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# DACUS DOCS NEWS



U.S. FEDERAL GOVERNMENT INFORMATION, LINKS, AND LOCATOR TOOLS

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## WHAT IS A FEDERAL DEPOSITORY LIBRARY?

The Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP) was established by Congress in 1813 to provide local, no-fee access to Government information in an impartial environment with professional assistance. The depository library at Winthrop University has been collecting, organizing, maintaining, preserving, and assisting users with government information since its designation as a federal depository in 1896.

Do you need information on Health & Nutrition, Laws, Statistics, Science & Technology, Business & Careers, Education, History, or Agriculture?

Your local Federal Depository Library (FDL) can help! We have primary sources in a variety of subjects and formats from publications, journals, electronic resources, microfiche, microfilm and more.

Come see us on the second floor of Dacus Library and let us know how we can assist you.

## Government Documents at Dacus Library

Welcome to a new school year and to the first edition of *Dacus Docs News*! *Dacus Docs News* gives a quick view of the offerings and publications of the Federal Government and its agencies. The majority of current government information is born digital and can be found scattered throughout various websites and databases. The information is often buried so deeply within the websites that normal means of Internet searching will not yield the sought after results.

The purpose of *Dacus Docs News* is to direct you to an array of government resources from the helpful and informative, to the interesting, odd, and occasionally bizarre. You will find some oldies but goodies from our historic print collection and announcements of new documents in print and electronic format.

The monthly newsletter will be delivered through e-mail to all Winthrop University faculty, staff, and students during Fall and Spring semesters. *Dacus Docs News* will be archived on the Dacus Library website.

If you have any questions, or suggestions for future issues, please contact us.

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## U. S. CONSTITUTION DAY SEPTEMBER 16

Constitution Day is annually observed in the United States on September 17th. This event commemorates the formation and signing of the Constitution of the United States on September 17, 1787. Winthrop University will celebrate Constitution Day on Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup> this year since Constitution Day will fall on a Saturday.

Stop by the U.S. Constitution Day Display in the Government Documents Department on Friday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> for a free *Pocket Constitution*. Come early - supplies are limited!

At 2:00 on Friday, September 16, at Dina's Place in the DiGiorgio Center, the West Forum will host Ms. Suzanne Anglewicz, attorney for the National Rifle Association's Institute for Legislative Action. Ms. Anglewicz will speak on the Constitutional Right to Bear Arms and recent court cases clarifying the meaning of the Second Amendment of the Constitution. The event is free and open to the public.

## FIND IT ONLINE DACUS ONLINE CATALOG



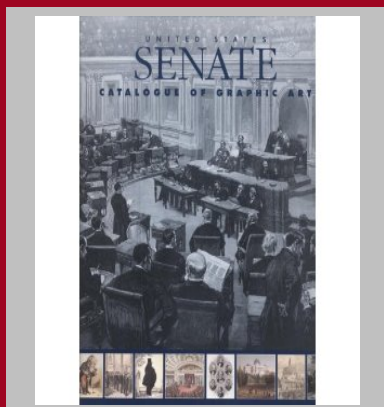
U.S. Government Documents are free to all citizens and come in a variety of formats, but how do you find the information that you need? The Dacus Online Catalog (DOC) is a great place to begin your search for reliable, authentic, and unbiased government information.

Our depository is a selective federal depository library. The items in our collection are chosen to support the curriculum and research needs of the Winthrop community as well as the information needs of the citizens of the Fifth Congressional District. We receive 35 – 40 percent of all publications produced by the federal government and its agencies. Publications, distributed by the Government Printing Office (GPO), are entered into DOC along with hyperlinks for material received in electronic format and for printed material with online equivalents.

The Regional Depository Library at the University of South Carolina receives 100 percent of the publications distributed by GPO. Material not available in Dacus Library can be borrowed from USC through Interlibrary Loan.

Oddly Titled Documents: *The Impact of Computer Aliens along the Mexican and Canadian Borders. PT.2* (The title of Part 2 has a typographical error. It should read Commuter. The document describes the impact of nonresident alien workers who travel daily to jobs in U.S. border cities. Published in 1968.)

*“The U. S. Constitution doesn't guarantee happiness, only the pursuit of it. You have to catch up with it yourself.” -- Benjamin Franklin*



FOUND IN DACUS LIBRARY

### United States Senate Catalogue of Graphic Art

Essays by Diane K. Skvaria,  
Donald A. Ritchie; prepared by the  
Office of Senate Curator under the  
direction of the U.S. Senate  
Commission on Art.

Over 900 historical 19<sup>th</sup> and early  
20<sup>th</sup> century images, prints and  
engravings portraying the events,  
people, and settings of the U. S.  
Senate.

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Ask Karen

[www.fsis.usda.gov/ask\\_karen](http://www.fsis.usda.gov/ask_karen)

### GOT AN APP FOR THAT?

Even the Federal Government is getting in on the app craze. Federal agencies are developing apps for smart phones to allow users quick access to government information. Some apps are designed solely for Federal employees, but many are available free of cost to the general public. "Ask Karen," developed by the USDA, would be a perfect tool for students learning to cook and for chefs concerned about food safety.

"Ask Karen" is a knowledge base for consumers about preventing food borne illness, safe food handling and storage, and safe preparation of meat, poultry, and egg products. With "Ask Karen" you can find the answers to the following questions and more!

[How many times can I reheat foods?](#)

[Is food safe after the date expires?](#)

[How can I tell if chicken is spoiled?](#)

[Is food safe if left out overnight?](#)

[How long does lunch meat stay fresh?](#)

[Can you use onions with black mold?](#)

[How long are my take out leftovers safe?](#)

[How long does it take for beef to thaw?](#)

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*"Always bear in mind that your own resolution to succeed is more important than any other."*

*-- Abraham Lincoln*