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The Library of Congress (LOC) has teamed up with the Government Printing Office to create a new iPad application that provides users with mobile access to the Congressional Record.

The Congressional Record contains the daily debates, proceedings and activities of the United States Congress along with a summarized account in the Daily Digest. The House and Senate portions of the record contain debates and statements made on the floor. Communications from the president and the executive branch, memorials, petitions and information about legislation, including amendments are also included.

The app is available in a PDF format that can be shared via email, browsed by date, and is searchable by keyword within a document or section. Issues dating from January 4, 1995 through the present are currently available.


The Congressional Record can also be viewed on GPO’s FDsys website or the LOC website, THOMAS, where you can read the Daily Digest or browse the daily issues.

Did you know that Dacus Library has iPads that can be checked out for 7 days with a Winthrop ID? iPads are wiped upon return to ensure personal data is not stored on the device.

For more information please see the iPad circulation policies web page.
GPO NAMES FIRST FEMALE PUBLIC PRINTER

Davita Vance-Cooks has been named Acting Public Printer for the U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO). She will lead the 1,900 GPO employees in carrying out the agency’s 150-year mission of Keeping America Informed.

GPO produces, preserves, and disseminates the official information products of the U.S. Government in both digital and tangible formats for all three branches of the Federal Government. In addition, GPO provides for permanent public access to Federal Government information at no charge through GPO’s Federal Digital System (www.fdsys.gov) and through partnerships with approximately 1,220 libraries nationwide participating in the Federal Depository Library Program.

Vance-Cooks has held a succession of senior management positions at GPO for nearly eight years.

Oddly Titled Documents:


What’s odd about a document on gun maintenance that was issued to soldiers stationed in Vietnam? It’s a comic book with titles including *How to Strip Your Baby* and *All the Way with Negligé!* (Click title to view the comic)
The **SuperTracker**, available at [ChooseMyPlate.gov](http://ChooseMyPlate.gov), is designed to help individuals make healthy changes to reduce the risk of chronic disease and maintain a healthy weight. The site includes a diet and exercise tracker, a weight manager, a “food-a-pedia,” and a “my reports” section that takes the information entered and turns it into charts and graphs. All of the 9,000 food items in the database have been analyzed for nutritional content by the USDA.

SuperTracker offers consumers the ability to:

- Personalize recommendations for what and how much to eat and amount of physical activity.
- Track foods and physical activity from an expanded database of foods and physical activities.
- Customize features such as goal setting, virtual coaching, weight tracking and journaling.
- Measure progress with comprehensive reports ranging from a simple meal summary to in-depth analysis of food groups and nutrient intake over time.
- Support family and friends by adding their individual profiles.

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