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INTERIM REPORT

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Project Description

Preservation of Edwin Shaw Tuberculosis Sanatorium Scrapbooks

Summary Statement

The restoration phase of the project is 40% complete. Four of the ten scrapbooks have been restored. Once the scrapbooks have been indexed, the Records Center staff is checking to make sure all pages are staying affixed to the pages. The restoration phase is labor intensive. To date, the Records Manager has spent approximately 48.25 hours on the project. The Records Clerks have spent 32.5 hours on the project.

The indexing phase of the project is about 30% complete. Dr. Endres, the historian from The University of Akron, has spent approximately 25 hours indexing three of the scrapbooks.

The digitalization phase has not begun yet. The University of Akron has made some major changes in its structure, therefore, Design and Development Services (DDS) will be unable to complete the digitalization of the scrapbooks. However, an employee of the Akron Press, Amy Freels, has agreed to complete the digitalization. A Letter of Agreement has been sent to Ms. Freels for signature. When I receive it back, I will forward a copy to the OHRAB Board. Ms. Freels has been involved in many historical projects. Dr. Endres has known and worked with Ms. Freels for over 10 years and feels confident that Ms. Freels will be able to complete the digitalization phase. Prior to the announcements

by The University of Akron, one of the scrapbooks was picked up by DDS. The scrapbook will be transferred to Ms. Freels.

All of the supplies were ordered and received from Gaylord Archival. Of the \$700.00 grant funds for supplies, \$662.02 has been spent.

At this time, the Records Center is planning on the project being completed by December 31st. However, there may be some adjustment to the schedule due to changes at the University of Akron, medical issues of Records Center staff, and the impending move of the Records Center to a new location. The Records Center is also preparing to move into its new facility, which is take place in January 2016.

A Press Release regarding the project was prepared by the County of Summit Department of Communications. On July 30, 2016, the West Side Leader published the story titled "Sanitarium scrapbook preservation in works." A copy of the article is attached hereto.

Sanitarium scrapbook preservation in works

DOWNTOWN AKRON — Summit County Executive Russ Pry announced a \$2,000 grant has been awarded by the Ohio Historical Records Advisory Board (OHRAB) for the Edwin Shaw Hospital Scrapbook Project. The grant will be used to preserve, catalog and digitize records for improved public access, according to Pry's office.

In 2010, the county's Records Center and archives became the guardian of records for the closed Edwin Shaw Tuberculosis Sanitarium in Lakemore. Among the collection of historical documents are admittance cards, burial permit books, board minutes, annual reports, financial records, films,

newsletters, photographs and several scrapbooks, according to Pry's office. The scrapbooks include correspondence, pamphlets, brochures, posters, photographs and glass plates.

The magazine and newspaper clippings include materials from rare industrial, foreign language and technical periodicals not indexed anywhere, and the materials as they relate to the sanitarium's history do not exist anywhere else in the region, the state or the nation, according to Pry's office.

"These scrapbooks are important to the understanding of TB treatment," said Pry. "The scrapbooks also show the public health and social, economic and political factors that influenced the state and

county's campaign against this contagious disease."

"The scrapbooks reveal the fuller story of the human toll of tuberculosis and the community that developed within the sanitarium," said Teresa Corall, who oversees the program.

The fragile, oversize scrapbooks, which cover the years from 1915 to 1965, are being preserved/restored, indexed and digitized. The addition of the scrapbooks to the entire Edwin Shaw Tuberculosis Sanitarium Collection would

be of interest and use to historians, genealogists, librarians and documentarians, according to Pry's office.

The funding for the work was supported in part by the OHRAB award, through



Summit County Records Manager Teresa Corall, on right, is overseeing the preservation of scrapbooks from the closed Edwin Shaw Tuberculosis Sanitarium in Lakemore. She is shown with records clerk Allison Salem.

Photo courtesy of Summit County Executive Office

Area diaper collection a success

GREATLAKRON — Over 3,000 diapers were collected at Portage-Summit Diaper Bank's first annual Stork the Truck Community Diaper Drive recently presented by Buckeye Health Plan. The collection also included a 50/50 raffle, and the winner donated the winnings back to the Diaper Bank.

The Akron RubberDucks' Webster was at West Market Plaza during the first hour of the event, as shown at near right, and Kent State University's

Portage-Summit Diaper Bank officials said volunteers, Kohl's associates from the Stow store, family and friends helped to make the collection drive a success. In addition, Penske Truck Rental in Green donated and discounted the use of rental vehicles to help volunteers collect the diapers.

The Diaper Bank will present another fundraiser, its 5K run/walk Run Your Bum Off and diaper a baby's!, Aug. 22 at Munroe Falls Metro Park. Registration available at www.runwalkdiaper.com

making affiliate of the National Archives and Records Administration. The project is scheduled to be complete by Dec. 31.

Ariel Harkin contributed to this report.

Photo: The Akron RubberDucks' Webster

Photo: Kent State University's



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October 2014, has distributed over 48,000 diapers to eight municipalities throughout the Davidson area.