

## Realizing Benefits for Scholars and the Digital Library Community through DLF Aquifer

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## Focus on American Social History Online

- Mellon funded project within DLF Aquifer initiative
- Outcome to make digital collections in American culture and life easier for scholars to find and use
  - Aggregate content to enable multiple collections to be used as one
  - Deliver content through multiple channels

#### Who's who

- American Social History Online relies on Aquifer working groups, collaborative infrastructure in place
- Core team focused on development and assessment, coordination with working groups
  - Susan Harum (UIUC) business analyst/assessment expert
  - Kat Hagedorn (Michigan) data analyst
  - Chick Markley (Freewheeling contractor) systems architect/developer
  - Tom Habing (UIUC) developer

### Overview of accomplishments

- Architecture
- Portal with Zotero—initial SEO analysis
- MODS
  - Guidelines
  - Levels of adoption
  - MARC to MODS transform
- Harvesting workflow
- Agile development process

#### What's next

- Add collections—attend open discussion session to find out more
  - Workflow, including asset actions
  - Support for static repositories
- Develop "local implementations"
  - Sakai @ Indiana
  - Federated search @ UIUC
- More SEO
- Assessment planning
- Sustainability planning

# Beyond *American Social History*Online

- More metadata remediation and enhancement
- More tools integration
  - Workflow
  - End user

### Questions? Comments?

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