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News

New Libraries Director Starts January 5: Carol Pitts Deidrichs is set to begin her duties as director of the OSU Libraries on Tuesday, January 5. A series of "Meet the Director" receptions will be scheduled throughout the month of January to provide faculty and staff with the opportunity to meet Carol. The schedule will be emailed to all staff and posted on the intranet.



Holiday Party, December 17, 3-6 p.m., Buckeye Reading Room, Thompson: Library faculty, staff and students are all invited to join the fun; hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, punch and cookies are on the menu.

Executive Committee update from November 30:

1. Emergency closing policy and procedures.
2. Revision of emergency contacts document.
3. Libraries pandemic flu plan.
4. Financial update.
5. Google Books project.
6. Use of Columbus Metropolitan Library leisure reading collection.

LIPP Blog updates on OSUL Website Redesign Project: The Libraries' Internet Presence Projects group has put together new posts on the LIPP blog highlighting some important changes to the OSUL Website Redesign Project:

- **Content Migration Progress Update:** All the great things that have been happening. <http://library.osu.edu/blogs/lipp/2009/11/18/content-migration-progress-update/>
- **Content Migration Timeline Changing:** Changes to the implementation timeline. <http://library.osu.edu/blogs/lipp/2009/11/18/content-migration-timeline-changing/>
- **Help Design the Homepage!** An outline of plans for creating our OSUL Homepage. <http://library.osu.edu/blogs/lipp/2009/11/18/help-design-the-homepage/>

We hope that you take a moment to check out what's happening.

December CMS Training: During December, you can still take the “Intro to CMS” class, which covers how to use the CMS to create pages and a short portion on the navigational structure. Each session includes significant hands-on practice time. You are welcome to attend the training more than once. If you have not yet attended a CMS training session, this is where to start.

There are also Open Lab sessions available. Come with your questions and/or work in SEL 390 with helpers standing by, it’s up to you. If you have a particular question, please share it on the registration form so we can be prepared to answer it. These require registration so we can be sure to have enough helpers.

This session will cover changes to the Carmen Library Link (CLL) editor, so even those using it for a while are encouraged to attend, and the connection from that system to the CMS for the creation of Subject pages using Carmen Library Link widgets.

All sessions are held in Room 390 of the Science and Engineering Library. Please use our [sign up form](#) to register. Space is limited to 18 participants per session.

- December 2, 2 - 4 p.m. - Intro to CMS
- December 10, 2 - 4 p.m. - Open Lab
- December 15, 2 - 4 p.m. - Intro to CMS
- December 22, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. - Open Lab

Science Café: “Ohio’s Forests Under Siege: The Clear and Present Danger Posed by Invasive Insects,” Daniel Herms, OSU, Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center, December 2, 6:30 p.m., Gateway Movie Theatre, South Campus Gateway, 1550 N. High St.: Exotic insects continue to establish in North America’s forests at an exponentially increasing rate. Several of these species threaten to Ohio’s forests and cities with devastating ecological and economic impacts. Emerald ash borer has killed tens of millions of ash trees since its accidental introduction from Asia. Gypsy moth is well established throughout Ohio, and threatens to disrupt ecological process on a broad scale. Hemlock woolly adelgid has decimated hemlock trees throughout the Appalachian Mountains, and the invasion of southeast Ohio is imminent. Beech bark disease and viburnum leaf beetle have already spread from New England to northeast Ohio. How will these biological invasions impact Ohio and what can be done?

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International Day of Persons with Disabilities: December 3 is the annual observance of the [International Day of Persons with Disabilities](#). The day was created by the United Nations General Assembly in 1982 to promote an understanding of disability issues, the rights of persons with disabilities and gains to be derived from the integration of persons with disabilities in every aspect of the political, social, economic and cultural life of their communities. The day provides an opportunity to celebrate progress, consider our remaining goals and renew our commitment to access & inclusion. Visit The Ohio State University's ADA Coordinator's Web Site <http://ada.osu.edu> for information on upcoming programs and resources.

Brown Bag Discussions, CCS Staff Reduction in Work Force (RIF), for HRP's and Managers of CCS Staff, Office of Human Resources, Gateway Building, 1590 N. High St., Suite 430:

The Reduction in Work Force process for CCS staff is changing. This one-hour brown bag will review the specific changes in the process and new requirements for anyone who supervises or provides HR support for CCS staff.

- December 4 – Brown Bag, noon-1 p.m.
- December 8 – Brown Bag, noon-1 p.m.
- December 17 – Brown Bag, noon-1 p.m.
- January 12 – Brown Bag, noon-1 p.m.

Telephone forums for work locations outside of Columbus

- December 3 – Teleclass – noon-1 p.m.
- January 13 – Teleclass – noon-1 p.m.

Register online at: hr.osu.edu/ohrc/ld_customizedtraining.aspx. To learn more about the changes, go to <http://hr.osu.edu/Policy/CCS/RIFchangesummary.pdf>

Dec. 4: 17th Annual Musical Celebration Concert: The School of Music is presenting its annual salute to all music at 8 p.m. Friday, December 4 in Mershon Auditorium. This fast-paced program of popular, classical, and seasonal selections involves more than 300 student musicians and singers in 16 different ensembles, large and small, including ones created for this concert. For tickets, call 292-3535 or 292-2295; also available at the door. [Read more >](#)

OSU Urban Arts Space Today: Monuments of Columbus artist's reception:

Visit the OSU Urban Arts Space in celebration of The Monuments of Columbus exhibition on view through Saturday, December 12. The exhibition includes inventories, mappings, experimental geographies, sonic tours, and projected futures for the landscape of our city, produced by a community of students, faculty, and collaborators of the Knowlton School of Architecture.

People



To assist with the increasing facility needs in Thompson, especially dealing with upcoming furniture and systems warranty expirations, the Libraries is recruiting a temporary **Facilities Services Assistant** who will work with Mark Moziejko. If you know of someone who may be interested in this position, go to the university personnel posting site at <http://jobs.osu.edu/> to learn more.

Personnel Report *Provided by the OSU Libraries Human Resources Department*

To comply with University procedures, employees 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 NewsNotes 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 5-day posting period and wish to apply should see Toni Morrison-Smith.

Library personnel can also review university employment opportunities at:
www.jobs.osu.edu

Exhibits



Journeys: Treasures of The Ohio State University Libraries Special Collections

Through January 3, 2010

A special exhibition, "Journeys: Treasures of The Ohio State University Libraries Special Collections," will be on display to help celebrate the reopening of the newly-renovated Thompson Memorial Library. The exhibition is a collaboration between all ten of the special collections at Ohio State. It will be free and open to the public. More than 100 of the Libraries' most interesting, rare and unique treasures will be on display, from letters to first editions of literature; set designs to scrapbooks; wedding clothes to works of art.

The objects selected for this exhibition symbolize journeys of every category and character: physical journeys, transformative journeys, journeys of the spirit, and journeys of the imagination. A journey is not only the physical movement of a person or object through time and space, but the metamorphosis that the person or object undergoes. Even an object's creation is a journey, a process of movement and transformation over the course of many, sometimes countless hours. The unique and rare artifacts in the show have traveled from near and far to their present home at Ohio State, where they are preserved and where they will continue their individual and collective interactions with students and scholars, with Ohio State and the world.

The Special Collections participating in the exhibition are:

- Byrd Polar Archival Program
- Cartoon Library and Museum
- Charvat Collection of American Fiction
- Hilandar Research Library of medieval Slavic Manuscripts
- Historic Costume & Textiles Collection
- Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee Theatre Research Institute
- Medical Heritage Center (part of OSU's Prior Health Sciences Library)
- Ohio Congressional Archives (including the John Glenn Archives)
- University Archives
- Rare Books and Manuscripts Library

Winsor McCay: Legendary Cartoonist

Through December 31, 2009
Cartoon Library and Museum
Reading Room Gallery

Winsor McCay was an unusually prolific cartoonist. More than 30 comic strip titles and ten animated films are credited to him. The decade between 1903 and 1913 was his most creative period. His biographer, John Canemaker, states, "...when the American comic strip was in its infancy, McCay became the first master of the form with two unsurpassed works of genius: Dream of the Rarebit Fiend ... and Little Nemo in Slumberland." In addition, McCay was an important pioneer animator and a popular vaudeville performer.

The date and place of McCay's birth are unknown. He grew up in Michigan and was self-taught. He created his first comic strip, A Tale of the Jungle Imps by Felix Fiddle, for the Cincinnati Enquirer in 1903. McCay soon left for New York City where he worked for James Gordon Bennett and later for William Randolph Hearst. Although his comic strips were formulaic, the sureness of his hand and the beauty of

his drawings continue to delight. McCay's interest in depicting movement is apparent throughout his comic strips, so it is not surprising that he found the new medium of animation intriguing.

In 1913 William Randolph Hearst ordered McCay to draw nothing but editorial illustrations. This constraint leaves contemporary students of McCay's work puzzled. What might he have accomplished if he had devoted the last 20 years of his life to animation or comic strips? Winsor McCay: Legendary Cartoonist invites visitors to consider this question as they enjoy superb examples of McCay's work that span his career.