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"There is no worse robber than a bad book."

*Italian Proverb*

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## Calendar of Events

### Faculty Meeting

October 14, 1999 3:00pm in 122 Main Library. Agenda items may be submitted to Betty Sawyers, faculty secretary, no later than noon, October 8, 1999.

### Exhibits

"Cartooning AIDS Around the World"  
 Cartoon Research Library's Reading Room Gallery  
 September 20, 1999 - January 21, 2000.

The library's regular hours are Monday - Friday, 9:00am - 5:00pm Hours vary between terms and on holidays. The library is located underground at the north end of the Wexner Center complex.

For other University events, see [OSU Electronic Calendars](#)

## Announcements

### Condolences

University Libraries wishes to extend its condolences to Deborah Cameron (Technical Services) and her family for the loss of her mother, Ruth C. Cameron, who passed away on Friday, August 27, 1999.

University Libraries also extends its condolences to Sherry Dabe (Cataloging) and her family upon the loss of her mother, Dorothy Gill, who passed away Thursday, September 2, 1999.

### An Invitation Where You Are the Special Guest

Library faculty, staff and students,

The Libraries' Staff Appreciation Week will be held September 7-10, 1999. More information is forthcoming on all activities. One activity during the week will be teams of employees who will try their skills at Jeopardy and Wheel of Fortune. So, come one and all to the events of Staff Appreciation Week.

Libraries' Staff Advisory Council  
Libraries' Planning & Policy Committee

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### Temporary Closing for Business Library

The Page Hall Business Library has closed its doors for the final time and is making preparations for the move to a new building. The physical move of the collection will occur from September 3 through September 10. The Business Library will reopen at its new location in Raymond E. Mason Hall at 250 West Woodruff Avenue on September 22. These dates assume all plans work without any major challenges.

Questions or concerns should be directed to Chuck Popovich at popovich.1@osu.edu or call 2-2136.

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### New Exhibit at Cartoon Research Library

"Cartooning AIDS Around the World" was conceived and organized by David Horsey (the editorial cartoonist for the Seattle Post-Intelligencer who won the 1998 Pulitzer Prize for his work) and Maury Forman (a historian of political cartooning) in 1992 with the assistance of Cartoonists & Writers Syndicate. The exhibition is a survey of forty-three international AIDS cartoons and, as such, is an interesting reminder of how our understanding of AIDS has changed in the intervening years. The exhibit toured to twenty-nine venues throughout the United States before it was donated to The Ohio State University Cartoon Research Library earlier this year.

"Cartooning AIDS Around the World" will be featured in the Cartoon Research Library's Reading Room Gallery September 20, 1999 - January 21, 2000. The library's regular hours are Monday - Friday, 9 a. m. - 5 p.m. Hours vary between terms and on holidays. The library is located underground at the north end of the Wexner Center complex. Additional information about "Cartooning AIDS Around the World" is available by calling 614-292-0538 or via e-mail at <cartoons@osu.edu>.

In conjunction with this exhibition, the Columbus AIDS Task Force, The Ohio State University Cartoon Research Library, Central Ohio Chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists, Columbus Dispatch, and Wexner Center for the Arts are co-sponsoring a half-day event for representatives of the media. "Reporting on HIV/AIDS: A Workshop" will be held in the Wexner Center film/Video Theatre the morning of Thursday, November 18, 1999. The keynote speaker will be David Horsey whose topic will be "Cartooning Tough Issues." There will also be an update on HIV/AIDS by an expert in the field plus a panel discussion on living with HIV/AIDS. The workshop is free, but pre-registration is required. For additional information on the workshop, contact Sally Blue at the Columbus AIDS Task Force (telephone 614-299-2437, extension 126).

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### An Addition Omitted from the NEWS NOTES Online Issue of August 31, 1999.

There is one other active search committee.

*Cataloger, Cataloging Department*

- Jose Diaz, Chair
- Magda El-Sherbini, ex officio
- Cheryl Obong (S/ER)
- Tanya Roberts (SEL)
- Andrea Moore (Cat)
- Linda Gonzalez ex officio

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### Visiting Scholar to Lecture on Internet's Effect on Healthcare

The Ohio State University John A. Prior Health Sciences Library and the College of Medicine and Public Health Library Committee are pleased to present a visiting scholar lecture by Daniel R. Masys, M.D., currently Director of Biomedical Informatics at the University of California, San Diego School of Medicine and formerly Director of the Lister Hill National Center for Biomedical Communications at the National Library of Medicine. A Columbus native as well as a 1974 graduate from the OSU College of Medicine, Dr. Masys will speak on "How the Internet Has

Changed Healthcare." The presentation will be in the Medical Heritage Center on the 5th floor of the Prior Health Sciences Library on Friday, September 17, 1999, from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Dr. Masys's presentation will be of interest to anyone in healthcare, informatics, information systems, libraries, and computing. The presentation will review how the Internet works, and the most important current trends in the use of the Internet for health care. Unresolved issues such as security for confidential medical records and the problem of medical disinformation on the network will also be discussed. Come find out at this overview how the Internet is changing the very fabric of health care delivery worldwide.

Dr. Masys is a Diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine in Medicine, Hematology, and Medical Oncology. He is a Fellow of the American College of Physicians, and a Fellow of the American College of Medical Informatics. He is a founding associate editor of the Journal of the American Medical Informatics Association, and has received numerous awards including the NIH Director's Award, Public Health Service Outstanding Service Medal, and the U.S. Surgeon General's Exemplary Service Medal.

Physicians' Desk Reference, a Medical Economics Company, and The Gale Group are providing support for Dr. Masys' presentation.

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### **The Kent State University School of Library and Information Science Fall 1999 Workshops**

#### **Genealogy and Local History Research Methods for Librarians**

Librarians and archivists will learn how to interpret questions, find appropriate sources and guide the researcher to the next source. Attendees will become familiar with public records, government documents and secondary research resources that will help attendees assist genealogy and local history patrons.

Instructor - Miriam Kahn, consultant, MBK Consulting.

Note: this workshop is offered at the following times and locations. When registering, please specify the letter code of the section.

(A) Kent

Friday and Saturday, September 24 - 25

9:00am - 5:30pm

Parking, \$2

(B) Columbus

Friday and Saturday, November 12 - 13

9:00am - 5:30pm

1 graduate credit hour, \$242.50

#### **Library Programming for Families with Young Children**

Learn the importance that caregivers and family members play in the emerging literacy skills of young children.

Attendees will focus on building developmentally appropriate outreach programs for young children and their families, and become familiar with other types of outreach programs, including family story time, family history and multicultural and intergenerational programs. Participants will also gain an understanding of children's developmental characteristics and how they relate to book sharing and other activities.

Instructor - Sue McCleaf Nespeca, library consultant, Library and Information Science.

Kent Campus

Friday and Saturday, October 8 - 9

9:00am - 5:30pm

1 graduate credit hour, \$242.50

Parking, \$2

#### **Young Adult Best Bets: A Young Adult Literature Update**

During this workshop, attendees will become familiar with current young adult books and the qualities that make a "best" book. Participants will be able to identify current young adult literature trends and titles, and market books in a manner that will appeal to young adults by utilizing readers' advisory services, booktalks and promotional activities.

Instructors - C. Allen Nichols, director, Wadsworth Public Library and Mary Ann Nichols, school age and young adult librarian, Akron-Summit County Public Library, McDowell Branch.

Kent Campus

Friday and Saturday, October 22 - 23

9:00am - 5:30pm

1 graduate credit hour, \$242.50

Parking, \$2

**Repair Decisions and Methods for Circulating Materials**

Learn to determine the appropriate methods for preserving books, repairing torn pages, tipping in loose pages, tightening hinges, reattaching broken hinges, repairing simple spine damage, binding in pamphlets and making simple phase boxes.

Instructor - Miriam Kahn, consultant, MBK Consulting.

Note: this workshop is offered at the following times and locations. When registering, please specify the letter code of the section.

**(A) Kent**

Friday and Saturday, October 29 - 30

9:00am - 5:30pm

Parking, \$2

Account #105575

**(B) Columbus**

Friday and Saturday, December 3 - 4

9:00am - 5:30pm

Account #105576

1 graduate credit hour, \$242.50

Special fee, \$65

**Fall 1999 Computer Workshops****Introduction to PERL/CGI Programming**

Take this workshop to get a quick tutorial of PERL, a widely used Web CGI programming language. Attendees will gain a clear understanding of HTTP and CGI sessions while learning the basic syntax and structure of the PERL program. Attendees will also identify potential uses of PERL/CGI in Web publishing and Web server management.

This workshop is great for graduate students in library science and business who are focusing on Web publishing and management, as well as for Webmasters, Web programmers and Web content providers at the entry level.

Instructor-Huijie Chen, senior system analyst, Morrison Knudsen Corporation.

Prerequisites: Knowledge of computer programming and advanced HTML. Student should have completed LSCI 60646, User Interface for Information Retrieval Systems, or one computer programming course, and have finished LSCI 60691, Electronic Publishing, or an advanced HTML course (equivalent to the SLIS Electronic Publishing II and up).

Saturday and Sunday, October 2 - 3

Saturday, 9:00am - 5:30pm

Sunday, noon - 8:30pm

1 graduate credit hour, \$242.50

Parking, \$2

Special fee, \$25 (Account #105582)

**Finding and Using Internet Tools and Resources**

Search engines, metasearchers and subject directories are powerful tools that provide access to useful information on the Web. However, each varies in scope, content, capabilities and quality. During this workshop, participants will briefly cover older tools and gain knowledge and insights

about newer search engines, metasearchers and directories, learning to mine the Web with greater effectiveness.

Participants will also analyze, profile and compare the features of the major search engines, metasearchers and subject directories. The hands-on workshop includes out-of-class assignments.

Instructor - Tom Froelich, professor, Library and Information Science.

**(A) Kent**

Friday and Saturday, October 15 - 16

9:00am - 5:30pm

Parking, \$2,

Special fee, \$25 (Account #105583)

**(B) Columbus**

Friday and Saturday, November 19 - 20

9:00am - 5:30pm

Special fee, \$25 (Account #105584)

1 graduate credit hour, \$242.50

**Evaluation of Internet Tools and Resources**

As tools and resources proliferate on the World Wide Web, there is an increasing need for evaluation criteria. This workshop is devoted to developing evaluation instruments for the content of Web pages, search engines, metasearchers and subject directories. Participants will also analyze, profile and compare the features of the major search engines, metasearchers and subject directories. The hands-on workshop will provide a wealth of

valuable resources and includes out-of-class assignments.  
Instructor - Tom Froelich, professor, Library and Information Science.

Prerequisites: Some knowledge of browsers, search engines, metasearchers and subject directories. Attendance at the Finding and Using Internet Tools and Resources workshop or its equivalent would be useful.

Friday and Saturday, October 22 - 23  
9:00am - 5:30pm

1 graduate credit hour, \$242.50  
Parking, \$2  
Special fee, \$25 (Account #105571)

#### **Using JavaScript to Jazz up Web Pages**

This hands-on workshop will provide participants with the knowledge, skills, techniques and resources needed to create dynamic, interactive Web pages using JavaScript. This is a hands-on workshop and will involve a significant amount of computer work outside the classroom.

Instructor - Tom Froelich, professor, Library and Information Science. Note: this workshop is offered at the following times and locations. When registering, please specify the letter code of the section.

Prerequisites: Some knowledge of HTML and some knowledge of computer programming would be useful but is not required.

- (A) Kent  
Friday and Saturday, November 12 - 13  
9:00am - 5:30pm  
Parking, \$2  
Special fee, \$25 (Account #105572)
- (B) Columbus  
Friday and Saturday, December 10 - 11  
9:00am - 5:30pm  
Special fee, \$25 (Account #105573)

1 graduate credit hour, \$242.50

#### **Electronic Publishing I: Introduction to SGML and HTML**

Learn the Standard Generalized Markup Language (SGML) and its applications relevant to today's publishing needs. During this workshop, participants will become familiar with tools currently on the market for creating SGML data, as well as Hyper Text Markup Language (HTML). Participants will also see an example of SGML DTD (Document Type Definitions, the markup language used on the World Wide Web), which will illustrate how to create electronic resources. Upon completion of this workshop, attendees will be able to read and use SGML DTDs.

Instructor - Tiffany Barnes, library director, Bryant & Stratton College.

Friday and Saturday, November 19 - 20  
9:00am - 5:30pm

1 graduate credit hour, \$242.50  
Parking, \$2  
Special fee, \$25 (Account #105580)

#### **Electronic Publishing II: Advanced HTML**

With the publishing of the HTML level 3 DTDs and the merging of Web programming languages, Web publishing has become more powerful and important in today's scholarly communication and information transfer. Take this workshop to build on the basic HTML workshop Electronic Publishing I: Introduction to SGML and HTML.

Attendees will learn an advanced set of HTML elements and get hands-on experience using these elements to construct tables, frames, forms, image map files, etc. Attendees will also discuss homepage style and design issues.  
Instructor - Tiffany Barnes, library director, Bryant & Stratton College.

Friday and Saturday, December 3 - 4  
9:00am - 5:30pm

1 graduate credit hour, \$242.50  
Parking, \$2  
Special fee, \$25 (Account #105581)

William J. Studer, Director of Libraries

### Attention: ALAO Members

The Research & Publications Committee is looking for publications of ALAO members (books, articles, and book reviews) for a display at the annual conference on November 12, 1999. We need your help in finding members who have been published! We have compiled a bibliography of ALAO authors' works (1996 to the present) on our Web site (<http://www.wooster.edu/alao/comsigs/respub.html>) and have also provided a form you can use to alert us to additional publications. If you would like your work added to the bibliography, use the form or contact one of the committee members below.

If you would be willing to have us display a copy of your article or book review at the conference, please send a copy to Meri Meredith, Business Library, Ohio State University, 110 Page Hall, 1810 College Rd., Columbus, OH 43210. If you would like to display your book at the conference, please bring a copy along and leave it at our table for the day (don't forget to also have your work added to the bibliography!).

If you have any other questions, please contact a member of the committee:

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Need money for your research? Start planning to apply for the 2000 ALAO Research Grant (deadline April 24, 2000 - see last years application at the URL above).

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### Technology Conference at OSU

Technology Across the Humanities Curriculum  
The Ohio State University (see conference website below)  
Saturday, October 16, 1999

Sponsored by the College of Humanities and Betha

Find new ways to integrate technology into your teaching.  
Hands-on sessions, plenary speakers, lunch, vendor demonstrations and much more.

Registration deadline: September 30, 1999

All faculty, graduate students, and staff are encouraged to attend.  
For registration information and conference specifics, visit our web site: <http://tahc.cohums.ohio-state.edu/>

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## Features

### Luminous Lucubrations

Last week's entry, "Gordian Knot", means "An exceedingly complicated problem." This week's entry is "peregrinate."

Online resources for this question are available:

- [WWWebster Dictionary](#) - brief definitions
- [The Oxford English Dictionary](#) - lengthy, historical entries

### Laughs

- [Dilbert's Daily Mental Workout](#)
- [Cartoon of the Day](#)

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## Meeting Notes

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## Human Resources

### Vacancies

#### ===Faculty===

*Biological Sciences/Pharmacy Library:* Pharmacy Librarian (replacing Weibel) 2nd listing

*Special Collections Cataloging:* Head, Special Collections Cataloging (replacing Thomas) 2nd listing

#### ===Staff===

*Book Depository:* Library Media Technical Assistant 1 (replacing Lamer)

*Information Services Department:* Library Associate 1 (replacing Bailey)

*Fine Arts Library:* Library Media Technical Assistant 2 (replacing Druback) 2nd listing

*Human Resources:* Personnel Technician 1 (replacing Caslin)

*Law Library:* Library Media Technical Assistant 2 (replacing Bentley)

*Science & Engineering Library:* Library Media Technical Assistant 1 50% (new position)

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 library vacancies which have been posted, applicants should consult the weekly green sheet rather than relying on the listing in NEWS NOTES Online 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.

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