

# News Notes




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## News

A stack of newspapers, including 'BUSINESS' and 'Sports' sections, with a 'To place Best Log' sign on top.

**President Gee to Launch Libraries' Lecture Series October 9, 2 p.m.:** The Libraries' 2009-2010 lecture series kicks off with Ohio State President Gordon Gee delivering the first guest lecture since the re-opening of the Thompson Library. Gee will launch this year's series, "Sharing Knowledge: The Global Information Society," in the 11th floor Campus Reading Room of the Thompson Library. Gee's 2006 book, "Higher Education in the Internet Age: Libraries Creating a Strategic Edge," co-authored with Patricia Breivik, addresses the unique challenges of today's information-overloaded culture while responding to the significant changes that have occurred on campuses during the past 15 years. Chief among these changes are the pervasive use of the Internet, growing community engagement, distance education, the emphasis on more active learning, and the assessment of student learning outcomes.



**President Gee Guest Reader at October 8 Readaloud:** President Gee will also be at the Library on Thursday, October 8 at 3 p.m., to share passages from some of his favorite works as a participant in the Libraries' ReadAloud program, held in the space adjacent to the Berry Café. Also reading with Dr. Gee is Maryann Walther-Keisel, Center for East European and Slavic Studies.

**President Obama Declares October 2009 as National Information Literacy Awareness Month:** The proclamation states, in part: *An informed and educated citizenry is essential to the functioning of our modern democratic society, and I encourage educational and community institutions across the country to help Americans find and evaluate the information they seek, in all its forms.* Check this [National Information Literacy](#) link for the complete text of the proclamation.

***The Bucks for Charity Campaign has begun!*** The campaign officially runs October 5 thru December 11, 2009. This is a wonderful way for the Libraries and Campus community to help those in need here in Ohio. Last year, University Libraries staff exceeded its goal of \$15,000 dollars to various organizations through a combination of payroll deductions and onetime gifts. We had 34% of the staff participate in this worthwhile effort. This year our goal is to once again exceed \$15,000 and to increase our participation to 35% or better!

Some facts from last year's campaign - The University raised \$1,217,415 for last year's campaign. The University overall had a 21% participation rate in 2008 – the Libraries out did that by 13% - way to go!

If I choose – how do I participate?

- Preprinted Forms have been sent and should arrive this week to all locations. If you do not receive a form by Friday, please let either Amy McCrory (28647) or Judy Cerqua (72725) know. We have a limited number of blank forms.
- If participating, please complete your form – keep the pink copy and send the white and blue copies to Judy or Amy – addresses are below.
- The resource guides will also be delivered this week. You can also get to this online at <http://hr.osu.edu/special/bucksforcharity>
- Look for drawings for prizes and giveaways beginning next week. Everyone turning in a pledge card will be entered in the weekly drawings.



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***Message from OSU Emergency Management:*** This is intended for all faculty and staff who supervise, direct or manage other employees. There is a new reporting process for cases of influenza-like illness (ILI)/H1N1 and to update you on Ohio State's flu preparedness and prevention plans.

Because of the potential for large numbers of illnesses, we are asking supervisors to notify their HR representatives if an employee you manage, supervise or direct calls in sick to work or leaves work early and self-reports an influenza-like illness. Your HR representative will then e-mail the Department of Public Safety with statistical information (department, number of employees out sick, whether employees required hospitalization) surrounding the amount of absences associated with influenza-like illness at [flureporting@dps.ohio-state.edu](mailto:flureporting@dps.ohio-state.edu).

When communicating absence information to your HR representative, do not include names of individuals or any other identifying information due to the confidentiality of medical records and information associated with HIPAA and other privacy laws. Additionally, Ohio State has outlined steps it is taking to prepare for a likely reoccurrence of influenza-like illness on campus this fall. The best source for information is the new web site <http://flu.osu.edu/>.

Finally, here are a few helpful FAQs from the [flu.osu.edu/](http://flu.osu.edu/) web site (more FAQs can be found here).

*A co-worker in my office is sick with flu-like symptoms, should I report this to my supervisor?* Yes, notify your supervisor as soon as possible in order to help slow the spread of illness. Notification must take place in a sensitive and confidential manner. The supervisor should then approach the potentially sick employee to determine next steps.

*I am a supervisor and one of my employees has been diagnosed with an influenza-like illness. What should I do?* If an employee notifies you that they have been diagnosed with an influenza-like illness, ask them to go home or stay home until they are fully recovered. After discussion with your employee, contact your HR representative so they can report the illness.

If you have questions or would like more information, please contact OSU Emergency Management at [emergencymanagement@dps.ohio-state.edu](mailto:emergencymanagement@dps.ohio-state.edu).

**October CMS Training Sessions:** In October we are offering two General sessions (see below for dates and times). These classes cover 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. We are also offering an Open Lab in October. 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.

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.

October Sessions:

- Thursday, October 8, 9:30-11:30 a.m. - Intro
- Wednesday, October 14, 2 - 4: p.m. - Open Lab
- Thursday, October 29, 2 - 4 p.m. – Intro

**Executive Committee update from October 5 meeting:**

- OSU Enterprise Communication System plans from the CIO
- OhioLINK Depositories meeting, collection sharing proposal
- Plans for processing the Highlights for Children collection
- Kinnear Road Tech Center planning
- Report from CIRM virtual meeting
- Update on AU 09 Location Assessment Project
- Printing in Thompson
- Revenue update
- Personnel issues



*Ann Hamilton, professor with the OSU Department of Art, shared four texts that inspired her floor installation project slated for installation next summer in the Buckeye Reading Room of the*

*Thompson Library at the fall's first ReadAloud, now at the Thompson Library.*

**Is there a place to get Office 2007 help?** OIT Short Course and Microsoft online help is a good place to start. You can find this information at this link on the Training Advisory Council site at [http://library.osu.edu/sites/staff/training/office\\_2007.php](http://library.osu.edu/sites/staff/training/office_2007.php) OIT provides for call-in and email help via the 8HELP site. More information is available at <http://8help.osu.edu/>

Program Coordinator Henry Griffy is the in-house expert and can be reached at [griffy.2@osu.edu](mailto:griffy.2@osu.edu) or 247-4663.

**Open Access Day 10/21:** University Libraries and the Prior Health Sciences Library/Center for Knowledge Management are sponsoring "Open Access Day," a panel discussion, on Wednesday, October 21, from 10:30 a.m. - noon in Room 165 of the Thompson Library. The program includes opening remarks by Jan Weisenberger, senior vice president for the OSU Office of Research. Scheduled panelists include:

- Tom Sanville, OhioLINK Director
- David Huron, OSU Professor of Music and editor of *Empirical Musicology Review*
- Scot Danforth, OSU Associate Professor of Teaching and Learning and editor of *Disability Studies Quarterly*
- Deborah Gryzbowski, OSU Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology
- Donald Dean, OSU Professor of Biochemistry
- Jack Ochs, American Chemical Society
- Daviess Menefee, Elsevier

**2010 Staff Career Development Grants:** Staff Career Development Grants of up to \$500 each are awarded annually to offset education and training costs needed to further staff career goals and professional development. The grant can be used toward expenses such as conference fees, registration fees, tuition, textbooks, research supplies, and transportation costs – for activities that occur during calendar year 2010.

To be eligible, you must be a regular full-time or part-time staff member and have at least two years of continuous employment with The Ohio State University by January 1, 2010. Application deadline is October 26. Applications are available online at [hr.osu.edu/special/careerdevgrt.pdf](http://hr.osu.edu/special/careerdevgrt.pdf).

Staff Career Development Grants are funded through contributions to the Campus Campaign's Staff Career Development Fund and is administered by the Office of Human Resources. For more information, please contact Michele Bondurant at [Bondurant.11@osu.edu](mailto:Bondurant.11@osu.edu) or 292-4341.

**Training Sessions on Office 2007:** For anyone interested in more intensive training on Office 2007 and other software, the Training Advisory Council is sponsoring two self directed training sessions conducted by instructors from The Computer Workshop on October 7 and 13. This training is self paced and self directed. Each participant will be given a workbook and will be able to work through this book at her/his own pace. An instructor will be available to answer questions and help with problems. Participants may arrive anytime after 8:30 a.m. and may work as late as 4:30 p.m. (courses generally take 3-5 hours to complete). All sessions will be held in Room 390 in the Science and Engineering Library. While you are welcome to attend both sessions, attendance will be limited to 17 participants per session.

If you are interested in attending one or more of the sessions and have your supervisor's approval, please contact Marilyn Willhoff by September 30th ([willhoff.1@osu.edu](mailto:willhoff.1@osu.edu) or 2-4241). Be sure to indicate the day and class that you are interested in taking. Note that some classes will require both sessions to complete. Also, many courses are available at beginning, intermediate and advanced levels (i.e. levels 1, 2 or 3).

**Available classes are:**

Adobe Acrobat 9 (Class takes two sessions to complete, participant must attend both sessions)	Adobe Photoshop CS(4?)	Flash Basic 8 (Class takes two sessions to complete, Participant must attend both sessions)
Microsoft Access 2007 Level 1	Access 2007 Level 2	Access 2007 Level 3
Microsoft Word 2007 Level 1	Word 2007 Level 2	Word 2007 Level 3
Microsoft Excel 2007 Level 1	Excel 2007 Level 2	Excel 2007 Level 3
Microsoft PowerPoint 2007 Level 1	PowerPoint 2007 Level 2	PowerPoint 2007 Level 3
PowerPoint 2007 Level 4		

For more information on each of these classes and on The Computer Workshop, visit their webpage at: <http://www.tcworkshop.com/>

# University News



**OSU Marion artist reception Oct. 28; exhibit now showing:** The Wayne & Geraldine Kuhn Fine Arts Gallery at Ohio State Marion is presenting: "Drawing it out," an exhibition of drawings that explores the recording of thought through drawing, now through Friday (10/30). A closing artist reception will take place from 4-6 p.m. Wednesday (10/28). The reception is free and open to the public. Twenty four uniquely talented artists are participating in the exhibit. The gallery is located in Morrill Hall, 1465 Mt. Vernon Ave., Marion, and is open to the public 8 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays. Read more: <http://www.marion.ohio-state.edu/>

**Mansoor, Bonenberger receive 2009 Ohioana Awards:** The Ohioana Library Association recently announced the 15 recipients of the 2009 Ohioana Awards, presented annually for fiction, nonfiction, poetry, juvenile books, and books about Ohio or Ohioans. Peter Mansoor, the General Raymond Mason Chair of Military History at Ohio State and Colonel, U.S. Army (retired), won the nonfiction category with *Baghdad at Sunrise: A Brigade Commander's War in Iraq*. Ohio State Alumni Magazine editor Lynne Bonenberger received the Ohioana James P. Barry Award for Editorial Excellence. The awards will be presented Saturday (10/17) in the Statehouse Atrium on Capitol Square. The public is invited to an informal gathering and reception for the award recipients, from 6-9 p.m. Friday (10/16) at the Ohioana Library, 274 E. First Ave. Contact: Linda Hengst, 466-3831 or <mailto:ohioana@sloma.state.oh.us>. Read more: <http://www.ohioana.org/>

## People



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

To assist with ever increasing room rentals and special events in Thompson, we're recruiting a **temporary events assistant** who will assist and cover for Beth Mastin, who will be off on maternity leave. If you are or know of someone who is interested in this position, please go to the university personnel posting site at <http://jobs.osu.edu/> to learn more.

*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](http://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***

September 15-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.