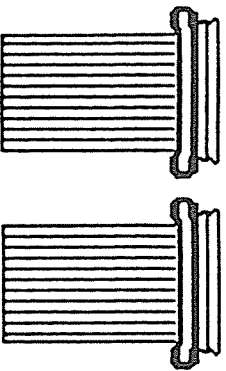


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Fourth Annual Meeting

The Fourth Annual Meeting and Dinner of the Friends will be held in Frankfort on October 16. The Friends business meeting will be held in the Activities Room, Department for Libraries and Archives, at 4 p.m.; dinner will be served at the Frankfort Country Club at 7 p.m.

Featured speaker at the annual dinner will be Dr. Lowell Harrison, a well-known Kentucky historian, whose topic is "A Lifetime in the Archives."

Members are encouraged to return the reservation card as soon as it is received. We look forward to seeing you at the Fourth Annual Meeting.

KDLA Local Records

Grants Program Enters Third Year

The KDLA local records program, authorized by the 1984 General Assembly, is now entering its third year. The program was created in response to a statewide demand for measures to insure the protection of local government records and to improve management of those records. Under this program, the Department provides grants to cities, counties, and other local government agencies.

To date, grants have been made in a variety of areas. From the origin of the program through the first cycle of fiscal 1986-87, \$1.935 million in grant funds have been awarded. Grants have been awarded to 112 county governments and 111 city governments. Grants have been made for security microfilm of public records.

Representatives of the Department's Public Records Division work directly with local government officials to provide technical assistance and advise in archival administration and records management.

Those interested in further information about this program may write to the Local Records Program, Public Records Division, KDLA, P.O. Box 537, Frankfort, KY 40602.

Joint Project Features KDLA, UK Collaboration

The Department for Libraries and Archives and the University of Kentucky are working on a joint project to provide document conservation services to a major portion of the University's Kentuckiana manuscripts. Staff of the Department's Document Preservation Laboratory is carrying out the work; grant funds awarded to the University are providing staff, supplies and equipment necessary to carry out the work.

Especially noteworthy is the use of a new custom-made Minter ultrasonic document encapsulating machine, which will enable staff to rapidly prepare mylar protection enclosures for all documents treated by the Laboratory. Such work was previously much more labor intensive.

This joint program is another example of the Department's continuing commitment to work with other groups and public agencies on projects of joint interest, where the resources of each can complement one another.

News 'n Notes

Dr. Bellardo Receives Plaque

On May 5, the Friends presented to Dr. Lewis J. Bellardo a plaque in recognition of his 14 years of service to the Kentucky department for Libraries and Archives. Dr. Bellardo is now Director of the Georgia Historical Society, Savannah, GA.



Third Archives Institute

The Friends sponsored its third highly successful archives institute. Eighteen persons registered for this year's expanded program on genealogy and archival records.

Clark Intern Program Completes Second Year

The Thomas D. Clark Endowment's Summer Internship in Archival Administration recently completed its second year of successful operation, and the future of the program looks very promising. Under the terms of the program, the Endowment provides a stipend for a summer intern who works for three months under the supervision of the Director, Public Records Division, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives.

In contrast to other archival internship programs, many of which focus on archival arrangement and description projects, the Clark intern has an opportunity to observe and participate in administrative planning and decision making at a senior management level. This is a rare opportunity for someone about to embark on a career, often without a clear idea of the scope of the field and the prospects for professional growth advancement. In this sense, the Clark program provides a chance to attract talented, younger people to the archival profession just as they are leaving graduate school.

During 1985, Andy Baer, from the University of Louisville, worked with the Division's developing program to manage automated record systems (records in machine readable formats). The Division is currently carrying out a federal project in this area and has received additional state support for these activities. Andy joined the division as a regular staff member in June 1986. The 1986 intern, Ellen Greever, from the University of Kentucky's College of Library and Information Science, worked on Division program assessment and in developing better automated management tools for the local records program.

Both Andy and Ellen provided valuable assistance to the Division, while getting a first hand look at the realities of managing a complex public records management agency, which includes the largest archival repository in Kentucky.

The Clark Internship is an investment in our archival future, one which is already paying good dividends. For further information, contact the Office of the Director, Public Records Division, P.O. Box 537, Frankfort, KY 40602.

Mrs. Edna Milliken Retires

After nearly 13 years in the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives, Edna Milliken retired on August 22. Edna worked for the past six years in the Public Records Division. She long had the idea of a Friends organization and was instrumental in the formation of this support group.

Edna served as the Public Record Division's liaison with the Friends for more than four years. She made all plans and implemented programs for the regional meetings and three genealogical/archives institutes, all sponsored by the Friends.

We appreciate Edna's contributions to our organization and wish her only the best in her retirement.

Regional Meeting On Local Government Archives

Another in the popular series of Friends' sponsored seminars in the use and management of local government records will be held November 13, 1986, at the Maysville Community College.

Co-sponsored with the Historical Confederation of Kentucky, the program will feature a keynote address by Professor Stuart Sprague of Morehead State University and individual sessions and panel discussions on the management and use of public records, the importance of conservation: a management responsibility, archival resources in the classroom: unrealized potential, and access and use of local public records: the user's view.

In addition to Dr. Sprague, speakers will include local public officials, historical society and museum personnel, staff of the Kentucky Historical Society and the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives, and private researchers. The program, which will run from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., will include a box lunch. Further information about the event, including a full agenda and registration forms, will be available in the coming weeks from the Department for Libraries and Archives.

Friends' Calendar Of Notable Events

- September 27** Joint Meeting, Board of Directors, Friends and Clark Endowment Fund, Shakerstown
- October 16** Fourth Annual Meeting, Frankfort Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives
4 p.m. Business Session
7 p.m. Dinner, Frankfort Country Club Executive Committee Meeting, Maysville
- November 13** Regional Meeting, Maysville Community College, Maysville
Executive Committee Meeting, KDLA
Board of Directors, KDLA
- December 18** Executive Committee Meeting, KDLA
January 15 Board of Directors, KDLA
February 19 Executive Committee Meeting, KDLA
March 19 Executive Committee Meeting, KDLA
April 16 Board of Directors, KDLA

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