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A Word from the Dean



Diane Dates Casey

What's New at the University Library?

In many universities at this time of year, librarians and staff are anticipating a slower pace during the summer months. Not so at Governors State. Like many of our students and faculty, we are here in the library and online helping students, faculty, staff and community users with their information and academic computing needs. In the public computing area, eighteen new workstations with flat-screen monitors have replaced older computers, while six additional workstations have been added. Now more than forty computers are available for public use. GSU students always have priority access to library computer workstations. A new circulation desk will be installed this summer. Two new civil service staff members have joined us, and we look forward to the arrival of a new librarian in the near future. In order to enrich our online access and support, this librarian will work in the area of digital applications and systems. Also, the new librarian will be assisting faculty working with the Center for Online Teaching and Learning in identifying and creating digital knowledge objects, which can be included in online, hybrid or web-enhanced courses.

Our library consortium, ILCSO (Illinois Library Computer Systems Organization), will be using GSU library as a beta site for the implementation of WebFeat, a federated search engine, which will enable the user to search multiple databases through one search engine rather than searching each database separately. Moreover, SFX, a link resolver, will soon be added to the library web site. This software application enables the user to move from the citation record in one database to the full-text of the article in a completely different database. Speaking of beta sites, the library will be a test site for a new inventory process developed at Eastern Illinois University. Librarians from EIU will travel here to train GSU library staff in automating the inventory process being coordinated by Head of Metadata and Bibliographic Services, Susan Bell. Work will be focused on the General Circulating Collection, J-Z. Why do an

inventory? Inventories help us to maintain the online catalog, so that the catalog and the physical collection on the shelves mirror each other.

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New Database: Ulrichsweb

Lydia Morrow Ruetten

The library has recently acquired the online version of the Ulrich's Periodicals Directory.

The product gives users access to serials information beyond the title level. You will have links to tables of contents, article abstracts, and some full-text journal articles. You have the ability to do subject searches, link directly to publisher homepages, obtain publisher phone numbers, and contact the publisher for copyright clearance (if you have something on reserve more than one trimester). The online version is much more user friendly than the print edition and is updated weekly. You can access Ulrichsweb by going to the [GSU Library](#) web site and clicking [Journal Articles & Databases](#).

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Changing the Face of Medicine Exhibit

Paul Blobaum

Women doctors are the focus of a new traveling exhibit, which will come to the GSU Library in the spring of 2007. "Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating America's Women Physicians" tells the extraordinary story of how American women who wanted to practice medicine struggled over the past two centuries to gain access to medical education and to work in the medical specialty they chose.

Since the mid 1800's, when Elizabeth Blackwell became the first American woman to earn an M. D. degree, women have made enormous strides in every area of medicine and have achieved success in work once considered "unsuitable" for women. Women physicians are now found in every branch of medicine. They are researchers on the cutting edge of new medical discoveries, educators, surgeons, family practitioners, specialists, and government officials. "Changing the Face of Medicine" features the life stories of a rich diversity of women physicians from across the nation and highlights the broad range of medical specialties women are involved in today.

The National Library of Medicine (NLM), Bethesda, MD., and the American Library Association, Chicago, Ill., organized the exhibition with support from the National Library of Medicine, the National Institutes of Health Office of Research on Women's Health, and the American Medical Women's Association. The traveling exhibition is based on a larger exhibition that has been on display at the NLM since 2003 and will be closing in late 2005.

"Women have brought fresh perspectives to the medical profession," said Donald Lindberg, M. D., director of the National Library of Medicine, which is one of the institutes of the National Institutes of Health. "They have turned the spotlight to issues that had previously received little attention, such as the social and economic costs of illnesses and the low numbers of women and minorities entering medical school and practice."

Health professions in the 21st century are benefiting from the career paths carved out since the mid-19th century by a long line of American women. Some early physicians featured in the exhibition are Matilda Evans, the first African American physician to be licensed in South Carolina, and Florence Sabin, one of the earliest woman physicians to work as a research scientist. Among the many other doctors whose stories appear in the exhibition are Antonia Novell, the first woman Surgeon General, and Catherine DeAngelis, the first woman to be appointed editor of the *Journal of the American Medical Association*.

Two interactive kiosks traveling with the exhibition offer access to the [NLM's "Local Legends" web site](#), which features outstanding women physicians from every state, and to a web site created for the [larger exhibition](#) at the NLM. The exhibition web site offers access to educational and professional resources for people considering medicine as a career, as well as lesson plans for classroom activities for children and young adults. A section of the web site called "Share Your Story" allows the public to add the names and biographies of women physicians they know.

"Although 'Changing the Face of Medicine' focuses on women in medicine, its lessons about persistence, dedication, and courage in one's life choices speak to everyone—men, women, and young adults—and to people in all lines of work," said Library Dean Diane Dates Casey. "We are honored to be one of the two libraries in Illinois selected for the exhibit, and one out of 60 nationally."

The Southern Illinois University School of Medicine Library in Springfield will host the exhibit in 2010.

The exhibit themes of making a difference, fighting for rights, confronting prejudice, achieving breakthroughs, leading change, inspiring others, and transforming the profession fit in well with the mission and academic life of the university, according to exhibit co-coordinators and university professors Lydia Morrow Ruetten and Paul Blobaum. "We are looking for program ideas-- presentations, book talks, etc. from the university community which will highlight these themes and provide outreach to community groups months or weeks before the exhibit's arrival, and during the six-week exhibit," said Ruetten. Blobaum added, "We are in the early stages of planning and hope to partner with

university and community constituencies to develop interesting programs, which will draw people from the region to our campus. We have two years to plan a top-notch exhibit, and hope it enhances academic life on campus across all disciplines."

For more information, contact University Professor Lydia Morrow Ruetten, or University Professor Paul Blobaum.

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Faculty Authors' Reception a Big Success!

Helen Benos

On April 13th, the University Library hosted its annual Faculty Authors' Reception on the balcony.



Dr. Eric Martin opened the festivities by addressing numerous faculty and staff.



This year 19 faculty members contributed 35 published items, which consisted of books, journal articles, and conference papers. A library mug was given to each contributor as well as the events' bound bibliography.

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Ten New Titles for Summer 2005

Helen Benos

AMPHOTO'S GUIDE TO CREATIVE DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY
Techniques for Mastering Your Digital SLR Camera

George Schaub
TR267.S33 2004

CAUGHT IN THE MIDDLE EAST

U.S. Policy toward the Arab-Israeli Conflict, 1945-1961
Peter L. Hahn
DS119.7.H335 2004

CRIME AND PUNISHMENT IN AMERICA

Richard C. Hanes & Sharon M. Hanes
REF. HV9960.H39 2005

ENCYCLOPEDIA OF HOMELESSNESS

David Levinson, Ed.
REF. HV4493.E53 2004

ENRON: CORPORATE FIASCOS AND THEIR IMPLICATIONS

Nancy B. Rapoport & Bala G. Dharan, Eds.
HD.9502.U54.E5737 2004

GOOD MUSLIM, BAD MUSLIM

America, the Cold War, and the Roots of Terror
Mahmood Mamdani

PORTRAITS OF PIONEERS IN PSYCHOLOGY

Gregory A. Kimble & Michael Wertheimer, Eds.
BF109.S1P67 2003 V. 5

STATISTICIANS OF THE CENTURIES

C. S. Heyde & E. Seneta, Eds.
REF. QA276.156.S73 2001

TEACHING & LEARNING ONLINE

A Step-by-Step Guide for Designing an Online K-12 School Program
Shawn Morris
LB1028.38.M67

UNITED WE BRAND

How to Create a Cohesive Brand That's Seen, Heard, and Remembered
Mike Moser
HD69.B67M67 2003

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Library Welcomes New Employees

Nancy Shlaes

Valerie Hughes and Erin Engelbrecht have just joined Governors State. Both began work in the library April 1st.

Valerie joins the library's cataloging team as a Library Technical Assistant II with 14 years experience at the University of Illinois-Chicago library, including six years in circulation and interlibrary loan and nine years in cataloging OCLC. Her interests include writing, light gardening, and interior decorating, and she aspires to Writing Ministry.



Erin is the newest member to the Reference & Technology Services team as a Library Technical Assistant II. She comes to us with five years library experience in circulation, audio-visual, periodicals, archives, and computer applications. She previously worked at Indiana's Lake County Public Library and completed an internship in archives at Indiana University—Northwest. Her interests include Gonzo Journalism, dystopic literature, political punditry, chopper bikes, and zombie movies.

GSU welcomes Valerie and Erin and hope they find their new positions challenging and rewarding.

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New Media Room Location

Mark Hampton

The current media viewing area has been given a new site effective Spring/Summer 2005. The new site is located next to the circulation desk in room (D2422). This new site will offer more privacy for all of your viewing needs regarding telecourses and the video collection. Additionally, all viewing can now be done on DVD as well as VHS. We are excited about this move as we continue to meet the needs of our students.

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Academic Computing Workshops @ GSU Library

Linda Geller

The library's free workshop series continues during Spring/Summer 2005 trimester with new and popular training sessions. Basic skills instruction will be provided for Outlook Calendar, Excel, PowerPoint, LiveText, and APA citations.

New offerings include sessions on seeking copyright permissions, searching Google, finding consumer health information and government documents, and creating APA papers in Word. Workshops are open to all faculty, staff, and students, and participants may register or simply come to a scheduled session. The Academic Computing Workshops schedule and contact information is available on the [library's web site](#).

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