2007: A Year of Celebrations at Harford Community College Library

Combining the Library's 40th FDLP Anniversary with Constitution Day and with the campus' 50th Anniversary

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Where Did We Start?

- Depository Coordinator kept folder of 1967 letters of correspondence that documented our Library's nomination and designation in the FDLP.
- Looked back at depository anniversary invitation and marketing examples and notes taken during FDLP Anniversary "how we did it" presentations at the Fall October 2004 FDLC – very helpful!
- Attended my selective's Regional 80 years celebration at Univ. of MD College Park in September 2005 to celebrate and to get ideas – structured our program very similar
- Formed a preliminary FDLP Anniversary Committee at HCC Library in Fall 2006 to brainstorm ideas
- Ordered Promotional and Anniversary materials awhile from the GPO

Then we waited….Why?

- Moving and Staff shortages Winter 2005 through Summer 2007
  - Physical relocation of Library Technical Services Winter 2005 – switched office/processing spaces with Computing & Technology Services in the Library building
  - Dean/Library Director of Library and Information Resources retired July 2006
  - Library involved in search for new Dean/Library Director
  - New Dean/Library Director not on board until early June 2007
  - Gov Docs staff shortage mid-April through June 2007 due to maternity leave (mine!) – but submitted "Request for Participation form to GPO before leave

A Frenzy of Planning!

- New Dean/Library Director very receptive to a 40th FDLP anniversary celebration when I returned from maternity leave in July 2007
- Date of Harford Junior College's designation into FDLP was June 1, 1967
  - A June 2007 40th celebration was too soon due to prior staffing issues
  - Not as many students and faculty on campus during the summer term to participate in the celebration
- Chose Wednesday September 12, 2007 to lead into the college's Family Fun Weekend of September 15-16 as part of the college's year long 50th anniversary. And date suited GPO's Robin Haun Mohammed to come speak
- BUT…college then planned it's Welcome Back Student Picnic for September 12….Dining Services not available.

Constitution Day it is!

- So, chose Monday September 17, 2007 to tie 40th FDLP celebration to Constitution Day – date approved!
  - Would follow on the heels of the campus' 50th anniversary Family Fun Weekend activities
  - Kathy Brazee of the GPO to come present in place of Robin Haun Mohammed
  - Contacted Paralegal faculty in the Behavioral & Social Sciences Dept and staff at College Life and Wellness office to offer support of Constitution Day festivities with our 40th FDLP celebration
  - Dining services able to provide refreshments
  - During this 3rd week of the Fall term, lots more student and faculty activity on campus

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Preparations in 2 months!

- Created program invitation list for approval from Library Dean/Director and President of Harford Community College
- Official Invitation Guest List included:
  - HCC Administration: President and all Vice Presidents
  - HCC Faculty: Division Deans, Division Directors, Associate V.P's
  - HCC Staff: Library, eLearning, and Computing & Technology Services (all 3 divisions share Library building)
  - Kathy Brazee, Senior Librarian, Education & Outreach at GPO
  - Government Documents & Maps staff at Regional at Univ. of MD College Park McKeldin Library

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- Official Invitation Guest List included:
  - Administration of the Harford County Public Library
  - Administration of Library Services of Harford County Public Schools
  - Administration of Library at Aberdeen Proving Ground
  - Representatives of Harford County Government
  - Irene M. Padilla, State Librarian of Maryland
  - Administration of the Maryland Library Association
  - Administration of the Government Information Division of the MLA
  - A mass HTML email was sent out to HCC Faculty, Staff and Students to announce the September 17 festivities.

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Getting the news out!

- 40th FDLP Anniversary and Constitution Day links on the HCC Library webpage at www.harford.edu/Library (currently archived at "Past Library Events" link)
- Articles in the campus newspaper "The Harford Owl" and campus newsletter "The Bulletin"
- Flyers in all the campus buildings and Posters in the Library
- Messages through the campus email and voice mail systems
- Advertised on the scrolling marquee sign at the campus Thomas Run Road entrance off Rt. 22
- Advertised on VideoNet monitors in the HCC Student Center
- Advertised on a Web Banner and Calendar on HCC main website
- Sent to the GOVDOC-L, GOVDOC-TALK, and MARYDOCS listservs
- Posted on the Events Calendar at the FDLP Desktop

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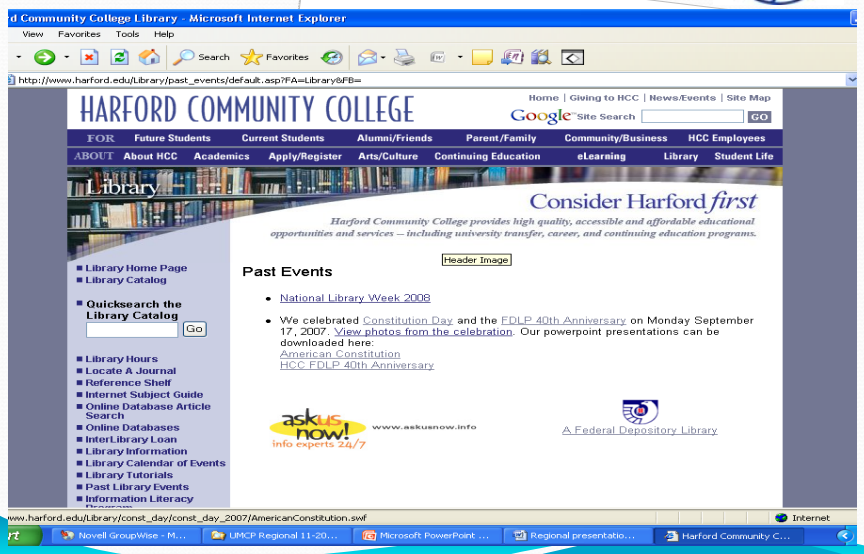

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40th FDLP Anniversary Morning Program in Library

- Welcome from then Dean of Library and Information Resources Lucy Holman Rector
- Remarks by HCC President James LaCalle
- Remarks of HCC's History in the FDLP by myself and Depository Coordinator Librarian Pam Schott
- Remarks and Presentation of 40th FDLP Anniversary Certificate by Kathy Brazee, Senior Librarian, Education & Outreach at GPO
- Proclamations presented from Jane Walker of the office of County Executive of Harford Co. Government David R. Craig, and from Councilwoman Veronica Chenowith of the County Council of Harford Co.
- Remarks from Ashley Dahlen and Kim Ricker, both formerly of the Regional at McKeldin Library at Univ. of MD College Park
- Closing remarks from Dean of Library and Information Resources Lucy Holman Rector

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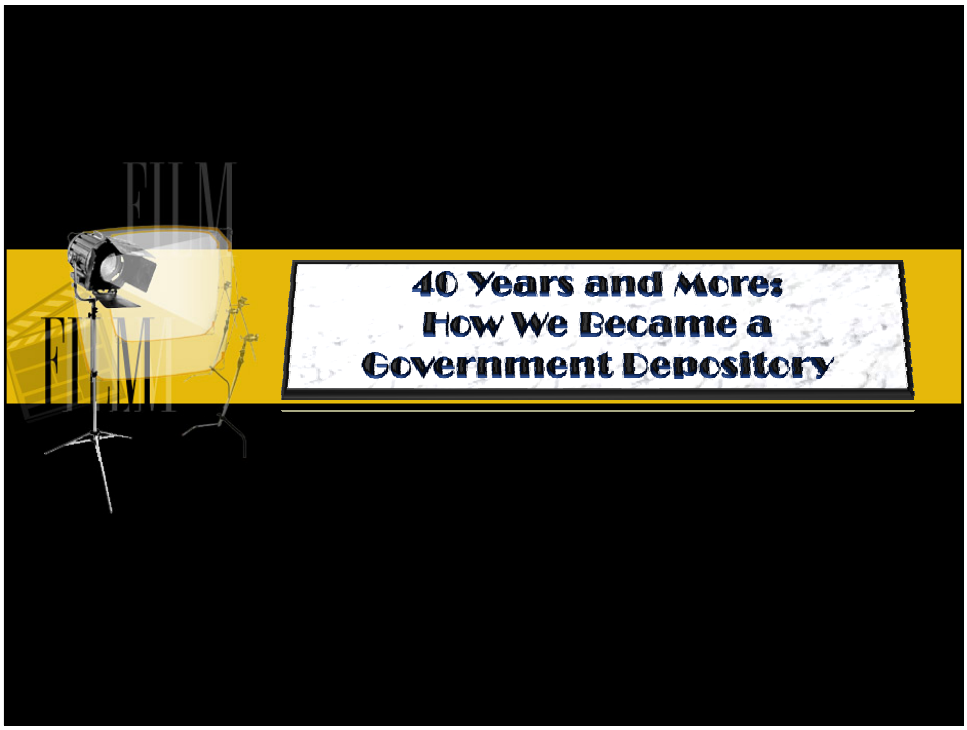
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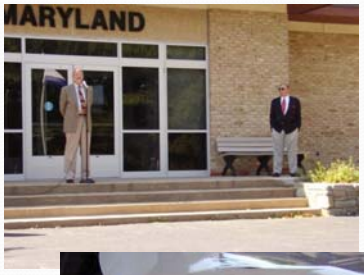

Constitution Day Celebration
Marking the 220th anniversary
of the signing of the U.S. Constitution:

2:00 PM Reading of the Constitution in the Quad, Coordinated by Behavioral & Social Sciences
AND
FDLP 40th Anniversary and Constitution Day Celebration cakes and lemonade served on the patio in front of HCC Library, 2nd floor entrance

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On towards a 45th FDLP celebration in 2012???....
Well, maybe wait for the 50th in 2017 when the campus will celebrate its 60th anniversary….

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