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Summary of November 14, 2005 OhioDIG meeting
Worthington Memory, Old Worthington Library, Worthington, Ohio
(<http://www.worthingtonmemory.org/>)

Agenda

- 11:15 - 11:50 OWL Meeting Room. "Showcase Worthington Memory"
- Speakers: Susan Allen, Digital Library Leader, and Stefan Langer, Webmaster, both of Worthington Libraries;
- 11:50 - 12:00 Worthington Room. Tour of digitization work area.
- 12:00 - 1:00 OWL Meeting Room. Lunch and Discussion

About 12 folks attended, primarily from the Columbus area, but also from places as far away as Athens and Dayton.

Our hosts Susan Allen and Stefan Langer described their project (<http://www.worthingtonmemory.org/about.cfm>). They reviewed their process, demoed live cataloging, and toured the Web interface.

- The database is homegrown, but modeled after Ohio Memory, and currently contains almost 1200 items.
- All scanning, transcription, and most cataloging is done by volunteers. More on the volunteers, including job descriptions can be found here (<http://www.worthingtonmemory.org/volunteers.cfm>).
- Most of the original materials are not owned by the library, but were loaned just for digitizing.
- After the presentation and questions, the group briefly toured the digitization work area, then back to the meeting room for brown bag lunches, introductions, and discussion.

Discussion/Meeting

- Some attendees had to leave early and were not included in the lunch or discussion.
- Dayton Metro Libraries reported they were looking at CONTENTdm, and also offered to host a meeting.
- Grandview Heights Public Library reported their Photo Ohio project is still offline due to problems with the Horizon system.
- Fairfield County Library said their project is currently tied up with copyright concerns.
- State Library talked about their current project harvesting Web sites, and their potential digitization project of Ohio Government Documents.
- Ohio Historical Society invited all to the next meeting on newspaper digitization.
- Discussion that we should use the OhioDIG Listserv more--use it to discuss, brainstorm, announce, etc.

- Janet Carleton volunteered to be OhioDIG facilitator/coordinator, as it seems some things might run more smoothly if there were a person in that role. Due to light turn-out, that question and the following from Mary were put off until the next meeting.

Mary Manning by email:

I would like to propose three points of discussion for our next meeting:

- Methods of communication, scheduling, organizing
- Greater or Central Ohio group?
- 4 or 5 meetings a year?

The next meetings: presentations 11:15am-12:00pm, lunch and discussion/meeting follow 12pm-1pm.

Tuesday, February 14, Ohio Historical Society, Columbus. Contact: Angela O'Neal, aoneal@ohiohistory.org, "Digitizing Historic Newspapers" (<http://www.ohiomemory.org/>) (<http://www.ohiohistory.org/>)

Tuesday, May 9, OSU Medical Heritage Center, Columbus. Contact: Mary Manning, manning.84@osu.edu, "Using Greenstone Open-Source Digital Library Software at a Cultural Heritage Institution." (<http://mhc.med.ohio-state.edu/>)

Tuesday, August 8, OHIONET, Columbus. Contact: Roman Panchysyn, romanp@ohionet.org. No topic set yet. (<http://www.ohionet.org/>)

Tuesday, November 14, no site or topic yet.

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