SaraJean said she wanted it to go on record that she appreciated that members had taken time to read the minutes.

SaraJean presented the treasurer's report. Cynthia moved that it be approved, Schuyler seconded the motion, and the treasurer's report was approved.

Reference Librarians

Muskingum University reference librarians *Nicole Robinson and Ryan McLaughlin* stopped by during the meeting and Tom introduced them to the group.

Report from the State Library

Audrey noted that there were many new people present and requested that each person introduce himself or herself.

Then, Audrey announced that there were six new Depository coordinators: Allen Reichert at Otterbein University, Scott Caputo at Columbus Metropolitan Library, Kevin Carey at Ohio State University Law Library, Jeffrey Hartsell-Gundy at Miami University, Jeanne Langendorfer at Bowling Green State University, and Tollie Banker at Kent State University Tuscarawas Campus Library. She welcomed them and encouraged them to ask for help if needed.

Audrey requested that members make sure the FDLP Depository Directory is up to date. If there is no separate web page for documents, one should list the library website. The FDLP eagle should be on each library's website.

The State Library will have an ALA exhibit, "[Forever Free: Lincoln's Journey to Emancipation](#)." The opening reception is on March 9, and the exhibit runs from March 7 to April 15, 2011.

The Government Printing Office is celebrating its [150th anniversary](#) on March 4. George Barnum is coordinating an [exhibit](#) and a [web page](#).

The State Library's budget was submitted on time. They are waiting to see what happens.

There has been no news on the open positions at the State Library.

Cheryl Lubow reported that Connie Ostrove retired. There are now three staff members handling government documents and general reference questions. Connie's position is being posted as a technology position rather than a reference position. Audrey wrote about Connie's retirement in the [Fall 2010 issue of Docs Prescriptions](#).

Executive Board

Andrea reported that the board had agreed to subsidize today's lunch. She reported that she is working on having a high-resolution image of the GODORT of Ohio logo made.

Other topics that the board discussed, but which will appear later in the agenda include: the move of the GODORT of Ohio home page, the mentoring program, and the State Plan revision.

Committee Reports: Membership

Carol was unable to attend, so Andrea read the following e-mail:

The Membership Committee sent all Ohio GODORT members emails announcing the Fall Meeting. The Committee has updated the list of members with their contact information. We would greatly appreciate it if everybody would look at the list and tell us of any changes or omissions.

Peter Thayer reported that Lorna sent Carol and him the list of members, and he and Carol sent the meeting announcement. Then, he asked how many people were at the meeting for the first time. He asked if e-mails prompted them to come and added that speaking with Andrea caused Nina to come. He also requested that we send to Lorna the contact information for anyone who should be added to the membership committee's list.

Newsletter Committee

Carol was unable to attend, so Andrea read the following e-mail:

The Fall 2010 issue of Docs Prescriptions was issued in early November. Thanks to everybody who sent us articles and/or news items! It's not too early to start thinking about what you might write for the Spring 2011 issue. Please send ideas and submissions to Carol Singer. Her contact information is on the Ohio GODORT web site.

Andrea added that the Fall 2010 issue was excellent.

GODORT Home Page

SaraJean reported that the home page is moving to FDLP Community, starting in mid-December.

Tom asked members to forward comments about FDLP community to [Katy Davis](#).

GODORT of Ohio-ALA GODORT Liaison

Shari attended the ALA meeting in Washington, DC this past June. She reported that the ALS Communication Committee had moved to abolish the ALA-GODORT listserv and move the communication to ALA Connect. To access it, one should go to ALA Community and set up a profile.

They are looking for virtual participation opportunities. This includes committees, so it may not be necessary to do in-person work if one is on a committee. They are considering creating virtual education opportunities, such as online courses.

The Awards Committee is accepting nominations for [GODORT Awards](#). There is an article about this in [ALA Connect](#).

On Library Advocacy Day, there was a rally in front of the Capitol. They met with representatives or, if a representative was unavailable, with the representative's staff. Shari, two public librarians, and a school librarian met with Betty Sutton's staff. They discussed their support of net neutrality and GPO funding.

ALA Midwinter will be in San Diego this coming January.

Archives Liaison

Audrey reported that the archives are up-to-date. There was an inquiry about whether Audrey had received the file frame she requested at an earlier meeting. Audrey said she had purchased the frame and received reimbursement.

OhioLINK Liaison

Christine Adams said that OhioLINK is restarting its search for an Executive Director.

OhioLINK is exploring ways member libraries can collaborate on purchases of e-books, so they are owned collectively. This will require some refreshing of the central catalog.

Andrea asked about a discovery layer. Christine and Allen said Quicksearch 2 will be part of this. Allen said that the term "Quicksearch" has been in use since 2006, around the time there was a break-out group about re-envisioning OhioLINK.

Charlene added that recently, OhioLINK had been reaching out to OPAL.

State Plan Committee

Audrey reported that she, Cheryl Paine, Coleen Parmer, Mary Prophet, and Carol Singer had revised the State Plan. There were no major revisions, but they did bring things up-to-date with current references to the Manual. They also added online banking information and updated names of schools that had changed from colleges to universities.

Report from Fall DLC Meeting

Ohio was well-represented at the Fall DLC Meeting in Arlington, Virginia.

Shari reported:

- Bob Tapella is still Public Printer. *William J. Boarman* was nominated and had confirmation hearings, but has not yet been appointed.
- The GPO has re-issued and updated its 1961 publication, ***GPO 100 years***.
- The migration from GPO Access to FDsys is now complete.
- The Federal Register 2.0 has been launched. "A point-in-time system for regulatory information will replace the e-CFR." [Secretary checked transcript for clarification. This is a quote from [PDF pg.28-29](#).]
- As part of strategic planning, there was a RFP for outside organizations to examine the FDLP model and propose a new model for the future. They hired [Ithaka S+R](#). The website for their project is <http://fdlpmodeling.net/> They will be seeking input from the community, and one can sign up for e-mail updates. Shari encouraged members to e-mail her at laster@uakron.edu with our feedback.

- Mary Prophet took part in the program, “Emerging Models for Partnership among Depository Libraries.” She talked about the Ohio Five and said that trust, flexibility, and mutual support made it a successful model. [[link to handouts](#)]
- The presentation on authentication was the highlight of the meeting. The Council was asked about the possibility of making it into an OPAL presentation. [Presentation starts on [PDF pg.313](#) of meeting transcripts. Here is a link to the [slides](#).]

Doreen Reported:

- GPO was working on a Failover system for FDsys.
- USGS has a 5-year plan to digitize all topographic maps. They send 2,000 maps a year. Libraries will receive maps in digital format. BLM and US forestry maps will continue to be in paper because there are people who want a paper product to take into the field.
- STAT-USA is disappearing. Foreign trade / USA trade are not. Currently, Rich Gause of Central Florida has a [Libguide](#) that will help in locating the information that was on STAT-USA. SaraJean added that Wichita State University has archived the [STAT-USA Transition page](#).

Shari Reported:

- The organization that completed the federal depository needs survey is conducting a user survey. There will be an announcement on the FLDP listserv.

Audrey Reported:

- At the meeting for regionals, one theme was that many selective depositories were discarding paper due to space concerns.
- Shari asked about the Title 44 drafts. Audrey said it was posed as an intellectual challenge because they couldn't do anything.

Questions:

- SaraJean asked about how content scanned by non-GPO partners was authenticated. Shari answered that there was a program on the basics of authentication, how it works, and the authentication of what is coming from GPO. FDsys contains authenticated content. Digital authentication of XML is a challenge. The GPO can authenticate Federal Register because it comes from GPO, but there is a question regarding content from partners. To illustrate a point, Tim Byrne demonstrated how he had modified some of the Department of Energy's Office of Scientific and Technical Information's documents (Meeting transcripts, [PDF pg.340](#)). The Library of Congress has digitized **Statutes at Large**, and they are waiting for the Joint Committee on Printing to approve a Memorandum of Understanding. However, there are policy hurdles.
- Cheryl Lubow asked about renaming FDsys. Shari said that James Jacobs wants it renamed “Adelaide,” but GPO is not having a formal discussion about this. FDsys is the official repository, but it is still under development. Branding issues will be resolved later. Audrey added that there was no official word on

- whether the current name was “FD-sys” or “Fed-sys.” She said that the opposition to Adelaide” was that it didn’t come up on Google.
- Schuyler requested clarification about the authentication issues pertaining to the Library of Congress’s digitized ***Statutes at Large***. He wanted to know if Library of Congress was considered an outside entity. Shari said that GPO doesn’t digitize, and that the best they could do is say that there had been “no changes since it has been in GPO’s hands.” She said she would ask about retrospective authentication. Schuyler expressed concerns about how easy it was to change a digital document and stated the importance of there being many print copies of the law.
 - Shari said that FDsys would be going through the “Trustworthy Repositories Audit and Certification” process, and much progress had been made in that direction. Cynthia asked, “Who establishes that they’re certified?” Shari said there is an audit checklist, and an external auditor makes recommendations for improvements, but she didn’t have a record of who the auditor would be. Center for Research Libraries and other international-level organizations have gone through this process, and GPO wants to be the first federal repository to meet these standards.

New Business: Mentorship

Audrey said that someone had called her and asked about the mentorship program described on the GODORT of Ohio website. She said this program hasn’t been active in recent years and asked if there was an interest in being mentored or being a mentor.

Cheryl Lubow was part of the mentorship program. She contacted the mentor coordinator because she wanted to see how things worked at a different library. Coleen Parmer was her mentor. Because of the distance between their libraries, Cheryl didn’t make the trip to Coleen’s library. Cheryl said it was a good idea to have a program.

Shari was not part of formal mentorship program. Out-of-state librarians acted as mentors to her. Shari would like to give new depository coordinators someone they can call.

SaraJean asked who received the information when one completed the web form. Andrea said she’d filled out the form to find out, and found it is going to Mark Gooch.

Doreen, Peter, and Tom expressed an interest in being mentors. Allen expressed an interest in having a mentor and learning how other institutions do things. SaraJean said that most of our members would be willing to give tours of their departments. Andrea added that even for experienced librarians, it can be educational and informative to see how others do things.

The conclusion was that the group wanted to have the mentorship program be more active. SaraJean asked who would coordinate this. Shari suggested the membership committee because ALA GODORT works through its membership committee. Peter had no objections, but as Lorna Newman is the chair of the membership committee, she and Carol Singer (also on membership committee) would need to be consulted.

New Business: Meeting Day

Audrey said that it was brought to her attention that due to public libraries' budgets being cut, they have gone to half-staff on Fridays, and this makes it difficult for public librarians to attend our meetings. She said, traditionally, meetings are on Fridays, but nothing in the bylaws requires this. Meeting on Friday makes it easier for those travelling overnight. She asked if there was a need to change tradition, perhaps holding one meeting on Friday, and having the other on different days of the week.

Peter asked how many in the audience had a front-loaded schedule. Doreen said that faculty prefers to meet Mondays through Thursdays, and Tom agreed. Jean asked how many were affected by the Friday conflict, as she'd heard Friday was best, but wanted to know if other days would prevent people from coming. Audrey said that one person had contacted her.

Several people recommended a survey. Andrea agreed to send the survey to the OhioGovDoc listserv and the membership committee's list. Peter said he would forward the most recent version of the membership committee's list to Andrea.

New Business: Nominating Committee

Andrea announced that the Nominating Committee is seeking volunteers. In the spring, there will be an election for Program Chair. Jeff Hartsell-Gundy, Cheryl Lubow, and Andrea Peakovic agreed to be the nominating committee.

SaraJean suggested asking if anyone present was interested in running. There were no volunteers.

Tom spoke about his experience as chair. He said the feedback made the job easy, and with so many good things happening, there was no shortage of topics. SaraJean added that being Program Chair and Chair was not an extremely large amount of work. Andrea clarified that it just involved planning the program.

New Business: Law.gov

SaraJean Petite read the following letter from Andrew Plumb-Larrick:

Ohio's State Working group to Ensure Access to Electronic Legal Information needs volunteers from the government documents community. As documents librarians, your familiarity with the details of state and local documentation will be of great value in compiling our state inventory.

State working groups, fostered by the American Association of Law Libraries, have taken root in all 50 states. The purpose of the groups is really two-fold - first to coordinate action and advocacy in the state regarding the quality and authentication of online legal materials and secondly, in alliance with the Law.gov movement, to develop our part of a comprehensive national inventory of primary legal resources.

It is for the inventory that we most immediately need volunteers. Law.gov is a movement to study the technical and policy requirements of having all primary legal materials from American governments available freely online, permanently and authentically, in standardized formats and platforms to facilitate both end-user access and bulk access by those who would create value-added search

tools. The most visible format of Law.gov has been a series of workshops/meetings at multiple locations, at which many experts (including figures from the Library of Congress, GPO, and the White House) have spoken. Following the launch through the workshop series, much needed work will be identified regarding technical standards and tools. Meanwhile, the library community, by contributing an inventory of materials extant, will help to grasp both the scope of the overall project and will spot particular patterns, challenges, and needs.

The call for working group volunteers from the AALL Government Relations Office is attached. Information, and meeting video, from Law. gov is available here: <http://resource.org/law.gov/>

If you are interested in participating, or merely curious about the project, please contact Andrew Plumb-Larrick at cap95@case.edu

Discussion: Authentication of State and Municipal Codes

Schuyler said that most pages and sites for primary sources emanating from the State of Ohio say they're not official. He stressed that if an online version is being substituted for an official print version, the online version ought to be official, also. Tom said he would like to see the issue of authentication go to associations of state and municipal governments, and he would like to see an action plan. Cynthia said that the authentication initiatives needed to come from the municipalities. Schuyler said that most online ordinances have been contracted out to one of a small number of companies that publish online ordinances.

New Business: Fall Program

SaraJean suggested that the group invite Andrew Plumb-Larrick to speak on the Law.gov initiative.

New Business: OhioLINK DRC

Shari reported that OhioLINK upgraded the DRC to Dspace 1.6 and they were preparing to launch new instances. Dspace provides a place to store digitized collections. OhioLINK wants administrators trained before they start working on instances. They will start training at the State Library of Ohio. Mary Prophet digitized a test set of digital documents to upload. There is OCLC cataloging that will be cross-walked into Dublin Core Metadata.

Shari emphasized two things:

1. Anyone with interest in working in digital collections is welcome to be involved with this project. There is potential for OhioLINK and GODORT of Ohio to become official GPO partners. There has been discussion about ways OhioLINK and GODORT of Ohio can support this. This is a potential opportunity to look for grants.
2. Since this is responsibility GODORT of Ohio is taking on, it will need to be part of a formal committee. Shari will continue to lead and administrate this group.

Shari and Mary Prophet plan to meet on December 3 at Dennison to get the project underway.

SaraJean recommended that Shari write the proposed language for the bylaws change to make this a standing committee. The name “GODORT of Ohio Digital Collection Working Group” was selected. The question arose as to whether this should be an ad-hoc or standing committee. The group agreed it could be an ad-hoc committee until the bylaws were changed to make it into a standing committee. SaraJean moved that the ad hoc committee be formed. Tom seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Tom Adamich, Nina Clements, Mary Prophet and Allen Reichert joined the committee. Shari Laster, the committee chair, said she would write the language for the standing committee and have it published in the next newsletter.

Next meeting

Audrey agreed to check the availability of dates for the spring meeting. She said she would avoid the weekends of Mother’s Day and Memorial Day.

Adjourn

Schuyler moved that the meeting be adjourned. Doreen seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

SaraJean Petite
Secretary/Treasurer



Do you know your Congressional representative?

**If not, use the links on USA.gov’s page
for contacting elected officials:**

<http://www.usa.gov/Contact/Elected.shtml>

Contact your representative’s office and introduce yourself.



**Ohio GODORT Newsletter
Treasurer's Report
May 4, 2011**

	Income	Expenses	Balance
Beginning Balance September 18, 2010			\$ 4601.28
INCOME:			
Dues:	\$100.00		
Payment for Lunch:	\$120.00		
Interest:	\$1.49		
TOTAL INCOME	\$221.49		
EXPENSES:			
Food for spring meeting		(\$188.50)	
Food for fall meeting		(\$238.44)	
Flash Drive for Secretary/Treasurer		(\$16.14)	
TOTAL EXPENSES		(\$443.08)	
Ending Balance April 5, 2011			\$4379.69

This report was also submitted at the May 4, 2011 Executive Board Meeting. It does not include interest reported on the April bank statement because that statement has not been received.

SaraJean Petite
Secretary/Treasurer



News from the State Library

From Audrey Hall, State Library of Ohio

Staff

Jim Buchman Associate State Librarian for Library Services will retire on September 1 with July 28 as his last day. Two positions have been created for Jim's responsibilities. Those have been filled internally. For right now, the Associate State Librarian position will not be filled.

Nicole Merriman has accepted the position of Head, Research & Catalog Services which includes research/reference and cataloging.

Tracy Grimm has accepted the position of Head, Circulation & Special Services which includes Talking Books, circulation, meeting rooms and inter-library loans.

Talking Books

The Ohio Talking Book Program has been selected to receive the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped's (NLS) Network Library of the Year award for 2010. This prestigious award commends a regional library for excellence, innovation, and special achievement in providing library service to blind and physically disabled individuals in a calendar year. NLS created the Network Library of the Year Award to recognize outstanding accomplishments among the 134 libraries serving blind and physically handicapped individuals across the country and in U.S. territories each year. The award ceremony will take place at the Library of Congress on June 23, 2011

The National Library Services is [celebrating 80 years](#) of the Talking Book Program. Ohio will also have a celebration for this anniversary on Saturday, July 16th at the State Library.

Ohio Documents

The cataloging project for Ohio Documents is making progress through the OA's.. When a full bib record is not available on OCLC, a brief record with title and call number is being added to the catalog. Bob Kelly and Linda Savage are working on the project.

Lincoln Exhibit

The exhibit Forever Free : Abraham Lincoln's Journey to Emancipation was a huge success drawing many new visitors to the library.

Display

Our current display which features documents and volumes from the general collection is on Reconstruction.

Serial Set

Unfortunately, a sign of the times is to shrink shelf space available for federal documents. This has caused many libraries throughout the country and Ohio to heavily weed their older holdings. One that is frequently targeted is the Serial Set because of availability online. The State Library is committed to retaining the Serial Set in multiple formats. We are accepting volumes from Cleveland Public Library's collection and integrating them with our print collection in order to have as complete paper holdings as possible.

New Coordinators

New federal depository coordinators since our last meeting are Jim Kapoun at Youngstown State University, Michael Ruffing at the Public Administration Library affiliated with Cleveland Public Library, and Elizabeth Cline at the Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County. .

Around Ohio

Bowling Green State University: Kellie Tilton, who has been working in government documents at BGSU for the past three years, is leaving us for the University of Alaska - Fairbanks, where she will be doing lots of instruction. We're sorry to see her leave, but excited about what should be a fascinating job and equally fascinating place to live.

Miami University: Jeffrey Hartsell-Gundy ways that Miami University will be undertaking an extensive weeding project of their government documents collection this summer. They will likely be posting several extensive N&O lists over the next few months.

Candidate for Program Chair/President-Elect

The Nominations Committee is very pleased to announce that Miami University's Jeffrey Hartsell-Gundy has agreed to be a candidate for Program Chair/President-Elect.

They want to remind GODORT of Ohio members that there's still time to throw your hat in the ring. If anybody is interested in running, please contact:

Cheryl Lubow, clubow@library.ohio.gov

Also, remember that nominations are welcome from the floor during the Business Meeting.





One of our members borrowed the GPO comic *Squeaks discovers type! : how print has expanded our universe!* and her son loved it so much she had to buy him his own copy!

CONSORT Government Publications Combined Collection Consolidation Project

By Ellen Conrad, Denison University

I. History and discussion

In the fall of 2006, Kenyon College and Denison University undertook a project to study the feasibility of combining the federal documents collection of the two depositories. Based on that study, all four of the CONSORT libraries (Denison University, Kenyon College, Ohio Wesleyan University, and The College of Wooster) began to consolidate and combine the four federal depository congressional hearings collections creating one permanent and enduring collection.

A Library of Record was designated for each congressional committee. Each of the four libraries serves as the Library of Record for some parts of the collection. The Library of

Record permanently holds and is responsible for acquiring and maintaining materials in good condition, cataloging, circulating, and making them available to all patrons. Paper has been designated as our preferred format for this ongoing collection; microfiche is supplied when paper copies are not available. This applies to both transferred and new, incoming materials. Secondary Libraries are the other three libraries that originally received the documents and are now transferring them to the Library of Record. This allows us to weed duplicates and ensure that a more comprehensive collection is maintained in any given subject area than would be possible individually.

Planning, assigning Libraries of Record and priorities for transfer, and writing and testing procedures took the first months of the project. In March of 2008 the Selective Housing Agreement was finalized and GPO approved it. Since then, work has continued on the congressional hearings. As of May 2011, the four libraries are delighted to announce the transfer of hearings is complete!

Now for those who have weeding and documents collections experience, you will understand that completion of transfers does not mean all the work is done. There are still areas of weeding at each of the four libraries, lists of documents to be offered, item numbers to be added and dropped, etc. As with most of what we undertake in the documents community, this has been harder and taken longer than we anticipated.

However as we begin the wrap-up stages we are duly proud of what we have accomplished. Our friends at GPO have followed this ground breaking effort closely and with great interest. We have reported to them and have given presentations at the fall '09 and fall '10 Depository Conferences. We have consulted with staff from ConnectNY, a multi-college New York state consortium. As part of the Ohio documents community, we are pleased to report on another documents innovative and unique project. The Ohio documents community and Ohio GODORT continue to support and encourage these efforts. Any of the staff, listed below, would be pleased to field questions and talk about our experiences.

II. Staffing

Since the project began there have been significant changes in staff assignments at each of the four libraries. This reduced staff has resulted in less time available for the project. The librarians at all of the libraries have added directorship responsibilities, electronic resources, new systems management, etc. Denison University's support staff was reduced from one FTE to ½ FTE during the project. At Kenyon College the ½ time documents staff was promoted to full time Manager of Technical Services in addition to her documents responsibilities. Ohio Wesleyan University's daily processing of documents and project responsibilities was assigned to a cataloger in addition to her other responsibilities. Finally, the full time documents associate at The College of Wooster was given additional cataloging responsibilities and documents time was reduced. Even so, the staff pushed on and have brought the project to completion.

Denison University: Cynthia Cort, Beverly Gage, Roger Kosson, Mary Prophet
Kenyon College: Nina Clements, Karen Greever, Andrea Peakovic
Ohio Wesleyan University: Clint Baugess, Joy Gao, Joyce Laurence
The College of Wooster: Kathleen Garvey, Mark Gooch, Jennifer McMullen
Coordinator: Ellen Conrad, Denison University

III. Project Statistics: 2007-2011

For the project, over 13,000 documents have been transferred from Secondary Libraries to the Libraries of Record. Catalog records have been revised and updated and large portions of uncataloged material have been cataloged. Secondary Libraries have reviewed and kept selected duplicates to support local needs.

We have withdrawn, offered for exchange, made decisions on what to keep, dropped over 175 item selections with GPO, and weeded over 130,000 items which has freed up substantial shelf space. This is particularly noteworthy when you consider the amount of time it takes staff to fulfill the requirements of GPO to withdraw each item.

Final project statistics will be available after July 1, 2011.

Happy Anniversary!

Congratulations to all of our libraries who have an anniversary this year! Time to celebrate!

125th (Became a Federal Depository in 1886):
Cleveland Public Library
Ohio University

60th (Became a Federal Depository in 1951):
Bluffton University

45th (Became a Federal Depository in 1966):
Cleveland State University, University Library
College of Wooster
Muskingum College
University of Rio Grande

40th (Became a Federal Depository in 1971):
Chardon Public Library

30th (Became a Federal Depository in 1981):
University of Toledo, College of Law Library

25th (Became a Federal Depository in 1986):
U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit Library
Wilmington College

20th (Became a Federal Depository in 1991):
Porter Public Library



Ohio GODORT's Digital Collections Working Group

By: Shari Laster, Tom Adamich, and Mary Prophet

Ohio GODORT has partnered with OhioLINK's Digital Resource Management Committee (DRMC) to create a digital repository for government documents within the state of Ohio. Hosted on OhioLINK's Digital Resource Commons (<http://drc.ohiolink.edu/>), the Ohio GODORT collection will include materials digitized or collected by Ohio's government documents librarians, many of which are housed in member library's general collections or archives. Some may be distinct collections created by a single institution, while others can be cooperative collections created by consolidating materials from a variety of holding institutions.

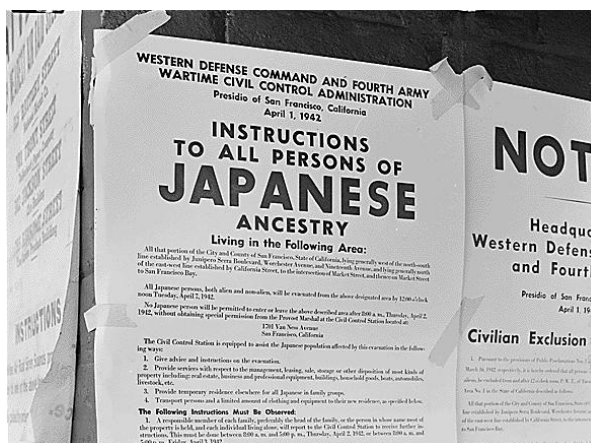
Shari Laster volunteered to coordinate the project and act as the site administrator and DRMC liaison. The group met in early December at Denison University to discuss the project and make arrangements for the first collection, which will be a series of War Relocation Authority documents that Denison University's library digitized several years ago from the holdings of the Denison University Library and the Kenyon College Library.

Currently, a subgroup is working on a procedure that will transform MARC metadata to Dublin Core so that existing catalog records may be used. Another group is working on "branding" the Ohio GODORT OhioLINK DRC site to reflect the government documents focus of the resource. Finally, a batch loading process will be tested on the Denison University Library's War Relocation Authority collection to add it to the Ohio GODORT OhioLINK DRC repository as our first collection.

While there's nothing to see yet at <http://drcgodort.ohiolink.edu/>, we hope to have the War Relocation Authority Collection accessible sometime in June. Later this summer, we will be working on a distributed metadata-checking process to facilitate manual review of automatically generated metadata, testing some PDF enhancements, and making plans for adding additional collections. Stay tuned to ohiogovdoc-l for details.

Thank you to the following Ohio GODORT members and OhioLINK DRMC members for helping to get this project running!

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Recognizing World Water Week with Government Information

By Kellie Tilton, Bowling Green State University

World Water Week, a time period dedicated to drawing awareness to water-related issues around the globe, was celebrated at Bowling Green State University March 20-25 this year. To help draw attention to the most up-to-date information on water issues and on World Water Week itself, BGSU University Libraries created a blog post that highlighted government information about water. The following is an expanded version of that post:

The ties between water and government documents are many, both in the numerous studies and documentations made by local, state and national governments throughout the world and with the origin of World Water Day and Week.

World Water Day has been held annually on March 22 since 1994 with the express purpose to focus on water-related issues for one day. Each year's celebration receives its own theme, ranging from "Women and Water (1995)" to "Water and Disasters (2004)." Some institutions, including BGSU, opt to turn World Water Day into World Water Week and concentrate on raising awareness for a seven-day span.

To help with this mission, the UN and a variety of partners developed [UN-Water](#) to collocate and spread the news on water-related developments, discoveries, successes and failures. UN-Water became the host of the annual World Water Day and subsequent related activities. It also serves as a clearinghouse for a variety of [documents, publications and policy briefs developed](#), as well as a variety of [statistics, charts and graphs](#) to clearly explain how water is used and misused throughout the world. Many of these reports and data are also available through the [Official Documents of the United Nations](#) online portal.

The United Nations put global access to healthy water in the forefront of its mind in its [Millennium Development Goals](#) in September of 2000. The water-related goal included numerous targets to be met throughout a decade (2005-2015) of intense focus, including raising awareness of the issues.

UN-Water decided to focus [2011's Water Week](#) on the impact of urban water use and the affect it has upon water quality and availability. The Environmental Protection Agency is charged with monitoring the water quality throughout the United States and, in 1998, put together a report on [each state's](#) water quality. The EPA also developed a site dedicated entirely to [urban water use](#) and solving the pollution and use problems associated with the growing urban populations.

In addition to knowledge of the issues, we can also try to conserve our water use. The EPA has released information on how to [easily conserve water](#) and has drawn attention to a few organizations that go further in their suggestions for [water conservation](#). (The EPA also started a [Facebook page](#) for water conservation.)

To see the complete post, along with links to the aforementioned sites, please visit <http://dft.ba/-worldwaterweekgov>.



Gov Doc Kids Group at IFLA

Tom Adamich reports that the Gov Docs Kids Group is “proud to have been selected as one of the program topics by the Government Information and Official Publication Section & Government Libraries Section of the 77th IFLA General Conference and Assembly, to be held 13 – 18 August 2011 in San Juan, Puerto Rico. The section’s theme this year is eGovernment: The Role of Librarians.”

The panel’s presentation is:

The Gov Doc Kids Group and Free Government Information

Free government information fuels innovation among all the world's children and has the potential to enhance every aspect of their lives. Join us as members of the Gov Doc Kids Group <http://govdocs4children.pbworks.com/> present tried-and-true, effective means of opening the doors of government information to children. We will explore international and country websites.

The panelists and their topics are:

Joining Hands Around the World: Countries Resources for Children and Teachers, by Tom Adamich

Gov Doc Kids Group, by Martha Childers

FDLP Community and the Gov Doc Kids Group, by Kathryn Davis

How to Create a Government Documents Children’s Collection, by John H. Faria

Country Information for Kids/Teens, by Antoinette W. Satterfield



Gov Doc Kids Group Seeking New Members

By Tom Adamich

Would you like to be part of a worldwide network of libraries and government agencies sharing government information with the K-12 community?

Would you like to help honor the Constitution of the United States by encouraging young people to enter the Constitution Day Poster Contest (nearly 10,000 young people entered in 2010 worldwide – including those attending DoD schools abroad)?



If so, please contact Tom Adamich at vls@tusco.net .

Being a member won't take much of your time – mainly spreading the word about the Constitution Day Poster Contest as well as our resources found at:

<http://govdocs4children.pbworks.com/w/page/8811722/FrontPage>

http://wikis.ala.org/godort/index.php/Gov_Doc_Kids

<http://community.fdlp.gov/groups/viewgroup/14-Gov+Doc+Kids+Group.html> [group site]

<http://community.fdlp.gov/weblinks/community-groups/gov-doc-kids-group.html>
[weblinks]

...Hope you'll join us!

Proposed Bylaws Change

The Digital Collections Working Group has proposed a change to the bylaws to formally recognize this group:

BYLAW 6. SECTION 2.

G. DIGITAL COLLECTIONS WORKING GROUP (Formation date: November 2010)

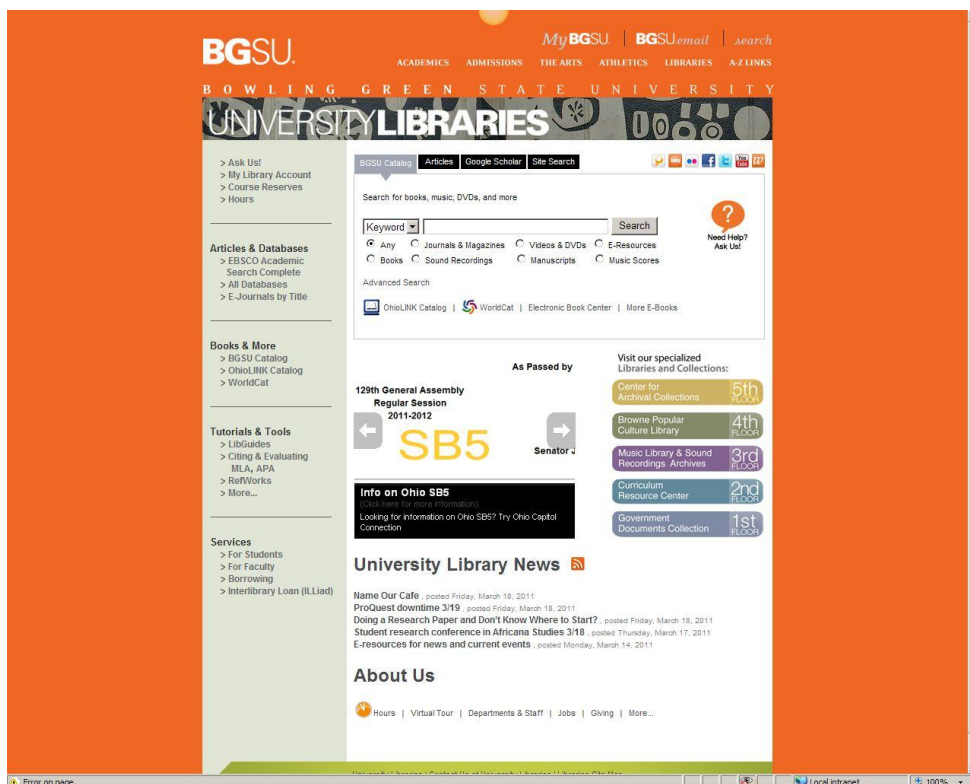
Membership: At least three members of the organization, including at least one representative from an OhioLINK institution. One of the members shall be the person (DRC Administrator) responsible for maintaining the collections and coordinating with OhioLINK.

Charge: Participate in digital initiatives as approved by Ohio GODORT. Administer the Ohio GODORT instance of the OhioLINK Digital Resource Commons (DRC), subject to the provisions of the DCWG documentation.

Using SB5 To Promote Use of Ohio Government Documents

By Carol A. Singer, Bowling Green State University

The BGSU Libraries took advantage of intense faculty interest in SB5, a proposed Ohio law that would limit collective bargaining of public employees, to promote the use of the Ohio Capitol Connection database and the BGSU Libraries Ohio government document collection. A brief notice that extensive information about the bill was linked from a post on the rotating banner on the Libraries' home page:



History Digitized

From Carol A. Singer, Bowling Green State University

FedFlix

<http://www.archive.org/details/FedFlix>

This Internet Archive collection of U.S. government films is a joint venture of the National Technical Information Service and PublicResource.org. Among the huge collection of films are such titles as:

KGB Connections (Parts 1 & 2)

<http://www.archive.org/details/gov.archives.arc.54508>

85th Division Breaks Into Po Valley (WWII)

<http://www.archive.org/details/gov.archives.arc.17947>

I Am Not Alone

<http://www.archive.org/details/gov.archives.arc.651533>

Symposium on Intelligence and the Cuban Missile Crisis 1962

<http://www.archive.org/details/gov.ntis.PB94780186>

A Tale of Two Cities (Hiroshima and Nagasaki)

<http://www.archive.org/details/gov.fdr.301>

Tahtonka (Plains Indians)

<http://www.archive.org/details/gov.archives.arc.13496>

War of the Rebellion Atlas

http://contentdm.baylor.edu/cdm4/index_19wor.php?CISOROOT=/19wor



Baylor University has digitized every map included in this atlas, which was published in the 1890s to accompany the Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies. The maps can be searched or can be browsed by state, city, or bodies of water. This version has more access points than the atlas available at eHistory

<http://ehistory.osu.edu/osu/sources/records/atlas.cfm> or at Simmons Games

<http://www.simmonsgames.com/tools/bookviewer/Frames.html#http%3A%2F%2Fwww.simmonsgames.com%2Fresearch%2Fauthors%2FUSWarDept%2FORA%2FPages%2FAtlas%2FOR-Atlas-Frame.html> or at the Library of Congress' American Memory

[http://memory.loc.gov/cgi-](http://memory.loc.gov/cgi-bin/query/r?ammem/gmd:@field(NUMBER+@band(g3701sm+gcw0099000)))

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Encyclopedia Arctica

<http://www.dartmouth.edu/~library/digital/collections/ocn238796413/index.html>

This encyclopedia of the Arctic was originally supported by the Office of Naval Research, beginning in 1947. The U.S. Navy withdrew its support in 1951. This online version, from the original manuscript, is now being offered by Dartmouth University. The 20-volume encyclopedia includes history, geography, anthropology, geology, engineering, zoology, biographies, etc. This encyclopedia was never published by the U.S. government, but a microfilm edition was published privately.

Pacific Railroad Survey Prints

<http://econtent.library.ewu.edu/cdm4/pacificrr.php>

These images are taken from the 12th volume of the 1860 War Department Reports of Exploration and Surveys (Serial Set 1054-1055). These are some of the earliest images of the Pacific Northwest.

Air Force Historical Research Agency: Studies

<http://www.afhra.af.mil/studies/index.asp>

Although much of the contents of the Air Force Historical Research Agency web site consists of finding aids to their collections, the Studies page provides access to many full

text digitized historical documents. A few of the includes titles are: Barrage Balloon Development in the United States Army Air Corps 1923 to 1942, Airborne Missions in the Mediterranean 1942 to 1945, the World War I Diary of Col. Frank P. Lahm, and The Development of German Aircraft Armament to 1945.

North Carolina State Government Publications Collection

<http://150.216.68.249/ncgovdocs/>

A searchable and browsable database that is composed of thousands of North Carolina government documents, from as early as 1817. Topics include the full range of state government interests and activities, such as slavery, education, agriculture, commerce, health, and the environment.

Tulsa Race Riot: A Report by the Oklahoma Commission to Study the Tulsa Race Riot of 1921

<http://www.okhistory.org/trrc/freport.pdf>

Although this report was written in 2001, it includes quotations from contemporary and an incredibly extensive collection of contemporary photographs.

ArchivaNet: Online Research Tool

<http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/archivianet/index-e.html>

This series of databases from Libraries and Archives Canada provides access to a wide range of Canadian resources. Among the sets of data are: Cabinet Conclusions 1944-1976, land patents, war records, and filings with the Canadian government about UFOs from 1947 to the early 1980s.

World War I and II posters

There are many Internet sites that provide images of World War I and/or II posters, including:

French World War I Posters

<http://imagesearch.library.illinois.edu/cdm4/browse.php?CISOROOT=%2Fwwposters>

The Poster War: Allied Propaganda Art of the First World War

<http://www.royalalbertamuseum.ca/vexhibit/warpost/english/home.htm>

Powers of Persuasion: Poster Art from World War II

http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/powers_of_persuasion/powers_of_persuasion_home.html

War Posters 1940-1945 (National Library of the Netherlands)

http://www.geheugenvannederland.nl/?en/collecties/oorlogsaffiches_1940-1945

World War I Posters from the Elizabeth Ball Collection

<http://libx.bsu.edu/cdm4/collection.php?CISOROOT=WWIPosters>

World War II Poster Collection (Northwestern University)

<http://digital.library.northwestern.edu/wwii-posters/>

World War Poster Collection (University of North Texas)

<http://digital.library.unt.edu/explore/collections/wwpc/browse/>

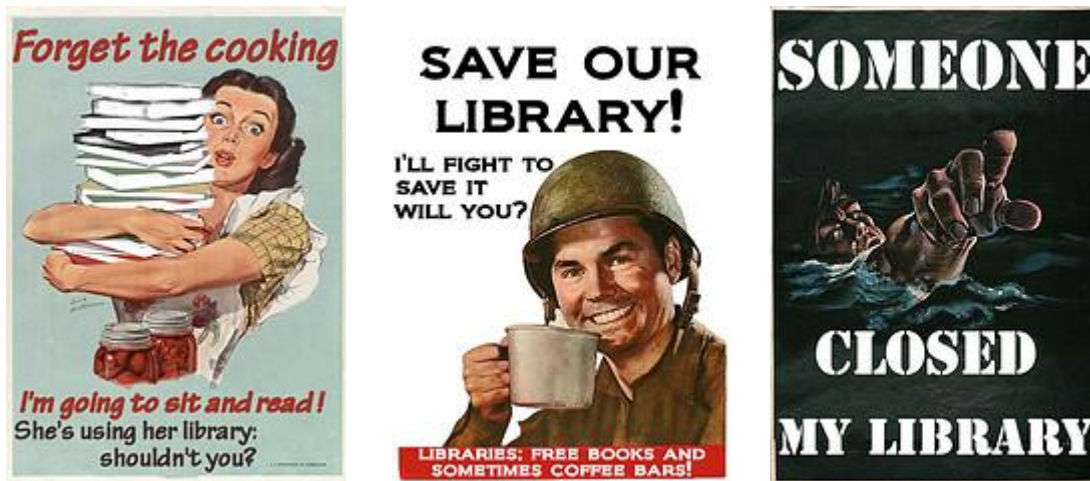
World War Posters (Gettysburg College)

<http://gettysburg.cdmhost.com/cdm4/browse.php?CISOROOT=%2Fp126301coll3>

At the moment, my favorites are Phil Bradley's WW II posters that he repurposed to use in the Save Our Libraries campaign. You'll find images of quite a few posters on his Flickr stream, Library Posters, along with a few photos of how these were used:

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/philbradley/sets/72157625923493122/>

You might recognize the original source of a few of these:



You'll find more information about his project at his blog post:

http://philbradley.typepad.com/phil_bradleys_weblog/2011/01/save-libraries-retro-posters.html

Looking for Previous Issues of Docs Prescriptions?

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

http://community.fdlp.gov/files/cat_view/84-godort-of-ohio/85-docs-prescriptions-newsletter-.html

and

<http://www3.wooster.edu/library/gov/ohgodort/docsrx/index.htm>

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We Want YOU for GODORT of Ohio!

Membership dues for each year (only \$20.00) are due at the Spring Meeting.

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

GODORT of Ohio Spring Meeting

Friday, June 03, 2011, 09:30am - 03:00pm

Our Spring Meeting will be on Friday, June 3, 2011 at the State Library of Ohio. We hope all members and friends of the Ohio Documents community will be able to attend:

Tentative schedule (as of 1 May 2011):

9:30 - 10:00 Welcome and Morning Refreshments

10:00-11:30 - James Jacobs, Stanford University

Digital Federal Depository Library Program

The Digital Federal Depository Library Program, or the "USDocs" private LOCKSS network replicates key aspects of the United States Federal Depository System. The content is held in geographically distributed sites and replicated many times. Citizens have oversight and responsibility for the long-term care and maintenance of the content. All these characteristics mean the content will be preserved so that any alteration of the content (either deliberate or accidental) will be detected and repaired. For all documents, preservation in a tamper-evident environment is important, but for government documents, this is essential.

Please see http://lockss.stanford.edu/lockss/Government_Documents_PLN for more information.

11:30 - 1:00 - Lunch

1:00 - 2:45 - GODORT of Ohio Membership Meeting

2:45 - 3:00 - Closing Remarks

The cost of lunch is \$5, and lunch orders must be e-mailed to Audrey Hall ahall@library.ohio.gov by the end of the business day on Tuesday, May 24, 2011.

Members please note: Membership renewal takes place at the spring meeting. An annual membership is \$20. (If one is purchasing lunch, one may write a single check for \$25.)

Ohio GODORT Spring Meeting
June 3, 2011

Box Lunch Order Form
Order must be received by Tuesday, May 24, 2011
Email form to Audrey Hall, ahall@library.ohio.gov

**The cost is \$5 and should be paid to the treasurer at the meeting.
Checks made out to Ohio GODORT.**

SANDWICH

Chicken Salad _____

Tuna Salad _____

Veggie _____

Ham _____

Turkey _____

Roast Beef _____

Note: Ham, Turkey and Roast Beef served with provolone, lettuce & tomato

BREAD CHOICES

Croissant _____

Wrap _____

Italian Roll _____

Wheat Roll _____

SIDE CHOICE select one

Fruit apple _____

Fruit orange _____

Chips _____

Veggies _____

DRINK

Coke _____

Pepsi _____

Sprite _____

Water _____

Diet Coke _____

Diet Pepsi _____

Mt. Dew _____

NAME _____