



The 2004 Building Connections Conference will be held November 4–6, 2004, at the Columbus Athenaeum, Columbus, Ohio. The meeting is a collaboration of the Ohio Historical Society, including the National Afro-American Museum & Cultural Center, National History Day in Ohio, and Ohio Historic Preservation Office, with Downtown Ohio, Inc., Heritage Ohio, the Ohio Association of Historical Societies and Museums (OAHSM), Ohio Preservation Alliance, and the Society of Ohio Archivists. Included in this event are the Local History Showplace, the Book Store, the OAHSM Outstanding Achievement Awards, and a silent auction. If you are not on the OAHSM mailing list and would like to receive notification of the meeting/conference, contact the OHS Local History Office at 1-800-858-6878.

The Ohio Academy of History Fall 2004 Meeting will be held November 6 at the Building Connections Conference in Columbus, Ohio. Further information will be available this fall at the OAH web site: www2.uakron.edu/OAH.

Call for Papers — Altamira Press is proud to announce the launch of a new journal, Collections: A Journal for Museum and Archives Professionals. An interdisciplinary, peer-reviewed resource for museums and archives, Collections will provide theoretical and practical discussion on collection topics. Founding editor Hugh Genoways of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln will work with a twenty-seven-member editorial board, drawn from anthropology museums, natural history museums, archives, cemeteries, libraries, universities, art museums, and historical societies. From case studies to ethical debates, the journal will provide solid information for those who handle, preserve, research, and organize collections. The journal accepts articles of fifteen to twenty-five manuscript pages, along with three to six opinion pieces, book reviews, and technical columns. Potential topics include philosophy of collecting, collection practices, digitizing, special collections, and history of collections. For further questions, or to submit manuscripts, please contact Hugh Genoways, Editor, at hgenoways1@unl.edu.

Remember Radio in the Classroom? Then perhaps you can help. I am doing doctoral research on educational radio. I hope to interview people who have had any kind of experience with the Ohio (radio) School of the Air or the American School of the Air. I am interested in learning about your experience as a radio teacher, administrator, writer, producer, or researcher. I'd also be very interested in hearing from former classroom teachers who used school of the air radio programs regularly or from former students who remember hearing school of the air programs in class. By sharing your experiences in educational radio, you will be making a unique contribution to the history of this important topic. Contact Bill Bianchi: wrbianc@aol.com; phone (773) 935-3346.

Do you have photos of old-time Akron that feature women? Is your mother, grandmother, or other long-ago female relative from Akron? Do you have have pictures of them, and are you willing to share those photos? If so, three Akron researchers want to hear from you. Carrie Herman, director of Business Development of United Disability Services; Penny Fox, owner of Words Count, and Dr.

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Kathleen Endres, distinguished professor of Communication at The University of Akron, are preparing a photographic history of Akron that focuses on women. The book will be published by Arcadia Publishing next year. The photos need not feature famous women. The researchers would like images of women from various times in Akron's history. The photos can include baby pictures, children at school, wedding pictures, and images of family life. The researchers are also seeking photos of women involved in activities outside the home: working, participating in clubs and organizations, shopping, or enjoying a day out at Summit Beach Park. Ideally the women in the photos would be identified, but this is not required. The photos will be scanned and returned to the owner very quickly. Proceeds of the sale of this book will go to the Women's Endowment Fund of the Akron Community Foundation and the Women's Depository at the University of Akron. If you would like to share your photos, please contact Penny Fox, P.O. Box 1442, Norton, Ohio, 44203; telephone 330-745-4552; e-mail smallbizconsulting@yahoo.com.