Hi all,

We had a nice intimate gathering yesterday, August 8, at OHIONET hosted by Roman Panchyshyn of OHIONET and featuring Bill Barrow of Cleveland Memory.

*Presentation*

Bill toured us through the history of Cleveland Memory and various outreach tools (some tools more successful than others). I jotted down some notes, and I'm sure that Bill would be happy to answer questions if you contact him directly (w.barrow@csuohio.edu.), or use the List to discuss.

This week Cleveland Memory has a *huge* display at their county fair (images of the exhibit on http://www.clevelandmemory.org/), and is offering several methods to capture visitor's memories: 1. quick MP3 captures of audio memories, 2. full-blown high quality sit down oral histories, 3. sign-in book, 4. on-line as this week's headliner at the MemoryArchive (www.memorywiki.org/).

Bill has published a feature-rich Cleveland Memories monthly e-newsletter for some time (http://web.ulib.csuohio.edu/SpecColl/newsletter/archive/), but has now moved to a blog (http://clevhist.blogspot.com/). He has also experimented with Flickr (http://www.flickr.com/photos/clevelandmemory/).

I for one really appreciate hearing about all this stuff--and I appreciate hearing about the less successful too. If we confine ourselves to only sharing our highest successes, it's not nearly so helpful.

*Members' Meeting*

We welcomed Kiff Francis (kiffrancis@gmail.com) as a new member. Kiff is particularly interested in Ashtabula Co. digital collections. She is currently on education leave from OU Libraries (her empty office is next to mine), and is finishing her library degree and serving as a FT intern at OCLC research division. Kiff has volunteered to populate the Resources section of the OHIODIG Web site (http://www.ohiodig.org/resources.html).

We also welcomed new member and brand new OHIONET employee Morag Boyd (moragb@ohionet.org). Morag comes to Ohio from Illinois State University Libraries where she served as bibliographic services division head and also worked on CONTENTdm projects. I should say "comes back" to Ohio as she is an Oberlin alum.
Other attendees included Roman Panchyshyn, me, and Kathy Hughes (State Library) for a total of 6.

Since we normally have 15-25 attendees, the group decided that this was a sign that we should probably not schedule meetings in June, July, or August, but rather stick to September, November, February, and May for our quarterly meetings. Of course this open to discussion!

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 14, hosted by Kathy Hughes at the State Library of Ohio in Columbus. Kathy and Nicole Merriman will present on their work capturing and cataloging "born digital" state documents as part of OCLC's Content Cooperative pilot.

best, janet
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