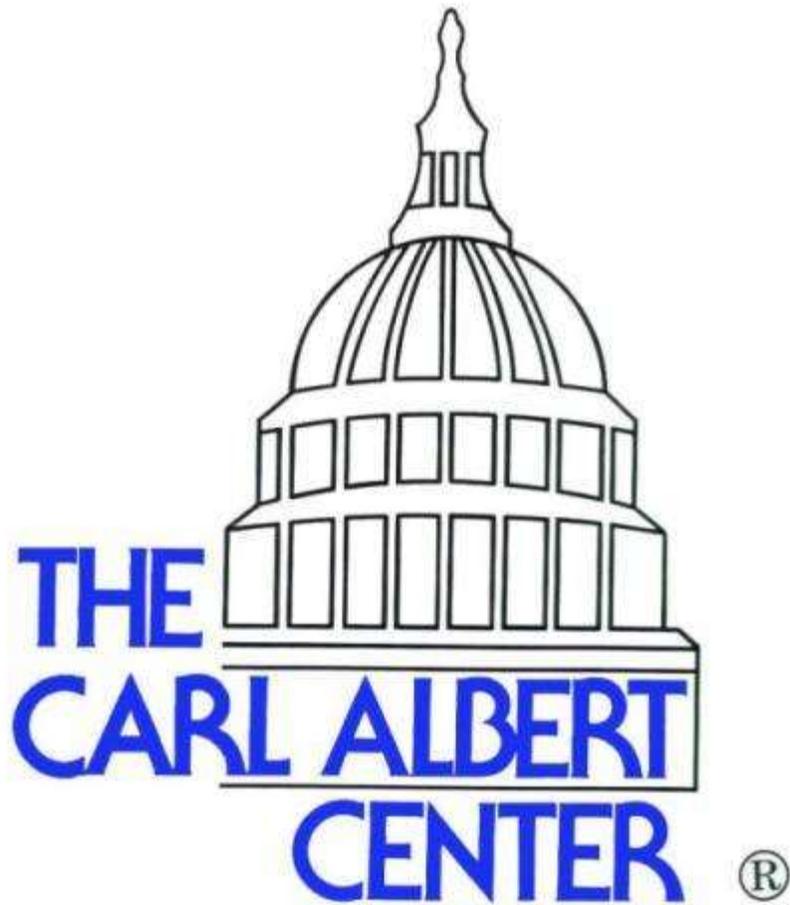


Long-term Digital Sustainability on Any Budget! and Tips and Tricks with Audio Digitization!

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Let's Review

Definitions

- **Preservation** –maintaining resources to prevent decay or harm and to keep the materials in an unaltered condition.
- **Prevention:** actions taken to minimize or slow the rate of deterioration and to prevent damage to collections; includes activities such as risk assessment, development and implementation of guidelines for continuing use and care
- **Digital Images** –electronic snapshots taken of a scene or scanned from documents, such as photographs, manuscripts, printed texts, and artwork.
- **Digital preservation:** –a series of managed activities necessary to ensure continued access to materials for as long as necessary. ALL ACTIONS required to maintain access to digital materials beyond limits of failure or technological change.

Overview

Organizations digitize materials for many purposes:

1. Move away from paper toward **effective and efficient** solutions
2. To facilitate **ease of access** (web, database, personal)
3. To **prevent loss** of information due to:
 - Obsolescence
 - Deterioration
 - Handling and Theft or destruction
4. For **research** or legal requests
5. To **support** current business processes

Considerations

Who is your audience?

- Who are these records accessed by?
- Who might use these records if they were accessible?
 - Professionals familiar with industry
 - Professionals who use records for research
 - Professionals with no knowledge of records content
 - Non-Professionals within the industry
 - Non-Professionals outside of the industry
 - Students
 - General public

Considerations

Budget, Materials, Equipment

- What **equipment** do I have available for my goals?
- With the equipment that I have can I **effectively digitize** my collection?
- Should I **partner with an institution** or business?
- Have I looked at **grants**?

Let's Review

Formats for Long Term Use and Migration:

- Use widely adopted formats
 - **TIFF**: Tagged Image File Format
 - **JPEG**: Joint Photographic Experts Group
 - **JPEG-2000**: A successor of JPEG with better compression (becoming standard)
 - **GIF**: Graphics Interchange Format
 - **BMP**: Bit-Mapped
 - **PDF**: Portable Document Format
 - **WAV**: Waveform Audio Format
 - **AVI**: Audio Video Interleave
 - **MP3**: Ease of use audio format (iTunes, internet songs)
 - **MP4**: Ease of use video format (iTunes, e-movies)

The Good Stuff

Long Term Preservation Use and Migration:

- **Long-term preservation:** continued access to digital materials; indefinitely.
- **Medium-term preservation:** continued access; defined period of time but not indefinitely.
- **Short-term preservation:** access to digital materials for a defined period; does not extend beyond the foreseeable future.
- **Preservation master copy:** A digital COPY that is intended to be preserved over a period of time that can serve as a template for producing derivatives.
- **Digital access copy:** A COPY that has been derived from the MASTER for the ease of use by the public, staff or personal use that will not be intended for preservation.
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Last review slide

Storage

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Let's build a project

Clara Luper Community Pilot Project

In the fall of 2012 the Estate of Clara Luper graciously donated Luper's entire collection of scrapbooks, magnetic tapes, photographs, manuscripts, books, and paper records to the Oklahoma Historical Society (OHS) to serve as guardian of Luper's life-long work with civil rights in the United States.

Let's build a project

Clara Luper Community Pilot Project



1300 cassettes

Clara Luper Radio Show

1 full-time Archivist (38yrs-caucasian)

1 part-time (26yrs - Caucasian)



IMPOSSIBLE



Clara Luper Legacy Committee

INSTRUCTIONS and INFORMATION:

Please write any descriptive data that you might hear on each individual track such as **DATE, KEYWORDS,** and **SUBJECTS, IMPORTANT FACTS** mentioned or anything at all that we can use to describe the specific track.

EXAMPLES:

- **Track#** 2012.188.0301
- **Date:** (Mrs. Luper mentioned that “today Jimmy Carter was inaugurated”) January 20, 1977
- **Keywords:** president, United States, democrat, oath of office etc.... (the track also went into other subjects such as advertisements ‘Rainbow Bread’, Tire’s Etc..., First Baptist Church.)
 - Mrs. Luper WILL go into several different subjects or topics on each track (radio program)
 - PLEASE mentioned ALL KEYWORDS for ALL SUBJECTS and TOPICS!
- **Locations:** Sometimes Mrs. Luper is reporting from another State or from another town in Oklahoma, if the location is mentioned or you just know where she is then PLEASE list this location.

Our goal with this pilot project is to get this important information to the public, to the community and to the world. Mrs. Luper’s legacy must carry forth and with your help we can make this happen!

| Number | Title | Date | Important | Time stamp |
|--------|------------------|-----------|--|------------|
| 0123 | Clara Luper Show | 1/12/1977 | Hilton Inn West 3rd New Year's Eve Scholarship Ball Saturday December 31st Theme Delta Africana live Band UFO (2:38) disco '78. | 2:38 |
| | | | Mary Ann More commissioned African prints. Little Joe Blue | 4:55 |
| | | | Alice Potts Ross- turning 100 on December 23. Born in Alabama William and Mary Potts. Married in 1893 to Robert of South Carolina. 14 children-7 boys, 7 girls. Moved to Oklahoma City in 1919. | 8:27 |
| | | | Soul Bazar, Irene Drake | 11:53 |
| | | | Encourages Beauty contest | 14:08 |
| 0124 | Clara Luper Show | 1/16/1977 | David Baum, Civil Rights Activist | 2:42 |

As each packet was returned, metadata was created, embedded, cataloged, and uploaded to the Oklahoma Historical Society Oral History and Audio Collection Channel available on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/OHSaudioDept>

- **41,250 minutes**
- **687.5 hours**
- **550 records**
- **42 volunteers in the OKC African-American Community**



Pawnee Nation Tribe

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EXAMPLES:

- **Track#** 2012.093.047.02
- **Date:** July 15, 1957
- **Keywords:** food preparations, acorns for coffee, sugar, coffee, rituals, young men, WNAD, Garland Blaine
- **Locations:** George Coy Ranch, Pawnee Nation, Maramec Oklahoma

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| Number | Title | Date | Important | Time stamp | Citizen Transcriber |
|---------|---|-----------|---|------------|--|
| .050.01 | Interview with Mr. George Kent, tribal Elder, Pawnee Nation | 1/25/1964 | Mr. Kent is speaking about food preparation, using acorns to make coffee, how they dried pumpkin and corn, using blackjack wood for cooking because it doesn't burn the food, but it holds the coal. | 5:26 | Johnathan Garland, Pawnee Nation Citizen, 23 years old |
| | | | Flowers used for making tea | 9:38 | |
| | | | Sugar, coffee, wild turkey, corn, green vegetables, deer, wild hog, fish, hickory nuts, crab apples, gooseberries, cherries, wild strawberries, elder berries, grapes, meat pies are all foods that Mr. Kent is talking about, how it was prepared and how it was eaten | 23:53 | |
| | | | Chief of the Eagle Clan | 36:11 | |
| | | | Hunting rituals of boys in the tribe and food preparation on the reservation. | 52:08 | |



As each packet was returned, metadata was created, embedded, cataloged, and packaged for an elder of the Pawnee Nation to advise on public distribution due to nature of each recoding.

- **13,200 minutes**
- **220 hours**
- **102 records**
- **8 volunteers from the Pawnee Nation**



Transcription Projects

Let's build a project

Dick T. Morgan Collection - <https://dicktmorgan.omeka.net/>

100's of pages of **handwritten** correspondence

3 boxes

210 folders

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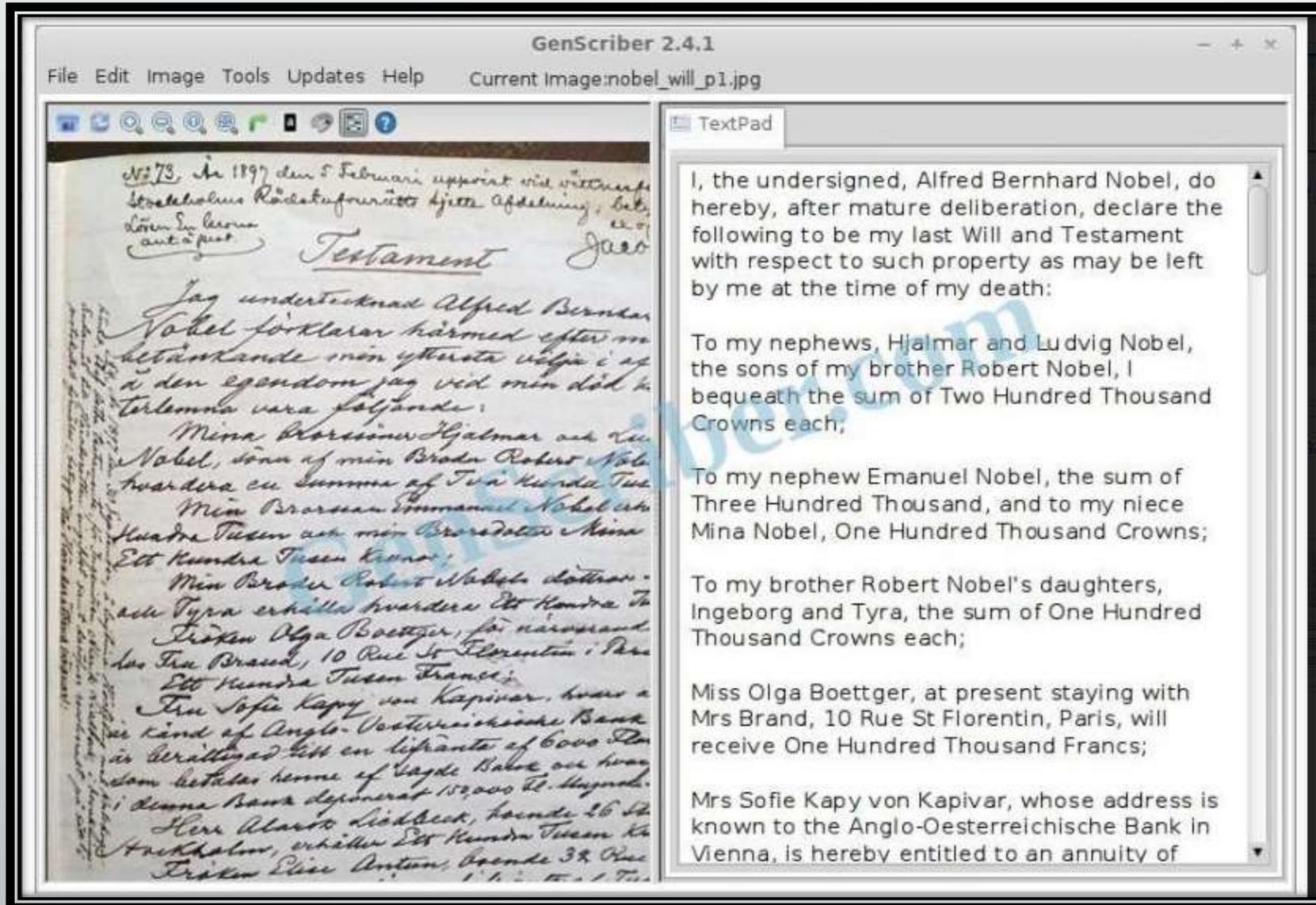
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EXAMPLES:

- **Track#** CAC_CC_039_2_1_001
- **Date:** January 1, 1908
- **Locations:** Washington, D.C.

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| Number | Title | Date | Transcription |
|---------|---|-----------|---|
| 2_1_001 | Handwritten letter to Ora and Porter Heath Morgan from Dick T. Morgan about a church meeting and a letter he recently received. | 7/30/1902 | <p>Dear Mama & Porter:</p> <p>Well this is Wednesday p.m. I am at the office and just remembered that I intended this morning to have written a letter to you and to have sent Porter some money which I forgot to go anyway. Porter's letter came yesterday and I enjoyed it. I finally got Nancy and & Princess localized in for a time. The place is on the nicer about a mile west of Mr. [?]. I think it is a good place. I will leave them back out there until I get back. I attended Church Board meeting Tuesday evening. We decided to enlarge the church-had quite a lengthy session-deciding matters I heard Mrs. Blackman tell some one this morning that she was going away on the 1st. I have not fixed my day yet. I think I will go by Guthrie & stop over between trains-have some business with Jesse.</p> <p>Mr. Jackman has returned home yesterday I believe. Heard Mr. Master's say Mrs. M. had written she was sick of hot weather in Dakota and was ready to come home at any time. Geraldine keeps asking about you mama. O. yes, Sunday morning she told her mama that she believed she would go over to Mrs. Morgan's church-She started alone-but backed out-after-she got over to the door & did not go in. So I told her Sunday evening I would take her-So she went with me. She [[???]] all night. Well, I guess I will close as I work to get this off our p.m. train. I am hope your mama are fully well & that both of you are enjoying your visits. Much love and many kisses, Goodbye Papa</p> <p>EL RENO, OKLAHOMA TERRITORY July 30, 1902</p> |



All transcription returned are quality checked by two sets of eyes before upload to the assigned website. All files can be converted to .doc, .pdf, .pdf/a, .xlxs, .csv, etc...

GenScriber - <http://genscriber.com>

The screenshot shows the GenScriber 2.0.4 application window. The top menu bar includes File, Edit, Image, Tools, Updates, and Help. The current image is 'scan0004.pdf'. On the left, there are tabs for Images, Hints, and Picklist, along with sliders for Contrast, Sharpen, and Tint. Below these are file icons for cscbanner.gif, cscbanner1.gif, icon.png, and oneshided.jpg. The main area displays a handwritten document with columns for names, ages, and locations. Below the document is a 'WorkSheet' tab with 'Column Options' and a table of transcribed data.

| Surname | Forename | Townland/Street | DED | County | Age | Sex |
|---------|----------|----------------------|----------|--------|-----|-----|
| Brenan | Mary | Strand Street, Great | Skerries | Dublin | 52 | F |
| Brenan | Frances | Strand Street, Great | Skerries | Dublin | 22 | F |
| Brenan | Emily | Strand Street, Great | Skerries | Dublin | 14 | F |
| Brenan | May | Strand Street, Great | Skerries | Dublin | 26 | F |
| Brenan | Lilly | Strand Street, Great | Skerries | Dublin | 20 | F |
| Brenan | Winifred | Strand Street, Great | Skerries | Dublin | 18 | F |
| Brenan | Maud | Strand Street, Great | Skerries | Dublin | 16 | F |
| Brenan | Margaret | Howth Hill | Howth | Dublin | 60 | F |

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GRANTS



**No, PLEASE NOT
GRANTS!!**



**Don't worry its easier than you
think....**

Worksheets to Guide

[Institutional Overview Worksheet](#)

[Collections Worksheet](#)

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[Disaster Planning Worksheet](#)

[Worksheet For Individual Storage/Exhibition Areas](#)

[General Storage Worksheet](#)

Grants Grants Grants

Oklahoma Department of Libraries – OHRAB NHPRC – [‘Preservation Grants’](#) - \$varied\$

Oklahoma Humanities – [‘Opportunity Grant’](#) – up to \$1,500

Oklahoma Historical Society – [‘Oklahoma Heritage Preservation Grant’](#) - \$1,000 - \$20,000

Northeast Document Conservation Center – [‘State Opportunity Grants’](#) - \$5,000 - \$25,000

Council on Library and Information Resources – [‘Digitizing Hidden Collections’](#) - \$50,000 - \$500,000

National Historical Publications & Records Commission – [‘Digitizing Historical Records’](#) - \$20,000-\$150,000



Oklahoma Department of Libraries

Library Development

- Review of state aid compliance and administration of federal grant programs
- Funding options and public library standards
- Consultation services
- Website development
- Library technology assessment (Edge)
- Continuing education opportunities
- Computer and technology lab classes



QUESTIONS?