

Copy 2

THE GREEN BEAN

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY LIBRARIES' NEWSLETTER

1-6-84

No. 421

CALENDAR

- | | |
|------------|--|
| Jan. 7-12 | ALA Midwinter Conference in Washington, D.C. |
| Jan. 11 | Banana Boat Day |
| | National Printing Ink Day |
| Jan. 16 | National Nothing Day |
| | National Clean-Off-Your-Desk Day |
| Jan. 16-22 | Printing Week |
| Jan. 18 | Peter Mark Roget's Birthday |
| Jan. 21 | John Cabell Breckinridge's Birthday |
| | Hat Day |
| Jan. 26 | Library Faculty Meeting, 8:30 a.m. RESCHEDULED |

Next "Green Bean" issue: Friday, January 20.

Deadline for inclusion: 10 a.m., January 17.

Emergency items can be submitted to the editor by phone after the deadline (7-1631).

Production Staff: Cecil Madison, Liz Pogue, Rob Aken (editor)

LETTERS OF APPRECIATION

The following letter was sent to the LSO.

Dear Staff Organization:

Being with "you all" at your delightful and delicious Christmas luncheon last Friday was a highlight of the season! I wish I knew each of you personally to thank you for remembering retirees. You are most thoughtful and cordial. I enjoyed being with you in a library I have loved these many years.

Fondly,
Kate Irvin

The following letter was sent to John Bryant.

Dear John:

Congratulations for an excellent job in leading the University of Kentucky through another successful United Way Campaign. I know this was not an easy task this year; however, I have heard nothing but glowing reports of the dedication and enthusiasm with which you discharged your duties. I am sure that this added responsibility consumed most of your time during the past several months, and I do want you to know it is greatly appreciated.

Thanks again for caring enough to share of your time and efforts in this most worthwhile project.

Cordially,
Otis A. Singletary
President

The following letters were sent to Paul Willis.

Dear Paul:

I commend to you Gail Kennedy for her outstanding work in assisting the Department for Libraries and Archives and its Advisory Council on Libraries in developing a library network for the state of Kentucky. Several task forces, made up of volunteers from the library community, were given charges to plan for the implementation of Phase I of the Network. We have come to realize that one particular task force, the Catalog Specifications Task Force, had an extremely difficult job to do. Ms. Kennedy made an invaluable contribution to a successful conclusion of the Task Force's work by being an extremely conscientious and dedicated member of the Task Force.

We knew when we began to discuss our hopes and dreams for a Kentucky Library Network that it would only succeed through dedication and participation of the Kentucky library community at large. The dedication has truly overwhelmed us and we want you to know what a fine staff person you have in Ms. Kennedy.

Sincerely,
James A. Nelson, State Librarian and Commissioner

MEMORANDUM

TO: Paul A. Willis, Director
of Libraries

FROM: Laurence E. Prescott *LEP*

RE: Staff Assistance

DATE: 9 December 1983

I wish to call to your attention the kind cooperation and assistance which members of the M. I. King Library staff accorded me this semester. Last August I asked Ms. Karmen Crowther of the Reference Department for assistance in preparing some sessions on basic library research for the students in my SPI 318 (Survey of Spanish American Literature) class. Ms. Crowther was quite responsive to my request and had Mr. Brian Coutts contact me about the sessions. Mr. Coutts and Mrs. Judy Fugate, Collection Developer for Latin American Studies, consulted with me and took responsibility for organizing two sessions.

I am very pleased to say that Mr. Coutts and Mrs. Fugate carried out their responsibility with admirable professional competence. They made a diligent effort to expose the students to both traditional and new sources which could serve them in later pursuits. They prepared useful handouts which were clearly and concisely annotated. They also employed visual aids which facilitated our understanding of the source materials. Finally, Mr. Coutts prepared an exercise related to my syllabus and which tested the students' ability to carry out a mini-research project using the information presented in the sessions. The exercise provided both a good assessment of learning and gave the students an indication of what they would be expected to do. Thus it encouraged the students to get an early start on their research topics.

In short, then I am confident that the two well-prepared sessions helped me to give the students a good basis for conducting initial research in the field of Spanish American literature and in literature in general. I compliment you on having a hardworking, well-organized staff that is responsive to the needs of the faculty and students. Mr. Coutts, Mrs. Fugate, and Ms. Crowther are deserving of commendation.

Dear Sir:

As a doctoral student in the Music department at UK, I use the music library quite frequently. I would like to comment to you on the friendly, helpful atmosphere I always find there. The library is well-organized and up to date on the acquisition of materials. Cathy Hunt does an excellent job managing the library. She is very helpful and efficient and encourages her staff to be the same way. The music library at UK is one of the best I have ever used.

Sincerely,
Susan C. Perry

Dear Paul,

I am nearing the end of my mammoth three-month-long research on a set of American Association (a major league that operated from 1882 to 1891) players. It has been a great success; the information that I have garnered from various microtexts has enabled me to open up a vast era of rich baseball history, heretofore lost in obscurity, which I hope to turn into a piece entitled "The Forgotten Stars." Perhaps, in time, the Baseball Hall of Fame will see fit to induct all these worthy players.

This research would have been absolutely impossible without the aid of two people: Frank Levstik and Vivian MacQuown. The former co-signed the numerous requests I made for microfilms of numerous newspapers because I was not a student or faculty member. That in itself was quite an extraordinary gesture since I was a complete stranger to him when we first met. Over a passage of time, we got to be good friends, and I enlisted his aid in getting this valuable material. For his generosity, I cannot thank him enough. His friendship and expertise both exceeded his generosity, enabling me to find trivial bits of information that otherwise would have been lost to me. (I hasten to add, however, that no matter what he tells you, HE CANNOT HIT THE FASTBALL.)

Mrs. MacQuown, in her capacity as the Director of Inter-Library Loan, processed every one of my request forms. In several instances, when the films were not available through my listed source, she contacted another source and got the film for me, even though I had not listed it. I assume this was due both to her knowledge of the available sources and her caring attitude toward my research. In one notable instance, she definitely went an "extra yard" by getting a film from the Library of Congress (which does not ordinarily loan such film), which in turn produced a gargantuan amount of information on a player named Davey Orr, a great first-baseman of the late 19th-century about whom no one has ever written.

I realize I could say the University pays for these services with my tax money, and the Library is there for my usage, because it is funded by my tax money. That is all true. But the fact remains that without the tireless efforts of both Frank Levstik (Assistant Head of Periodicals, Newspapers and Microtexts) and Vivian MacQuown, I could never have accumulated the wealth of material about these long-forgotten and sadly-neglected players that I have in the past few months. It is an understatement almost bordering on rudeness to say I owe them and your library a great debt and am thankful, but there is simply no other way to express it. I thank them, directly, and you indirectly, for all of your magnanimous gestures in the way of my research.

Cordially yours,
Philip E. Von Borries

INFORUM

Staff Development Committee Program

On January 12, 1984, the program "Effective Student Assistance" will be presented by the UK Human Resources Development Office for the UK Libraries staff. The program will be held in The Gallery from 10 a.m. - 12 noon and repeated from 2:00-4:00 p.m.

The Human Resources Development Office has requested that we limit attendance to 25 for each presentation. Staff members planning to attend should notify (by telephone only) the Staff Development Committee members listed below by 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 10.

Hank Harken	7-8397
Cathy Hunt	7-2800
Claire McCann	7-8373

Preference for your choice of time will be given if possible; however, due to the limitations on attendance, adjustments may have to be made. You will be notified if the time you request has to be changed. (Gerry Webb)

Fall Issue of The Kentucky Review

Published just before the Christmas holiday and available from Brad Grissom in the Cataloging Department is Volume V, Number 1 of The Kentucky Review. A contribution of special interest to staff and users of the library is Jim Birchfield's "The Peal Collection as a Literary Archive" (originally presented at the spring 1983 meeting of the Kentucky Council on Archives), which treats this important assemblage of books and manuscripts as a primary source for the study of the early English Romantics. Rounding out the fall issue are articles on Coleridge, Faulkner, Anne Bradstreet, Andrew Lytle, and the final years of slavery in Kentucky. (Brad Grissom)

Using Federal Government Statistics

The Government Publications Department; the Center for Applied Economic Research; and the Office for Continuing Education, College of Library and Information Science will sponsor a federal government statistics workshop on January 27 & 28 in room 230 of the Student Center Addition. Fees: UK Students-\$2.00; UK Faculty/Staff-\$5.00; all others-\$20.00.

Program:

January 27 (Presentations from each agency and panel discussion)

8:30	Registration
9:00-10:30	U.S. Bureau of the Census and Kentucky State Data Center
10:45-11:30	U.S. National Center for Health Statistics
11:45-12:30	U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics
12:30-2:00	Lunch on your own
2:00-2:20	Kentucky Economic Information System
2:30-5:00	Panel Discussion - Moderator and Commentator: Margaret Adams, Kentucky Economic Information System. Respondents: Mark C. Berger, Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Kentucky; Cynthia L. Duncan, Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Sociology, University of Kentucky; Ron Morgan, Research Division, Kentucky Department of Economic Development; Frances E. Ross, Kentucky Economic Information System.

January 28 (Concurrent hands-on sessions with publications/databases from each agency. Each agency will present its material twice)

9:00-11:00 U.S. Bureau of the Census and Kentucky State Data Center
U.S. National Center for Health Statistics
U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics
Kentucky Economic Information System
11:15-1:15 Repeat of concurrent sessions.

Enrollment is limited; to ensure a space, advance register by Jan. 20.
For more information, call 257-8417.

NEH Research Travel Funds

William Ehmann, the Associate Dean for Research, has announced the availability of research travel funds from the National Endowment for the Humanities. The research involved cannot be for work leading to an academic degree, and the grants cannot support travel to professional meetings or conferences. Amounts requested must exceed \$500; the deadline is January 15, 1984.

For further information, applications and instructions, call or write
Program Officer, Travel to Collections
Division of Research Programs, Room 319-GT
NEH
1100 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20506
(202)786-0207

Video Display Terminals Studied

Both the National Research Council of the National Academy of Sciences and the Federal Health Department of Canada have issued reports stating video display terminals (VDTs) do not pose any radiation threats to users. (Online (November 1983), pp. 10-11)

U Mich Recruiting for Library Residency Program

Sheila Creth, Assistant Director for Personnel, reports that she will be recruiting at ALA Midwinter for the second year of the Research Library Residency Program at the University of Michigan Library.

The residency offers the new librarian "a two-year professional appointment which includes an issues-oriented instructional component" and a chance to gain a grasp of "the complex changes affecting research libraries in technology, cooperation, preservation, bibliographic access, and management strategies in times of scarce resources."

Complete information is available from Sheila Creth, University of Michigan Library, 404 Harlan Hatcher Graduate Library, Ann Arbor, MI 48109, (Library Hotline (November 21, 1983), p.4)

National Library Week Theme for 1984

The 1984 NLW theme will be "Knowledge Is Real Power." The ALA Public Information Office notes that "The graphics catalog and the 1984 Power Tools Publicity Book provide the material for six separate campaigns for The Week.

Besides the theme noted above, one may choose among "Ignorance Is Not Bliss"; "Libraries Are User Friendly"; "E. T. Reads at Home"; and "Keep Going, Keep Growing." For the free catalog of NLW materials, write to the Public Information Office, ALA, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60611. Phone: 312-944-6780. The dates of NLW: April 8-14. (Library Hotline (November 21, 1983), p.5)

SPEC Kit #99--Branch Libraries in ARL Libraries

Branch Libraries in ARL Libraries (SPEC Kit #99) contains survey results, two policy statements, three documents on closing or consolidating branches, three on new branches, and two on automation. A list of readings is also included. SPEC Kits are available in the Reference Department.

New Articles and Books

Broadus, Robert N. "Online Catalogs and Their Users," College and Research Libraries, 44 (November 1983), 458-467.

Chadwyck-Healey, Charles. "The Future of Microform in an Electronic Age." Wilson Library Bulletin, 58 (December 1983), 270-273.

Chepesuk, Ron and Shirley Tarlton. "SOLINET: What's in It for Us?" Wilson Library Bulletin, 58 (November 1983), 185-189.

Fayen, Emily Gallup. The Online Catalog: Improving Public Access to Library Materials. White Plains, NY: Knowledge Industry Publications, 1983. (Z/699/.F34/1983)

Gorney, Leonard. Queuing Theory: A Problem Solving Approach. New York: Petrocelli, 1981. (157.9/.G67/1981)

Hellinga, Lotte. Caxton in Focus: The Beginning of Printing in England. London: British Library, 1982. (Z/151/.H450/1982)

Holley, Edward G. and Robert F. Schremser. The Library Services and Construction Act: An Historical Overview from the Viewpoint of Major Participants (Foundations in Library and Information Science, vol. 18). Greenwich, Connecticut: JAI Press, 1983. (KF/4315/.H64/1983)

Kesselman, Martin. "Online Update." Wilson Library Bulletin, 58 (December 1983), 286-287.

Discusses the upcoming H. W. Wilson Company's online system.

Mason, Marilyn. The Federal Role in Library and Information Service (Professional Librarian Series). White Plains, NY: Knowledge Industry Publications, 1983. (Z/678.2/.M37/1983)

Stevens, Norman D. Communication Throughout Libraries (Scarecrow Library Administration Series, vol. 6). Metuchen, NJ: Scarecrow, 1983. (Z/678/.S725/1983)

Nine Years Ago in the "Green Bean"

Norma Jean Gibson, then in the Art Library, was elected Secretary/Treasurer of the Special Libraries Section of KLA for 1975.

Liz Pogue joined the Library Staff in the Circulation Department.

INFORMATION FROM THE PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Fire prevention in libraries introduces the old controversy of taking the risk versus the introduction of water or chemicals into the library environment. The National Fire Prevention Agency and most insurance underwriters have current library disaster statistics indicating the wisdom of careful prevention plans geared to a library's contents, needs, and finances.

Keyes Metcalf, in Planning Academic and Research Library Buildings, says: "The removal or lessening of hazards will not stop fires altogether. The question of fire detection, alarm, and extinguishing must be considered." There are a variety of heat- or smoke- detection and alarm systems available to a library. The best ones are wired into a central fire alarm monitored by fire or facilities personnel.

A number of automatic systems for putting out fires are available on the market and serve a variety of needs and purposes. No longer do all sprinkler heads go off when fire is detected. If a fire is to be put out by a fire department, as much as 11,000 gallons of water per minute can be poured into a library. The possibility of coping with such a disaster makes the prospect of dealing with several hundred books wet by a sprinkler head almost insignificant. (Jessie Adams)

Preservation Reading

Griffith, J.W. "After the Disaster: Restoring Library Service." Wilson Library Bulletin, 58 (December 1983), 258-265.

PROFESSIONAL OPPORTUNITIES
(For more information, contact the Director's Office)

Iowa

Monographic Cataloger, Iowa State University. Salary: \$16,500 minimum.
Deadline: January 17, 1984.

Science Monographic Cataloger, Iowa State University. Salary: \$16,500
minimum. Deadline: January 17, 1984.

Luxembourg

Librarian/Information Scientist, The European Parliament. Salary: not
specified. Deadline: January 30, 1984.

Librarian, The European Parliament. Salary: not specified. Deadline:
January 30, 1984.

Nebraska

System Planner; University of Nebraska, Lincoln. Salary: not specified.
Deadline: March 1, 1984.

Pennsylvania

Head, Cataloging; Milton S. Hershey Medical Center, Pennsylvania State
University. Salary: \$16,008 minimum. Deadline: January 27, 1984.

Documents Librarian/Social Science Cataloger, Pennsylvania State University
Salary: \$18,000 minimum. Deadline: February 15, 1984.

Engineering Librarian/Science Cataloger, Pennsylvania State University.
Salary: \$18,000 minimum. Deadline: February 15, 1984.

Physical Sciences Librarian/Science Cataloger, Pennsylvania State University.
Salary: \$18,000 minimum. Deadline: February 15, 1984.

General Reference Librarian, Humanities and Social Sciences Department;
Pennsylvania State University. Salary: \$16,008 minimum. Deadline:
February 15, 1984.

Washington

Assistant Director of Libraries, Undergraduate Library Services; University
of Washington. Salary: \$33,000 minimum. Deadline: January 31, 1984.

Head, Curriculum Materials Section; University of Washington. Salary:
\$18,500 minimum. Deadline: January 31, 1984.

UK LIBRARY SYSTEM OPPORTUNITIES
(If interested, contact Ann Short.)

LT III, grade 5, Circulation.

LT III, grade 5, Agriculture Library.