A friend of mine at the Ohio Historical Society just wrote his first blog.  I’m really impressed with how he highlighted the collections at OHS and put in numerous links that enable the reader to drill deeper into the topic and some of the digitized collections.

Here is a link to his first blog attempt:

<http://ohiohistory.wordpress.com/2011/12/23/happy-hanukkah-ohio/>

He wrote a great blog and it’s a really good blog site. I subscribed to it right away.

I clicked on the Quilts in the second paragraph and was also really amazed at what they put in for the description on the bottom. Dave, that’s what I sort of envisioned for our pictures, but WOW that would be a lot of work. I guess that type of description is a goal we can work towards for all our artifacts, but I can’t even begin to imagine the thousands of volunteer manhours that it would take. If we ever got a full time curator, he could work on that sort of thing for his entire career.

Another thing I went to was the Ohio State Historical Society website at <http://ohsweb.ohiohistory.org/index.shtml> There is a real difference in quality between their website and their blog site. The web site is pretty hard to read or follow. They didn’t even seem to have a link to the blog site or Twitter.

I also started following their Tweets from the blog page link. They are really active in tweeting, probably much more so than we ever will be.

The blog site is quite a bit bigger than I imagined. It seems like the blog site has to make up for some of the shortcomings of the website.