Introduction & Purpose

Chris Edmondson-Yurkanan’s life serves as an exemplar of dedication to preserving and celebrating Internet history. With her passing, she left a priceless collection of materials (documents, interviews, etc.) on the history of the Internet.

One of her greatest contributions was her development and implementation of “The Technical History of the Internet” tutorial at SIGCOMM 99 on Tuesday, April 21, 1999 in Cambridge, MA. This tutorial brought together 19 of the most influential persons in the history of the Internet, and out of this tutorial came a volume of primary source documents reflecting their contributions. We intend to highlight her work at SIGCOMM 99 through the digitization of related materials, interviews with her colleagues about the tutorial and her work developing it, and a point-of-presence at the SIGCOMM 19 conference in Beijing, China.

From January 10, 2019 to January 13, 2019 Anna Loup and Frances Corry [the Researchers] are traveling to Austin, Texas to work with and document the materials of Chris Edmondson-Yurkanan [CEY] that are kept by her husband Christopher Yurkanan [CY] at 905 Yaupon Valley Road, Austin, Texas. During this trip, the Researchers intend to go through the materials of CEY and digitize, categorize, and organize the materials related to the work of CEY focused on the SIGCOMM 99 tutorial.

Schedule & Scope

Phase I: Digitization & Understanding Scope

First, the initial digitization of the materials will take place during the Austin trip from Jan. 10-13, 2019. Over the next month, documents will be digitally organized and backed up by the Researchers.

The specific tasks that will be undertaken during the January Austin trip are as follows:

- Locate and digitize the SIGCOMM 99 Tutorial post-meeting book
- Add copyright notice to SIGCOMM 99 Tutorial post-meeting book
- Digitize other materials related to the SIGCOMM 99 Tutorial (as noted in Excel documentation)
- Informal and formal interview of Chris Yurkanan, Barbara Owens, and Vicky Almstrum
- Understanding the scope of the SIGCOMM 99 related materials for an exhibition at the SIGCOMM 19 conference in Beijing, China.

Phase II: Interviews, Exhibition Organization & File Processing
Work in Phase II will address these categories and proceed as follows:

- **Digital Files:** On or prior to July 1, 2019 the digitized files will be mailed to CY on a drive.

  CY will be notified by the Researchers before any scans of primary source documents from CEY’s archive are circulated. For instance, the Researchers will be writing a blog post as part of their ACM History Committee Fellowship. Any scans used to illustrate this blog post will go out for approval by CY prior to the blog post’s publication.

- **Interviews:** During Phase II, the Researchers will carry out interviews with other individuals related to SIGCOMM 99 and the history of the Internet for use in the Beijing exhibition.

- **Primary Source Documents:** For the planned exhibition, the researchers may request a loan of primary source documents from CY to be returned following SIGCOMM 2019.

**Phase III:**

Work in Phase III will address these categories and proceed as follows:

- **Exhibition:** The Researchers will exhibit primary source documents, interviews and other ephemera related to SIGCOMM 99 at SIGCOMM 2019 in Beijing.

- **Files:** Any materials that were loaned to the Researchers will be returned to their owners.