CARLI Preservation Committee

Annual Report, FY 2014

Members:

Bonnie Parr (2013-2014), Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum, Chair

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Lorraine Olley (2013-2015), University of Saint Mary of the Lake Mundelein Seminary

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Staff Liaisons: Elizabeth Clarage, Nicole Swanson

Meetings:

The Preservation Committee met 6 times during FY 2014:

2 in-person meetings – August 2, 2013 (CARLI Office), April 16, 2014 (Milner Library, Illinois State University)

4 conference calls - October 2 and December 5, 2013; February 24 and June 11, 2014

The major topics discussed at these meetings included: planning webinars for Fall 2013 and Spring 2014, selecting information to include in a white paper about resources for preservation training, and submitting articles and other information about preservation to the CARLI newsletter, blog, and website.

Activities:

- Maintained the Preservation Webliography on the CARLI website links to websites about preservation topics
- Submitted the following Preservation Tips for the CARLI Newsletter:

"Shelving Commandments" – July 2013

"The Challenge of AV Preservation and Access" - September 2013

"Creating a Disaster Plan: How to get started using the dPlan" - October 2013

"Disaster Preparedness and Developing Relationships with Local Emergency Responders" – December 2013

"Emergency Supply Cart" - January 2014

Deodorizing article - May 2014, forthcoming, possibly submitted as a blog

Submitted a series of blog entries featuring YouTube preservation videos:

"Training Students" - Fall 2013

"Library Disasters" - Spring 2014, forthcoming

"Book Repair/Binding" - Summer 2014, forthcoming

Hosted the following webinars:

"Collection Assessment for Preservation Purposes", held on October 8, 2013 – three presenters shared their insight on different assessment models used to assess preservation needs in preparation for preservation projects and/or grant applications to fund those projects.

"Pests of the Midwest and Environmental Monitoring", to be held on June 17, 2014 – four presenters, using case studies from their own experiences and institutions, will discuss environmental monitoring devices and methods, identification of library pests, and application of an Integrated Pest Management program.

Developed white paper:

Identifying useful web resources for training in digital and physical artifact preservation; outlining outreach activities to improve access to such training, especially to institutions with few resources for preservation of their collections.

Future activities:

- Because of the popularity of past Burn Recovery workshops, the committee will plan another workshop at the Illinois Fire Services Institute, tentatively scheduled for Spring 2015.
- The committee will continue submitting Preservation Tips articles, blog entries on preservation topics, and maintain the Preservation Webliography.
- Discussion of the white paper topic has suggested a number of outreach activities that the committee can
 undertake to improve access to preservation training and information, especially to libraries with limited
 resources, including: distributing informational pamphlets on preservation topics, developing a preservation
 training curriculum for CARLI member institutions to use and to share with organizations in their communities,
 continuing to plan/sponsor webinars on preservation topics, as an economical way to reach a wide audience.