

News Notes

Libraries' "Welcome Week" Activities Set for Sept. 19-23

The Libraries has several activities planned for Welcome Week, September 19-23, and we need library faculty and staff to help. Please take a look at the list below and lend your support.

Monday, September 19: **Student Involvement Fair:** The Libraries will have a table on the Oval with all the other campus groups between 12 and 4 p.m. Volunteers are needed to staff the table. If you would like to volunteer or have materials you would like to make available as handouts, please contact Fred Roecker (roecker.1@osu.edu 2-5172).

Tuesday, September 20: **Digital Library Story Booth:** A booth will be set up in the Thompson Library from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. to videotape people's stories about libraries, books, and reading. Each person will have up to five minutes. The tape will be edited and shown later in the week on monitors in the library. Each participant will receive a small token and an entry in a drawing for prizes. Volunteers are needed during this time to register participants. We also would like to have student employees to help "prime" the participants with questions during the videotaping. If you would like to volunteer, or know some outgoing student workers who would like to participate (we would pay the students, of course), contact Nancy Courtney (courtney.24@osu.edu 8-8771).

Wednesday, September 21: **Food table and handouts** in the Science & Engineering Library arcade from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There may be a popcorn machine and snow cone machine. Please contact Marty Jamison (jamison.1@osu.edu 2-3046). **Tours of various department libraries** on the hour from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you have not yet volunteered your library to provide tours and would like to, please contact Marty Jamison (jamison.1@osu.edu 2-3046).

Thursday, September 22: **Library Game Show:** From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the terrace outside Main Library (with rain alternative inside). Contestants will spin the wheel and answer questions in a variety of categories about OSU, books, or OSU libraries. Winners will receive a small prize and be entered in a drawing for a bigger prize. Wes Boomgaarden will emcee. We may also set up the popcorn and/or snowcone machine here as well. Volunteers are needed to help register contestants, hand out food, and other miscellaneous duties. Volunteers can also help prepare the contest in advance. Contact Eboni Francis (francis.144@osu.edu 2-6125). Eboni is one of our residents, if you haven't met her yet. *(continued pg. 2)*

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Library Staff Appreciation Cookout

**August 22
11:30 a.m.
-1:30 p.m.**



North side of Thompson Library. Please wear your ID badges and encourage your students to wear their IDs as well. The Library Director's Awards will be announced. Rain site will be the lounge and basement of Thompson Library.



Welcome Week Volunteers Needed

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Friday, September 23: **Digital Safari:** From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Main Library. Contestants in teams of two to four will register at a table in Main Library and get a list of library locations and subjects that they then go out to photograph with a digital camera. Each team has one photographer and the other team members must be in each photograph. They

return to Main Library to have their photographs (which remain on the camera, no need to print out) validated by a volunteer. The members of each team that completes the list will receive a small prize and be entered in a drawing for a bigger prize. Volunteers are needed to staff the table, registering teams and validating photos. Contact Karen Diaz (diaz.28@osu.edu 7-6057).

Trends Session Follow-Up August 24

**Trends Affecting the OSU Libraries
August 24, 2005
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Faculty Club Grand Lounge**

WHO: Members of ASC and all interested Libraries' Faculty and Staff are encouraged to attend.

WHAT: Discussion of "Trends Affecting the OSU Libraries," the topic introduced at the August 1 ASC presentation by Sally Rogers. Learn more about the trends and participate in small group discussions that will provide input for decision making in the allocation of resources.

Lunch will be provided and pre-registration is required. Please respond to Marilyn Willhoff (willhoff.1@osu.edu) no later than Thursday, August 18.



AD Sally Rogers addressed more than 100 OSUL staff members on the impact of current trends on the potential operation of the library system at an August 1 presentation.



The Ohio Preservation Council and the Ohio Library Council present:

Basic Considerations for Digitization: Providing Access to Special Collections

This symposium with moderated panel will help librarians, archivists, and others better understand how digitization can assist with access, preservation, and management of special collection resources. Topics to be covered will include basic start-up needs; selection of items for digitization; preparation of original documents; and preservation of the electronic data, its migration, and future access.

Panelists:

Susan M. Allen – Digital Library Leader, Worthington Libraries

Judy Cobb – Education and Planning, OCLC Digital Collection and Metadata Services

Geoffrey D. Smith – Professor and Head of Rare Books and Manuscripts, OSU

Amy McCrory – Archivist, Cartoon Research Library, Wexner Center, OSU

Moderators:

Eric Honneffer-Document Conservator, Bowling Green State University, OPC Vice Chair

Angela O'Neal-Digital Projects Manager, Ohio Historical Society

Friday, September 16, 2005

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Medical Heritage Center, OSU

Registration is available at: <http://opc.ohionet.org/>

Information packet, continental breakfast, refreshments, and lunch are included:

- OPC and OLC Members – \$35.00
- Non-Members- \$65.00

Only 125 seats available

Registrants are encouraged to send questions to fhonnef@bgsu.edu, prior to September 16, questions for the moderated panel portion of the symposium.

Libraries' Faculty Teaching Four Freshman Seminars

Five members of the OSU Libraries faculty will be teaching freshman seminars this fall and winter.

Hitchhiker's Guide to Library Research, Edward Riedinger: The goal of this seminar is to help students understand and use library research resources to develop critical annotated bibliographies.

New Ways of Looking at Old Books: Did Size Matter in the Sixteenth Century?, Jim Bracken: The topic of format and its relationship with contemporary popularity and historical impact has been little studied. What were the really best selling books of the 16th century?

Analyzing the Appeal of Manga, Maureen Donovan: This seminar focuses on printed manga (Japanese comics and cartoons) now being translated into English at an unprecedented rate.

God, Guns, Gay Rights and Google: Researching Controversial Issues on the Web, Karen Diaz and Nancy O'Hanlon: Students in this seminar will learn to evaluate the information found through a Web search, and develop strategies to broaden their horizons by conducting systematic research on a controversial topic.

The seminars provide exciting opportunities for first-year students to interact with and learn from top faculty from the university. The small discussion format allows students and faculty to share their enthusiasm for the discovery process of scholarship. Distinguished faculty introduce students to topical and cutting-edge research areas from a wide variety of disciplines. These one and two-credit hour seminars are open only to first-year students and have a maximum class size of 18.

HUMAN RESOURCES UPDATE

APPOINTMENTS

ADMINISTRATIVE and PROFESSIONAL

Interlibrary Loan Department – Brian Miller has accepted the position of Project Coordinator – 100% - effective 15 August 2005

VACANCIES

STAFF

Cataloging Department - Library Associate 2 – 100% - New Position - 1st Listing



In order to comply with University procedures, employees who are applying for listed vacancies must complete a Promotion/Transfer Request (form 8931, Rev 9/97) during the week of the first listing of the vacancy in the University Personnel Posting (green sheet). To ensure awareness of all vacancies which have been posted, applicants should consult the weekly green sheet rather than relying on the listing in NEWS NOTES and are encouraged to attach a resume and/or other supporting documents to the form. Prospective faculty and staff applicants who are absent during the five-day posting period and wish to apply should see Toni Morrison-Smith.

People News

Kathryn Beach joined the staff of OSU Libraries on August 8 as the Acquisition Department accountant. Kathryn is responsible for the daily functions of the Acquisitions accounting duties, assisting with monthly and annual financial reports and supervising the accounting staff. Her office will be in room 040 and she will report to Diane Sliemers.

John M. Bennett exhibited artwork and gave two performances in the curated show "SoundVision/ VisionSound III" at the Nave Gallery, Somerville, MA, July 15-16. The exhibit runs from July to August; one of the performances was with the sound poetry group The Be Blank Consort; the other was a solo poetry performance.

Brian Miller has joined the ILL department as Document Delivery Service Coordinator. He'll still be involved in Training Advisory Council and other library-wide activities, but will no longer be at BPL.

Charles Popovich has received the Bureau of National Affairs (BNA) Award for Outstanding Achievement in Business Librarianship for 2005 from the Business and Finance Division of the Special Libraries Association. This is the first year that BNA has sponsored the award, which Charles received in June.

OCLC Distinguished Seminar Series

Listening to What We're Seeing

Diana G. Oblinger, Ph.D.

OCLC

Thursday, August 25, 9:30 a.m.

One student walks across campus listening to an iPod; another is engrossed in text messaging on her cell phone. During class, they're Googling, IMing and playing games—often at the same time. More likely to use the library as a gathering place than a resource, this is the Net Generation. They co-exist beside older students who are juggling work, child-care and eldercare. Do we understand our learners? What do their experiences, attitudes and expectations mean for educational institutions?

In her presentation, Dr. Diana Oblinger will help participants listen to what we are seeing - and respond.

As Vice President for EDUCAUSE, Dr. Oblinger is responsible for the association's teaching and learning activities and the direction of the EDUCAUSE Learning Initiative. EDUCAUSE is a nonprofit association whose mission is to advance higher education by promoting the intelligent use of information technology. The current membership comprises nearly 1,900 colleges, universities and education organizations, including 180 corporations.

Dr. Oblinger serves on a variety of boards including the National Science Foundation's Directorate of Education and Human Resources, the National Academies Forum on Information Technology and Research Universities and the University of Texas TeleCampus. She also chairs the National Visiting Committee for the National Science Digital Library project for the National Science Foundation. Dr. Oblinger is co-author of the book "What Business Wants from Higher Education," which received the 1999 Frandson Award for best literature.

Advanced registration is encouraged but not required. RSVP, by email to disbrowk@oclc.org or by calling OCLC Research at (614) 764-6073. Please indicate your name, affiliation and phone number.

Award Winners in Fine Arts



The Fine Arts Library had two blue ribbon winners at the recently-concluded Ohio State Fair. Circulation Supervisor Katie Voss won the "Tablescaping" competition. LMTA2 Gretchen Donelson took home the first place ribbon in "Beginner Decorated Cakes/ Special Occasion." Gretchen also snared a 2nd place ribbon for a Hannukah Decoration.



Above: Gretchen Donelson's winning Liberty Island cake.

Left: FIN circulation supervisor Katie Voss and her daughter Evie celebrate her big win.

The Tribes have Spoken!

These teams will gather Thursday August 25th,
2-4 p.m. and see if they have what it takes to be a
Survivor:

“Fabrik” from CGA Library

“The Question Marks” AKA '?' from EHS Library

“Booktruckers” from FIN Library

Come join us in Room 210 and cheer for your favorite team.

Service Values of

The Ohio State University Libraries

In addition to supporting the University's Academic Plan, The Ohio State University Libraries commits to the following service values:

Learning: Advocate learning as a primary library principle in all interactions, including support of decision making at all levels and encouragement of professional growth and development.

Meeting Needs: Assess needs and provide service and/or needed resources accurately in a timely manner.

Respectful Interactions: Exercise a positive attitude, appreciate differences, maintain confidentiality, and provide a supportive atmosphere for inquiry and effective dialogue/communication.

Stewardship: Acquire, preserve, and protect human and information resources and maintain physical facilities to enhance the learning environment.

Creativity: Take the initiative; be dynamic and innovative in meeting people's needs, being willing to take risks and maintaining the flexibility to adapt to changing circumstances.

Interdependence: Collaborate within and among library units, and foster partnerships and outreach to the larger community to ensure/enhance successful operations and accountability.

Mission Statement

The Ohio State University Libraries is committed to meeting the diverse and changing information needs of the University's students, faculty, and staff, and to participating in resource sharing programs throughout Ohio and the world.

The Libraries' facilities, collections, services, instruction, and scholarship contribute to the University's attainment of excellence in teaching, research and service.

To these ends, the Libraries collect, create, organize, manage, preserve and provide access to information sources, and foster an environment conducive to academic inquiry, scholarly communication, creative achievement, and lifelong learning.

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