



News Notes

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News

Selected Readings with Frederic Tuten, Tuesday, May 6, 6:30-8:30 p.m., OSU

Faculty Club, 181 S. Oval Dr.: Frederic Tuten is the author of the novels *The Adventures of Mao on the Long March*, *Tallien: A Brief Romance*, *Tintin in the New World*, *Van Gogh's Bad Cafe* and *The Green Door*, in addition to many stories and essays. Tuten is a professor in the graduate fiction-writing program at the City College of New York and guest lecturer at The New School. Tuten is also executive editor of [Smyles & Fish](#). He received a Guggenheim Fellowship for Creative Writing and was given the Award for Distinguished Writing from the American Academy of Arts and Letters. Mr. Tuten's literary archives are part of the Contemporary American Literary Manuscripts of the Rare Books and Manuscripts Library.

The reading will begin at 7 p.m. in the Faculty Club Alphabet Rooms. For more information, call (614) 292-5938. Sponsored by the Rare Books & Manuscripts Library.

Friends of the Libraries Fulfill Renovation Pledge: At the April 23 Board of Directors meeting, the Friends of the OSU Libraries approved a transfer of \$16,566 to the Library renovation fund. This transfer fulfills the Friends' pledge, made in 2001, to contribute \$250,000 toward the project. The Friends will be recognized as the donors of the circulation area of the Thompson Library when the building opens in the summer of 2009.

Automated Timekeeping Rollout Continues: The changeover to automated timekeeping is on schedule. We went live for bi-weekly staff for the pay period that began Sunday, April 27. We will go live for monthly employees (GAAs, A&P, and faculty) beginning May 1.

As an employee, you are responsible for knowing how to use the automated timekeeping system. If you are a supervisor, you are responsible for training new employees how to use the time keeping system, reviewing, editing, and approving employees work time reported (bi-weekly only) as well as reviewing and acting on leave requests.

All Libraries staff and faculty are to attend one of the following training sessions. You will receive your employee ID badge at the end of the training session.

If you supervise monthly employees only, or do not supervise any other employee:

Thursday, May 1	1 – 3 p.m.	SEL 070/090
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Training agenda:

- Purpose and importance of automated timekeeping for staff and supervisors
- As supervisor, how you access, review, edit, approve time worked
- How to:
 - log into the system
 - change your password
 - navigate the various screens
 - use the time clock
 - use the web clock
 - submit the timesheet to the supervisor
 - delegate authority
 - review reports
 - request leave time

Libraries Standing Committee Need Volunteers: The Libraries have a number of standing committees for which we annually recruit volunteers. If you are interested in serving, please contact the appropriate person for each committee (listed below) by May 2. Appointments to committees are for three year terms from July 2008 through June 2011.

1. **Assessment Committee**, <http://library.osu.edu/sites/staff/assess/>, searching for 2 new members. Contact [Nancy Helmick](#).
2. **Diversity Committee**, <http://library.osu.edu/sites/staff/diversity/>, searching for 2 new members. Contact [Duke Morgan](#).
3. **Lecture Committee**, <http://library.osu.edu/sites/staff/lectures/>, seeking several new members. Contact [Tom Cetwinski](#).
4. **Training Advisory Council**, <http://library.osu.edu/sites/staff/training/>, searching for 2 new members. Contact [Barbara Dunham](#).
5. **Web Implementation Committee**, <http://library.osu.edu/sites/staff/webserv/>, searching for new members. Contact [Lisa Blackwell](#).
6. **Web Visioning Committee**, <http://library.osu.edu/sites/staff/webvis/>, searching for 1 new member. Contact [Larry Allen](#).

International Day for Sharing Life Stories, Friday, May 16: The Digital Storytelling Team of staff from University Libraries, TELR and Faculty & TA Development are planning a campus-wide event in conjunction with the Center for Digital Storytelling. The day is billed as “an opportunity for people around the world to gather in community halls, classrooms, public parks, theaters, auditoriums, as well as web sites, email exchanges and virtual environments to hear each other’s stories. Tentative plans locally include three events: a theatrical storytelling presentation; quick presentations by faculty who study or teach storytelling, and a digital storytelling showcase. For planning updates, check telr.osu.edu/storytelling.

Check the Libraries Internet Presence Projects [Blog](#) for the latest on content management systems, internet changes and the staff intranet.

Training Opportunities



- **Training Calendar:** <http://library.osu.edu/sites/staff/training/calendars.html>.
- **Human Resources/Organization & HR Consulting Information:** <http://hr.osu.edu/ohrd/index.asp>
- **Meeting and Events Calendar:** Marilyn Willhoff maintains a calendar of all known events and regularly scheduled and special meetings for each month. The calendars are available on the Staff Information page under the first category of People, etc.; they can also be accessed directly at the following URL: <http://library.osu.edu/sites/staff/comcal.html>

People

We are saddened to report the death of **Michael Grimes**, a member of the Libraries' staff in the Serials, Electronic Resources and Rights Management Department. Michael passed away last week. Michael was a career employee with the Libraries, working at OSUL for more than 30 years. He will be greatly missed by his many colleagues. Michael's obituary will be available Thursday and Friday in *The Review*, www.reviewonline.com.

In keeping with the Libraries' tradition, flowers were sent to the funeral home. Michael's family is donating his extensive library to OSUL. Selected books from the donations will be added to the OSUL collection, and each book will include a bookplate in Michael's memory.

Jean Walker, Michael's niece, told Wes Boomgaarden that there will be a memorial service. The service is scheduled for Saturday, May 3, 4 p.m., at the Nixon Funeral Home, 610 Washington St., Newell, West Virginia. The funeral home is directly across the river from East Liverpool, Ohio. The funeral home phone number is 304-387-0156.

Personal condolences can be expressed to Michael's mother:

Mrs. Ellen Grimes
337 Jackman St.
East Liverpool, OH 43920

Donations to the OSU Libraries will go to the Friends of the OSU Libraries endowment fund.

The University continues to offer grief counseling services to any Libraries employee who wishes to take advantage of them. Lisa Borelli of the university's Faculty and Staff Assistance Program can be reached at 292-4472, or borelli.3@osu.edu.

Faculty Appointments

Ali Bakr Hassan will join us on August 1, 2008 as the Arabic/Islamic Studies subject specialist reporting to Jim Bracken. Ali is currently the Curator of Middle Eastern Studies Collection at Brown University. He received both his Doctoral Degree in Middle Eastern History and his MLIS from UCLA.

Eric Johnson will join us August 25, 2008 as the Associate Curator for Rare Books and Manuscripts reporting to Geoff Smith. Eric is currently a freelance consultant for Princeton University Library's Cotsen Children Library and the Department of Rare Books and Special Collections. He received his Ph.D. from the University of York (England), Centre for Medieval Studies and his MLIS from Rutgers.

Personnel *Provided by the OSU Libraries HR Department*

VACANCIES

FACULTY

Cataloging Department - Cataloging Coordinator - 100% FTE - replacing Dunham

Collections, Instruction, and Public Services (CIPS) - Librarian/Interdisciplinary Social Sciences Subject Specialist - 100% FTE - New Position

Health Sciences Library - Assistant Professor (Education and Reference Services Coordinator) – 100% FTE - New Position

ADMINISTRATIVE & PROFESSIONAL

Serials and Electronic Resources Department - Administrative Associate 1 - 100% FTE - New Position

Health Sciences Library (Center for Knowledge Mgmt) - Systems Specialist - A&P - 100% FTE - New Position

Human Resources Department - Administrative Associate 2 - 100% FTE - New Position

STAFF

Book Depository - Library Associate 1 - 100% FTE - replacing Nugent - 2nd Listing

Book Depository - Library Associate 2 - 100%FTE - replacing Morneau

Health Sciences Library - (Office of Health Sciences) - Personnel Technician 2

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 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-Smith.

Library personnel can also review university employment opportunities at:
<https://www.jobsatosu.com/applicants/jsp/shared/frameset/Frameset.jsp?time=1206709374977>

Exhibits

The Little Black Dress: A Fashion Icon

Through May 10

Historic Costume & Textiles Collection

Is anything more iconic or versatile than the little black dress? Sixty of the collection's little black dresses will be on display through May 10. The Little Black Dress exhibition illustrates its namesake's many facets from its beginnings in the late 1920's through the end of the 20th century. Dresses range from the classy and eternal cocktail dresses from the 50's and 60's to the funky styles of the days of disco. Classic pieces that echo the timeless sentiments of Audrey Hepburn in *Sabrina* and *Breakfast at Tiffany's* are featured alongside eclectic pieces, such as the dress featuring a design of the Eiffel Tower fashioned from silver buttons by Patrick Kelly, the first African American to show in Paris. Many of these dresses are created by some of fashion's most well-known and respected names including Christian Dior, Oscar de la Renta, Calvin Klein, and Chanel, the designer credited with "inventing" the little black dress. Two are creations from the minds of Irene Lentz Gibbons and Gilbert Adrian who made their reputations designing for MGM in Hollywood's golden years. The exhibition is located on campus in Campbell Hall's Geraldine Schottenstein Wing at 1787 Neil Avenue. For gallery hours and parking information, visit costume.osu.edu and to schedule a tour of 10 or more, call 292-3090.