

December 2007

Save the Date: December 17th!

Kickoff party for

# Blue 2.0: Twelve Weeks to a Connected Library

Blue 2.0 is an online learning program that will encourages us to learn more about emerging technologies on the web that we can use to communicate, to access information and to express ourselves.

This is open to EVERYONE in the libraries

The Party is December 17th at 11:30 and lasts until 1:30

So, join us for pizza, online games, and fun!
Games in the Gallery—Pizza in the Keeneland Room.

Blue 2.0 exercises begin in January

Some of the things we'll be working with or doing in Blue 2.0:

Blogging

**RSS & Newsreaders** 

Wikis

Photos and Images

Podcasts, Video and Downloadable Audio

Online Applications and Tools

Social Networking

**Tagging** 

**PLAYING** 

#### The objectives of Blue 2.0 are to

- encourage exploration of Web 2.0 technologies by library staff.
- facilitate the acquisition of new skills in a creative and fun way that will promote staff collaboration and innovation.
- reward staff for taking the initiative to complete the Blue 2.0 self discovery exercises (there will be prizes!).

(above message is approved by the Employee Development Committee)

## News To Use

#### **Spot Bonus Award Winners**



Martha David was recently awarded a Spot Bonus Award for her immediate action taken in a period of time when the A & E division of the Medical Center Library was extremely understaffed. Martha volunteered as usual and jumped into vacant offices; located 65 borrowed books and was able to return them to proper libraries thus saving us hundreds of dollars of late or missing book fees. She also assisted with covering the circulation desk and picked up the slack in any area that needed help, getting us back to speed in a few days.

**Bob Crovo** received a spot bonus award for his persistent work in maintaining good relations with Lexmark International, Inc. Bob recognizes the value of the close, give-and-take relationship with Lexmark's engineering team. He provides us with contact information that is useful in our work with their community relations manager. Moreover, he regularly expresses our gratitude and appreciation directly to his Lexmark contacts. Bob's diligence recently resulted in an article in Lexmark's internal newsletter that promotes, in a very positive way, the mutual benefits of our relationship with Lexmark. Clearly, Bob has communicated his message to not just Lexmark's leadership but to all their employees. ... Fund raising and donor stewardship for the Libraries is everyone's responsibility. Even in the context of a corporation, *people give to people*. Bob is a great ambassador for the Libraries with this important donor, and he took initiative, stepped up, and made a difference.

Adrianne Phillips recently received a Spot Bonus Award. As many are aware, Adrianne is an exemplary employee and vital contributing member to the UK Law Library team. In addition, Adrianne's recent actions exemplify her commitment to the University of Kentucky Library system as a whole. Recently, there was a backlog in the processing of materials in the Conservation Lab due to a family emergency. Subsequently it was requested that Adrianne would spend a few hours in the lab working on the backlog. After discussing the request with Adrianne, she gladly and willingly spent a morning in the Conservation Lab



working with Becky Ryder. Even though Adrianne is stretched to the limits with her work in the Law Library, (which includes service on our Law Librarian Search Committee), she found time to assist another department who was in need of her knowledge and skills. Her actions are certainly worthy of this award and her commitment to going above and beyond the call of duty might otherwise go unrecognized.

## News To Use (Cont.)

## **James Still Papers Dedicated**

The Manuscripts Division in the Special Collections and Digital Programs dedicated the James Still papers on October 27, 2007. Still left a collection including literary manuscripts, notes, memorabilia, photographs, correspondence, newspaper clippings and personal records. The acclaimed author of *River of Earth*, Still produced much of his writing in his two story log house on Dead Mare Branch of Little Carr Creek in Knott County, Kentucky. Internationally recognized for his literary accomplishments, he was a librarian and teacher at the Hindman Settlement School.



The program included "James Still, American Writer," a panel discussion led by UK professor and author Gurney Norman with James Still biographer Carol Boggess, former Berea College Appalachian Center Director Loyal Jones, and Appalachian poet and essayist Anne Shelby. In addition, the program featured "The Source of the River: James Still's Literary Legacy," a talk by author Ted Olson, Associate Professor at East Tennessee State University. Olson is editor of *From the Mountain from the Valley: New and Collected Poems by James Still*. Noted Appalachian musician and storyteller Randy Wilson, who collaborated with Still on theatrical adaptations of his fiction and poetry, also performed. The program concluded with remarks by James Still's adopted daughter and literary heir Teresa Perry Reynolds who also symbolically presented the papers to UK.

Kate Black supervised the arrangement and description of the collection by numerous student assistants and the creation of the inventory to the papers. She also created a searchable data base to the correspondence in the collection. Beth Eifler applied the mark up language EAD (encoded archival description) which literally turns the inventory into a searchable data base soon to be part of the Kentuckiana Digital Library web site. Paul Holbrook printed a keepsake poem by Still at the King Library Press to accompany the program and Jim Birchfield is largely responsible for mounting an exhibit on Still in the Great Hall in the King Library Building. If you wish to view the exhibit, it will be in place through December 23.



Kay Michael Kramer setting type at The Printery.

## Fall Book Arts Event at the King Library Press

In September The King Library Press presented their Fall Book Arts Event beginning with an evening presentation on "Benjamin Franklin: Author, Printer, and Publisher" by Kay Michael Kramer of The Printery, a private press that uses traditional methods and materials.

The following day's workshop featured the first time printing of a description by Transylvania President Horace Holley of his visit to Thomas Jefferson at Monticello. In the letter to his wife, Mary Austin Holley, Dr. Holley included an account of Jefferson's plans for the University of Virginia, Jefferson's family, and of his former secretary in Paris, William Short. In addition to the printing, participants shared in the pamphlet folding and sewing, along with inserted illustrations which were taken from 1827 silhouettes of the Holleys made in Lexington

For anyone who missed this event, the lecture is available on video , thanks to Jeff Suchanek.

## News To Use (Cont.)

## 100 Year Anniversary Celebration

This year, the University of Kentucky Library celebrated two important milestones -- 100 years as a Federal Depository and 40 years as a Regional Depository. The festivities, which included a display showcasing important depository items from each decade of the last 100 years and a web page featuring an illustrated timeline, culminated in a reception held on November 9<sup>th</sup>. The event was hosted by Sandee McAnnich and attended by UK faculty and staff, as well as government documents librarians and other dignitaries from around the state.

After comments from state librarian Wayne Onkst and a plaque presentation by Government Printing Office representative (and UK Library

School graduate) Cynthia Etkin, Terry Birdwhistell introduced keynote speaker Tracy Campbell, UK history professor and co-director of the Wendell H. Ford Public Policy Research Center for an entertaining and informative talk. Campbell praised the UK library system as a whole, but emphasized that it would not be the major research institution it is without its depository component. He pointed out the depository system's longtime role in the democratic process: to provide "the raw stuff of history" which helps to make governmental processes transparent for the citizens. After his talk, the celebration continued in the Gallery with cake and hors d'oeuvres.

#### When in Rome...

Associate Dean Toni Greider recently visited the "Eternal City" of Rome for a series of meetings focusing on information and international agriculture. They were tied-in with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations' E-Agriculture initiative, which is attempting to bring Internet-based information to farmers around the world. This meeting saw the launching of the new E-Agriculture website <www.e-agriculture.org>. Toni also attended a board meeting for the International Association of Agriculture Information Specials (IAALD) for which she serves as treasurer.



Though much of her time was spent in meetings, Toni did get a bit of time at the end of her trip for sight-seeing. As this was not her first time in Rome, Toni visited several sites that were a bit off the beaten path. Her agenda included Musei Capitolini, the oldest organized museum in the world dating back to the 15<sup>th</sup> Century; San Giovanni Lateraro, a church in which only the pope can say mass at the high alter; and Basilica di San Clemente, a beautiful 12th century church built on the site of two earlier churches, both of which can also be visited. Toni reports that Rome is safe, easy to navigate, filled with archeological digs and wonderful cafes, and always awake. It sounds like it was a great trip.

## News To Use (Cont.)

#### UK 101—A Great Success!!!

How do you impress upon freshmen the importance of learning to use an academic library? The UK Libraries decided to add a little humor to their UK 101 sessions this year, and the response was overwhelmingly favorable. Students were introduced to the Libraries with a short video entitled *Saving Student Brian* – a combination of live action shots and Second Life animation - which tells the story of a hapless student who is unable to graduate until he begins to use the UK Libraries.

Saving Student Brian was the brainchild of Debbie Sharp and Sue Smith who conceived the idea and wrote the script. Stacey Greenwell and Beth Kramer made it possible to bring the story to life through avatars animated in Second Life. Daniel Naas and Allison Peach provided the voices of the characters and staff members from libraries all over campus played supporting roles.

The well-received video was shown in all 55 sessions of UK 101 and seen by 2114 students. In addition, the students were given a brief overview of the many services the libraries offer and were required to complete the FindIt tutorial. Students who completed all three modules with a perfect score were put into a pool to compete for one of the iPod shuffles that were given away each of the 5 weeks the classes ran. After all the hard work, a celebratory party was held on November 30th for the 21 staff members who served as teachers as well as the many other Library personnel who helped make this large undertaking such a great success.



Debbie Sharp presenting an iPod shuffle to David McLane who was one of the UK101 attendees with a perfect score.

## Wow!!!

## Dr. Terry Birdwhistell Receives Development Service Award

The Development Service Award is given to a UK employee who is not a professional fundraiser, but who has demonstrated tremendous support for fundraising efforts at the University of Kentucky.

The 2007 Development Service Award winner is Terry L. Birdwhistell, associate dean for special collections and digital programming in UK Libraries.

Over the years, Dr. Birdwhistell made numerous contacts with public figures, alumni and friends through interviews for the Oral History program. He understands the concept of cultivating prospects and he has frequently created donors from those contacts. He also knows the importance of stewarding gifts so that donors understood their gift was important, appreciated and being used in the way they intended.

Paula Pope, Director, Campaign Services and Donor Relations, wrote and read the award citation and concluded by reiterating that "Terry Birdwhistell 'gets development,' and although it is not technically his job, he still does it with enthusiasm and success."

In addition to earning a \$500 cash stipend, award recipients also will see their names on a plaque bearing Terry Mobley's name along with the names of previous award winners in the lobby of the William B. Sturgill Development Building on Rose Street.



# Spotlight Series

This Spotlight Series features Pat Lloyd who will be retiring after 40 years of employment at the UK Libraries.

### Pat Lloyd-Budget Officer, Office of the Dean

A big chapter in the history of the UK Libraries ends on Friday, December 21 as Pat Lloyd retires. She has been working at UK since 1967 and has spent all but nine months of those years employed by the Libraries.

Pat describes her life as "blessed." She was born in Harlan County, one of five children. She has very fond memories of childhood, growing up in a loving household with abundant kindness and caring. As Pat says, "Mom and Dad always made sure we had fun as kids." Her father was a minister—he acted as a pastor to two different churches—and his work took the family all over the county. As a result, Pat attended two grade schools and three high schools. She finished up high school in Cumberland, where her dad had taken a pastorate. It was also at Cumberland that she met Ron Lloyd in homeroom.



From an early age Pat knew she wanted to be involved with business affairs and accounting. During her senior year in high school, she worked in the principal's office as an assistant to the secretary, and she took business courses while attending Cumberland College. Pat began her career at UK as the secretary to the Law Librarian and worked with Paul Willis, who was the circulation librarian at the Law Library. Mr. Willis later became the acting director of the Law Library, and Pat began work as his secretary. Pat's only assignment other than the library was in the Office of Continuing Legal Education, just as that program was beginning. She found the work interesting and enjoyed her nine months there, but moved to the Libraries in 1974 to become the administrative assistant to Mr. Willis, who had since become the Director of the Libraries. In 1984 she accepted her present position as budget officer and has been keeping the Libraries in the black ever since.

Pat's parents, as well as her two brothers and sisters, are still living in Kentucky, and they have a few big family potlucks every year. Ron and Pat have a son, Dwayne, a daughter-in-law, Jennifer, and two grandchildren. Emma just turned nine and Adam is six and half years old. Since Dwayne and his family live in Lexington, Pat is able to spend lots of time with them.

Besides working in the library, Pat has been an active participant in the UK community. She did training for IRIS, and served on a committee to revise the policy on discretionary policies. She participated in the Administrative Users Group, where they discussed issues and made recommendations, and was the secretary of the budget officers for two years.

Pat says that UK has been good to her, and she has enjoyed meeting new people and making new friends while working here. She will definitely miss the people she works with--they are a good group of people and she couldn't do her job without them. A tremendous amount of work gets done in the Dean's Office, and she has learned the jobs of her subordinates so that she can pitch in when needed. Her management philosophy is that everyone works together. Pat has mentored people over the years and still keeps in contact with old employees. She feels her greatest accomplishment while at UK is that the Libraries has never run a deficit.

When not at work Pat likes to read, especially "escapist stuff," like suspense novels. She enjoys tending to her flower garden and working out in her yard. Pat also likes to work puzzles and do crafts, especially with her granddaughter,

Pat's immediate plans for retirement are to relax and do absolutely nothing for six months. Beyond that, she feels retirement will give her the chance to rediscover her other self. She wants to become more active in her church, the Man O' War Church of God. Ron has been keeping busy with writing and photography, and Pat is looking forward to traveling with him around Kentucky as he takes pictures. One of the best parts of retirement will be the ability to travel whenever she wants without regard to the University's budget cycle. Myrtle Beach is a favorite vacation destination, and she and Ron will now be able to go there in May! Other plans include spending more time with her grandchildren. She'll be able to baby sit Adam and have lunch with Emma, followed by an afternoon with her at the Mad Potter.

Thank you for your many years of service to the Libraries, Pat, and best wishes for a wonderful retirement!

# What's Coming Up?

**Dec 17 Blue 2.0 Party,** 11:30-1:30 p.m., Gallery and Keeneland Room, W. T. Young Library.

**Dec 18 Libraries Holiday Luncheon,** 11:30-1:30 p.m., Ovid's Café, W. T. Young Library.

**Dec 18 Library Associates Holiday Tea**, 3-5 p.m. Lexmark Room, 209 Main Building. RSVP to Esther Edwards 257-1742.

## Comings and Goings



Melody Brian, Administrative Support Associate I in Business Services, Office of the Dean, resigned on Friday, November 16 to accept a position at the Bosch Rexroth Corporation. She joined the Libraries in September 2005 as a Staff Support Associate II in Business Services, and transferred to

the Payroll and Personnel Assistant position in early 2006.



Courtney Crepeau began working in the Library Technician position in Interlibrary Loan, Access and Delivery Division on November 12. Courtney has a BA in English and Spanish from Hillsdale College, and an MSLS from UK. She worked in the Lexmark Library and Lexington Public Library while attending UK.



Alice Wasielewski, employed in a temporary position in the Hub and Reference Commons since January, has been hired into the Hub's new Library Technician Senior position in the Research & Education Division. Alice worked in SCDP and completed a cataloging practicum in the Fine Arts Li-

brary while completing her MLS at UK. In addition to her library science degree, Alice also holds a master's in English from Indiana University.



**Crystal Heis** joined the Libraries as Image Management Specialist Sr. in Special Collections and Digital Programs on November 26. Crystal holds a BFA with a photographic concentration from UK and since 1999 has been employed as a photographer and digital management specialist with Holifield Photography



**Dr. Douglas Boyd** has been hired as the Director of the Nunn Center for Oral History in the Special Collections and Digital Programs Division. Currently Dr. Boyd is employed as the Digital Services Program Manager at the University of Alabama; from 1998 - 2006 he was Senior Archivist and then Director and Program Manager of the Kentucky His-

torical Society Kentucky Oral History Commission. Doug Boyd is very active in the Oral History Society and has published, presented, and consulted widely. He earned both his master's and PhD degrees in Folklore from Indiana University, and will join the Libraries in early January.

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