



North Carolina

DIGITAL HERITAGE CENTER

Quarterly Report

APRIL – JUNE 2016

This quarter the North Carolina Digital Heritage Center reached 200 partners! This milestone was promoted by UNC Libraries through social media, and we enjoyed celebrating with staff and friends.

New Partners

C. M. EPPES HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI HERITAGE SOCIETY, INC.

Located in a recreation center in Greenville, NC, the C. M. Eppes High School Alumni Heritage Society, Inc. has a collection centered on the local African American high school and African American culture. This organization was referred to us by East Carolina University and the State Archives' traveling archivist program. We worked with the Society to share many of the high school's yearbooks online.

<http://www.digitalnc.org/institutions/c-m-eppes-high-school-alumni-heritage-society-inc/>

KINSTON-LENOIR COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Kinston-Lenoir County Public Library, our first partner from Lenoir County, contacted us with an interest in digitizing their Sybil Hyatt manuscript collection. Sybil Hyatt was a noted Lenoir County genealogist and historian. Since being shared online, this extensive collection has garnered much attention for its usefulness to remote researchers.

<http://www.digitalnc.org/institutions/kinston-lenoir-county-public-library-kinston-n-c/>

OCRACOKE PRESERVATION SOCIETY

In November 2015, Lisa traveled to Ocracoke, along with colleagues from UNC Libraries, to teach at a workshop held by the North Carolina Center for the Advancement of Teaching. While there, she visited the Ocracoke Preservation Society and mentioned the Digital

Heritage Center's services. During this quarter, the Society brought two separate batches of Ocracoke-related materials for digitization. There are now a variety of items on DigitalNC documenting Ocracoke, including local histories, photographs (extensively identified by the Society), brochures, and other ephemera.

<http://www.digitalnc.org/institutions/ocracoke-preservation-society/>

ROURK BRANCH LIBRARY (SHALLOTTE, N.C.)

Our 200th partner and the first partner from Brunswick County, Rourk Branch Library submitted a nomination for a newspaper title to be digitized. The library secured permission to digitize and share *The Brunswick Beacon*, and issues from 1985-1994 are in the process of being added online.

<http://www.digitalnc.org/institutions/rourk-branch-library-shallotte/>

WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY PROFESSIONAL CENTER LIBRARY

The Professional Center Library at Wake Forest University was referred to the Digital Heritage Center by the Z. Smith Reynolds library. The PCL had an interest in digitizing issues of their alumni publication, *The Jurist*. Issues of this publication are now online.

<http://www.digitalnc.org/institutions/wake-forest-university-professional-center-library/>

WARREN COUNTY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Warren County Memorial Library submitted a newspaper title nomination for *The Warren Record*. This library worked hard to prioritize the years they thought would be most beneficial for their users to have online. We were able to digitize 1929-1938, and 1959-1970 during this round of microfilm digitization.

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

Ongoing Projects

Anna Loewenthal, Elizabeth Blackwood, Lauryn Harvey, and Jessie Tang digitized and published online materials from many of the Center's current partners, including:

- photographs from the **Benson Museum of Local History**
- scrapbooks and yearbooks from the **Granville County Public Library**
- yearbooks from **Campbell University, Shaw University, the Wendell Historical Society**
- minute books, Civil War correspondence, and certificates from **The Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina**
- newspapers from the **Jewish Historical Society of Greater Charlotte**
- scrapbooks and student newspapers from **Salem Academy and College**
- photos and high school publications from **Braswell Memorial Library**
- local histories and scrapbooks from **Rockingham County Public Library**
- book club memorabilia from the **Wilson County Public Library**
- scrapbooks, photo albums, and yearbooks from the **Stanly County Museum**
- genealogical society publications from the **New Bern-Craven County Public Library**

The Center worked with a total of **18 different partners** during this quarter.

200 Partners!

In June, the Digital Heritage Center held its annual advisory board meeting. This meeting continues to be a rich source of ideas and feedback that help direct the Center's operations for the coming year. Later that same day, we took the opportunity to celebrate reaching 200 partner institutions. Members of the community visited to show their support and to celebrate the Center's accomplishments. This milestone received good coverage on social media, and was highlighted on UNC Library's website.

On the Road

Digital Heritage Center staff attended several conferences this quarter. Stephanie attended ConvergeSE, a conference for web developers and designers. Lisa attended the annual DPLAFest in Washington, D.C., where she presented with DPLA staff and members of the Georgia hub about newspaper digitization in North Carolina. She also attended the first NC LIVE annual conference in Raleigh.

Other Outreach Opportunities

Several on-campus events afforded the Center an opportunity for outreach. Lisa was asked to co-teach a workshop on Digital Project Management at the SEI Summer Educational Institute for Visual Resources and Image Management, held at UNC-Chapel Hill. She also attended a LAUNC-CH (Librarians' Association at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill) Community Roundup, to give other UNC librarians an update on newspaper digitization challenges and successes at the Center. We'll be looking for more opportunities like this, given recent feedback that UNC Library staff would like more information about the Center's services and updates.

Audio-Visual Digitization Update

After some delay due to challenges related to a budget revision, we were finally able to issue a call to our partners to nominate audio-visual materials from their collections for digitization. Nominations were selected from the following institutions according to the selection criteria listed in the call (<http://www.digitalnc.org/blog/were-looking-for-av-materials-to-digitize/>).

- **Belmont Abbey College**
- **Chapel Hill Historical Society**
- **Cumberland County Public Library**
- **Davidson College**
- **Duke Medical Center Archives**
- **Mauney Memorial Library**
- **Ocracoke Preservation Society**
- **State Archives of North Carolina**
- **University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**
- **University of North Carolina at Wilmington**

These items have been digitized and description is currently underway. We look forward to revealing more about the contents in our next Quarterly Report.

Microfilmed Newspaper Digitization Update

As in years past, the Digital Heritage Center received an abundance of nominations for microfilmed newspaper digitization. Twentieth-century titles from under-represented populations, from new partners, and from new counties were all prioritized. We were able to select 90 reels from over 600 nominated. The following titles were selected:

Title, Nominating Institution	Years
<i>The Brunswick Beacon (Shallotte, N.C.)</i> Rourk Branch Library	1985 -1994
<i>Jackson County Journal (Sylva, N.C.)</i> Jackson County Public Library	1921 -1943
<i>The Journal-Patriot (North Wilkesboro, N.C.)</i> Wilkes County Public Library	1933 -1947
<i>Polk County News (Tryon, N.C.)</i> Polk County Public Library	1923 -1926
<i>The Sylva Herald and Ruralite (Sylva, N.C.)</i> Jackson County Public Library	1943 -1950
<i>Trench and Camp (Charlotte, N.C.)</i> Charlotte-Mecklenburg Public Library	1917 -1918
<i>The Warren Record (Warrenton, N.C.)</i> Warren County Memorial Library	1929 -1970
<i>Winston-Salem Chronicle (Winston-Salem, N.C.)</i> Forsyth County Public Library	1974 -1996

The vendor previously digitizing microfilmed newspapers for us no longer offers that service to the public. We are now working with a new vendor, and the process has been going very well. Many of the titles are now online, with the remainder to come over the next month.

DPLA Hub News

During this quarter, the Center spoke with representatives from Montana who are in the process of preparing an application to become a DPLA service hub. Stephanie spoke in detail about the technology behind hub operations. In addition, Lisa was asked by DPLA staff to review and give feedback on several prospective service hub applications.

Statistics

ITEMS PUBLISHED ONLINE TO DATE

Project	Number of Objects	Number of Pages (Scans)
Images of North Carolina	11,446	17,024
North Carolina Memory	6,358	229,926
North Carolina Yearbooks		
College and University Yearbooks	4,303	712,271
Other Campus Publications	4,149	609,011
High School Yearbooks	2,602	260,953
North Carolina City Directories	972	548,704
North Carolina Sights & Sounds	232	636
Total	30,062	2,378,525

Project	Titles	Issues	Number of Pages (Scans)
North Carolina Newspapers	238	62,372	506,365

VISITORS TO DIGITALNC.ORG, APRIL 1 – JUNE 30, 2016

Unique visitors	98,086
Average sessions per day	1,607
Total number of sessions	146,311
Sessions from North Carolina	79,024
Total number of page views	776,741

VIEWS OF DIGITIZED MATERIAL AVAILABLE THROUGH ARCHIVE.ORG, APRIL 1 – JUNE 30, 2016

430,560

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