

News Notes

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News

OSU Libraries Instruction In-Service Day, Thursday, December 6, 10 a.m., Longaberger Alumni House: There will be coffee, tea, fruit and pastry available at 9:30 a.m., before the speakers begin at 10. The Alumni House is located on Olentangy River Road one block north of Lane (across the street from the Schottenstein Center and adjacent to the Fawcett Center). There is plenty of free parking.

Holiday Party, Thursday, December 13, 2-4:30 p.m., SPAH (formerly Long's Bookstore), 1836 N. High St.: Festivities include a string quartet and door prizes. Treats include meatballs and wings, fruit and veggie trays, meat and cheese trays, cookies, punch, coffee, tea and more. See you there!

"Sharing, Privacy and Trust in our Networked Lives," Cathy De Rosa, Vice President for the Americas and Global Vice President of Marketing for OCLC, Friday, December 14, 12:30-3 p.m., Ackerman Library, Room 5826: Cathy will lead what is expected to be a lively discussion on the recent OCLC report, "Sharing, Privacy and Trust in our Networked Lives." Cathy joined OCLC in 2001. Prior to joining OCLC, she served on the faculty of the Fisher College of Business, Ohio State University, where she taught e-business marketing. From 1994 to 2000, she was a Vice President at Symix Systems, an enterprise technology company serving manufacturing and service companies. Prior to joining Symix, she was a Senior Consultant with Price Waterhouse, serving technology companies in Boston, Massachusetts, and San Jose, California. She also has held management positions at Micro Card Technologies and Texas Instruments. Cathy received a bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Arizona and a master's of business administration degree from the Harvard Business School.

Bucks for Charity Update: Congratulations to Melanie McGurr! Melanie is the latest "Bucks for Charity" incentive winner. She won a \$25 gift card to the Rusty Bucket.

Our total pledged to date is \$12,355. We're happy to report that we have met our donor goal of 75 people. However, our financial goal is still short by \$2,645. If you are still deciding whether or not to pledge, please consider:

- \$10 per month buys clothing for three homeless children
- \$15 per month improves Medicare coverage for 70 low-income elderly people
- \$5 per month will pay for a complete platelet count for two children going through cancer treatment

There are people in our community who will benefit from your generosity. Get those pledges in by 5 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 6 to be included in our next drawing. If you have lost your pledge card, please let Marilyn know and she will get one to you. Thanks and Go Bucks for Charity!

Laura, Marilyn and Sonja

Teaching @ OSU Libraries: Our colleague Nancy O'Hanlon has begun a blog for all of us in the teaching community of the OSU Libraries. The blog "focuses on practical pedagogy -- tips, tools, and other information to guide us on our collective journey to become better teachers." Use this social tool for information, and to join the conversation by reacting to her work, suggesting topics, or adding your own insights! <http://teachingosulibraries.blogspot.com/>

PLTs now PLAs: After consulting with faculty, staff, and students involved in the Peer Library Tutor (PLT) program, the decision was made to change the program's name to the Peer Library Assistant (PLA) program. The new name reflects more inclusively the wide range of jobs that students in the program both now and in the future will be performing within OSUL. Retaining the word "peer" was important to the students because it emphasizes the relationships our PLAs develop with students who use the library, as well as the relationships program participants develop with each other.

ARL Facilitation Skills Institute, February 11 & 12, 2008, Longaberger Alumni House: Facilitation skills was identified as a relevant training topic at the close of the last ARL institute. Facilitation is the process of helping a group or team enhance its effectiveness, both in the way it accomplishes its work and how it reaches decisions and solves problems. Fran Rees, author of several books and articles on the topic, describes facilitation as the "art of drawing fully on the expertise, knowledge, and experience of individuals and teams. It is the ability to capitalize on synergy to improve the way work gets done". Lois Hart, another noted author, simple states that "the facilitator holds the key role in a group so that it accomplishes its goals and tasks".

The ARL Facilitation Skills Institute will focus on developing facilitation skills. Designed for current and those aspiring to become - team facilitators/project managers, the two day agenda features a thorough and hands-on approach.

Linda Gonzalez and Thomas Cetwinski have been asked by Joe Branin to coordinate the institute. You must be able to commit to the full two day agenda - approximately 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day; lunch will be provided. Registration is open to all OSUL faculty and staff by responding to this message. This institute was originally scheduled for last October. If you registered for the October program, it is necessary that you re-register. Contact [Tom](#) or [Linda](#) for details.



Director of Libraries Joseph Branin, right, with Nancy Eaton and Sanford Thatcher of Pennsylvania State University. Eaton and Thatcher were presenters at the November 29 lecture of the "2020 Vision" series.

Lectures

Michael Jensen, Director of Web Communications, National Academies and Director of Publishing Technologies at the National Academies Press, Thursday, January 31, 2008, 3:30 p.m., Faculty Club: Michael Jensen has been at the interface between digital technologies and scholarly/academic publishing since the late 1980s. In 2002 Jensen was appointed Director of Web Communications for the [National Academies](#). He remains Director of Publishing Technologies at the [National Academies Press](#), which makes more than 3,600 books (more than 600,000 pages) from the [National Academy of Sciences](#), the [National Academy of Engineering](#), the [Institute of Medicine](#), and the [National Research Council](#) fully browsable and searchable online for free. [This site](#) receives more than 1.5 million visitors per month, and boasts of some of the most advanced search and discovery tools available on any publisher's site, most of which were initially developed by Mr. Jensen. In 2001, Jensen received the National Academies' "President's Award," its highest staff honor. Jensen, with the Academies, is also currently technical partner of the [History Cooperative](#), which makes the works of the most prestigious journals in History available online to subscribing institutions. He is also the inventor of [WordXS](#) puzzles, and editor of the [Sustainable Personal Agriculture and Energy](#) collection.

Training Opportunities



Click!: Have you heard of social networking or del.icio.us and wondered what it actually means? Why are people talking about Facebook and blogs, and why do we need to know about what students are doing with them? How can this be relevant to your daily work, and why should you care?

OSUL offers a 5-part training course on these technologies and applications for library employees, faculty and staff. Click [here](#) for the full list of sessions. Register today! Questions? Contact [Rebekah Kilzer](#)

- **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

John M. Bennett, Rare Books & MSS Library, has published a chapbook of knot sonnets, PEE TEXT, West Hartford, CT: small-chapbook-project, 2007. He also gave three poetry performances in New York City, both solo performances and performances with the national sound poetry group The Be Blank Consort (of which he is a founding member), at The Bowery Poetry Club, The Cup & Pen Series, and at the Safe-T-Gallery, Nov. 7 and 8, 2007.

PERSONNEL

APPOINTMENTS

Food, Agriculture, and Environmental Sciences (FAES) Library - Jessica Page and Florian Diekmann have accepted positions as faculty Instructors (FAES Subject Specialists) - replacing Logan - 100% FTE - effective 02 January 2008

Science and Engineering Library - Belinda Hurley has accepted the position of Faculty Instructor (Physical Sciences Subject Specialist) - replacing Arnold -100% FTE - effective 02 January 2008

VACANCIES

FACULTY

CIPS - Curator, Arabic & Islamic Studies - 100% FTE - New Position

ADMINISTRATIVE & PROFESSIONAL

Administrative Services Division - Accountant - 100% FTE - New Position

Administrative Services Division - Program Coordinator - 100% FTE - replacing Anderson

Health Sciences Library (Center for Knowledge Mgmt) - Director - A4 (Head, Health Sciences Copyright Office) - 100% FTE - New Position

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

Health Sciences Library - Program Assistant - replacing Kate Charlesworth-Miller – 100% FTE

Multimedia Production Space (Sullivant Library) - Program Coordinator - 100% FTE - New Position

STAFF

Circulation Department (ACK Library) - Library Associate 1 - 100% FTE - replacing Brown - 1st Listing

Development Office (University Libraries) - Office Associate - 50% FTE - New Position

Health Sciences Library (Center for Knowledge Mgmt) - Office Associate - 100% FTE - New Position

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

HSS Serials Collections (Sullivant Library) - Library Media Technical Assistant - 100% FTE - New Position

Science and Engineering Library - Information Associate -100% FTE - replacing Kestler

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 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:

<http://www.ohr.ohio-state.edu/index.htm>

Exhibits

Faculty Recognition Book Exhibit

Through December 17

Sullivant Library

The Faculty Recognition Book Exhibit features some of the books selected by Ohio State University faculty granted tenure or promotion in 2007/08. The 152 honorees, including regular and clinical faculty from all OSU campuses, chose a title to be book-plated in their name in recognition of their accomplishments. A commemorative program listing the honorees, books selected, and personal statements of why the book was significant to them are available adjacent to the exhibit in the Leisure Reading room at the Sullivant Library. The diversity of titles selected represents the breadth of expertise of The Ohio State University faculty and the scope of their teaching and research. For more information, contact distel.1@osu.edu.

The Artist/Computer Collaboration: The Lillian Feldman Schwartz Collection

Through December 14

Faculty Club

Lillian Schwartz is widely recognized as one of the most significant figures in the development of what is now routinely referred to as "computer art." The exhibition offers a sampling of the wide range of Schwartz's works. The focus is primarily on two-dimensional works—early paintings and collages dating to before her work with computers began, through works from 1968 to the present done on the computer.

Rarities: Unusual Works from the Caniff Collection

Through January 19, 2008

Cartoon Research Library

Milton Caniff was a saver, and he was the son of a saver. As a result, the Milton Caniff Collection, the founding collection of The Ohio State University Cartoon Research Library, is enormous - nearly 12,000 original artworks by Caniff, 85 boxes of memorabilia, and more than 450 boxes of manuscript materials, fan letters, and business records. This exhibition celebrates the richness of the Caniff Collection and provides insight into the work, friendships, and influence of one of the 20th century's great cartoonists. In addition to work by Caniff, several drawings of Caniff by Noel Sickles, a fan letter from Mort Walker when he was 13, and an oil painting of General George Patton by Bill Mauldin are among the items on display.

The Little Black Dress: A Fashion Icon

Through May 10, 2008

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, 2008. 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, please visit costume.osu.edu and to schedule a tour of 10 or more call, 292-3090.

NewsNotes is distributed weekly on Tuesdays. The next issue will be issued on December 11. Please submit items, including pictures, by Friday, December 7. Submissions should be emailed to [Larry Allen](mailto:Larry.Allen).



*You're invited to the Libraries' Annual Holiday Party
Thursday, December 13, 2007, 2:00 – 4:30
at the SPAH (formerly Long's Bookstore)
1836 North High St.*

Festivities include:

String quartet

Door prizes

Treats Include:

Meatballs and Wings

Fruit and Veggie Trays

Meat and Cheese Trays

Cookies

Punch, Coffee, Tea and more

Come and Enjoy the Fun !