



# ACRL Washington Newsletter

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With the recent conference at Pack Forest, the ACRL Washington Chapter has completed its major biennial activity. Elsewhere in this issue you will find a report of the conference written by Sarah McCord, one of the two recipients of conference scholarships. The October conference marked the 22nd annual collaboration between the Washington and Oregon ACRL Chapters. This year CLAMS also helped organize and sponsor the event.

Pack Forest welcomed 104 academic librarians, a record turnout for the Washington Chapter. They came from 38 academic libraries, 27 in Washington and 11 in Oregon. We received 59 conference evaluations, most of them very positive. We were especially interested to learn that people love Pack Forest, despite its rather rustic accommodations!

With substantial support from nine library vendors, we were able to offer two conference scholarships. Congratulations to Sarah McCord (WSU) who received one from the Washington Chapter of ACRL and to Elizabeth Knight (UW iSchool graduate) who received a scholarship from CLAMS.

I'd like to thank the members of the ACRL Washington Chapter Board of Directors who devoted many hours to planning the conference. Charles Lord (UW), Past President, was in charge of local arrangements. Kathleen O'Connor (Gonzaga), Secretary/Treasurer, handled the registration with able help from Andrea Kueter (St. Martin's), Member at Large. Nancy Huling (UW), Member at Large, chaired the scholarship committee. Brenda Philip (Green River C.C.), Web Page Editor, Kathleen Forsythe (UW), Newsletter Editor, and Kelley McHenry (Edmonds C.C.), President Elect, each contributed in many ways. Esther Sunde (S. Seattle C.C.) and a group of CLAMS members organized the pre-dinner social gathering and the evening party. In keeping with our theme, "The Digital Challenge," all the planning was done via email!

A silent auction of pumpkins carved at the party netted \$90 that was donated to the American Red Cross/Liberty Fund.

With this major event completed, your ACRL Chapter Board is turning to other activities. The Nominations Committee is soliciting candidates for office. If you are interested in volunteering, please send me a message: [lchmelir@wsu.edu](mailto:lchmelir@wsu.edu). Kelley McHenry is our new representative to LegNet, an activity of ACRL's Chapters' Council. She will be posting information about national legislative issues to the ACRL-NW list. We will be co-sponsoring with the Oregon Chapter a conference program at the OLA/WLA Joint Conference, April 17-19, 2002 in Portland. And, of course, next October we will gather at Menucha in Oregon for the 23rd Fall Conference!

The Board of Directors is always interested in hearing your suggestions about how the Chapter can serve its members. If you have ideas, please send them to one of the Board members.

Best wishes for a joyous holiday season.

Lynn Chmelir  
Washington State University



Washington State Chapter

ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE AND RESEARCH LIBRARIES

Treasurer's Report

November 13, 2001

<b>Balance Forward:</b>	March 2, 2001		7380.92
<b>Income:</b>	Membership Dues	605.00	
	ALA Reimbursal	110.78	
	Vendor Donations	3350.00	
	PF Registration fees	9430.00	
	Stamp reimbursement	122.40	
	CD to 9/26/01	4073.12	
	<b>Total Income:</b>	17,691.30	
<b>Expenses:</b>			
	Insurance premium	285.00	
	Transfer to CD	4000.00	
	State Incorporation fee	10.00	
	Ballot mailing	34.00	
	Ballot photocopying	31.45	
	Office supplies	45.33	
	Pack Forest Expenses	3406.41	
	Remaining PF housing-est.(not yet paid)	3264.00	
	PF meals-est.(not yet paid)	2864.82	
	<b>Total Expenses:</b>	13,941.01	
<b>Balance Forward:</b>	November 12, 2001		11,131.21

Pack Forest Conference Recap

<b>Income:</b>	Vendor Donations	3350.00
	PF Registration fees	9430.00

	Stamp reimbursement	122.40	
	<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>12,902.40</b>	
<b>Expenses:</b>	Conference down payment	340.00	
	PF Scholarship	95.00	
	Key note speaker honorarium	2000.00	
	Stamps (see above)	122.40	
	Photocopying for conference	90.81	
	Mailing	89.31	
	Name badges/folders	26.77	
	Name badges and pens	13.48	
	Breaks & party	628.65	
	PF housing-est. (not yet paid)	3264.00	
	PF meals-est. (not yet paid)	2864.82	
	<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>9,535.24</b>	
	<b>Anticipated Profit:</b>		<b>3,367.16*</b>

\*Interestingly, without the vendor donations we would have been \$17.16 over budget.

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Respectfully submitted

Kathleen O'Connor

Secretary/Treasurer

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## Board Meeting Minutes (Draft)

October 25, 2001  
Pack Forest Conference



Present: Nancy Huling (Member-at-Large), Kelley McHenry (Vice-President), Brenda Philip (Web Page Editor), Andrea Kueter (Member-at-Large), Charles Lord (Past President), Kathleen Forsythe (Newsletter Editor), Lynn Chmelir (President) and Kathleen O'Connor (Secretary/Treasurer).

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President Lynn Chmelir called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

The minutes from spring Board of Directors meeting held in Ellensburg on March 23, 2001 were approved without correction or addition.

### Reports

Kathleen O'Connor presented the Treasurer's Report, including Pack Forest expenses and projected profit for the conference. A discussion followed regarding whether more money should be put into an interest bearing account due to the lack of upcoming expenses. It was decided that as soon as all bills were paid, Kathleen O. will give another balance report and that the Board of Directors will decide then an amount to move to another CD.

Newsletter and Chapter Topics: Kathleen Forsythe reported on the newsletter, which will come out in November. As was discussed in previous meetings, the newsletter will include a profile of a library and this issue will feature the library at EMP, Experience Music Project, in Seattle. Kathleen F. asked for suggestions for the next newsletter. Sara McCord from Washington State University was awarded a scholarship from our chapter to attend the Pack Forest Conference and will be writing an article for the upcoming issue. Kathleen F. encouraged people to send in information from libraries around the state. The deadline for submissions will be November 13th with anticipated publication before Thanksgiving.

Chapter Topics, the National ACRL newsletter, next deadline is November 19th. Kathleen F. will write this and route to us for comment.

Website report. Brenda reported that the website is still at UW and Carole Svensson and Kathleen Forsythe are facilitating the website now that Brenda is working at Green River Community College. Carol Svensson is interested in being the next Web Page Editor, which, like the newsletter editor, is an appointed position. Both of these positions will be open in July 2002. The Board discussed the advantage of having Kathleen Forsythe Editor stay on for another year as the Newsletter so that we can create staggered starting times for these positions.

The newly updated Board positions descriptions have been added to the Chapter webpage. It should provide a useful reference for nominees and current office holders. The proposed bylaw changes have also been posted to the chapter website. The Board discussed whether the minutes should be on the website independent of their inclusion in the Newsletter. It was decided that instead of publishing the minutes separately, we'd have a link to the minutes in the electronic newsletter.

Kelley McHenry has recently become our chapter liaison to LegNet (Legislative Net), which is sponsored by the ACRL Chapters Council. She has received four messages, which she has forwarded to the ACRL NW list. This raised the issue of how political should the Washington Chapter of ACRL be? It was decided that this would be a good topic for a future meeting.

Kathleen O. reported that the conference mailing was sent to 436 librarians in Washington State - every academic librarian listed in the latest Washington Library Directory. The mailing also included a 2002 membership form for the state chapter as

well as a form for joining the National ACRL. These national forms included the Washington Chapter logo and for each new National membership ACRL receives, the state chapter will receive \$10. Kathleen O. will submit the necessary paperwork to ACRL and follow-up on the number of memberships the mailing generated.

### **Business**

The expense and work involved in mailing paper registration forms raised the issue of whether we should move to entirely electronic distribution for future mailings. Following a brief discussion it was decided that all future mailings would be done electronically.

Lynn will be soliciting volunteers to work on this year's Nominations Committee during the conference. All interested volunteers should contact Lynn.

One suggestion that should be taken into consideration when planning the next conference is to stagger times for the chapter membership meeting and the CLAMS membership meeting as many attendees belong to both organizations.

The Board discussed where the fall 2003 conference should be held. It has been at Pack Forest for many years. Traditionally we have booked the next conference dates while we were at Pack Forest. Charles stated that due to administrative changes at UW, there may be future changes in the way things are done at Pack Forest. This year, unlike past years, UW is staffing both the conference services office and the food service operation. It is anticipated that University policy might change the option we now enjoy to provide our own refreshments for breaks and parties at future conferences. It seems that for now we have been "grandfathered into" the past policies of letting us supply our own break and party supplies, but it is not clear for how long. Some people have complained about the sleeping arrangements at Pack Forest. The Board discussed whether we should consider moving our next conference site. It was decided to seek member input during the membership meeting that will follow. It was also decided that Charles will book for 2003 and the Board will explore other options in the near future before we make a final decision.

Kelley McHenry developed the conference evaluation form that was included in the conference folder. Kathleen O. will collect at the end of the conference, tally the results and send a report to the Board after the conference. It was pointed out that we might need to consider having three breakout sessions if we schedule them at future conferences because one session room was too crowded.

The Washington Chapter will be co-sponsoring a program with the Oregon Chapter before the joint Wash-Oregon Library Association Conference to be held in April 2002 in Portland, Oregon. The Oregon Chapter has planned the program and asked us to advertise the pre-conference to our members. We have also indicated we are available to be called on for other assistance. The pre-conference topic is a panel of library directors on the state of issues.

It was announced that Barbara Valentine and Andrea Kueter are the moderators of the ACRL NW list. WSU is the host of the list and Janet Chisman provides technical support.

Due to a lack of time, two issues were deferred to a future meeting: a spring conference in future years and what would be involved in becoming able to accept credit cards for conference and membership payments.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathleen O'Connor  
Secretary/Treasurer  
WA ACRL Chapter

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## Business Meeting Minutes (Draft)

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Pack Forest Conference



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President Lynn Chmelir called meeting to order at 7:30.

### Menucha Membership Meeting

The minutes from the Menucha Conference Membership Meeting, the spring 2001 Board of Director minutes and the Treasurer's report were distributed. The minutes of the Membership Meeting were approved without correction or addition.

### Treasurer's Report

Kathleen O'Connor, Secretary/Treasurer, presented the Treasurer's report and a report on the projected profit of the 2001 Pack Forest Conference. Our balance forward from March 2, 2001 was \$7,380.92. Total income was \$16,941.30. Our expenses (including projected expenses for the conference) were \$13,892.89. Our current balance is \$10,429.33 and we anticipate a profit of \$2,750 for the conference.

### Bylaws Revision Report

The Bylaws Committee of Brenda Philip, Andrea Kueter, Gary Menges, Jen Stevens and Rosemary Streatfeild worked over the past year to revise the Chapter's bylaws. The original intention was to revise the bylaws and submit the changes to the membership in the spring of 2001. It was determined that the bylaws required a vote at a membership meeting. The current and proposed bylaws have been posted on the Chapter's website, along with a Nutshell view of the primary changes which include:

- The chapter was incorporated on August 18, 2000 hence this date and the incorporation number have been included.
- The existing bylaws state that "all [national] members of the Association of College and Research Libraries residing in Washington State are automatically Chapter members." In the proposed bylaws, this portion has been struck because: it is too difficult to track these members and maintain a separate mailing list, Chapter membership fees are already low and national members should be encouraged to join the state Chapter, and because much of the Chapter information is now available electronically, so national members can still keep current on Chapter news without becoming Chapter members if they so choose.
- Mention of a spring chapter meeting has been deleted, as there is no regular spring meeting/conference held.
- A timeline for elections was developed independent of a spring meeting.
- Official notification may take place electronically, including using the chapter website and email list.
- Any mention of the composition of the Board of Directors was amended to include the new three-year Web Page Editor position (created in 1999). The Web Page Editor is a presidential appointment.
- A quorum was changed from 3 board members to 5, to reflect the addition of one new member to the Board of Directors (webmaster).
- Board duties/position descriptions were reviewed to ensure accuracy (some responsibilities are no longer part of the position).
- A spring Board of Directors meeting will no longer need to be held at a spring conference.
- Previously all members of the Board of Directors were to be national ACRL members. Now only the President and vice-president elect must be.

There were no questions about the changes. A vote was called and the revisions were approved unanimously.

### Report on LegNet



Kelley is our liaison to Leg Net, a legislative hotline from ALA, which she forwards to ACRL NW list. The purpose of these messages is to make it easier for librarians to know the issues and to contact their congressional representatives. As was discussed in the previous Board meeting, we should discuss at a future date how political do we want to be as an organization. John Webb encouraged members to take part in ALA Legislative Day in Washington DC as it is a worthwhile way to inform our legislators about library issues. He pointed out that you need to make appointments well in advance and that you often end up talking to the member's staff. On the state level, WLA sponsors a Legislative Day, which will be January 30 this year.

### **Venue for Fall 2003 conference**

A discussion followed about returning to Pack Forest for future conferences. No negative input was received from the chapter members. It was suggested that it would be good to compare other conference sites anyway. Conference planners need to consider the proximity of the site to Oregon attendees. The Board will look at some alternatives but have in the meantime booked October 2003 dates at Pack Forest anyway.

### **Spring Programs, 2002 and beyond**

In past years, the Chapter typically put on a spring program. This year the Washington Chapter will be co-sponsoring a program with the Oregon Chapter before the joint Wash-Oregon Library Association Conference to be held in April 2002 in Portland, Oregon. The Oregon Chapter has planned the program and asked us to advertise the pre-conference to our members. We have also indicated we are available to be called on for other assistance. The pre-conference topic is a panel of library directors on the state of issues.

The Chapter is also interested in reconsidering spring programs and would like to hear from members about the subject. In the past, the Washington Chapter sponsored a pre-conference at WLA. Due to the decline in academic librarians' attendance at the conference, it became less productive to offer a pre-conference at WLA. A couple of years ago, we sponsored with CLAMS a series of presentations. The questions we need to consider is who should we collaborate with for spring conferences? At one point there was a spring program held on the eastside. Attendance at that dwindled as well. There is no longer an academic interest group in WLA. WLA has very few current academic members. One advantage of WLA participation is the opportunity for a cross-section of librarians. Someone asked about the viability of PNLA. This year's PNLA conference was in Corvallis. An advantage of PNLA is that it includes Canadian librarians. A member stated that it seems PNLA is struggling to find a reason to exist. Their conference was previously well attended by academic librarians, but that has declined partially due to the demise of WLN. Also local organizations and ACRL chapters became stronger in recent years and it seems that PNLA is just hanging on. Linda Pierce, past member of the PNLA Board, stated that the organization is trying to define regional interests. Another opinion expressed is that email provides an ongoing dialog that reduces need for another time to get together.

### **Other**

Linda Pierce, the academic representative on the Library Council of Washington, talked about the upcoming LSTA funding cycle. She encouraged people to look at the availability of funds and develop programs. She handed out FY2002 current projects and information on how to apply for funding. The Council is particularly interested in cooperative library collaboration, which benefits the people of the state of Washington. Academic library programs should be represented. Money is available for staff, publicity, training, demonstration grants. Linda will be happy to be a resource to anyone with questions.

As a follow-up from the Board of Directors meeting, a discussion was held about abandoning paper mailing. A vote followed that was almost unanimous in favor of strictly electronic future mailings.

### **Announcements**

Lynn announced that we are looking for volunteers for a Nominations Committee. The election will be held in the spring with new officers taking office in July. Interested members should contact Lynn.

Sara McCord thanked the Washington Chapter for the scholarship to attend the conference.

The meeting was closed and the members proceeded to the CLAMS sponsored party in Pack Hall.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathleen O'Connor  
Secretary/Treasurer  
WA ACRL Chapter

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## The Digital Challenge: Creating the 21st Century Academic Library A report from the 2001 Washington and Oregon ACRL Chapters / CLAMS Fall Conference

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*Chapter President Lynn Chmelir and scholarship winner Sarah McCord at Pack Forest. Photograph by Kelley McHenry.*

The clear blue sky and bright sunshine that greeted us as we rolled in to the Pack Forest Conference Center on October 25 was somewhat of an anomaly, so I was told. As a new librarian, new ACRL member, and new resident of eastern Washington State, I already knew I would learn a great deal from my first regional ACRL/CLAMS conference--who knew that the weather would be the first lesson? I am deeply grateful to all of you for funding the scholarship that made it possible for me to attend this year's meeting, and I hope that this summary is useful to those who were not able to be there.

After registration, checking in to our cabins, and lunch in the Dining Hall, all attendees gathered in the large room in Scott Hall. ACRL-WA Chapter President Lynn Chmelir welcomed us to "Library Camp," and introduced all those who had volunteered their time to make the conference possible. After introducing both the ACRL and CLAMS scholarship recipients, and making a few housekeeping announcements, the program began with a bang.

Keynote speaker Roy Tennant, of the California Digital Library, dared us to see "The Digital Challenge," our conference theme, as "Digital Opportunities" instead. In his view, "a challenge is an opportunity viewed from below," and he outlined five key areas where libraries and librarians must take a stand: defending copyright and fair use for digital sources; making print sources more desirable; simplifying searching for our users; using XML to encode data in a way that can be understood by many software applications; and working with faculty to explore and establish new methods of scholarly communication. (The slides from his presentation are available at: <http://escholarship.cdlib.org/rtennant/presentations/2001acrl/acrl.htm>) He made an observation (clarified in a conversation afterward as being a paraphrase of a quote from Herb White) that resonated for many of us--"only librarians like to search, everyone else likes to find!"--and encouraged us to lead the way in creating solutions for our patrons.

After a short break (which I spent talking with our keynote speaker about various technical issues of implementing some of the technologies he suggested), the program

continued with breakout sessions and we split into two groups. I attended the session entitled "Scholarly Communication: Is It Worth the Price?" presented by Carol McCulley of Linfield College. As a Health Sciences Librarian at a large research institution (Washington State), I am all too familiar with the problems of skyrocketing journal prices. It was refreshing to be shown this issue from the perspective of a smaller school, and I came away with a greater understanding of the range of choices available to those at institutions different from my own.

Francesca Lane Rasmus and Layne Nordgren of Pacific Lutheran University presented the second breakout session I attended, entitled "Please, Can I Get the Article." They detailed the design and implementation of a journal database, integrated into their catalog, which clearly shows users all print and electronic versions of a given journal title, with instructions for how to access each. This session addressed a concern that we are facing at my institution, and several of my colleagues and I talked with the presenters afterward to learn more.

A short social time in Pack Hall was followed by dinner in the Dining Hall. The Washington Chapter meeting was held, and, in addition to the reports from various Board members, we approved the proposed bylaw changes and discussed plans for future conferences, programs, and grant possibilities. I was interested to hear more about the various collaborative projects underway statewide, particularly those funded by LSTA grants.

The Halloween party sponsored by CLAMS was a definite success. Spirited (pun fully intended!) discussion, lively game playing, and just the chance to meet my colleagues from the region was most welcome. There was even a pumpkin-carving contest, and the entries were raffled off the next day with all proceeds going to the American Red Cross.

Friday morning there were two plenary sessions, both given by panels. The first, "Collaborative Digital Reference Service," was presented by Linda White of the Library of Congress, Nancy Huling of the University of Washington, and Buff Hirko of the Washington State Library. They outlined the goals of the Library of Congress-sponsored Collaborative Digital Reference Service project, gave examples of how questions are routed and answered, and talked at length about the continuing improvements that are needed for the system to function most efficiently. The library profile, which specifies collection strength, reference expertise, and an acceptable number of questions, is very difficult to configure, but is extremely important for efficient referrals. Reluctance of some librarians to "relinquish" questions and put them into the system was also addressed. Finally, the applicability of this model to the Statewide Virtual Reference Project, and LSTA funded project that began this summer, was discussed.

Janet Chisman, Joel Cummings, and John Webb, and I gave the second session, entitled "One Stop Shopping (Almost): SFX at Washington State University." We introduced the concepts behind context-sensitive linking software (which allows users to access multiple library resources and services directly from within a database or other source), and discussed technical requirements and the results of our initial usability testing, as well as future directions. Although there were many more questions than we had time to answer during the session, I did answer questions from an additional five people during lunch, and I imagine each of my colleagues made a similar effort.

As I headed home that afternoon, my head was (and still is!) full of ideas for how to improve services to patrons, respond creatively to the journal crisis, and find new ways to contribute to the profession as a whole. This was a tremendous opportunity, and I was delighted to see how much energy and talent is here in our very own region, so close to home!

Respectfully submitted,  
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Electronic Resources Librarian  
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Washington State University





# Featured Library

## The Experience Music Project Reference "Rock 'n' Roll" Library

by Gail Nova

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The Experience Music Project reference library was originally created to organize and share research materials gathered by EMP museum curators and exhibition developers. Although it was primarily developed to support collection and exhibition research, the library has evolved since the museum opened June 2000. Public programming and Education departments, as they have grown and evolved, have come to depend on the library as a resource as well. One of the biggest challenges the library faces is to continue the priority relationship with Collections/Curatorial yet service the growing and diverse needs of the rest of the company. A conflicting challenge is to encourage and educate those using Internet resources only, to also utilize the print and other resources readily available in the library.

The library collects books, periodicals, sound recordings, published video recordings (VHS and DVD [preferably DVD]), CD-ROMS, as well as online articles, periodical articles, and book chapters for subject files. VHS copies of purchased or EMP produced Oral History interviews are collected in the library. Online periodical indexes and online databases are also purchased. The collection focus is rock 'n' roll and its roots in jazz, soul, gospel, country and the blues, as well as rock music's influence on hip-hop, punk and other recent genres. A subset of this collection is Northwest music, popular culture, and the business of running a museum. Library materials are purchased if they directly support the story line development for a museum object or temporary gallery exhibition. The library also purchases items that are considered good works of popular music or of specific importance for general reference.

Relatively small in size the library has approximately 2600 books, 3340 CDs, 615 videos, 79 current periodicals, and 50 retrospective periodicals. The staff is currently one full time Exhibit/Library manager, one half time Librarian/Cataloger and one full time Librarian Assistant/Researcher. Along with regular library maintenance, library duties include compiling research materials on specific topics, cataloging museum as well as library objects, and involvement in Intranet development. The library is not open to the general public but a number of outside researchers have been allowed to use the library on a case-by-case basis.

What is in store for the future? The library will continue to grow and collect reference materials for exhibition development and will also begin to better accommodate those groups involved in the day to day business of running the museum, such as marketing and visitor services. The library also hopes to create a special collection of study materials by increasing accessibility to the numerous materials that may never appear in the physical museum exhibits but are currently stored within the EMP museum vaults.

### About Experience Music Project

Dedicated to exploring creativity and innovation in American popular music, Experience Music Project is a new kind of museum that strives to capture and reflect the essence of rock 'n' roll, its roots in jazz, soul, gospel, country and the blues, as well as rock music's influence on hip-hop, punk and other recent genres. Patrons can make their own music, see and learn about rare artifacts and memorabilia from EMP's collection of more than 80,000 items, explore various musical milestones within unique interpretive exhibits, feel the power of the creative force by listening to musicians tell their own stories, and discover the power and joy of music in all its forms. Founded by investor and philanthropist Paul G. Allen, under the direction of co-founder Jody Patton and designed by architect Frank O. Gehry, the 140,000 square foot multi-colored and "swoopy" museum rises up in the heart of Seattle at Seattle Center and provides visitors a musical

experience unparalleled anywhere in the world. A 509 (a)(2) nonprofit organization, EMP is on the Web at [www.emplive.com](http://www.emplive.com)

*Ed. note - This is the start of a new column for WA/ACRL Newsletter highlighting Washington State libraries. If you would like to see an article about a particular library, or write about your own, contact the editor at [forsythe@u.washington.edu](mailto:forsythe@u.washington.edu).*

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## Regional News

### Central Washington University

#### Announcements

John Creech, Systems Librarian, published a review of [NASA's "Imagine the Universe" Website](#) in the "Internet Reviews" column of the March 2001 issue of the journal *College & Research Libraries News*.

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Mary Wise, Cataloging & Staff Librarian, attended Convergence, the annual conference of the Washington Library Association in Spokane on April 5-6. She reviewed and discussed 8 books for the presentation: "60 in 90: Small Press Book Talks." Many times small press books are overlooked in the major reviewing sources, and this is an opportunity to find out about some of these worthwhile titles.

John Creech, Systems Librarian, conducted a presentation entitled "Open Source Software Applications in Library Settings" on April 6th at a session of the Washington Library Association Conference in Spokane.

Leona Lindvig, Cataloging Specialist, and Ann Arango, Order Technician, attended a workshop entitled "Water, Water Everywhere : Good decision making when salvaging water-damaged collections" on April 9, 2001 at the University of Washington. The program was presented by Glen Ruzicka, Director of Conservation, Conservation Center for Art and Historic Artifacts (CCAHA), and Betty Fiske, Conservator at the Winterthur Museum, Garden and Library. The first part of the presentation dealt with paper collections (books, pams, etc.) assessing of damage and resources and then recovery and salvage of those items. The second part dealt with art works on paper, ie, various types of documents, photographs, watercolors, maps, globes, assessing importance of the individual items in the collection (monetary and/or historical) and prioritizing recovery of the items and methods of recovery.

Brian P. Bach, Library Documents/Maps, has had the second edition of his book, *The Grand Trunk Road From The Front Seat* recently published by HarperCollins India in New Delhi. The book is a guided tour along the chief thoroughfare of northern India and Pakistan, which extends from Calcutta to the Khyber Pass, as an avenue of personal discovery of one of the world's great historical and cultural regions. People, history, art and architecture, religion, popular culture, and daily life are encountered in Indian subcontinental style: interrelated, kinetic, always stimulating. Much new material appears in this revised edition. It was reviewed in the *Far Eastern Economic Review*, *The Hindustan Times*, and *India Today* as well as at various sites on the Internet.

John Creech, Systems Librarian, published an article titled "Open Source Software @ the CWU Library" in the Summer 2001 issue (Vol. 65:4, pp.15-17) of the *Pacific Northwest Library Association Quarterly*.

Friends of the Library News--The CWU Friends of the Library Spring Meeting was held at the Palace Cafe on May 3, 2001. Dr. M. Meghan Miller, Professor of Geological Sciences, gave a presentation concerning the earthquake of February 28th in the Puget Sound area. She gave a progress report and update on the earthquake and discussed the research the CWU Geology Department is involved with concerning earthquakes in Washington state. The third annual Friends of the CWU Library booksale was held on May 9th and 10th in front of the main entrance to the Library. Books and other materials donated through the Friends of the Library group were sold to the public. The proceeds from the sale will be used to purchase additional materials for the Library collection. The Fall Meeting of the Friends will be held on November 15, 2001 in the dining room of the of Palace Cafe. The speaker will be Dr. David Soltz, the newly appointed Provost who came to CWU in July.



## **Personnel News**

Deanna Rengstorff, Order Technician in the Collection Development Department, resigned her position on May 31, 2001. Deanna, who began working in the CWU Library in 1987, has worked in Collection Development for the last four years. Deanna and her husband John went to school this summer to be trained as teachers of English to speakers of other languages (TESOL). They will be heading for Korea on their first assignment sometime in September. We wish them well in their new and exciting adventure.

Dale Brubaker transferred from his position as Documents Technician in the Government Documents Department to the position of Order Technician in the Collection Development Department on June 1, 2001. Dale began working for the CWU Library in May of 1999.

Clo Ann Ulrich transferred from her position as Circulation Services Technician in the Circulation Department to the position of Documents Technician in the Government Documents Department in June of 2001.

Thomas Dell was hired as a Circulation Services Technician in the Circulation Department on July 16, 2001.

Dr. Gary Lewis resigned as Dean of Libraries on March 15, 2001 and at his request has been assigned to the Library Faculty. Dr. Lewis began service as Dean of Libraries on August 12, 1991. Throughout his nearly 10 years of service, the CWU Library has expanded greatly the university's and the public's access to electronic resources. Dean Lewis was instrumental in the development of CWU's on-line catalog and has been supportive of identifying and implementing systems to provide library and information access to CWU's university-center students and faculty. As dean, Dr. Lewis was an active contributor to statewide efforts to plan and implement Washington's Cooperative Library Project.

Dr. David Kaufman, Director of Academic Computing, was named Interim Dean of Libraries on April 3, 2001. The Library and the Academic Computing unit will function as separate units. Dr. Kaufman's appointment runs through at least December 31, 2001. A national search for a Dean of Libraries is expected to be conducted during Fall 2001 or later. Dr. Kaufman brings to the position nearly 10 years of experience as a department chair and a strong record of performance in an administrative role as Assistant to the Provost for Learning Technologies and Director of Academic Computing. He has consistently demonstrated a collaborative approach to problem solving and has demonstrated success in addressing personnel and budgetary issues. Through his work as a Professor of Sociology and in support of learning technologies, Dr. Kaufman has developed a strong understanding of library and information- resource issues.

*Dr. Patrick L. McLaughlin*

## **City University**

City University has seen many exciting changes in the library this year. Sunday, September 23rd, was the last day of service at the old main library in Renton. The new Vi Tasler Library, named after the president of the University's Board of Governors, opened on October 1st.

The new Bellevue building was formerly used as a Microsoft technical support call center. When library staff first saw the building, it was occupied by a warren of tiny cubicles, each with a phone headset and a computer. The space which currently houses the library also contained a number of conference and training rooms. Remodeling required extensive demolition of interior, non-weightbearing walls to create the open area for the stacks. Staff enjoyed choosing the carpeting, paint and office layouts to create a warm and attractive space.

The floor plan was designed by new Dean of Library Services Verla Peterson, who began with City U. in February. Also consulting on the plan and the extensive preparations

required with the moving company were Director of Library Operations Yvette Olson and consultant Dr. Charlie Baumann. Charlie retired after 22 years as library director at Eastern Washington. His PhD is in library architecture, and he was able to provide vital insights into making the new space functional and comfortable.

At 7000 sq. ft., the Vi Tasler Library is approximately 50% larger than the old facility. It features a separate Curriculum Resource Center, where students studying for teacher certification programs may take advantage of classroom materials such as textbooks, big books, and manipulatives. The room also houses the ERIC microfiche, a reader-printer, and two public workstations. Education students have enjoyed having this dedicated space for work on their group projects.

The ERIC fiche has seen a rather dramatic decline in usage since the E\*Subscribe database was added in March. E\*Subscribe provides .pdf files of ERIC documents from 1993 to the present. Also added this year were some of the ProQuest databases which the library didn't already have, made possible by the statewide licensing program, and FISOnline (formerly Mergent/Moody's). This brings the number of databases available into the dozens, including the full suite of FirstSearch products.

New contact information for the library follows.

Physical address: 150 120th Ave. NE Bellevue

Mailing address: Vi Tasler Library, City University, 11900 NE 1st St., Bellevue, WA 98005

Voice: 425.709.3444 Fax 425.709.3455

Email: library@cityu.edu

*Verla Peterson*

### **Eastern Washington University**

Eastern welcomes Sue Anderson, our new acquisitions and electronic resources librarian. Sue has a B.A. in English and elementary education from the University of Washington and taught in Australia for some time. Returning to Washington she completed the library technology program at Spokane Falls Community College and worked at the Intercollegiate Center for Nursing Education, Gonzaga University, and SFCC. She then completed her M.A. in Information Resources and Library Science from an innovative distance-education program at the University of Arizona. Sue comes to us from Spokane Falls Community College where she worked as the Coordinator of Library Support Services. We are thrilled to have Sue on board.

To our regret, Genemary Falvey and Ann Roselle left Eastern. Genemary moved to the Bellingham area where her husband accepted a teaching position in one of the Seattle area universities. Ann accepted a position in Phoenix, where she will have opportunities to expand on the expertise she developed in Web services and teaching. We hope to have a tenure-track replacement for Ann before the end of the academic year. Meanwhile, we are searching for a special faculty member as a temporary replacement for some of Ann's duties and some of Genemary's. We are also engaged in a search for a new faculty position for a University Archivist.

### **Other News at EWU Libraries**

Thanks to the Teaching and Learning Center's Title III grant, a student technology help desk service is currently being implemented. Funding from the Student Technology Fee Committee has also allowed us to implement a wireless network, with 17 laptop computers being available for check-out in the JFK Library. We are excited to offer these new services this fall.

*Carol Raczykowski*

**University of Washington**

**University of Washington news**

We've hit the halfway mark of the Suzzallo renovation project, with completion (and celebrations) expected sometime in the summer of 2002. You can track the progress of the project at [www.lib.washington.edu/about/suzzren](http://www.lib.washington.edu/about/suzzren).

Due to budget limitations and organizational changes, the Libraries closed the fee-based research service, Research Express, at the end of March 2001. The growth of Internet access and free databases had contributed to the decline of research business, although there was still strong demand for ILL services and searches for local businesses. The Resource Sharing Service is continuing to offer document delivery, but database searching is being referred to information brokers and other academic services.

### **Temporary Appointments**

Nanette Welton, Acting Head, Information Resources, Health Sciences Libraries, 4/1.

Lisa Spagnolo, Assistant Acquisitions Librarian, Monographic Services Division, 5/1.

Xiaoli Li, Serials Librarian, East Asia Library, 5/1.

Matthew Parsons, Assistant Map Librarian/Natural Sciences Reference Librarian, 6/1.

Cynthia Raquepau, Fisheries/Oceanography/Natural Sciences Reference Librarian, Fisheries/Oceanography Library, 6/18.

Joanne Leung, Information Management Librarian, Health Sciences Libraries, 7/1.

Sunyoung Yi, Korean Cataloger (50%), East Asia Library, 6/16.

Paula Munoz, Information Management Librarian, Health Sciences Libraries, 7/1.

Anne-Marie Davis, Access Services/Reference Librarian, OUGL, 8/7.

Jeffrey Kempe, Instruction and Reference Librarian, UW Bothell Library/Cascadia Community College, 7/9.

Anne Bingham, Reference Librarian, Reference and Research Services Division, 9/1.

Ronica Kieft, Business Reference Librarian, Foster Business Library, 9/1.

Stephanie Lamson, Assistant Preservation and Reference Services Librarian, Preservation Office, 9/16.

### **Appointments**

Dottie Smith, Interim English Studies Librarian, Reference and Research Services Division, 5/1.

Jon Blake, Head of Periodicals and Binding, Serials Services Division, 7/1.

Diane Grover, Electronic Collections Coordinator, Resources and Collections Management Services, 7/1.

Mark Szarko, Reference and Instruction/Humanities Librarian, UW Bothell Library/Cascadia Community College, 9/1.

John Bolcer, Assistant University Archivist, Manuscripts, Special Collections, University Archives Division, 10/1.

### **Resignations**

Avril Madison, Assistant University Archivist, Manuscripts, Special Collections, University Archives Division, 5/25.

Elizabeth Paulson, Reference/Instruction Librarian, UW Bothell Library/Cascadia

Community College, 6/30.

Helene Williams, English Studies Librarian, Reference and Research Services Division, 6/30.

Kristan Henslee, Information Management Librarian, Health Sciences Libraries, 7/25.

Gail Kouame, Information Management Librarian, Health Sciences Libraries, 7/6.

Gordon Dutrisac, Business Reference Librarian, Foster Business Library, 8/10.

Allison Pirri, Reference/Social Sciences Librarian, UW Bothell Library, 8/31.

Diana Shenk, University Archivist, Manuscripts, Special Collections, University Archives Division, 8/31.

### **Retirement**

Yeen-mei Wu, Chinese Studies Librarian, East Asia Library, 8/1.

*by Dottie Smith*

## **Washington State University**

### **Appointments**

Virginia (Ginny) Steel is the new Director of Libraries. Before becoming Director at Washington State University, she was the Associate Director for Public Services for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Libraries. She has also held positions at the University of California at San Diego and Arizona State University. Ginny earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Rochester and a MLS from the University of Chicago. She has been active in the American Library Association's Library Administration and Management Division. She serves as a board member and chairs the committee on organization.

Jen Stevens has been appointed to the position of Humanities Reference Librarian. Before this appointment, Jen was the Science and Engineering Reference Coordinator at Washington State University's Owen Library. She has an MA in English Literature from the University of Colorado at Boulder and an MLIS from the University of Texas at Austin.

Cheryl Gunselman has been appointed to the position of Business and Economics Librarian. Before this appointment, Cheryl was a reference librarian at Lewis and Clark. She has an MS(LIS) from the University of Illinois and Masters degree in Liberal Studies from Reed College. She spent last two decades working as a securities trader in Portland, Oregon.

Lorena O'English has been appointed to the position of Social Science and Instruction Librarian. Before this appointment, Lorena was a Reference Librarian and the Grants and Funding Information Service Coordinator at the University of Washington.

Scott Walter has been appointed to the position of Head of the Brain Education Library. Before this appointment, Scott held the position of Humanities and Education Reference Librarian at the University of Missouri at Kansas City. Scott Walter has an MA in Russian Studies from Georgetown and an MA in Education from American University, and an MLS from Indiana University.

Mike Matthews has been appointed to the position of Instruction Librarian. Before this appointment, Mike was a Reference Librarian at Auburn Public Library in Auburn, Alabama. He has an MLIS from the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa.

Linda Fredrickson has been appointed to the position of Access Services Librarian at Washington State University Vancouver. Before this appointment, she filled the same position in a non-permanent status. She received an MLS from Emporia State University.

Lihong Zhu has been appointed to the position of Cataloging Librarian. Before this appointment, she held the position of Head Cataloging Librarian at Louisiana State University. She received an MLIS and an MA in English from LSU.

David Buxton has been appointed to the position of Campus Librarian for Washington State University Spokane. Before this appointment, David was reference librarian at Gonzaga University. He received an MLS from Simmons College.

Lara Ursin has been appointed to the position of Science and Engineering Reference Coordinator. She has an MLIS from the University of South Carolina, where she also worked as a Science Reference Librarian.

Doug Stewart has been appointed to the position of Humanities/Social Sciences Reference Librarian. Before this appointment, Doug was Head of Secondary Literature Acquisitions at the Dibner Institute for the History of Science and Technology. He has also worked at the University of California at San Diego and Arizona State University. He has an MA in Philosophy from the University of Colorado and MA in Library and Information Management from the University of Denver.

### **Retirement**

Siegfried Vogt has retired after many years as the Head of Social Sciences Collection Development. He lives in Potlatch Idaho with his wife Mabel.

*Joel Cummings*

### **Western Washington University**

Béla Foltin Jr. is the new University Librarian for Western Washington University Libraries. Bela arrived in July, coming from Talhlehquah, OK, where he was Dean of the Library and Learning Resources Center for Northeastern University. Bela collects, researches, and plays ethnic musical instruments from the Middle East, Southeastern Europe, Turkey and Native American cultures. He is also an accomplished woodworker, focusing on Eastern European and Hebrew folk art.

Marian Alexander, who served as Interim University Librarian, is now Head of Special Collections and Digital Imaging Initiatives for Western Libraries.

Hazel Cameron is the new Librarian for Accounting, Economics, Financial and Marketing Decision Sciences, and Management. Hazel comes from California State University - Fullerton, where she was the Business Team Leader/Librarian.

Cheryl Peltier-Davis will arrive at Western in November to be our Cataloging Services Librarian. Cheryl is currently a librarian at the University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago.

Janai Lane, Law Librarian for the Whatcom County Law Library, is now also a member of Reference Services in the Western Libraries.

*Peter Smith*

### **Whitman College**

We completed a renovation and expansion of Penrose Library in August, 2000. The library features 24/7 operation during the academic year, diverse and high quality study spaces, complete computer/ internet access in all parts of the building, extensive use of compact shelving, and a cafe with espresso and vending machines. We have many photos and all are digitized.

*Henry Yaple*

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