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From the Chair

As this year's chair, I'd like to thank everyone for giving me the opportunity to serve. One of the most important things I've learned is that it's the board and members of Ohio GODORT that make it such a valuable and well-run organization. I look forward to continuing my involvement as an active member, and hope to see many of you at our upcoming Spring meeting in Columbus.

*Roger Kosson
Denison University*

From the Editor's Desk

Welcome to the Spring 2014 issue of *Docs Prescriptions!* Thanks to all who contributed articles or materials to this issue! This time we have Kirsten Krumsee's first *News From the State Library* column. Tom Adamich contributed an article about the "Let me Google that for you Act." Shari Laster wrote an update on the newest project of the Digital Collections Working Group, which is a collection of documents published by the Works Progress Administration (WPA) focused on Ohio or produced in Ohio.

I recently attended the Ohio Genealogical Society conference in Sandusky. I expected much talk about government records, but was a little surprised by the number of print government documents that were recommended by presenters. I've compiled a list of some of these publications as a help to those of us who need to help genealogists with their research. While I was there I ran into Doreen Hockenberry, a former government documents librarians from Ohio University. It was nice to see that she's enjoying her retirement!

Enjoy this issue! Maybe it will inspire you to write something for the Fall 2014 issue!

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

Secretary's Report



Government Documents Roundtable of Ohio Fall Business Meeting Minutes State Library of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio November 8, 2013

(To be presented at the Spring, 2014 meeting)

In attendance:

Connie Burke, Audrey Hall, Beverly Gage Jeffrey Hartsell-Gundy, Roger Kosson, Kirsten Krumsee, Shari Laster, Jeanne Laugendorfer, Cheryl Lubow, Amy McCoy, Lorna Newman, Carol Ottolenghi, Andrea Peakovic, SaraJean Petite, Mary Prophet, Mary Ann Ries, Akram Sadeghi Pari, Ella Shurr, Carol Singer, Peter Thayer, Linda Warren.

Welcome

State Librarian Beverly Cain welcomed everyone to the State Library, and thanked GODORT members for their dedication and efforts.

Program

President-Elect and Program Chair Shari Laster organized a virtual meeting with Mary Alice Baish, Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office. For the better part of two hours, Ms. Baish discussed "Partnerships, Collaboration, and New Opportunities" with GODORT members and answered questions.

Understandably, the recent budget brouhaha in Washington affected the GPO/FDLP. Ms. Baish began by mentioning her sorrow that the government shutdown had prevented her from attending the September 13 anniversary at the Bierce Library. She described the ways that the 16-day shutdown had challenged the FDLP. Ms. Baish said that several new courses of action have resulted from the lessons learned from the shutdown, including:

- Council and FDLP meetings will be scheduled in the winter and the spring;
- GPO harvesting of agency websites will be expanded;
- PURLs will be re-directed to GPO-harvested content;
- Links to Government Information Online will be expanded.

Ms. Baish briefly discussed the GPO's branding campaign "Keeping America Informed." She continued with a look at FY 2014 funding, the FDLP forecast (go to <http://beta.fdlp.gov/search?q=forecast+study&st=&f=2&ordering=0&Itemid=101> for forecast reports), and a look at Ohio GODORT's responses to the survey. (Ohio's state – focused depository library action plan is discussed later in these minutes.) Among other things, the forecast survey found that Ohio gov. docs librarians want:

- The opportunity to give feedback on GPO tools;
- Greater granularity when selecting titles;
- Tutorials for users and non-specialists.

(Many thanks to Shari Laster, Cheryl Paine, Peter Thayer, and Audrey Hall for compiling Ohio's survey results.)

A *tooting-Ohio's-horn* moment came when Ms. Baish noted that she had started her career in New Jersey, which had (and has) a strong GODORT chapter. "I learned from the best that you have to have a strong state government documents presence," she

said, and then congratulated the Ohio GODORT chapter on its depth and strength. She also praised Shari Laster's efforts at the national level as the Chair of the Depository Library Council.

To view the PowerPoint slides from the meeting, visit <http://icohere-meeting.net/GPOtrial/EA58D881864D>

Lunch

President Roger Kosson opened the business portion of the fall meeting.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report (Carol Ottolenghi)

Carol Ottolenghi presented the secretary's and treasurer's reports. The secretary's report covered the 2013 Spring Business Meeting. Several minor corrections were suggested to rectify Ms. Ottolenghi's occasional veerings into creative spelling.

The treasurer's report stated that from May 15, to November 1, 2013, GODORT of Ohio's total income was \$365: \$345 in dues, and \$80 from lunch payments. The expenses attributed to this period are \$123.50 for lunch at the spring meeting, \$25.50 for breakfast, and \$50 for GODORT of Ohio's Secretary of State registration renewal. Mary Prophet moved that both reports be accepted after the spelling changes had been made. Mary Ann Ries seconded. The motion passed.

Report from the State Library (Audrey Hall)

Ms. Hall announced that she is 1) getting married, and 2) retiring soon. She introduced Kirstin Krumsee as the expected interim Documents Consultant at the State Library.

In other State Library news, the serial set has been shifted and tattered volumes have been replaced with "healthier" volumes from Cleveland Public's set. The U.S. Senate Library took 1600 of the volumes that were subsequently offered from the State Library's set. Practicum students assisted with many of the processing details.

Ms. Hall noted that, to date, the Statehouse had not responded to offers to display government documents. SaraJean Petite has posted Ms. Hall's display-in-a-bag on the GODORT website.

Report on GODORT Archives (Audrey Hall)

Ms. Hall noted that the archives are up-to-date, and that there have been no requests.

OhioLink / Digital Commons Working Group (Shari Laster)

Shari Laster reported on OhioLink's ongoing decommissioning of individual Digital Resource Commons. Fortunately, the Ohio GODORT content has been moved to the OhioLINK central DRC site, under "Government Documents." The persistent URLs have been migrated and the GPO digitization registry entry has been updated.

Ms. Laster notes that this new arrangement is better for GODORT because we are still in control of the content, but the site design and features are handled centrally by OhioLINK. One added benefit is the implementation of IIP, which allows for seamless panning and zooming features when previewing TIFF images.

The group discussed a number of potential, related practicum projects last year but was unable to proceed until the future location had been secured. Our next steps will be:

- Agree on a collection and digitization protocol;
- Cooperate with KSU SLIS to develop a practicum program;
- Explore project-based grant funding.

Ms. Laster encourages GODORT members to contact her to get involved!

Following Ms. Laster's report, members discussed how to locate Ohio administrative regulations that were in effect prior to the advent of the Ohio Administrative Code. A task force was created to search for pre-OAC regulations and digitize them. Task force members are Kirsten Krumsee, Amy McCoy, Carol Ottolenghi, Akram Sadeghi Pari, and SaraJean Petite. If you have copies of old Ohio regulations, please contact one of the task force members.

Ohio GODORT Website Report (SaraJean Petite)

SaraJean Petite discussed how the new system was working, and that members could sign up for notifications when the site was updated. (Ms. Petite promised no spamming.)

Visit our website and see what's up! <http://ohiogodort.org/>

ALA GODORT Report (Shari Laster)

Shari Laster reported that:

- ALA has an FDLP Task Force created by the ALA Committee on Legislation. The task force issued a report just before the Annual Conference, and GODORT members are encouraged to review the report and provide feedback to GODORT Steering;
- GODORT members are also encouraged to read the NAPA report on GPO, issued in January 2013;
- Two resolutions were forwarded to ALA COL, one of which passed and is included below. The resolution was adopted by ALA Council. It reads:

ADOPTED, ALA CD# 20.5, Resolution Urging Congress to Designate the Government Printing Office as the Lead Agency to Manage the Lifecycle of Digital United States Government Information, which read: "That the American Library Association (ALA), on behalf of its members:

1. Urges Congress designate the Government Printing Office the lead agency to develop a United States federal government-wide strategy for managing the lifecycle of digital government publications, documents, information, and web sites;
2. Urges Congress authorize the Government Printing Office to develop and administer standards and procedures for the United States federal government which include rules for dismantling sites and archiving web content, including the preservation of all pertinent data protocols, documentation, and software programs for evaluating and manipulating the content for permanent public access;
3. Urges Congress require that the Government Printing Office consult with the United States federal publishing agencies, the National Libraries, and professional library and archiving groups in the development of these standards and procedures;
4. Urges Congress to provide the Government Printing Office sufficient funding to handle the archiving of web content, to perform its duties on an ongoing basis and additional funding as necessary to fully assist agencies when they are forced to decommission a web site."

Membership Committee Report (Lorna Newman)

Lorna Newman requested that the Secretary send her a copy of the membership roster. Ms. Newman also reported on her speaking engagement at a recent Kentucky GODORT meeting.

New Business

State Action Plan Revisions (Roger Kosson)

Roger Kosson noted that congressional districts have changed, and that the Plan should be revised to reflect that. The original State Plan committee members – Mary Prophet, Carol Singer, Audrey Hall, and Cheryl Paine – will undertake the revisions.

State Action Plan Implementation Team Created

Ohio's depository library state-focused action plan includes:

- Reviewing and improving their web-presence to better serve users;
- Creating a marketing toolkit;
- Cataloging tangible resources for a strong retrospective collection and future cooperative collection development;
- Exploring database solutions for processing and offers needs;
- Building a sustainable digital collection for Ohio's interests.

Shari Laster proposed creating a team to implement the State Action Plan. Mary Prophet, Peter Thayer, Shari Laster and Andrea Peakovic volunteered. Shari Laster moved that the Team be formed; SaraJean Petite seconded. The motion passed.

Joint Publication Research Service Project (Mary Prophet)

Mary Prophet reported that many tangible JPRS documents are not available online in the Readex collection. She has been providing the vendor with fiche to digitize, but does not have all needed dates. Lorna Newman said that she was currently weeding her fiche collection, and would forward discarded fiche to Ms. Prophet.

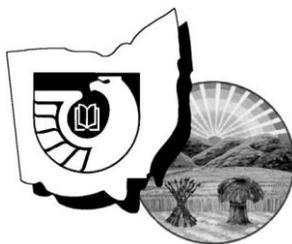
The Spring 2014 GODORT of Ohio Meeting will be Friday, May 16 at the Ohio Attorney General's Office, State Office Tower, 30 E. Broad St., Columbus.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Ottolenghi

Treasurer's Report



Ohio GODORT Spring 2014 Newsletter Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report will be available at the May 16th Spring Meeting.

News From the State Library

By Kirsten Krumsee, State Library of Ohio

Did you know the State Library of Ohio was just named one of the 50 top workplaces in central Ohio? In April, Columbus CEO Magazine and 10TV released their annual list of Top Workplaces. The Top Workplaces are determined based solely on employee feedback. The employee survey is conducted by WorkplaceDynamics, LLP, a leading research firm on organizational health and employee engagement.



Survey responses from the State Library of Ohio show that a majority of staff believe the agency is going in the right direction, operates by strong values and ethics, and have confidence in its leadership. A majority also reported they were well-informed about important decisions concerning the State Library and that their jobs make them feel like they are part of something meaningful. One employee summed it up by stating, "I love my job because: I feel valued and appreciated. I love the people I work with and the work that I do. I can't imagine working anywhere else."

The State Library was the only state agency and also the only library in central Ohio to be named on the list. To view the complete list of Top Workplaces, visit <http://www.topworkplaces.com>

Governor John Kasich kicked off a new public awareness campaign in January to ramp-up Ohio's ongoing fight against human trafficking, the illegal trade of people for commercial sex or forced labor exploitation that enslaves approximately 1,000 Ohioans every year.

The new campaign, led by the Ohio Human Trafficking Task Force, gives Ohioans new resources for how they can personally help combat the problem by reporting suspicious activity. It also is aimed at connecting with trafficking victims themselves, with outreach materials in places where they are likely to see them, such as public transit sites and highway rest areas.

Like many other agencies, the State Library has committed to promote awareness of the issue. In addition to print books on the subject, see our new Human Trafficking information guide for a list of recommended journals, websites and library databases on the subject. Download the guide at library.ohio.gov/sites/default/files/trafficking.pdf

In February, Government Information Library Consultant Audrey Kise retired after more than 26 years with the State Library of Ohio. The State Library Board recognized Audrey for her dedication and service with a resolution at the March board meeting.

On May 5th, I (Kirstin Krumsee) began as the new Government Information Library Consultant. I look forward to meeting you all at upcoming GODORT meetings and I hope to be able to begin visiting some of your libraries in the coming months.

News from Around the State

By Carol A. Singer, Bowling Green State University

Miami University

Congratulations to Jeffrey Hartsell-Gundy on the publication of his article: *Finding government statistics on the Internet: A compendium of major sources*. College & Research Libraries News, March 2014, 75:3, p.148-152. If you haven't already read the article, you'll find it at: <http://crln.acrl.org/content/75/3/148.full>

Ohio University

Nathan Wolfe is the new depository coordinator, replacing Doreen Hockenberry who retired from OU. Kelly Broughton, Assistant Dean at OU, says he is relatively new to the profession, has experience in public service at Ohio University, and is a newbie to the gov docs world. His primary responsibility over the next two years will be to develop and execute a major reduction in the size of our tangible state, federal, and United Nations collections as we prepare for upcoming renovations.

Youngstown State University

YSU also has a new depository coordinator, Christine Adams. Christine, welcome to Ohio gov docs!

Evron Collins: In Memoriam

By Carol A. Singer, Bowling Green State University

Long-time GODORT of Ohio member, Evron Collins, retired ten years ago, but will be remembered by many members, particularly for her work on the GODORT of Ohio Constitution and Bylaws Committee. She was a member of the committee responsible for amending the Constitution and Bylaws in 1989 and was chair of the committee in 1999.

Evron worked for the Bowling Green State University Libraries for 41 years. She served the Library in many capacities, working with both government documents and maps. Evron was the driving force behind getting BGSU named as a Canadian depository. One of her motivations was to acquire the Canadian maps of the Great Lakes, to match our United States maps. Since BGSU has a Historical Collection of the Great Lakes, she knew these would be useful for faculty, students, and other researchers. Several times the library attempted to become a Canadian depository, but was unsuccessful until Consul General John Tennant, from the Canadian Consulate in Detroit, visited BGSU to become familiar with the Canadian Studies Program. While he was on campus, Evron asked him about the possibility of BGSU being named a Canadian depository. One of his staff members advised the Library on how to make an application and the result was that BGSU became a Canadian depository.

When Evron retired she was honored by the Public Affairs Officer of the Consulate General of Canada. She was also named a Professor Emeritus of University Libraries. She died March 17, 2014 in Toledo, Ohio.

The Google Factor: Public Access to Government Information and other ALA GODORT Government Information for Children (GIC) Subcommittee Activities

By Tom Adamich

The Government Information for Children (GIC) Subcommittee has been quite active preparing for ALA Annual 2014 in Las Vegas, in addition to planning its activities for the year and working with other ALA GODORT subcommittees on a variety of activities.

Ohio GODORT members Jeff Hartsell-Gundy and Tom Adamich have joined others on the GIC subcommittee to support ALA GODORT founder Bernadine Abbott Hoduski's initiative to draft a position statement on Senate Bill 2206, commonly known as the "Let me Google that for you Act" or "Google Act".

The bill, found at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/BILLS-113s2206is/pdf/BILLS-113s2206is.pdf>, outlines how the National Technical Information Service (NTIS), in cooperation with the National Archives and Records Administration and the Government Printing Office intend to release government information which will be then made available to the Google search engine and others for public access.

The intent of the ALA GODORT position statement is to ensure that the documents are being identified, properly cataloged, and made available to the public and libraries in a useful form, not merely identified as existing – as is the case with many Google searches that lead users to a "dead end" with no actual documentation to evaluate and use.

I would encourage all Ohio GODORT members to take a look at the "Google Act" and send your thoughts to Jeff - gundyj@muohio.edu or Tom toma@mitinet.com. I'd also encourage you to share your thoughts directly with Bernadine at ber@montana.com and, when you do, please thank her for founding GODORT during her years as a government information librarian in Overland Park, Kansas in the early 1970s. We owe her a great deal for her advocacy and dedication to sharing government information with others via our public, academic, and school libraries.

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/>

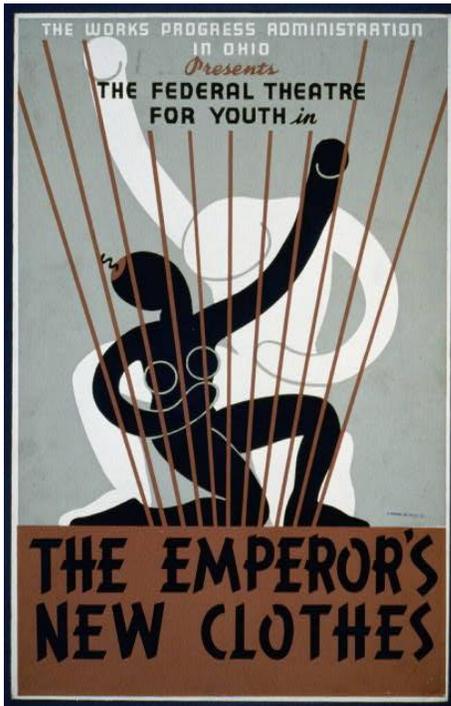
Digital Collections: Focus on Ohio

By Shari Laster, University of Akron

The Digital Collections Working Group met in January 2014 and agreed to develop a new collection focused on New Deal-era Federal publications created within and focused on the State of Ohio. Beginning in 1933 and extending into the 1940s, the Works Progress Administration (WPA) and its sister agencies conducted public works projects on an almost unimaginable scale in order to combat the devastating effects of the Great Depression. Often, these work relief projects were conducted under the supervision of state and regional offices, resulting in publications and documents that track the history and culture of the region and the timeframe in which they were created.

The initial project focuses on WPA publications from 1935 to 1939. Later phases will include Public Works Administration (PWA), Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC), and Works Projects Administration (WPA) publications throughout the Great Depression and early World War II eras.

Mary Prophet (Denison University) and Andrea Peakovic (Kenyon College) identified a list of over 250 Ohio-related publications held by libraries within the state. While many of the publications are accessible through HathiTrust and other digital collections, some are not even cataloged in OCLC or included in OhioLINK. From this list, over two dozen items were identified and digitized by Denison University. Amy McCoy (University of Akron Law Library) and Shari Laster (University of Akron) are developing the metadata for this content, which will be uploaded to the DRC and made available in the next few weeks.



This project is a perfect opportunity to showcase your local Depression-era collections. If you have materials that you feel should be included in this collection, please contact Mary Prophet or another member of the project team. New volunteers are always welcome!



Marketing Can Be Done Anywhere!

By Carol A. Singer, Bowling Green State University

Our Learning Commons produces a weekly series of 8x11 posters that are placed on the inside of doors of all restroom stalls in the Library. To my surprise, several months ago they decided to highlight the U.S. government documents collection! Check out the item at the bottom of the page:

STUDY BREAK

MATH 1260 Exam Study Session! **Thursday, March 27:** The Learning Commons is holding an exam study session for Business Calculus (MATH 1260) from 6:00 PM – 8:30 PM. Come to The Learning Commons as normal during this time to work with tutors specially selected to help you with your exam.

Download full ebooks on SpringerLink! BGSU users have full-text access to nearly 45,000 books on SpringerLink, and now you can download the full text of those ebooks! To access SpringerLink, go to “all databases” on the library homepage and click on the letter “s”. Scroll down to “SpringerLink” and click “connect”. If you need any help, stop by, call, or message the friendly folks at the Research and Information Desk!

Tutor Fair! **Thursday, March 27th** The Learning Commons will be holding their Third Annual Tutor Fair! You are welcome to stop by between 10:00am and 3:00pm to apply for tutor openings for the 2014-15 academic year and to meet some of the staff, current tutors and learn more about working in The Learning Commons. *Please bring an unofficial copy of your BGSU transcript to attach to your application.

Federal Documents Collection Bowling Green State University became a federal depository in 1933. Our collection of 700,000 publications is rich in historical and current material. We hold the:
Census of Population reports from 1790 to present
Foreign Relations of the United States
U.S. Treaties and International Agreements
U.S. Congressional Serial Set and many other important historical primary research sets
Check out the Jerome Library webpage for a complete listing!

Happy Anniversary!

We have a lot of anniversaries to look forward to in 2014, including a bumper crop of libraries that became depositories in 1884!

140th (Became a Federal Depository in 1874):
Hiram College Library

130th (Became a Federal Depository in 1884):
Clark County Public Library
Denison University, William H. Doane Library
Marietta College, Legacy Library
Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County
Toledo-Lucas County Public Library



105th (Became a Federal Depository in 1909):
Dayton Metro Library
Miami University, King Library

85th (Became a Federal Depository in 1929):
University of Cincinnati, Langsam Library

50th (Became a Federal Depository in 1964):
Heidelberg University, Beeghly Library

45th (Became a Federal Depository in 1969):
University of Dayton, Roesch Library
University of Findlay, Shafer Library

35th (Became a Federal Depository in 1979):
Case Western University, School of Law Library
Marion Public Library

30th (Became a Federal Depository in 1984):
Worthington Libraries

Looking for more information about GODORT of Ohio?

See the GODORT of Ohio Blog

[http:// ohiogodort.org/](http://ohiogodort.org/)

Constitution Day Poster Contest

It's not too early to think about how you'll encourage children to enter the Constitution Day Contest this Fall. Entries are due September 17, 2014. The entry form is available at:

http://www.constitutionday.cc/2014_postercontest_form.pdf

More information about the contest is available at the ConstitutionFacts.com website:

<http://www.constitutionfacts.com/constitution-poster-design-contest/>

Tom Adamich provides the following statistics about the early years of the contest:

Constitution Day Poster Design Contest - Statistics

2007 - 61 entries from 8 states and 1 country (Department of Defense schools in Japan) with 10 winners.

2008 - 1,100 entries from 7 states and 0 countries with 14 winners.

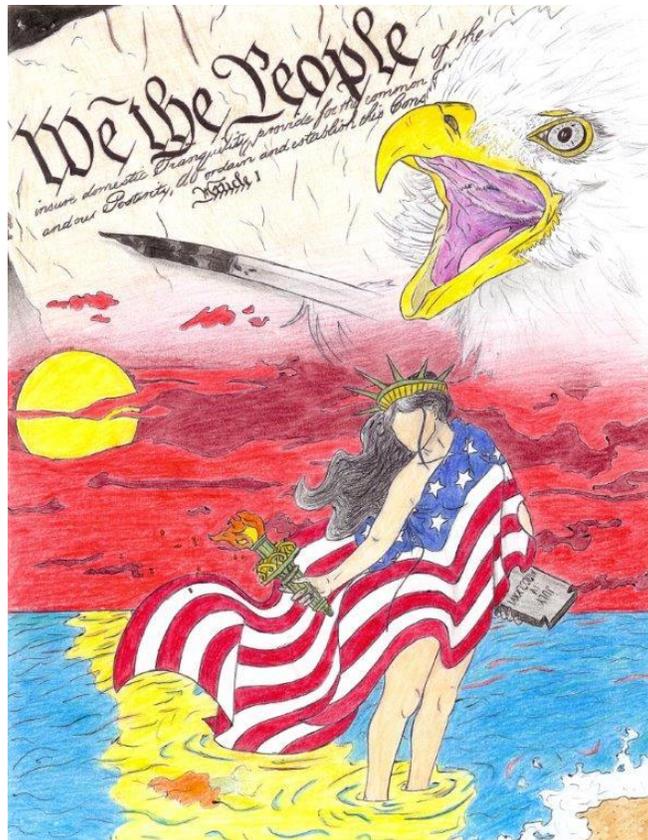
2009 - 2,395 entries from 37 states and 3 countries (Department of Defense schools in Italy, Japan, and Korea) with 13 winners.

2010 - 9,399 entries from 45 states and 3 countries (Department of Defense schools in Italy, Japan, and Korea) with 22 winners.

2011 - More than 30,000 entries from 50 states and the District of Columbia, and 30 countries with 44 winners/finalists.

You can see the winning grade-level posters at the ConstitutionFacts.com website.

Congratulations
National winner,
12th grade:



to the 2013
Patrick Corbin,

Government Documents at the Ohio Genealogical Society Conference

By Carol A. Singer, Bowling Green State University

As you would expect, government information took center stage at the Ohio Genealogical Society Conference, held in Sandusky, Ohio April 30-May 3, 2014. Many of the presentations were on the use of various kinds of government records: military records, prison records, census records, tax records, land records, among other types of federal, state, and local government records. Most of these records aren't part of our depository collections. However, genealogists also use the kind of government documents that populate our collections. As you would imagine, National Archives publications were recommended at many of the sessions. So what other government documents did the various presenters mention?



One of the first sessions of the conferences, *My Father's War: A Case Study in World War II Research*, by Diane VanSkiver Gagel, recommended going to your local federal depository library to use World War II histories, among other government documents. In addition to putting in a plug for depository libraries, she also told where to find these books online and recommended a variety of federal military web sites.

Paula Stuart-Warren, in her presentation on *Midwestern Railroad Research*, recommended the Library of Congress publication, *Railroad Maps of North America: The First Hundred Years* (LC 5.2:R 13/2)

In his presentation on Coast Guard research, *Risking It All: Genealogical research in the U.S.L.S.S.*, Michael L. Strauss recommended several U.S. Coast Guard publications:

- *Sand Pounders: An Interpretation of the History of the U.S. Life-Saving Service, Based on It's Annual reports for the Years, 1870 through 1914*, by Robert F. Bennett (TD 5.2:SA 5/2)
- *Historical Register, U.S. Revenue Cutter Service Officers, 1790-1914*, by Dennis L. Noble.

Craig Roberts Scott's presentation, *Civil War Medical Records*, featured illustrations from the *Medical and Surgical History of the War of the Rebellion 1861-1865* (W 44.10:), in addition to information about what kind of information can be found in this set. These volumes can be read online at several places, including the National Library of Medicine: <http://collections.nlm.nih.gov/catalog/nlm:nlmuid-14121350R-mvset>

Connie Reik, in her presentation *Military Ohio State Documents & Publications for Family History Research* recommended locating depositories for Ohio documents using the State Library's list of State of Ohio Depository Libraries http://library.ohio.gov/LPD/fed_state_docs/LocateDepository/List

She also recommended several Ohio government documents:

- *The Official Roster of the Soldiers of the American Revolution Buried in the State of Ohio*, published by the Ohio Adjutant General's Department. (OA 1.19/19:)

- *Program Suggestions for Commemorating the Sesquicentennial of the War of 1812*, from the Ohio Governor's Committee for Commemorating the Sesquicentennial of the War of 1812. (OYW 30-4.2:P964-960)
- *Fort Meigs and the War of 1812: Orderly Book of Cushing's Company, 2nd U.S. Artillery, April 1813-February 1814, and Personal Diary of Captain Daniel Cushing, October 1812-July 1813*, published by the Ohio Historical Society (OOH1.2:M512/975)
- *Roster of Ohio Soldiers in the War of 1812*, published by the Ohio Adjutant General's Office. (OA 1.19:1812; or OA 1.19:R68/1812 or OA1.19/6:916, it's not the same call number at all libraries)
- *Official Roster of the Soldiers of the State of Ohio in the War of the Rebellion*, published by the Ohio Adjutant General's Office. (OA 1.19:R68/1861 or OA1.19/7:)
- *Official Roster of Ohio Soldiers in the War with Spain, 1898-1899*, published by the Ohio Adjutant's Office. (OA 1.19:R68/898 or OA1.19/20:898-899)
- *A History of the Activities of the Ohio Branch, Council of National Defense, 1917-1919: How Ohio Mobilized Her Resources for the War*, by James M. Cox and the Ohio Council of National Defense. (OYN27.2:H673/917-19)
- *The Official Roster of Ohio Soldiers, Sailors and Marines in the World War, 1917-1918*, published by the Ohio Adjutant General's Dept. (OA 1.19:1917-18 or OA 1.19:R68/917 or OA 1.19:)
- *Union Bibliography of Ohio Printed State Documents, 1803-1970*, published by the Ohio Historical Society. (OOH1.2:B471/973)

Eric Eugene Johnson, in his presentation *Ohio's Black Military Men – the First 100 Years*, recommended *Freedom by the Sword: The U.S. Colored Troops, 1862-1867*, published by the Army's Center for Military History. (D 114.2:SW7 or D114.19:SW7), in addition to the *Official Roster of the Soldiers of the State of Ohio in the War of the Rebellion* referenced above.

Jenni Salamon and Kevin Latta, of the Ohio Historical Society, gave a presentation on the digitization of the *Ohio State Journal: Out of the Book and Onto the Web: The Ohio State Journal Project*. Although the *Ohio State Journal* wasn't a government document, it was considered to be the Ohio paper of record for much of the 19th and the early 20th centuries. For a time it was also the official reporting newspaper of the Ohio General Assembly, so it could be useful for Ohio government and legislative research. Issues for 1832-1879 and portions of 1885, 1889, and 1909 can be accessed at <http://www.ohiomemory.org/cdm/landingpage/collection/p16007coll22>

F. Warren Bittner, in his presentation *On Mountain or Prairie: Treasures in Federal Land Records*, referenced:

- *Land Ownership Maps: A Checklist of Nineteenth Century County Maps in the Library of Congress* (LC5.2:L22)
- *American State Papers: Public Land Series and Claims*

Thomas Stephen Neel gave a presentation, *Exploring Ohio's Township Records*, in which he recommended the Ohio Historical Society publications *Ohio Municipal Records Manual* (OOH1.2:M966/988) and *Ohio County Records Manual* (OOH28.3/2:C832/2000)

Slave Tags: Governmental Licensing, Labelling and Marketing of Humans Souls, by Janet Minor Forte referenced *The History and Growth of the United States Census, Prepared for the Senate Committee on the Census*, by Carroll D. Wright. (Y4.C33/2:H62)

As you can see, the Ohio Genealogical Society conference included many presentations that pointed out the utility of a United States and/or Ohio depository collection. This article lists only a few of the documents we have in our collections that can be valuable to a genealogist. Want to get in on the fun? The next Ohio Genealogical Society conference will be next Spring in Columbus, Ohio. For more information, keep an eye on their web site <http://www.ogs.org/conference2015/index.php>

Great National Reconnaissance Office Logo

By Carol A. Singer

In December the National Reconnaissance Office launched NROL-39, which contained twelve CubeSats, or nanosatellites. These CubeSats conducted various scientific experiments. To find out more about this program, see the announcement at:

<http://www.nro.gov/news/press/2013/2013-04.pdf>

You have to love the logo for NROL-39!



We Want YOU for Ohio GODORT!

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

Send your checks made to "GODORT of Ohio"
To Carol Ottolenghi (see address in list of officers)

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Ohio GODORT Spring Meeting, May 16, 2014 **Office of the Ohio Attorney General, Columbus, Ohio**

WHEN: May 16, 2014, 9:30 am –2:30 pm

WHERE: Office of the Ohio Attorney General, 30 E. Broad St., 15th Floor, Columbus, OH

IMPORTANT NOTICE: All attendees must be prepared to present a **current state-issued ID** in order to be granted entry into the buildings where both the meetings and tours will take place. You may also wish to wear comfortable shoes because we'll be walking to the Statehouse and the Supreme Court!

Agenda	
9:30 – 9:55 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greetings and Refreshments (AGO Library, 15th Floor)
10:00 – 10:30 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome from Mary Mertz, 1st Assistant Attorney General (17th Floor) • View AGO history exhibit
10:30 – 11:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excursion to the Ohio Statehouse to view the government documents display
11:00 – 12:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excursion to the Ohio Supreme Court to tour the OSC Education Center • Meet with Diane Mercer, Reference Librarian at the OSC Library
12:15 – 1:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunch, provided by Ohio GODORT [order form available May 5, due May 14] (AGO Library)
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business Meeting (AGO Library)

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