

Ad Hoc Archives Committee Report

This past spring and summer, the OHSLA Executive Committee convened an Ad Hoc Archives Committee with the purpose to update and take stock of the OHSLA archives. Ten OHSLA members participated: Past-President Don Pearson, President Ximena Chrisagis, President-Elect Mandy Neudecker, Alyssa Portwood, Judy Griggs, Secretary Marilia Antunez, Web Managers Heidi Beke-Harrigan and Leslie Lindsey, as well as our new Archivist, Diane DeLuco, and Zoe Johnson, an undergrad student at the College of Wooster.

Judy Griggs, who is a former OHSLA archivist, contacted Kristin Rodgers, collections curator at the [OSU Medical Heritage Center](#), which is the repository of our archives. Kristin sent us digital copies of all of our OHSLA Voice newsletters. We now have a complete online archive, back to Volume 1, Issue 1 from September of 1994! Go to <https://ohsla.info/page-1356025> to take a walk down OHSLA's memory lane.

We had planned to visit the archives at the OSU Health Sciences Library on campus, but due to the continuing travel restrictions we were unable. However Kristin said that anyone is welcome to visit on her hybrid schedule which is: Mondays from 7-3 and Tuesdays from 7-12.

The last time something was added to the OHSLA collection was October 2016. Kristin requests that anything added to the archives be a hardcopy, as she cannot guarantee that a digital copy will be accessible forever.

We were fortunate to have Zoe Johnson, a senior at the College of Wooster, and possibly future MLIS student working with us. Zoe has an interest in archives and has been working for 3 years with the Noyes Special Collections Department at COW. Zoe helped us reorganize our Dropbox account as a workplace for the Executive Committee. She also helped us redo our OHSLA Voice and Executive Committee webpages. Thanks to our new Web Manager, Leslie Lindsey, both pages were updated and organized.

Items still on the Archives to do list are:

- Send hardcopies of meeting minutes and Voice issues since October 2016 to the MHC to be archived
- Archive photographs from meetings
- Send any new physical artifacts to the MHC: past officers, check your basements and attics!
- Determine what else needs to be archived (CE Notes, Bylaws, Policies & Procedure Manual)
- Update the [Finding Aid](#)
- Continue to clean and update the OHSLA website.

Thank you very much to all of the OHSLA members who participated in this project!

-Don Pearson, OHSLA Past-President