OhioDIG Meeting Notes | July 7, 2015 | Public Library of Cincinnati & Hamilton County

Celebrating the 10th anniversary of first OhioDIG meeting, the group took a field trip to Cincinnati. About 35 attended the meeting. There was a tour the afternoon before the meeting at the joint preservation lab of PLCHC and University of Cincinnati, with 10 signed up. It consisted of several stations where people can rotate to view photodoc, cradles/enclosures, transporting objects-exhibits, special collections, humidification flattening, and digital forensics.

And in the afternoon following the meeting, PLCHC conducted tours of the digitization unit and the Cincinnati Room. The digitization unit included demonstrations of various equipment used in the new lab, as well as a short discussion on the equipment and why it was chosen. The Cincinnati Room included a brief "tour" of the **Cincinnati Panorama of 1848** and allowed time to explore the Room's current baseball exhibit. The Joseph S. Stern, Jr. Cincinnati Room, adjacent to the Genealogy and Local History Department, displays local history artifacts and provides a climate controlled and secure environment for using the Library's rare and fragile materials.

**Katrina Marshall & Stephanie Brickning** from the PLCHC presented on their recently completed large migration of content from a home-grown content management system into CONTENTdm. They discussed why CONTENTdm was selected as their new digital collections management system, the new workflows that have been implemented due to this change, and what challenges they have encountered during the migration process. Slides available from the meeting page at [http://ohiodig.org/meetings.html](http://ohiodig.org/meetings.html)

**Upcoming Meetings**

- September 9, 2015 – Westerville Public Library – Emily Shaw of The Ohio State University, will present on preservation/digital curation planning
- Check OhioDIG website for updates

**Featured Updates**

- **DPLA (Digital Public Library of America) Planning Grant**
  - Funded by State Library of Ohio (LSTA) & OPLIN to figure out best structure and related governance and legal documents needed for Ohio to join DPLA
  - Steering committee will have first meeting on 7/22/15 to get started and establish working groups
  - Symposium to be held in November or December 2015
  - Coming soon—survey of Ohio institutions to gauge where they are in terms of digitization and metadata to see who’s ready for DPLA, who needs help, etc.—want as many people as possible to participate to help with planning and future implementation
  - Updates on project wiki: [www.dplaohio.org](http://www.dplaohio.org)
- **IR (Institutional Repository) Day**
  - October 23, 2015 at the State Library of Ohio
  - Program TBD
    - Interested in topics related to open access & recruiting content from faculty
    - Representative from bepress (Digital Commons) to attend
- **Ohio Humanities (formerly Ohio Humanities Council)**
Another source for grant funding – major and quarterly opportunities
Staff will read drafts and provide feedback
Can do digitization, but must have humanities content – exhibit/other programmatic element

Society of American Archivists Annual Meeting
August 16-22, 2015 in Cleveland, Ohio
Opportunities for one day preconference workshops that are less expensive than full conference
See website for more info: http://www2.archivists.org/am2015

Attendee Updates
American Jewish Archives
- Implementing a digital asset management system – either CONTENTdm or Vital
- Digitizing three collections—Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum (will be made available soon); Rabbi Herbert Friedman Friedman (will be available toward the end of 2015); and Mandel (available in 2016)

Boone County Public Library
- Working to add content to DPLA hub
- Adding new CMS/IR

Cleveland Public Library
- Review/standardization of metadata and statistics for reporting (CONTENTdm vs. Google Analytics)
- Working with local school districts to encourage use of collections on Cleveland Digital Public Library

Columbus Metropolitan Library
- Planning for move back to Main Library next summer (2016)
- Metadata cleanup to prep for DPLA
- Adding Central Library Consortium collections into My History (about 100K images)
- Digitizing Pike County historic newspapers
- Digitizing David Lucas collection

Miami University
- Shared results on Ohio Digital Collections Analytics survey via OhioDIG listserv; will do the survey again next year—please contact Marcus Ladd if you’d like to help

MidPointe Library System
- Received local grant to purchase flatbed scanner
- Processing more collections

National Museum of the U.S. Air Force
- Trying to do more digitization/digital programs
- Public Affairs office is sharing World War I photos via social media

Ohio History Connection
- Newspaper digitization for Ohio Memory ongoing, includes content from Wooster and Amherst (through partnerships with local libraries) and from Athens, Caldwell, Circleville, Columbus (German language) and Zanesville to be made available late summer/early fall
- NEH World War I planning grant – collections survey coming out to cultural heritage institutions in Ohio soon
• Volunteers working on metadata cleanup/digitization for Ohio History Connection site collections and a glass plate negative collection
• Lily Birkhimer & Jenni Salamon presenting two free webinars for History Fund grant applicants on how to write a competitive grant application for digitization projects – July 9 & August 13, 1-3pm (registration required, recording will be available at www.ohiohistory.org/historyfund)
• Purchased two new book scanners – Atiz & Zeutschel 12000 A1
• Huron Public Library receiving Ohio Memory training in July

• Ohio University
  o Finalizing two new entry-level positions, three-year appointments, one in Archives and the other in Digital Initiatives
  o New head of Metadata Services starting soon, will be more collaboration between Metadata Services and Digital Initiatives
  o Working on metadata management and boosting visibility of digital collections

• OPLIN
  o Digitization Hubs grant cycle has ended, looking to interview hub participants for a narrative to include on project website about lessons learned
  o Revising OPLIN’s strategic plan to coincide with new budget—it will officially acknowledge support of digitization projects

• Otterbein University
  o Digitizing student journal
  o Recruiting Digital Initiatives Librarian

• Public Library of Cincinnati & Hamilton County
  o Migration of CMS from homegrown system to CONTENTdm ongoing
  o Adding metadata to digital collections
  o Ohio Library Council Technical Services Action Council hosting a retreat next spring (March 31-April 1, 2016) and looking for 1.25 hour long program on digitization; look on OLC website for more info

• State Library of Ohio
  o Connecting to Collections
    ▪ Final workshop covering environmental control & disaster response on September 21, 2015 in TBD location in northern Ohio
    ▪ Planning for next phase – conference call in July with other states to discuss Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Grant opportunity to develop multistate digital preservation curriculum & implementation (2 year project)
  o LSTA grants
    ▪ Competitive grants to be announced in mid-July in four categories: Literacy, Outreach & Partnerships, STEM and Data Analysis & Management
    ▪ Digitization projects may fit into Outreach & Partnerships or Data Analysis & Management
    ▪ Request up to $50K with 25% match required
    ▪ Applications due September 9, 2015 for projects beginning January 1, 2016

• Toledo-Lucas County Public Library
  o Migration to CONTENTdm/Ohio Memory ongoing
  o Purchased Canon EOS 700 camera

• University of Cincinnati
- Ongoing work to establish digitization lab – hoping to receive approval to purchase new equipment soon
- Worthington Libraries (Susan Allen)
  - Web developer close to having transcript and multi-image (for 3D objects) viewers ready for Worthington Memory
  - Recently acquired 3D printer
- Wright State University
  - Wright Brothers newspapers added to CORE Scholar
  - Added close captioning to videos in CORE scholar—had transcriptions but they weren’t synced; used YouTube to automatically sync/timestamp transcriptions

Minutes by Jenni Salamon
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