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Sun.: 3-7 p.m.

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Martin Luther King Jr.
Birthday: Sat.-Mon. Jan.
19-21, 2002.

Lincoln's Birthday:
Tues., Feb. 12, 2002

Easter Sunday: Sun.,
Mar. 31, 2002.



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The Newsletter of The
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A Message from the Interim Director

By Diane Dates Casey

The weather outside may be frightful, but the library is most delightful. The library staff invite you to visit early and often in order to keep on top of your course assignments and research. Reference staff can show you which databases will be most useful to you and how to search them effectively. Perhaps you prefer to access the library virtually. If you are a student using off-campus access (<http://proxy.govst.edu:2048/login>), your username is your social security number without the hyphens and your password is the PIN number that you use to register for classes at GSU. For faculty, the username is the same, but the password is the last four digits of your social security number. If you encounter problems, you may contact reference staff at (708) 534-4111 during regular library hours.

During the Fall trimester the library lost three staff members. Julie Thompson, Reference LTA III, left in Octo-

ber to spend more time with her young children. Thompson provided excellent service to students and faculty at the Reference Desk and was very involved in creating and maintaining library web pages. In November Todd Tucker, LTA I in Interlibrary Loan, resigned to pursue his chiropractic practice full-time. Dr. Tucker not only provided superb service at the Circulation Desk but also was instrumental in quickly acquiring articles from other libraries for our students and faculty. At the end of December, Colleen Waltman, distance education librarian, left to pursue a new position at the University of St. Francis. Professor Waltman worked closely with CELCS in providing library service to distance education students and also provided fine service as liaison to the Nursing, Health Administration, Communication Disorders, and Occupational Therapy programs.

These positions will remain vacant for the foreseeable

future until the economic climate in the state and university improves. Library staff will continue to give you the best service possible. However, please be patient with us. With fewer people to staff the public service desks, you may need to wait a little longer before we can turn our full attention to you. We appreciate your understanding during these difficult days.

During the trimester break work began on bracing all of the book stacks in the library. Late last summer the books were removed from an entire range of shelves because the shelving units were in danger of collapsing. We extend our apologies to the faculty and students who were directly impacted by the dislocation of those books. Upon further inspection the decision was made that all of the stacks needed to be stabilized. Once the work is completed, the stacks will be a safer place for everyone.

Faculty Authors' Reception at the University Library

By Marie Turak

You are invited to the GSU Faculty Authors' Reception, to be hosted by the library on March 20, 2002, at 2 p.m. on the library's balcony. This reception will showcase the scholarship and research efforts of our faculty and administrators. Survey the published work of your colleagues. Congratulate and

converse with them over refreshments. A bibliography of submitted works will be compiled and available at the reception.

Send copies of your published books, articles and reviews with a brief annotation to the attention of Marie Turak in the library no later than February

28, 2002. Please do not re-submit published materials that were featured at previous Faculty Authors' Receptions. Include your name, position, college, program for identification purposes. Please let us know if you will contribute your publication to the GSU Archives.

Access to the Third Airport Collection

By Carol Troutt

The result of a project to catalog all the documents in the Third Airport Collection is that nearly four hundred documents on the proposed south suburban airport are now accessible through the library's online catalog, ILLINET Online (IO). Capacity studies, technical reports, master plans, site selection reports, and maps under such subjects as "action groups," "economic impact," "runways," and "site comparison" are just

some of the Third Airport materials available for your review and for charging out. Participating cataloging staff members were Susan Bell and Carol Troutt.

You may search for Third Airport documents in IO by author, title, subject, or "any words." These documents are shelved in a separate Third Airport Collection and are labeled "YT" followed by an accession number. Many of these reports were

commissioned by the Federal Aviation Administration and the Illinois Department of Transportation. As airport security remains a key issue in current affairs, the government documents in this special collection are excellent supplemental information. The Third Airport Collection also includes an extensive collection of newspaper articles from all area newspapers and others that refer directly to the Third Airport

project. As Mayor Daley promotes O'Hare expansion, you may want to examine the third airport alternative. These are studies for students intrigued with the current needs of the aviation industry and the status of the third airport scenario in Illinois/Indiana, as the suggestion of a third airport takes on a new reality.

Library Advisory Committee

By Ann Glascoff

A Library Advisory Committee was created this Fall and had its initial meeting in October. Twenty-two interested library users and representatives from all areas of the university agreed to serve on the committee. The committee's mission is to assist the library "in promoting and assessing its services," function "as a sounding board for potential

library initiatives," provide "feedback on the library's ... collections," suggest "ways to enhance service to the university community," review and comment "on library policies," share "information about the library with ... colleagues," and serve "as an advocate for the library."

Library faculty and staff

made presentations on services and policies impacting the university community. The presentations included an explanation and discussion of the library's master's theses procedures, its new policy on scheduling library space, the faculty liaison system, information access instruction sessions, and course web pages.

The committee discussed the withdrawal of print journals where the online version is not available as a full-text image. The library will develop a policy to ensure the print version is either kept or available through interlibrary loan. The next meeting will be held in February 2002.

Interlibrary Loan Service Changes

By Barbara Stapleton

The Interlibrary Loan (ILL) Department in the library experienced the loss of a key position with the departure of Todd Tucker on November 15, 2001. Dr. Tucker was responsible for borrowing library materials for our faculty and students

from other libraries. Since the current fiscal situation at GSU will not enable the library to replace personnel, some temporary reductions in ILL service will be necessary.

Beginning in January 2002,

rush journal article requests and Dissertation Express requests will continue to be placed, but only for faculty members and graduate students. Undergraduate students will need to allow extra time for the arrival of journal articles from more

conventional sources. Library mail-out service will continue, or students may elect to pick up their articles at the circulation desk if this will contribute to faster service.

Come to a Discussion of Exam Proctoring

By Diane Dates Casey

The University Library does not provide proctors for exams. Setting up proctoring arrangements is the responsibility of the individual faculty member. However, on Tuesday, January 15, from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Library Administrative Conference Room, a meeting will be held to discuss the need for proctoring services at the university. Please attend and voice your concerns and needs.

New Liaison to the Health Science Programs

By Paul Blobaum

Let me introduce myself. I am Paul Blobaum, and I have assumed subject liaison responsibilities for the health science programs and Integrative Studies, taking over from Colleen Waltman. To assist you in using the library's resources in the health sciences, I will develop web pages and will select materials for the library's collection. I will also be happy to provide instruction to faculty and students on how to use the library's resources and to help faculty develop resources for

WebCT classes. In addition to my liaison responsibilities, I am the head of Access Services in the library. For more information, contact me at Ext. 5142 or at p-blobaum@govst.edu.

My previous experience as a medical librarian includes six years at the former Olympia Fields Osteopathic Hospital, a teaching hospital for Midwestern University and four years of experience at Silver Cross Hospital in Joliet.

Library Staff Kudos

By Diane Dates Casey

All library staff members work hard to serve students, faculty, staff and community members. However, we have a few supernovae among our many shining stars. Diane Nadler, reference LTA III, has provided exemplary service on several fronts. Throughout the Fall trimester, she worked one-on-one with a blind student to enable him to complete his library assignments for a graduate English course. Each evening that the course met, she worked with the student on the library's ADA-compliant computers, so that he was able to fulfill the requirements of the course successfully. Additionally, Nadler updates and maintains the library's full-text database list. As a result of her work, students and faculty are able to determine quickly whether or not the library has access to a journal in full text.

Kudos also go to LaShaunda Williams of Access Services. Williams supervises the student workers who shelve li-

brary materials returned by patrons. As a result of her excellent supervision and training, student workers are shelving books more accurately and efficiently, which means finding library materials in the stacks is much easier.

In addition, Maureen Bendoraitis, the new assistant to the director, deserves special recognition. She planned and supervised the reorganization of the library's public and reference service areas. Bendoraitis has worked closely with Physical Plant Operations staff to stabilize identified ranges of stacks in the library. Moreover, she and her staff have implemented and are maintaining the network printing service available in the library. When the "nimba" virus brought down the printing system, she and her staff spent days troubleshooting and rebuilding the system so that it would function properly. Without her tireless work, our library service would be greatly diminished.

Ten New Book Titles

By Helen Benos

Handbook of the Psychology of Women and Gender

Rhoda K. Unger, Editor
HQ1206.H2385 2001

Arab Nationalism: A History: Nation and State in the Arab World

Youssef M. Choueiri
DS62.7.C46 2000

The Corsini Encyclopedia of Psychology and Behavioral Science

W. Edward Craighead and Charles B. Nemeroff, Editors
REF. BF31.E52 2001

Cultures of Darkness: Night Travels in the Histories of Transgression

Bryan Palmer
HM646.P35 2000

Death and the Afterlife: A Cultural Encyclopedia

Richard P. Taylor
REF. GT3150.T25 2000

The Encyclopedia of American Crime

Carl Sifakis
REF. HV6789.S54 2001

The Encyclopedia of Ephemera: A Guide to the Fragmentary Documents of Everyday Life for the Collector, Curator, and Historian

Maurice Rickards
REF. NC1280.R52 2000

The Facts on File Dictionary of Biotechnology and Genetic Engineering

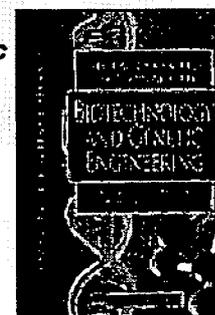
Mark L. Steinberg and Sharon D. Cosloy
REF. TP248.16.S84 2001

A History of Appalachia

Richard B. Drake
F106.D73 2001

South Africa: A Modern History

T. R. H. Davenport and Christopher Saunders
DT1787.D38 2000



More Favorite Websites

by Marl Ellen Leverece

1. <http://www.leaseitips.com/> Thinking of leasing a car? See the info on this website before you do--and think again. Knowledge to the consumer!
2. <http://www.my.webmd.com/> A medical and health website that offers a great deal of information on diseases, genetics, self-care, wellness, how to find a doctor, and more. Try the "health risk appraisal quiz" and begin to take better care of yourself.
3. <http://www.funerals-ripoffs.org/> At a very stressful time in our lives, we are all required to make funeral arrangements and related major decisions. Check out this site and find excellent tips on being prepared. No need to get "ripped off" when you are most susceptible. Soon to be available in a Spanish language version.
4. <http://www.terlobrien.com/> This site features a health expert who critiques popular diets. It also includes fitness tips for everyone. Start the New Year off right!
5. <http://rxlist.com/> A well-respected website created by a hospital pharmacist. It lists drug data from *Mosby's GenRX*--the therapeutic information, and it also includes the annual cost of taking a drug, as well as the brand names under which a drug may be sold. The information can be accessed in both English and Spanish.
6. <http://www.herbmed.org/> The Alternative Medicine Foundation site contains summaries of published studies done with commonly used botanicals. Adverse effects are linked to Food and Drug Administration reports. The site also includes links to article abstracts in PubMed regarding herbs.
7. <http://netscape.salary.com/> Salary Wizard is a compensation database searchable by occupation and geographic location. See high, medium and low salary ranges. These data are updated frequently.
8. <http://www.ash.org/> Action on Smoking and Health website. Check this out for "how to quit" and statistics about smoking and its risks. This is a great site for non-smokers and their rights and for people concerned about smoking.
9. <http://volunteermatch.org/> A wonderful site for matching volunteers and their talents to good causes. Search by geographical location, as well as by the skills you have to offer. Think of donating your time to a good cause as one of your New Year's resolutions!
10. <http://www.cars.com/> A website for in-depth searching about cars, cars, and more cars! It offers a feature called "Most Stolen Vehicles" by city. It includes insurance quotes per make and model, buying guides for 2002, and car reviews of 2001 and previous years' models. Check prices and specs, estimated gas mileage, and pricing before you go shopping!

Copyright

By Paul Blobaum

Under the Copyright Act of 1976, Title 17 of the *United States Code*, rights are given to authors pertaining to the ownership and duplication of their creative materials. The library is particularly concerned that "Fair Use" rights are followed as defined in sections 106 and 107 of the law. The library monitors new legislation and judicial decisions for their impact on our policies and procedures as they affect our interlibrary loan services, reserve collection, e-reserves, and other uses of protected materials.

In the Fall trimester, materials were placed on electronic reserves for 16 courses. We expect that number to increase as more electronic courses are developed. The library will assist faculty in selecting and digitizing materials to put on e-reserve. Materials appropriate for e-reserves include course syllabi, tests, examples, articles, and short selections of other published materials. Please contact your subject liaison for more information.

We will contact faculty this trimester concerning obtaining permissions for materials on e-reserves as the library develops guidelines and procedures following the law's definition of "Fair Use" and what constitutes "Fair Use."

For more information on copyright and the educational use of copyrighted material, consider these links: *Crash Course in Copyright*, <http://www3.utsystem.edu/ogc/IntellectualProperty/cprtindx.htm>; *Finding Permissions through the Copyright Clearance Center*, <http://www.copyright.com/>; and *U.S. Copyright Office Homepage*, <http://www.loc.gov/copyright/>.

Paint Illinois Pink

By Marie Turak

Lieutenant Governor Corrine Wood declared October to be Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The theme was "Paint Illinois Pink" in honor of the pink ribbon symbol used by Breast Cancer Awareness societies nationwide. The Lieutenant Governor appealed to all public and educational libraries to act as a source of information to individuals in the community by spreading the word about breast cancer awareness.

The library participated by posting information supplied by the lieutenant governor and by creating displays to spread the word about cancer awareness. One of the displays created I created highlighted a former library colleague, Mimi Kaplan, who while battling breast cancer was a co-founder of the Y-Me Breast Cancer Organization. Pink breast cancer awareness ribbons were included in the displays and handed out to library visitors during the month. The displays were well received, especially by breast cancer survivors and those related to breast cancer victims.

Library Open House

By Marie Turak

Halloween was the theme for the Library Open House held on October 31st. Name tags for library staff were decorated with witches, vampires and mummies and read "Don't Be Scared, Ask Me." Witches were hung from the ceiling, the cake was adorned with witches, ghost balloons wafted above, Halloween lights were strung, and spider webs decorated the windows. The annual event was held in the library from noon until 8 p.m. All those attending were greeted with ghoulish glee and plied with food, drink and an introduction to library collections and services.