ASSOCIATION OF CENTERS FOR THE STUDY OF CONGRESS

10th Annual Meeting
May 8-10, 2013

hosted by
The Center for Legislative Archives
National Archives
Washington, DC
Check-in Procedure and Important Information

Please come to the Pennsylvania Avenue entrance of the National Archives. (Researcher Entrance at 700 Pennsylvania Ave.)

In the lobby, you will process through the magnetometer and then proceed to the guards’ desk. You will need to show a picture ID. The guard will check a list for your name and provide a special pin for you to wear. You will do this each day.

Center for Legislative Archives staff members will be in the lobby to escort you to the Check-in station (outside of Room 105) and to the Washington room where lunch will be served. Lunch will be catered each day and served in the Washington room. Coffee and Danish will be served outside of room 105 on Thursday and Friday. There will also be a refreshment table outside of room 105 for breaks.

The dinner will be held on Wednesday, May 8, 6:30 p.m. at:

Clyde’s of Gallery Place
707 7th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001
Phone: 202-349-3700

You must RSVP if attending the dinner: sharon.fitzpatrick@nara.gov

Contact Information:

You may use the Center telephone number: 202-357-5350

Emergency Contact: Sharon Fitzpatrick 202-357-6802 (O)

*Sharon Fitzpatrick, Congressional Relations Specialist at the Center, will be available each day to help you with anything you may need. Please do not hesitate to ask her for assistance!

Exiting the Building

*There are new security procedures that have recently been implemented for exiting the building. Upon exiting, you will be required to open all bags for inspection. If you have papers that look like records you could be detained for further examination. It is recommended that you bring only meeting-specific items into the building.

If you anticipate needing to bring luggage to the National Archives for storage upon your arrival or before leaving on Friday, please contact Sharon Fitzpatrick for instructions so that your luggage does not have to be searched upon exiting. There will be an area designated to store luggage and Center staff will handle that for you.
Schedule of Events

Wednesday, May 8

Check-in (Rm105) ........................................................................................................ 12:00

Lunch and Introduction of the Program (Catered in the Washington Rm) ............. 12:30 - 1:30

Richard Hunt
Director, Center for Legislative Archives

Sheryl Vogt
ACSC President and Director, Richard B. Russell Library for Political Research and Studies, University of Georgia

Announcement of the Smock Award Winner, Lori Schwartz, Awards and Scholarships Committee Chair

Welcome (Rm105) ........................................................................................................ 1:45

David Ferriero
Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Administration

Session 1: Keynote (Rm105) ...................................................................................... 2:00 - 3:00

Introduction: David Ferriero, Archivist of the United States

Dr. Julian Zelizer, Professor of History and Public Affairs, Princeton University
The revitalization of political history and what that trend means for the study of Congress and research in members’ papers.

Break ....................................................................................................................... 3:00 - 3:15

Session 2: Former Members of Congress on their Papers (Rm105) ..................... 3:15 - 4:30

Former Members discuss significant events, influential people, and memorable moments that defined their congressional careers, and how those milestones might be documented in their congressional papers collection; as well as how they chose a repository, what expectations they had for archiving and access, and how they would like to see the collection used.

Panel Members:

Chet Edwards, (D-TX)
Jim Kolbe, (R-AZ)
Vic Snyder, (D-AR)

Julian Zelizer, Facilitator, Princeton University

Break ....................................................................................................................... 4:30 - 4:45

Session 3: Business Meeting (Rm105) ................................................................. 4:45 - 5:30

ACSC officers and members assess accomplishments, current status, and future needs.

Adjourn .................................................................................................................. 5:30

Clydes’s at Gallery Place ...................................................................................... 6:30
Executive Committee Meeting

Members of the Executive Committee meet to discuss ACSC business.

Coffee and Danish (Rm 105)

Session 4: Business Meeting (Rm 105)

Follow-up on action items.

Break

Session 5: Centers' Partnership with the Kettering Foundation (Rm 105)

Always wanted to test-drive the latest and the newest model before it hits production? Attend this session and put the preliminary draft of the new ACSC-Kettering issue guide through its paces. Seven centers started canvassing their constituencies for concerns about how communities solve public problems across divides of ideology and circumstance in fall of 2012. In late February, the group met with Kettering staff to refine the nature of the issue and to organize the concerns into several strategies for tackling the issue. The next phase of the process of development is to test out this preliminary version with a wide range of people, especially including ACSC members. The participants will use the test guide to explore how we can work together across our differences to make progress on pressing public issues, both locally and nationally. The feedback you and others provide will help make this issue guide showroom-ready. The guide is a collaborative project of the Association of Centers for the Study of Congress and the Kettering Foundation.

Sheryl Vogt, Facilitator

Participants: Attendees

Lunch (Catered in the Washington Room)

Presentation: Katie Delacenserie, Archivist, U.S. Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee; and Anu Kasarabada, Democratic Archivist, U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee

Session 6: Research in Congressional Holdings (Rm 105)

Scholars discuss the value of congressional holdings—both personal papers and official records—for their work.

Panel Members:

Peter Shulman, Case Western Reserve University; “Engines and Empire: America, Energy and the World, 1840 -1940”

Todd Purdum, National Editor at Vanity Fair; “Civil Rights Act of 1964”

Pascal Massinon, Ph.D. candidate at University of Michigan; “A Nation of Tapeworms: Home Taping, Copyright, and Regulation in the U.S.”

Frank Mackaman, Facilitator, Dirksen Congressional Center

Break

Session 7: The Records of Congress: Challenges in a Digital World (Rm 105)

This panel discusses the collaboration of the Center for Legislative Archives with Senate Archivists and House of Representative Archivists to identify and preserve electronic records and to share metadata across systems and platforms to provide enhanced access to records.

Panel Members:

Center Staff: Jacqie Ferry, Digital Description Archivist; Brandon Hirsch, IT Specialist

Senate Archival Staff: Alison White, Senate Deputy Archivist

House Archival Staff: Alison Trulock, Archival Specialist

Bob Horton, Facilitator, Institute of Museum and Library Services
Coffee and Danish (Rm 105) ................................................................. 8:00 - 9:00

Session 8: Expanding Centers’ Audience through Social Media (Rm 105) ............. 9:00 - 10:15
This session explores the ways that Centers and associated organizations are using social media to reach larger audiences.

Panel Members:

Jeannie Chen, Social Media Coordinator, Office of Presidential Libraries

Julia Collins Howington, University Archivist/Moakley Institute Director, The Moakley Archive and Institute, Suffolk University

Dominic McDevitt-Parks, Cultural Partnerships Coordinator, Wikimedia

Natalie Rocchio, Archives Specialist, Center for Legislative Archives

Lori Schwartz, Special Projects Archivist, South Carolina Political Collections

Jeanne Kramer-Smyth, Facilitator, Electronic Records/Archives Officer, World Bank

Break ......................................................................................................................... 10:15 - 10:30

Session 9: News Roundup from the Centers and Final Business (Rm 105) ............ 10:30 - 11:45
ACSC members share news and events from their repositories and consider final dispensation of ACSC business.

Sheryl Vogt, Facilitator

Participants: Attendees

Lunch (Catered in the Washington Rm) ................................................................. 11:45 - 1:00

CONFERENCE ENDS ................................................................................................. 1:00