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# **KDLA Awarded NHPRC Electronic Records Grant**

The Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives received a two-year grant from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) of the National Archives and Records Administration in support of the Kentucky State Archives Digital Repository: Leadership in Preservation, Access, and Training (L-PAT) Project. The award is one of four issued to state archives in the first year of NHPRC's State Government Electronic Records program.



The grant will complete KDLA's transition to a fully-functional trusted digital repository for long-term preservation of and access to Kentucky state government records using digital preservation application Preservica. This grant will support continued development of the electronic records repository, with a concentration on preservation and access for records and/or formats with permanent value. It will also allow KDLA to strengthen its policies, procedures, and workflows to create a model framework that can be used in other repositories, particularly state and territorial government archives. KDLA will expand its training program for Kentucky state agency records officers and government officials, repository users, and other designated communities. In addition, KDLA will partner with the Commonwealth Office of Technology (COT, the state's central IT department) to test Preservica's SharePoint transfer tool and secure submission agreements from state agencies.

"This grant will allow KDLA to fulfill its strategic vision to establish a model electronic records and digital preservation program and digital repository, while also providing KDLA with the opportunity to share information, provide training, and increase use and understanding of the Electronic Records Archives," said Beth Shields, Manager of the Electronic Records Management Branch and grant Project Director. "We appreciate the support of the National Historical Publications and Records Commission. This grant will have a major impact on our ability to preserve and make accessible electronic records of permanent value."

Project products and results will be made available through the KDLA website and published articles. Social media will be used to highlight grant activities and accomplishments. Staff will make presentations at meetings and conferences.

"The keeping of the public record of a civilized people is a continuing responsibility where properly the task is never completed. The vigilance necessary to preserve the record is synonymous with that of preserving the freedom of an open and democratic society." Dr. Thomas D. Clark, former Historian Laureate of Kentucky

#### **Archives Research Room Hours and Closings**

The Archives Research Room is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Free parking is provided outside the KDLA building.

Please mark your calendars for these upcoming closures.

May 30 Monday Memorial Day June 17 Friday Archives Institute July 4 Monday Independence Day September 5 Monday Labor Day

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# KDLA Employee **Spotlight**

Derek Clark joined the Archives Research Room staff as an Archivist on December 1, 2015. Derek has an MSLS from the University of Kentucky, and has experience in archival work with UK Special Collections and in reference at William T. Young He worked in the libraries at Marshall Library. University for over three years, while earning a degree in English. Derek serves as the social media coordinator for the Archives and Records Management Division, and works in the Research Room assisting customers with reference requests and researching records. Derek regularly works on a number of ongoing projects including updating and maintaining electronic databases and indexing court cases to be made available for public access.



#### **PUBLIC ARCHIVES SYMPOSIUM**

Please mark your calendars for the Public Archives Symposium, scheduled for October 2016 at the Kentucky Department for Libraries More information on the and Archives. Symposium will be in the next issue of "For the Record."

### **Public Archives Symposium 2015**

The twenty-seventh annual Public Archives Symposium, hosted by the Friends of Kentucky Public Archives, Inc. and the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives, was held on October 21, 2015, in the Activity Room at KDLA. Dr. Tom Appleton of Eastern Kentucky University and Dr. Melissa McEuen of Transylvania University, coeditors of Kentucky Women: Their Lives and Times. spoke about the difficult process of selecting who to include in the book, and shared some very interesting insights about several of the women and their role in Kentucky history. A large audience enjoyed the presentation and many participants stayed for questions and to speak with Dr. Appleton and Dr. McEuen after the meeting. Thanks to our speakers, the Friends, and Archives and Records Management Division staff for helping to make the 2015 Public Archives Symposium an unqualified success.



## **Kentucky Archives Month 2016**

Transportation and Industry in Kentucky is the theme for Archives Month 2016. Please check the website for events that will be held throughout the state, or use the site to submit your own event. This site also has a Planning Guide to assist you in planning your Archives Month activities. We encourage all Kentucky archival and manuscript repositories to commemorate Archives Month in some way, with an open house, a workshop, a featured speaker, an exhibit, a tour or any other type of event. <a href="http://archivesmonth.ky.gov">http://archivesmonth.ky.gov</a>

#### Archives Institute Set for June 17

The thirty-second annual Kentucky Archives Institute is scheduled for Friday, June 17, 2016 at the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives, 300 Coffee Tree Road, Frankfort. The Institute, sponsored by the Friends of Kentucky Public Archives, Inc. and the Kentucky State Archives, provides information for scholars, researchers, and genealogists interested in archival research and records.

This year's Institute will feature Professional Genealogist J. Mark Lowe, who will be speaking on early Kentucky court records. Larry Weese and Hope Bryant with the Cabinet for Health and Family Services will discuss records of state hospitals and mental health facilities. Two members of the KDLA staff will also be presenting. Archives Research Room Supervisor, Walter Bowman, will be speaking on the Kentucky Council of Defense. Trace Kirkwood, Local Records Branch Manager, will provide insights on using archival records in performing research on local history.

A registration fee of \$50 includes attendance at the Institute from 8:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., a box lunch, and all materials. Deadline for registration is June 10, and seating is limited to fifty. Registrations should be sent to: Friends of Kentucky Public Archives Inc., Kentucky Archives Institute, P.O. Box 4224, Frankfort, KY 40604.

For more information please contact Tim Tingle at the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives at 502-564-8348, or <a href="mailto:tim.tingle@ky.gov">tim.tingle@ky.gov</a>.

# The Thirty-Second Annual Kentucky Archives Institute

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## June 17, 2016

## **Activity Room, Second Floor, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives**

8:30 - 9:00	Registration/Pastries
9:00 - 9:15	Welcome -Dave Schroeder, President, Friends of Kentucky Public Archives, Inc.
9:15 - 10:45	Early Kentucky Courts -J. Mark Lowe, Professional Genealogist
10:45 - 11:00	Break
11:00 – 12:00	Kentucky Council of Defense -Walter Bowman, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch
1:00 – 2:00	Historical Institutions in State Government -Larry Weese and Hope Bryant, KY Cabinet for Health and Family Services
2:00 - 2:15	Break
2:15 - 3:15	Every Hedgerow Has a History: Using Archives to Discover Local Heritage -Trace Kirkwood, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives
3:15 - 3:45	Conclusion

Please clip and mail the form below, along with registration fee(s), by June 10.

Space is limited to 50 attendees.

If you have any questions, please contact Tim Tingle at 502.564.8348 or tim.tingle@ky.gov.

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## New Shelving for the Archives Center

Installation of new shelving is proceeding in the Archives Center, and should be completed within the next few weeks. With the exception of space reserved for high priority records, the Archives Center has been at capacity for a number of months. The new shelving will provide space for an additional 5,000 cubic feet of records. Depending on the backlog of records still in agencies awaiting transfer to the Archives, and future demands, the new shelving will likely be filled within a few years. Once the Archives Center is at capacity, the State Records Center has a section reserved for archival storage space for new accessions.

The Friends of Kentucky Public Archives, Inc. is a not for profit membership organization of private citizens concerned with helping the Public Records Division of Kentucky's Department for Libraries and Archives fulfill its role as a vital information link between people and government. organization The Friends' supports preservation, management, and Kentucky's historic public records and serves as an advocate for the Kentucky State Archives, which the division manages. For further information, contact the Friends at P.O. Box 4224, Frankfort, KY 40604.

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