

## **Government Documents Roundtable Report (#9)**

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Submitted “On the Docket” article for inclusion in the June 2009 issue of *The Good Stuff*. Article talked about the federal government’s use of blogs and Twitter to communicate federal information to the public. Also solicited nominations for the roundtable’s Notable Document award.

Continued to edit GODORT policies handbook.

**April/May 2009**

Used GODORT listserv to seek volunteers for Chair-Elect of roundtable. Marilyn Johnson, Research Librarian from the Legislative Council Library and Kalan Knudson, Government Documents Associate/Copy Cataloger from UND Chester Fritz have agreed to run for the position of Chair-Elect. Submitted names to Nominations and Elections Committee.

Used GODORT listserv to seek nominations for the roundtable’s Notable Document award, and reviewed North Dakota State Library state document depository shipping lists for potential nominees.

Used GODORT listserv to notify roundtable members that two North Dakota documents were profiled in Library Journal as 2008 Best Notable Government Documents (<http://www.libraryjournal.com/article/CA6657395.html>, or May 15<sup>th</sup> issue). The notable titles were: *North Dakota history : readings about the Northern Plains state* produced by the State Historical Society of North Dakota and the North Dakota Center for Distance Education and Terry Shoptaugh’s “*You have been kind enough to assist me*” : *Herman Stern and the Jewish refugee crisis* published by the North Dakota Institute for Regional Studies. Congratulatory e-mails were sent to the authors and publishers of the winning books.

Continued to edit GODORT policies handbook. Revised handbook will be sent to GODORT members on roundtable listserv for comments, then sent on to Constitution, Bylaws, and Policies Committee for review before September Executive Board meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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