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# North Carolina

## DIGITAL HERITAGE CENTER

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### Quarterly Report, April – June 2014

In the second quarter of 2014, the North Carolina Digital Heritage Center staff welcomed many new partners, including its 150th content partner; shared information about the program at statewide and national conferences; and continued to digitize and publish a wide variety of materials from North Carolina institutions.

#### ***New Partners***

##### **Benson Museum of Local History**

The Benson Museum of Local History contributed 38 high school yearbooks, ranging in date from the 1930s through the 1960s.

<http://www.digitalnc.org/institutions/benson-museum-of-local-history/>

##### **East Bend Public Library**

The East Bend Public Library, located in Yadkin County and part of the Northwestern Regional Library system, became the Heritage Center's 150th partner with the contribution of a scrapbook documenting the town's centennial celebration in 1987.

<http://www.digitalnc.org/institutions/east-bend-public-library/>

##### **Moore County Library**

The Moore County Library, part of the Sandhill Regional Library System, participated in the high school yearbooks digitization project by sending yearbooks from schools in Aberdeen and Carthage.

<http://www.digitalnc.org/institutions/moore-county-library/>

##### **Chapel Hill Historical Society**

Located just down the street from the Heritage Center's home in Wilson Library, the Chapel Hill Historical Society holds a wide-ranging community history collection. The Center worked with the Historical Society to digitize 16 yearbooks from Chapel Hill High School and has plans to work on additional materials in the future.

<http://www.digitalnc.org/institutions/chapel-hill-historical-society/>

### **New Bern-Craven County Public Library**

The New Bern-Craven County Public Library worked with the Center to digitize a selection of materials from its local history collection including high school yearbooks and rare, early city directories.

<http://www.digitalnc.org/institutions/new-bern-craven-county-public-library/>

### **Rex Healthcare Library**

The library at Rex Hospital in Raleigh has a terrific collection of historic materials documenting the history of the hospital as well as the nursing school that was operated by the hospital for many years. The Center worked with Rex to digitize scrapbooks, pamphlets, yearbooks, and photographs.

<http://www.digitalnc.org/institutions/rex-healthcare-library/>

### **Olivia Raney Local History Library**

The Olivia Raney Library in Raleigh, part of the Wake County Public Library system and home to a large local history collection, brought nearly 100 high school yearbooks from Wake County schools to the Center to be digitized. These have already proven to be popular with many current and former Raleigh residents.

<http://www.digitalnc.org/institutions/olivia-raney-local-history-library/>

### **Central Piedmont Community College**

The Center worked with Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte to digitize yearbooks from the early 1960s, when the school was Mecklenburg College, and catalogs from the mid-1960s through the early 2000s.

<http://www.digitalnc.org/institutions/central-piedmont-community-college/>

### **Watauga County Public Library**

The Watauga County Public Library contributed materials from its Historic Boone collection. The Center digitized 500 items, including clippings, postcards, documents, and a large number of photographs, all documenting people and places in Boone from the early 20th century through the 2000s.

<http://www.digitalnc.org/institutions/watauga-county-public-library/>

### **High Point Museum**

The High Point Museum sent city directories and high school yearbooks to the Center for digitization.

<http://www.digitalnc.org/institutions/high-point-museum/>

### **Heritage Research Center at High Point Public Library**

The local history collection at the High Point Public Library, working in conjunction with the High Point Museum, selected several early high school yearbooks to be digitized.

<http://www.digitalnc.org/institutions/heritage-research-center-at-high-point-public-library/>

## Highlands Historical Society

The Highlands Historical Society, located in Macon County, brought yearbooks and newspapers from the Highlands School to be digitized, along with copies of the Galax News, a local newsletter published during the summer through the 1950s and 1960s.

<http://www.digitalnc.org/institutions/highlands-historical-society/>

## Ongoing Projects

In addition to work with the new partners listed above, the Center continued work digitizing and publishing online materials from many of its current partners, including: family photos and ephemera from the **Braswell Memorial Library** in Rocky Mount; library extension publications and catalogs from **UNC-Chapel Hill**; store ledgers from the **Montgomery County Public Library**; manuscripts, photos, and a collection of Civil War letters from the **Stanly County Museum**; issues of the Pitt County Genealogical Quarterly from the **Farmville Public Library**; additional yearbooks from the **Charlotte Mecklenburg Public Library**; scrapbooks from a former president at **Fayetteville State University**; recent yearbooks from **North Carolina A&T**; high school yearbooks from the **Alamance County Public Library** and the **Granville County Public Library**; additions to the World War II collection from the **Wilson County Public Library**; maps from **UNC-Charlotte**; baseball scrapbooks from the **Wayne County Public Library**; and student newspapers from **UNC-Asheville**.

The Digital Heritage Center worked with **26 different partners** this quarter.

## News

### On the Road

Digital Heritage Center staff traveled a bit this quarter, visiting partner institutions and attending conferences. In April, Nicholas Graham and Lisa Gregory presented at a session on North Carolina and the Digital Public Library of America at the annual meeting of the Society of North Carolina Archivists in Raleigh. Lisa also attended the CONTENTdm Southeast User Group meeting in Charleston, S.C., and the annual meeting of the American Library Association in Las Vegas, where she was able to connect with colleagues from other statewide digital library programs.

Staff members also visited current and potential partners at the **Charlotte-Mecklenburg Library**, the **Durham County Library**, the **Museum of Durham History**, **Duke University**, and the **Oliver Nestus Freeman Round House Museum** in Wilson.

## **Map Digitization for UNC-Charlotte**

In May, the Center digitized a selection of historic maps from the special collections library at **UNC-Charlotte**. These maps will be published online by UNC-Charlotte as part of their LSTA-supported “Living Charlotte” project. This work demonstrates that the Digital Heritage Center continues to provide support for institutions of all sizes, including those working on complex digitization projects of their own.

## **Digital Public Library of America**

The Center continues to serve as the statewide service hub for North Carolina for the Digital Public Library of America (DPLA). This quarter, the Center worked with **Duke University** to start sharing metadata with the DPLA and added the well-known Documenting the American South collections from **UNC-Chapel Hill**. Several of the current providers added additional digital collections to be shared with the DPLA. North Carolina institutions are now contributing more than 200,000 records to the DPLA.

## Statistics

### Items Online by Project

Project	Number of Objects	Number of Pages (Scans)
Images of North Carolina	6,383	7,987
North Carolina Memory	3,146	108,544
North Carolina Newspapers (number of issues)	38,394	267,310
Durham Urban Renewal Records	1,799	4,293
<b>North Carolina Yearbooks</b>		
College and University Yearbooks	4,112	680,028
Other Campus Publications	3,924	582,001
High School Yearbooks	1,539	175,319
North Carolina City Directories	944	538,206
<b>Total</b>	<b>69,358</b>	<b>2,363,688</b>

### Visitors to DigitalNC.org, April 1 through June 30, 2014

Unique visitors	63,964
Average sessions per day	998
Sessions from North Carolina	50,588
Total number of sessions	90,793
Total number of page views	406,655