

# News Notes



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## News

### ***From Director of Libraries Carol Diedrichs--Committee Structure Review:***

Over the past few months, we have been reviewing our current committee structure in light of our new organizational structure, with the exception of faculty governance committees which are governed by the Libraries' Pattern of Administration. Quanetta Batts has been in contact with current committee chairs to construct a chart with charges, membership, and any thoughts from the chairs about the committee's role and future. As expected, we will have four kinds of groups going forward:

- Standing committees with ongoing work;
- Communication forums;
- Task forces and working groups with a specific task for a specific period of time; and
- Standing faculty governance committees.

Each of the first three groups will have the following:

- An executive sponsor to create a better linkage to the Executive Committee;
- An overarching charge; and
- Specific goals for the year ahead, where appropriate.

With the exception of the faculty governance committees, we will be starting all committees from scratch in January 2012. A separate call for volunteers will be coming out with an indication of where committee members are needed. Initial terms for many committee members will be staggered to move into the new structure with a certain number of members rotating off each year. Where not mandated by the structure of the committee, chairs will be appointed by the Executive Committee or elected from the committee membership as described in the committee charge. The Staff Advisory Council is an elected body governed by a set of existing bylaws. No changes are being made to SAC as part of this process.

The annual call for volunteers for the committees will be issued from the Director's Office using a web form for volunteers to indicate willingness to serve and on which committees. Those volunteers will be reviewed by the Executive Committee, reviewed with sitting chairs where applicable and appointments made.

*For a complete listing of the new committees and charges, along with additional information, see Carol's January 3 [blog posting](#).*

**"Immigration in Comics" series:** The Ohio State University Libraries and the Billy Ireland Cartoon Library & Museum will present a four-part reading and discussion series, "Immigration in Comics," beginning in January 2012, in conjunction with the campus-wide conversation on immigration. The series will be facilitated by Dr. Jared Gardner of the Ohio State Department of English. The discussions will take place in the Mortar Board Centennial Suite of the Thompson Library, 1858 Neil Avenue, Mondays from 7 – 8:30 p.m. The schedule:

- **January 9:** Four Immigrants Manga: A Japanese Experience in San Francisco, 1904-1924 by Henry (Yoshitaka) Kiyama
- **January 23:** The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier & Clay by Michael Chabon
- **February 6:** American Born Chinese by Gene Luen Yang
- **February 20:** The Girl from H.O.P.P.E.R.S. (Love and Rockets Library, Locas Book 2) by Jaime Hernandez.

Copies of the books are available through [Amazon.com](http://Amazon.com), at the Columbus Metropolitan Library, and on reserve at the OSU Thompson Library.

Advance registration is required for the free reading and discussion series, which is open to interested OSU students, faculty and staff and adults in the community. Space is limited. To register, email Nancy Courtney at [courtney.24@osu.edu](mailto:courtney.24@osu.edu) or phone 614-688-8771. Please include your name, phone number, and email address if available.

The "Immigration in Comics" series is one of several programs pertaining to the immigration issue being offered by The Ohio State University. The Innovation Group for the OSU Center for Ethics and Human Values is leading a year-long "conversation" on immigration during the 2011-12 academic year. The conversation is involving all sectors of the University in a meaningful, productive discussion of the complex, controversial issues associated with migration and immigration.

**Research Brown Bags:** The sessions will be held once a month in Thompson Library, Room 150A. Time is 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

- January 19 - Dracine Hodges, "Ebooks"

**"From Books and Buildings to Information and Services," by Nancy K. Roderer, Johns Hopkins University, OCLC Research Distinguished Seminar Series Presentation, Monday, January 16, 9:00-10:15 a.m., Presentation and Discussion:**

Technology has enabled remarkable increases in the volume of use of scholarly information, and medicine has been on the forefront of the expansion of access. Much of what the health scientist or practitioner needs is available online and is being used from offices, labs, clinics, etc.—that is, "wherever you are." The Welch Medical Library at Johns Hopkins University developed a strategic plan for a digital future in 2001/2 and adopted the tag line "wherever you are." Since that time, the library has been moving aggressively to the provision of digital information, complemented by librarians who also go to the user. While the new services are extensively used, these changes run counter to the traditional view of the library as books and buildings. In this presentation, Ms. Roderer will tell the story of the changes at the Welch Medical Library over the last ten years and discuss the potential implications of these shifts for other libraries.

Roderer is Director, Welch Medical Library; Director, Division of Health Sciences Informatics; and Professor, Schools of Medicine and Public Health.

Program will be held at OCLC Online Computer Library Center, Inc., Kilgour Building Auditorium, 6565 Kilgour Place, Dublin, OH 43017-3395. This presentation is free and open to the public. To attend in person, please RSVP by e-mailing [disbrowk@oclc.org](mailto:disbrowk@oclc.org) or calling OCLC Research at (614) 764-6073 and indicating your name, affiliation and telephone number. To register to attend online via WebEx, click [here](#):

## University News



**Web Based Smoking Cessation for Women:** Women cigarette smokers over 18 years are needed for a 6-month study of smoking cessation using the Internet for group support. Participants are provided smoking cessation medication (Chantix) at no cost. Half the participants will be asked to attend 10 online group support sessions. Participants need access to a computer, will be asked to complete questionnaires, and provide saliva samples 3 times receiving \$25 each time.

-- > Contact: Stop Smoking Study at 292-8069 or [stopsmoking@con.Ohio-State.edu](mailto:stopsmoking@con.Ohio-State.edu)

**Conversation partners sought for international students:** The American Language Program (English as a Second Language) is recruiting conversation partners for our international students for the Winter 2012 term. We ask that each conversation partner commit to spending at least one hour per week (one quarter only) conversing in a relaxed and non-academic atmosphere with an international partner. Students, faculty and staff are welcome to apply. To volunteer, e-mail [ALP-CPP@osu.edu](mailto:ALP-CPP@osu.edu).

# People



A former head of Interlibrary Loan for the Libraries, **Jane Gatliff**, passed away on December 30. Additional information is available at the Dispatch [obituary site](#).

**Joseph Marino** has published his first book, [\*Wrapped Up in the Shroud: Chronicle of a Passion\*](#). A former Benedictine monk, Joseph has been studying the Shroud of Turin, believed by many to be the burial cloth of Jesus, since 1977. He and his late wife, M. Sue Benford, presented a paper at the Sindone 2000 World Congress in Orvieto, Italy, hypothesizing that the reason the 1988 C-14 dating of the Shroud resulted in a date range of AD 1260-1390 for the cloth was because of a 16th-century repair in the sample area. *Wrapped Up in the Shroud* is a real-life chronicle of one long-time researcher, who has devoted nearly 35 years to studying this enigmatic cloth.

**Katherine (Katie) Blocksidge** is the new Reference & Instruction Librarian at the Warner Library on the Newark Campus. She comes to OSU from the Findlay Campus of Owens Community College. Katie is a graduate of Bowling Green State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Music Education. She earned her MLIS at Kent State University.



Katie began her work at OSU Newark on December 12.

## JOB OPENING

The Moritz Law Library at OSU has **an opening for a Circulation Manager**. The job description is available at <https://www.jobsatosu.com/postings/33884>. The position is open through Jan. 15, 2011.

# Exhibits



## ***Roy Doty: Inspired Lines***

Through January 6, 2012

Billy Ireland Cartoon Library and  
Museum, Reading Room Gallery

The only artwork Roy Doty really cares about is the work that is currently on his drawing board. This is not to say that he does not enjoy looking at finished work. He takes great pride in what he has done. The fact is, however, that the act of creating now, in the present, brings him such pleasure and satisfaction that he cannot imagine doing anything else.



For more details:

<http://cartoons.osu.edu/?q=exhibits/roy-doty-inspired-lines>