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Proposal for a Presentation on the Notre Dame Archives at the Holy Cross History Conference (June 1 - 4, 2017)

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The Archives of the University of Notre Dame has many collections that support research into Holy Cross history. In the last several years we have provided more detailed finding aids for most of these collections and have added many digital resources to support research from anywhere in the world.

I propose to provide an introduction to these resources at this year's conference of the Holy Cross History Association. I hope to make this a lively demonstration of the resources of our website with emphasis on techniques for searching the General Archives of the Congregation of Holy Cross, related collections of manuscripts, photographs, and printed material representing the Indiana Province and the Canadian Province; individual members such as Sisters Madeleva Wolff and Rose Eileen Masterman, Brothers Aidan O'Reilly and Leo Donovan, Fathers Edward Sorin and Michael A. Mathis, Bishops Marcos McGrath and Vincent McCauley; specialized indexes and digital collections featuring Notre Dame records and publications documenting the continuing C.S.C. contribution to the university.

I intend to cover:

- Our main search page and how to use it for searches
 - of our inventories
 - of specialized indexes
 - of our calendar
 - of everything on our website
- Our digital collections page, including
 - Notre Dame collections, such as
 - Circular Letters of Rev. Edward Sorin, C.S.C., 1845 - 1893
 - The Scholastic, 1867 - 2011
 - The Observer, 1966 - 2015
 - Other collections, such as
 - William Tecumseh Sherman Family Papers, 1808 - 1891
 - Correspondence of Rev. Edward Sorin, C.S.C., 1839 - 1893
 - Soldiers of the Cross Manuscript by David Power Conyngham
 - Julius A. Nieuwland, C.S.C., Correspondence, 1879 - 1936
 - Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Speeches

- Our Story of Notre Dame web pages, with
 - Fr Sorin's Chronicles
 - Fr Hope's Centennial History of Notre Dame
 - Fr Moore's History of Notre Dame's academic development
 - Fr Leo R. Ward's autobiography
 - Fr Moreau's Legacy

Many members of Holy Cross congregations have already done research in our archives. I hope that with the help of this introductory demonstration others may also find material of interest to them in their ongoing research by searching our inventories online.