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President's Message

After the excitement of the conference it has been a slow period for the Washington State Chapter of ACRL. However, Kelley McHenry and the nominations committee has been busy getting a slate of nominees for next year's officers and the results of the online voting are now available (see below).

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As I leave office one of my remaining goals is to begin to make contact with other library associations in the state to start a dialogue about doing more cooperative programming and training activities. I will be meeting with the incoming president of the Washington Library Association, Carolynne Myall (Eastern Washington University), in the coming weeks to discuss some joint programming and some possible options for reduced conference rates for upcoming WLA conferences. These discussions will hopefully result in increased opportunities for Washington ACRL members and a chance to enrich programming for other state associations. Building better relations with other state library associations will result in stronger libraries and more opportunities for all librarians in Washington.

I attended the ACRL Chapters Council meeting at the Midwinter meeting in San Diego. It is a good way to hear about what other states are doing and to make sure we stay aware of what is happening on the national level with ACRL. There are exciting opportunities to help the national ACRL with strategic planning for the next ten years. I would encourage everyone to check out the [ACRL website](#) and see what is happening on the national level.

Our chapter board members will be meeting in May in a combined meeting of both outgoing and incoming members. If anyone has any issues to bring before the board please contact me with details.

Thanks to everyone for their support this past year, in particular the board who has been wonderful. It has been a privilege to serve as your president this year.

[Linda Pierce](#), outgoing President.

Election Results

The ACRL WA 2004 election process is now complete. The new Board members are:

Jessica Albano, Vice President/President Elect
Linda Frederiksen, Secretary/Treasurer
Linda Whang, Member at Large

I want to thank all of the people who ran for office, including Lorena O'English, Anna Salyer, and Corey Murata. I also want to thank the members of the Nominating Committee, Joel Cummings, Mary Nofsinger, and Theresa Mudrock for putting together a fantastic slate of candidates this year. All of you represent the spirit that makes the Washington Chapter of ACRL the excellent organization it is.

[Kelley McHenry](#), Outgoing Past President



Washington State Chapter - ACRL
Treasurer's Report
October 23, 2003 - March 17, 2004

Checking Account

Balance forward from 10/23/03 **\$12327.89**

Income:

Dues	305.00
Conference registration fees	340.00

-----**Total Income: \$645.00**

Expenses:

Pack Forest conference expenses:

Pack Forest lodging & meals	5916.23
Speaker honorariums	800.00
Refunds to non attendees	250.00
Beverages for party	110.41
Badges, pens & supplies	32.96
Speaker travel expenses	87.04
Chapter pens	151.38

-----**Total Expenses: \$7348.02**

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Checking Account Balance: \$5624.87
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Certificate of Deposit - Bank of America

Balance from Statement 1/31/04 **\$4209.6**

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GRAND TOTAL: \$9834.48
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Respectfully submitted,
 Kathleen O'Connor
 Secretary / Treasurer



Washington State Chapter of ACRL Draft Board Meeting Minute Pack Forest

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Present: Linda Pierce (Chair), Maureen Nolan (Vice-Chair, Chair-Elect), Carole Svensson (Webmaster), Tammy Siebenberg (Member-at-Large), Beth Lindsay (Member-at-Large), Brenda Philip (Newsletter Editor) and Kathleen O'Connor (Secretary/Treasurer).

Missing: Kelley McHenry (Past Chair)

Linda opened the meeting and all board members introduced themselves.

The May 23, 2003 board meeting minutes were reviewed and approved without change.

2003 Pack Forest Conference

There were 76 attendees for this year's conference, down from the 104 of the 2001 conference. 67 attendees stayed in the Pack Forest housing, which seemed to be an increase in individuals who did not stay on site or who only attended the first day. The board decided to conduct a web based survey to solicit input for the 2005 conference which will be sent to all members of Washington and Oregon chapters and posted on ACRL NW. The survey will solicit input from both attendees and non attendees. Carole will create a survey and send to board members for input. .

Linda discussed the need to decide on whether to book the 2005 conference dates with the Pack Forest office. They would like us to reserve our dates now, although we can cancel those reservations up to six months prior to our conference. The Board agreed that we should book October 27-28, 2005.

The University of Washington is more actively marketing Pack Forest as a conference site. They will be making on site houses and apartments available for overnight lodging during future conferences. There is currently a \$15 surcharge to the housing charge for the apartments and houses, though this pricing plan could change between now and 2005. We will lock in prices one year before the conference.

The board discussed offering conference speakers an honorarium. It was unanimously decided to send each speaker (Chris Ferguson, Michelle Johnson, Mark Alfino and Julie Wallace) a \$200 honorarium and that we would offer to pay any travel expenses they incurred.

Nominations Committee

Kelley will chair the nominations committee and other board members should work on finding willing candidates. This spring the chapter will be electing a vice-chair/chair-elect, secretary/treasurer, and one member-at-large.

Committees

At the spring 2002 board meeting, the board formed three committees: Organizational, Programming, and Collaboration. Despite great plans the committees suffered from a lack of follow-through. The board decided to dissolve committees and start over with a less ambitious agenda.

Treasurer's Report

Kathleen presented the Treasurer's report. Between checking and the CD, chapter assets total \$10,527.27 as of October 23, 2003. The report was approved.

Bylaw Revision

Tammy recommended that the date officer terms begin be changed to improve coordination of planning for the every other year conference. Currently out going board members are often actively involved in the planning that takes place at the spring board meeting and then go off the board July 1. The board decided to check with Kelley on the calendar she is creating for the election process and to discuss the issue at the upcoming membership meeting. Tammy and Beth volunteered to examine bylaws and propose the needed changes to the bylaws.

Reimbursement Policy

The board revisited the policy of reimbursing board members for expenses incurred to attend the spring board meeting and cover lunch expenses. It was decided that the board would review various other Washington library organizations policies and to bring this topic up at the Membership Meeting that will follow.

Spring Board Meeting

The spring 2004 Board Meeting will be held in the Ellensburg area. Maureen will take lead role in planning the meeting.

Linda closed the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen O'Connor
Secretary / Treasurer

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Summit Reaches New Heights

by Susan Kane and Leslie Hurst

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In October 2003, a new button quietly appeared in many academic library catalogs in our region. "Search Summit," it whispers, "Try Summit," and "Repeat Search in Summit." Patrons willing to act on this beguiling suggestion will discover a new wealth of library resources—multiple copies of in-demand books, obscure texts they were sure they couldn't have, and, finally, a way around that unknown adversary who has checked out every single item on their topic. And, whether east or west of the big mountains, north or south of the big river, most items will be delivered in just two or three days.

In a time of bad budget news for libraries and educational institutions, how did we get Summit? As a public services librarian at a large institution where I never have to catalog a thing—much less get my catalog to a play date with someone else's catalog—it's tempting to think that "somewhere in my youth or childhood, I must have done something good." However, like most of the small buttons in our lives, the story behind this one involves time, patience, cooperation, and the hard and dedicated work of many people.

Summit grew out of several years of informal collaboration between Cascade, a consortium of Washington four-year public colleges, and Orbis, a 20-member consortium of public and private academic libraries in Oregon and Washington. In the summer of 2002 Pam Mofjeld, of the Washington State Cooperative Library Project which oversaw Cascade, and Mark Kibbey, from the University of Washington Libraries, met with John Helmer and Nancy Nathanson of Orbis to discuss the possibility of merging the two catalogs. They carefully examined variables such as how the Orbis and Cascade collections would complement each other, how a merged catalog would be formed, how policies and procedures might be affected, and other issues that could evolve. There were several benefits of the potential merger, including budgetary and economic benefits, a courier system that was already in place, and the leverage to build upon an already successful program without significant added costs. Additionally, the new consortium would serve the equivalent of 95% of Oregon and Washington's students enrolled in four-year institutions (and, now, an increasing number of those enrolled in community college).

In late 2002, provosts and library directors from Orbis- and Cascade-member institutions approved the merger and issued a press release announcing that Orbis and Cascade would merge to form the Orbis Cascade Alliance. The Orbis Cascade Alliance would be a new consortium featuring a merged catalog based on Innovative Interfaces Inc.'s INN-Reach software, a three-state courier system, and an ambitious new electronic resources purchase program. Those involved with the merger also knew that such an organization would be a great venue for exploring new collaborative opportunities.

The toughest aspect of the catalog merge, according to Pam Mofjeld, involved detailed technical issues on both sides. Many hours were spent mapping codes between the two catalogs. Many institutions were using various notations for bibliographical codes, status codes, patron codes, and item codes. Therefore, in order for the new catalog to function properly, code use among the institutions needed to be standardized. Policies and procedures were another time-consuming area. Issues surrounding borrowing limits, overdue charges, and time on the hold shelf needed to be agreed upon in order to move forward. The actual catalog transfer began in June 2003 when the Cascade catalog was shut down for a 1-2 week period to begin the process of loading its records into Summit. It took until September 2003 to finish adding the over 10 million records into Summit.

The Orbis Cascade Alliance originally intended to call the union catalog "Orca." However, this name was already being used by a group of 16 Washington state community and technical colleges that share server hardware to utilize the Voyager integrated library management system. Therefore, suggestions were solicited from the staff at all participating institutions and the alliance ultimately chose the name "Summit." The new union catalog, with more than 22 million books, was officially launched on October 1, 2003.

The Orbis Cascade Alliance is governed by the Orbis Cascade Alliance Council, a board composed of one library director from each member institution. Any accredited public or private, non-profit, academic institution in the Pacific Northwest which grants associate, baccalaureate, masters, or doctorate degrees may be considered for Orbis Cascade Alliance membership.

By all accounts, the merger has been extraordinarily successful. The Orbis Cascade Alliance now encompasses all of the public four-year institution in both states, 14 private colleges, and two community colleges. As anticipated, both borrowing and lending statistics have risen across institutions. Fulfilled requests for February 2004 are 37% higher than the combined Cascade and Orbis totals from February 2003. Total requests have risen three-fold since the soft launch of the catalog in July 2003. During much of the school year (October, November, January, and February), there were 27,000-30,000 requests per month, with a fulfillment rate of over 90%. During peak times, more than 1,000 books are being delivered per day. The catalog is used by individuals across campus, with undergraduates accounting for 55% of requests, graduate students 24%, faculty 17%, and staff 4%. Despite the duplication of core books across many academic libraries, over half of the items in Summit are unique, held by only one member library.

Some might think that the large research libraries do most of the lending and that the smaller college libraries do most of the borrowing. However, as with interlibrary loan, larger institutions have both more books and more users, so they tend to both lend and borrow heavily. Ideally, each institution would have a 1:1 lend to borrow ratio; a priority table weighted towards that ideal determines which institution will lend a given book. Many factors influence lending and borrowing across institutions; load balancing adjustments must be made over time to help keep the system as fair and equitable as possible.

All the libraries responding to requests for feedback for this article reported that Summit has exceeded their expectations. Whitman College Librarian Henry Yaple wrote, "We've been extraordinarily pleased with Summit. . . . Mainly, I think we have been impressed with how easily Summit has operated, and how quickly our students and faculty have learned to use it as a normal part of their library research. . . . We are amazed and pleased by how relatively quickly it was accomplished and how smoothly it operates." Similarly, Jim Kopp, Library Director of Lewis and Clark College's Watzek Library, reported, "My views of Summit are nothing but positive. . . . The expanded access with Cascade institutions is a tremendous plus although I am still quite often surprised (as I was in Orbis) that many of the esoteric titles I seek in my own research come not from the larger institutions [but] from some of the smaller ones." Seattle Pacific University migrated from DRA to III in 2000, in part so that it could join the Orbis consortium. University Librarian Ray Doerksen explained that in addition to expanding the resources available to patrons, participation in the Orbis/Summit system has provided professional development opportunities for staff, helped to break down the rigid wall between private and public education, and increased the positive visibility of the library on campus.

In 2004, Portland Community College (PCC) will be the first library not a member of either Orbis or Cascade to join Summit. "We joined the Alliance for several reasons," explains Berniece Owen, Library Manager at PCC, "[and] we strongly believe in library cooperation and sharing. When Orbis was established, the idea of patron access to the holdings of major libraries all over Oregon was a dream come

true—but we didn't have an Innovative library system and Orbis wasn't taking applications from community colleges." In 2000, PCC was able to install Innovative's Millennium system and it applied for membership. The staff members were particularly excited by the possibility of quick student access to materials PCC would never have. "Our holdings complemented the historic and traditional collections in 4-year schools. We have a strong and current collection of materials in the vocational and professional sciences. . . . We knew we could play a fair role in the organization." PCC's records are now at the top of the list for loading into Summit. PCC is working on a number of issues: making changes to bib records, moving materials more quickly through its three campuses in order to meet Summit turn-around times, and changing its help pages to assist students in knowing when to use Summit and how to get there. "We're very excited about going online with Summit this summer. We are planning outreach to faculty members with information about Summit and its benefits . . . starting spring term this year."

John Helmer, Executive Director of the Orbis Cascade Alliance, has been thrilled with the merger so far. "It's more books to more people," he explains, "it just makes so much sense to take two 10+ million item catalogs and create a 22+ million item catalog. Summit is based on the best parts of Orbis and Cascade, plus some new features that were not available when those systems were created." He also stressed that people across the library—circulation, reference, shipping, cataloging, acquisitions—are what make the system work. "Summit is much more than a technology project. The people are what make the system great."

The Orbis Cascade Alliance is looking forward to expanded membership and services. "Pick-Up-Anywhere," a new catalog feature, will allow users from one institution to pick up materials at another. This will benefit distance learners and others who are affiliated with one institution but who live closer to a different member institution. The Orbis Cascade Alliance has also proposed a Regional Library Services Center, a high-density storage center. Additional projects under investigation include web access to local government data, cooperative collection development, and virtual reference.

So, if you are like myself, a clueless member of your institution's public service staff, remember to give thanks. From the visionaries who dare to dream big to the courier truck driving over a mountain pass, from the students pulling books off the shelves to the staff member handing them over to a patron, from the catalogers who make order out of chaos to the systems staff who keep the whole thing running, a lot of people make that little button work. I'm personally grateful for this copy of *Nationalism Reframed* from Linfield College—required reading for International Studies 201 at the University of Washington, which has an enrollment of over 300 students. For a moment, it makes me remember that this is an amazing time to be exactly who and what we are.

For further information:

- visit the [Orbis Cascade Alliance webpage](#);
- view a list of the 30 [Orbis Cascade Alliance Member Institutions](#);
- view [Summit borrowing request statistics](#); and
- visit the [Summit Catalog](#).

(Many thanks to John Helmer and Pam Mojfeld for contributing to this article.)

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The Paul and Mary Ann Ford Fly Fishing Collection Western Washington University

by Paul Piper

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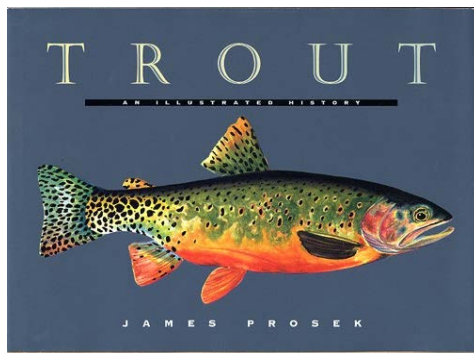
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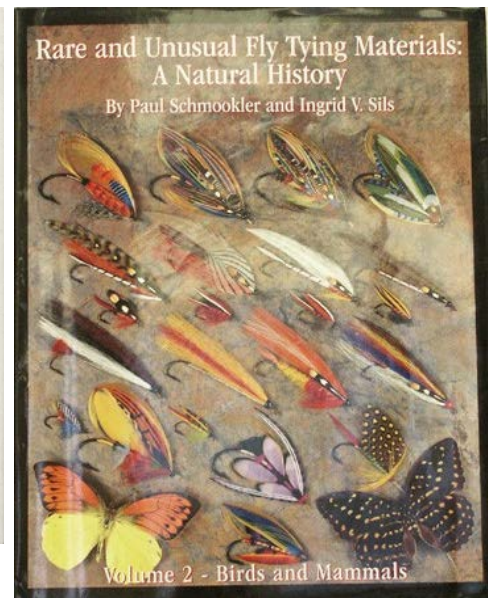
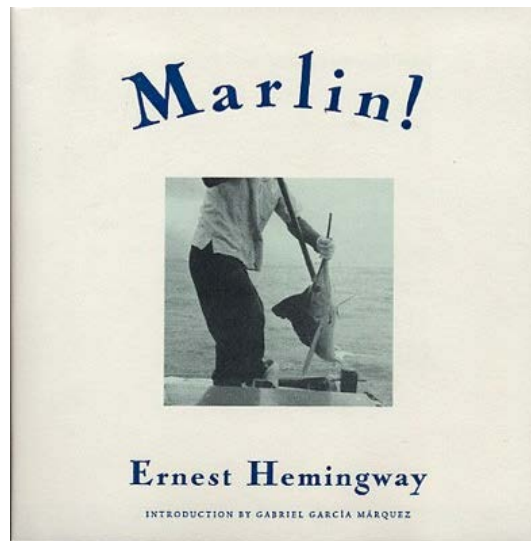


Norman McLean begins his remarkable book *A River Runs Through It* with the line "In our family, there was no clear line between religion and fly fishing." For years, serious writers have been writing about fishing, particularly fly fishing, in spiritual and metaphorical terms. It is often stated that Jesus was a fisherman, and if he'd had the option, he would have been a fly fisherman.

Recently, the river that has flowed through literature is beginning to flow into the Special Collections of the Western Washington University Library. A river of books, art, and memorabilia on fly fishing, it is in its nascent stages making ripples, so to speak. The well-spring is the Wenatchee home of Paul and Mary Ann Ford, collectors of rare books and art dedicated to the distinctly American interpretation of fly fishing.

Paul Ford is Professor Emeritus of Educational Administration and Foundations and a former Vice President of Academic Affairs (1984-1987) at Western, and his wife Mary Ann Ford obtained an M.Ed and Principal's Certificate from the Woodring College of Education. To say fly fishing is a passion of Paul's is a bit of an understatement, and collecting fine editions on fishing is a way of life for both Paul and Mary Ann, and has been formally since 1969. But Paul confessed that he collected books "as a little boy because I loved all books." He goes on to explain that this is indeed a joint passion for him and Mary Ann. "We collect together because we love the energy of words, the artisanship, the touch and smell of beautifully crafted paper and leather, and the love of fly fishing."

The library first learned of the Fords' interest in placing their collection at Western when Tamara Belts from Special Collections was planning to visit them to conduct an oral history interview with Paul Ford. While Tamara was visiting the Fords she was able to view the collection. Correspondence then began between the Fords and Marian Alexander (Head of Special Collections) and Diane Parker (Library Development Liaison). University Librarian Béla Foltin and Marian Alexander first met the Fords when they visited the library in June, 2003, at which time Paul Ford donated two books of his own authorship to the library's collection of works by university faculty. In October, 2003, the Fords made the gift of their fly fishing collection official with the presentation of four important works, including Paul Schmoekler's comprehensive and lavishly-illustrated *Rare and Unusual Fly Tying Materials*. On January 21, 2004, Paul and Mary Ann Ford were honored at a reception in Wilson Library's Special Collections. There have also been two displays featuring books from the collection.



The Fords' collection today contains over 1300 books, and assorted artwork, antiques, and correspondence. The emphasis is on American editions and writers. The collection includes many rare volumes, such as a first American edition of Izaak Walton's *The Compleat Angler*; the Derrydale Press limited edition of Roderick Haig-Brown's *Western Angler*; a limited edition of Haig-Brown's *Return to the River* in a clam shell box; a lavishly illustrated *The Art of the Atlantic Salmon Fly* by Joseph D. Bates, Jr. with line drawings and frontispiece by Henry McDaniel; an extremely rare edition of *Marlin!* by Ernest Hemingway with photographs by Roberto Herrera Sotolongo; and a deluxe limited edition of *Trout* by James Prosek with a watercolor stitched in. The collection also features works by acknowledged masters of the sport such as Charles Brooks, literary works by fly fishing authors like Tom McGuane, and, as a remarkable bonus, two books authored by Paul Ford himself, *Beloved Waters* and *Angler's Hope: the River and the Cape*. The collection contains numerous writings reflecting on the sociological, environmental, and spiritual aspects of the sport fishing life and experience. And to top it off, an extensive collection of collateral materials such as magazines, antique bookcases, paintings, sculpture, needlework, correspondence with publishers, and other records is also included.

The gift is being given to us in installments, and a bequest in the Fords' will provides for the establishment of an endowment for further development of this collection, as well as specific monies to support the cataloging and processing of the collection. The gift of money to support the cataloging and processing of this gift is extraordinary and unprecedented for us. Currently we have 32 books cataloged.



This collection is anticipated to become a major national resource, complementing Montana State University library's Trout and Salmonid Collection and the University of New Hampshire's Milne Angling Collection. Many titles will be unique to Western and to our region, and the Americana emphasis will guarantee the inimitability of the collection. The collection will serve Western's students and faculty, particularly in the areas of environmental studies, biology, recreation, natural resource management, regional history, literature, creative writing, and art, as well as regional, national and international scholars.

You can visit the Paul and Mary Ann Ford Fly Fishing Collection virtually at

<http://www.library.wvu.edu/speccol/fordcollection.htm>.

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Partnerships and Community Outreach at the University of Washington, Tacoma Library

by Carole Svensson

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Tacoma is the place to be! Or so we in Tacoma like to think, as our city is rejuvenated with incoming business, museums, and culture of all shapes and sizes. The University of Washington, Tacoma is a vital part of this rejuvenation, with its central location and ongoing growth. As part of the University of Washington, Tacoma, the Library is committed to contributing its services and resources to bettering the local and surrounding communities.



The University of Washington, Tacoma Library. Photo by Timothy Bostelle.

One reflection of this commitment is the housing of the Foundation Center Cooperating Collection at the UW Tacoma Library. The Foundation Center is an independent, nonprofit information clearinghouse established in 1956. The Center's mission is to foster public understanding of the foundation field by collecting, organizing, analyzing, and disseminating information on foundations, corporate giving, and related subjects.

UW Tacoma Library is one of many Cooperating Collections across the country. Cooperating Collections are free funding information centers in libraries, community foundations, and other nonprofit resource centers that provide a core collection of Foundation Center publications and a variety of supplementary materials and services in areas useful to grant seekers. These materials include the web-based "Foundation Directory Online," which provides access to information about 76,000 grant makers. "Foundation Grants to Individuals Online" is also available, providing access to grant information for individuals without nonprofit status. These databases, along with the collection of print materials on the grant writing process and nonprofit development and governance, are available for the entire community, as well as University of Washington students, faculty and staff.

One of the avenues for making this and other UW Tacoma resources known to the community is via the South Sound Librarians, a group currently undergoing

revitalization. The South Sound Librarians is an organization started by librarians from the university, community college, and public libraries in and around Tacoma, including University of Puget Sound, Pacific Lutheran University, St. Martin's College, Tacoma Community College, Pierce College, Pierce County Library, Tacoma Public Library and, of course, UW Tacoma. Originally called "Tacoma Area Librarians," this organization had an informal meeting schedule with members taking turns hosting so as to introduce others to their library facilities. The UW Tacoma librarians are excited to participate in the revitalization of this organization, and are trying to institute a formal organizational structure and increase membership. If you're interested in participating, please visit our website <http://www.lib.washington.edu/soundlibrarians/> or contact me at svensson@u.washington.edu.

One the South Sound Librarian's main missions is to coordinate librarians' efforts to provide the best service across the south Puget Sound region. To this end, we have in the past established a common set of elements for visitors' pages, so that we can refer appropriately to each others libraries. We have also come together as community college and university librarians to develop a set of information competencies necessary to make the transition from a lower-division institution to an upper-division one.

These partnerships and outreach efforts have been tremendously rewarding for the librarians involved; they have also served to improve the relationship between libraries in our region and increase the quality of service we provide to our patrons. We are working towards establishing partnerships with the Museum of Glass and other institutions . . . if you're interested in building partnerships, give us a call!

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On the Yakama Nation Reservation in Toppenish, Washington, Heritage College stands out in its surroundings of hop fields. Founded in 1982, the college is "new" by historical measure, built from the dream of three women who overcame the nay-sayers to establish a private, independent, non-denominational institution of higher learning. Heritage's roots reach back however to the former Fort Wright College in Spokane. When Fort Wright decided to close its doors, that meant their outreach programs in Toppenish and Omak would also close. That is when the dream of two Yakama Nation educators, Martha Yallup and Violet Lumley Rau, along with Sister Kathleen Ross, took shape. Under their impetus, leaders from business, religious, and educational communities in the Yakima Valley incorporated Heritage College. Starting with 85 students in a humble care-taker's cottage on the grounds of the former McKinley Grade School, the enrollment now surpasses 1300. Accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, the campus has grown to include five permanent buildings and fifteen modular buildings.



The cottage and sycamore tree where Heritage College began.

Heritage College is known for its mission and its dedication to living that mission of providing quality, accessible higher education to multicultural populations which have been educationally isolated. The four key elements are:

- High Quality: Heritage will challenge students with mind-stretching, horizon-broadening experiences.
- Accessible: Heritage adapts the delivery of our educational programs to students' needs.
- Multicultural: Heritage believes it is vital to the future of our world to reverse the historical under-representation in higher education of some cultural groups.
- Educational Isolation: Heritage is especially committed to bringing higher educational opportunity to those who have been isolated or alienated. Removing barriers forms a core principle for operational decisions at Heritage.

Petrie Hall, the former McKinley Grade School.



The first library at Heritage was housed in four classrooms of the former McKinley Grade School (renamed Petrie Hall) on the campus grounds. The classrooms in the 1926 former elementary school were big enough to hold lots of shelving and books. Frank Nelson, the first librarian, rose to the challenge of providing a warm, inviting place for students to find materials and study. With the help of two young men who were in the first classes at Heritage, Frank personally built the shelves and study tables from lumber donated by the White Swan Lumber Company and finished them with golden varnish. Only "two-by-fours" were available from the lumberyard, so the shelving and tables were extremely sturdy. In fact, when the new library opened its doors in 1993, some of this shelving was auctioned off to faculty and staff members who wanted these mementos in their homes. Several of the study tables are still in use around the campus.

When the shelves were in place, several semi-trucks delivered the approximately 35,000 volumes that the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary (owners of Fort Wright College) had given to Heritage for \$1 a volume in order to help the infant college.



The eagle mural in the old library.

Students painted murals on the library walls in the area that is now appropriately the art room. To improve the periodical collection, the first alumni bought subscriptions to journals in their various disciplines. Students also helped with the "bucket brigade" when it rained. Unfortunately, the library roof was leaky. Fortunately, the average rainfall in the Toppenish area is about 8 inches a year. When it did rain, several students would help Frank place buckets under the unpredictable spots where it leaked, and Frank would climb a ladder and place

plastic tarps across the books. The college was not able to secure a successful roof repair until the third year of the library's existence.

The present Donald K.C. North Library was completed in 1993 and is a combination of modern and historical. The building is in the manner of a longhouse and the patterns on the brick exterior are taken from Yakama basket designs. The fourteen pillars inside the structure represent the fourteen bands that make up the Yakama Nation. The building houses not only the library, but also the President's office suite, the Academic Skills Center, and the student computer labs. The North Library seeks to provide a central focus for the scholarly and intellectual life of its students, faculty, and staff to meet the informational and educational needs of the college and the local community.

**Donald K. C.
North
Library,
summer 2003.**



During its twenty-two years of existence, the Heritage College Library has evolved into a truly student-oriented, full-service library. Current librarian Reesa Zuber has focused on working with students both individually and in groups to develop research strategies and knowledge of library resources, and the result has been an increase in library usage and an improvement in students' independent research skills. Training provided includes library orientation, research strategies, library information retrieval, instruction for new students, instruction supporting college courses, instruction sessions for classes or individuals, and training for students who work in the library. Instruction at the on- and off-campus sites is ongoing, and it is a special challenge to keep academic quality high, which is essential in meeting the mission of the College.

**View of the
periodicals
area.**



Joining OCLC, an international online catalog containing more than 50 million records, has allowed for the modernizing of process and upgrading of access for the Heritage learning community. The interlibrary loan process has moved from paper to online and has allowed Heritage to become an active lending library. Our cataloging practices are now current with other institutions. OCLC access has truly leveled the playing field for our academic community. In addition, our users now have access to more than thirty electronic databases, and electronic resource guides direct students to web sites which match their needs. Heritage College has undergraduate and graduate programs at several sites throughout the state including Moses Lake, Omak, Wenatchee, Tri-Cities, Vancouver, and Yakima. The balance between traditional in-library service and distance and electronic service has increased overall library usage. The librarian travels to off-campus sites to instruct students and faculty members on building research strategies and skills, accessing information from the college print holdings, and using electronic resources. Additionally, the library staff is available via email, telephone, and fax for follow-up research assistance.

The Heritage College Library has come a long way from the McKinley Grade School classrooms!

View of the library interior showing the pillars.



Reesa Zuber is the Heritage College Library Director and **Beret Ing** is the Heritage College Communications Coordinator.



Library Association News

Is There a Future for You in the STARS?

by Kay Vyhnanek

Are you involved with resource sharing, interlibrary loan, or consortial borrowing services? Then you should be headed for the STARS! The Sharing and Transforming of Access to Resources Section (STARS) of the Reference and User Services Association (RUSA) was approved at the Midwinter Meeting of the American Library Association (ALA). Information about the new section can be found on the ALA Website at:

<http://www.ala.org/ala/rusa/rusaourassoc/rusasections/stars/rusastars.htm>.

This September the Section will be officially open for membership. To add the section to your ALA membership, just contact ALA membership@ala.org to indicate you want to join STARS. RUSA members join the section with no additional fee. A volunteer form for several new and continuing committees will be available soon at the STARS Website. The new section needs many volunteers to fill positions on the following committees:

- Executive Committee
- 2005 Nominating Committee
- Interlibrary Loan Committee (transferred from MOUSS)
- Boucher Award Committee (transferred from MOUSS)
- Interlibrary Loan Discussion Group (transferred from MOUSS)
- Education and Training Committee (new)
- International ILL Committee (new)
- Codes, Guidelines, and Technical Standards Committee (new)
- Vendor Relations Committee (new)
- Legislation and Licensing Committee (new)

As an incentive to join STARS, former Chair of RUSA, Cindy Kaag, has created a beautiful quilt that some lucky STARS member will win! Check out the Web page to learn more about this opportunity!

Please contact [Kay Vyhnanek](mailto:Kay.Vyhnanek@ala.org) (WSU) if you have any questions about this new section.

PNLA Leadership Institute October 24-29, 2004

PNLA is currently accepting applications for a Leadership Institute. Application form and information may be found at

<http://www.pnla.org/institute/InstituteIndex.htm>.

PURPOSE: Cultivating library leaders of the future in the Pacific Northwest.

INSTITUTE LEADERS: Schreiber Shannon Associates will present the Institute. They have a great deal of experience in working with libraries in this field and were responsible for the highly-regarded Snowbird Institute.

WHERE: Dumas Bay Center, Federal Way, Washington.

WHEN: The evening of Sunday, October 24 to noon on Friday, October 29, 2004.

WHO:

- Each member state or province of PNLA is guaranteed several slots for the Institute. The remaining slots will be awarded on merit. There will be 36 attendees.

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- Applicants are required to have 5-15 years experience working in libraries.
- This institute is geared for library professionals at all levels from the Pacific Northwest. An MLS is not a requirement.

HOW: Go to the [Leadership Institute](#) link on the organization's home page. Details and forms are available.

COST: \$1,000 plus travel expenses. (If corporate sponsorship is forthcoming, costs may be reduced.)

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Regional News

Central Washington University

Dedication of the James E. Brooks Library

The naming ceremony dedicating the CWU Library in honor of Dr. James E. Brooks took place on November 15th at 2:00 p.m. on the main floor of the library. At just 35 years of age, Brooks became the eighth President of Central Washington University in 1961, and served in that capacity through 1978. The library being named in his honor was planned, built and opened during his administration. At the naming ceremony Dr. Brooks was recognized for his service to the university and particularly for his continuing support of the university library. Throughout his association with Central Washington University; as student, as faculty member, as president, and as chair of the Friends of the Library; Dr. Brooks has recognized the centrality of the library to the institution's mission. Dr. Thomas Peischl recently appointed as dean of libraries at CWU served as master of ceremonies for the event.

Dr. Michael Eisenberg, dean of the University of Washington's information school, gave the keynote address. The guest speakers, who outlined Dr. Brooks' outstanding service and contributions to the university and the library, included: Mr. Herb Frank, a member of the CWU Board of Trustees from 1968 to 1976; Dr. Dale Comstock, a CWU alumnus, former Dean of Graduate Studies at Central Washington University, and emeritus faculty member; Ms. Ronda Brooks, a CWU alumna and youngest daughter of Dr. James and Lillian Brooks; and Dr. Jerilyn S. McIntyre, President of Central Washington University. The current Chair of the CWU Board of Trustees, Mr. Ken Martin, read the official board resolution naming the James E. Brooks Library in honor of Dr. Brooks. After remarks by Dr. Brooks, the memorial plaque was unveiled in the east entrance of the library. All five of Jim and Lillian Brooks' children and many of their twenty-one grand children were present for the occasion. Following the ceremony, refreshments were available and Abraxis, the CWU student string quartet, provided music.

Announcements

Patrick McLaughlin and Dale Brubaker, Collection Development, and Mary Wise and Karen Stephens, Cataloging, attended the Ninth Annual Conference of the Northwest Innovative Users Group meeting at the University of Portland, on October 16 and 17, 2003.

Mary Wise, Catalog Librarian, had an article entitled: "Vigilance Pays: WLA's Legislative Committee" published in *ALKI*, the magazine of the WLA. The article appears on pages 22-25, Vol. 19, Number 3.

John Creech published a review of the Biocollections.org Web site in the Internet Reviews section of the January 2004 issue of *College & Research Library News*.

The CWU Library faculty will be planning and hosting a History Workshop on June 17th for a group of elementary and secondary teachers in the research and use of primary documents.

Personnel News

The CWU Reference Department welcomed Ella M. Melik as a newly hired staff member on November 3, 2003. Ella has joined the Reference Department as a part-time (80%) reference librarian. Her experience includes more than ten years of academic library experience, most recently as Director of Library & Information Resources at Heritage College.

Job Openings

The CWU Library has the following three new job openings available.

UNIVERSITY ARCHIVIST--Central Washington University seeks a University Archivist to establish a university archives, who possesses a strong background in cultural archives, special collections, and record management. The primary responsibility of the University Archivist is to provide leadership in planning, organizing, and preserving a wide variety of archival materials for the university.

INSTRUCTION and OUTREACH LIBRARIAN--The purpose of the Instruction and Outreach Librarian is the professional leadership, continuous improvement and supervision of the library's instruction program at all sites and its outreach program to the University Centers.

SERIALS and E-RESOURCES LIBRARIAN--The Serials and E-Resources Librarian will provide leadership, coordination, outreach and consultation of all serials and electronic resources programs for the Library to the campus and University Centers. More information including a complete job announcement and application information will soon be posted to the following URL: <http://www.cwu.edu/~hr/jobs>

CWU Friends of the Library News

The Friends of the Library (FOL) held their 5th annual FOL book sale on October 29 and 30, 2003. The Friends of the Library raised \$1580.00 from their book sale which will be used to purchase books for the Library. The FOL Fall meeting and luncheon was held at the Palace Cafe on October 28, 2003 where the new

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Dean of Libraries, Thomas M. Peischl, was the guest of honor. The next FOL meeting will take place on March 9th at the Palace Cafe where the topic of discussion will be establishing a development plan for the Library.

Contributed by *Patrick L. McLaughlin*

City University

At City University, our desire to provide the best services possible for our patrons has meant that finding and hiring a strong staff is a top priority. We're also working with the university's IT department to develop a portal that will increase the quality and efficiency with which we are able to deliver information and service to the campus community.

Our most recent staff addition, Mary Mara, was hired as Branch Librarian at our Tacoma Curriculum Resource Center. She initially came to us as an intern, and has been working to complete her MLIS at the University of Washington. That degree was granted in March--congratulations, Mary! At the iSchool, her studies have centered on children and youth services, a focus that will benefit the teacher education students and faculty who are her primary clientele in Tacoma. She has already gained respect among our library team, and has garnered positive feedback from her colleagues at the Tacoma site.

The library has also been making strides toward the use of newly available technology. This last fall we saw the advent of the new MyCityU portal. This new resource was designed to improve the dissemination of information to all members of the campus community. The portal provides a robust platform for customized content, tools, and resources applicable to each individual user. This new environment has improved the library's ability to provide users with highly visible access to our databases, catalog, and reference assistance. In addition, the portal contains a readily accessible A-to-Z guide for library services, and a guide for APA style. In the coming months, the library will continue to work closely with the IT department to develop interactive tutorials and information literacy instructional modules.

The University's public web site (www.cityu.edu) is still available as a resource for general information about the library and the university.

Contributed by *Ryan Miner*

Clark College

Cannell Library has migrated to a new, stand-alone automated library system. The first electronic catalog was part of a shared system with public and medical libraries in the area. To improve services to students and faculty, Cannell Library implemented the Innovative Interfaces system at the start of Fall Quarter 2003. Clark College applied and has been voted in (January 2004), as a member of the ORBIS Cascade Alliance. Through a generous grant from the Clark College Foundation, funds to join were made available upon acceptance. Although timing is not confirmed, the library plans to have its holdings in the Summit catalog by Fall 2004, to benefit students, faculty and staff of participating libraries.

Contributed by *Leonor Ingraham-Swets*

Cornish College of the Arts

Last summer [Cornish College of the Arts](http://www.cornish.edu) moved from Seattle's Capitol Hill to the South Lake Union neighborhood near downtown Seattle. Cornish is a four-year college offering a Bachelor of Music degree and Bachelor of Fine Arts degrees in art, dance, design, theater, and performance production. The library serves about 700 students and 150 faculty. The college will retain the historic 1921 Kerry building, at Harvard and Roy, built by Nellie Cornish.



The new Cornish College of the Arts Library.

The Cornish Library moved into the main building of the



New Cornish Library, main stacks and upper level.

new campus in August 2003. The change is dramatic.

The old library, located in a former Episcopal girl's school, with wood paneling and fireplace, was a cozy 2500 sq. ft. with floor to ceiling maxed-out shelving and limited room for seating and public computers.

The Cornish Library is now housed in a light-filled 7000 sq. ft. space and includes a slide library, audio/video listening center, and instructional computer lab. Circulation and reference statistics have more than doubled since the move. Students, faculty and staff have been extremely enthusiastic about their new library.

Current staffing: Hollis Near, Director of Library Services; Melinda Olson, Librarian; Bridget Nowlin, Curator of Visual Resources, and Pamela Erskine, Library Technician.

Contributed by *Hollis Near*

Eastern Washington University

New Face in JFK Library

Nancy Applegate Coffey joined Eastern's Library Reference and Instruction Unit mid-February. For many years, Nancy worked as the Adult Services Supervisor, overseeing reference services and the maintenance of adult collections at five branch libraries in the Spokane County District. In the last twenty years, Nancy has worked in the public library sector providing reference assistance, collection development, and a host of other responsibilities related to public services in the field. She graduated from University of Southern California in 1983, earning her M.S.L.S. degree (Library Science). Her B.A. is in Sociology.

Contributed by *Carol Raczkowski*

Tacoma Community College

Tacoma Community College has a new tenure track librarian, Rachel Goon. Rachel is a graduate of the University of Washington I-school and most recently worked for the Gates Foundation. Charlie Crawford, formerly the Library Unit Manager, is now our Dean of Learning Resources, ESL, and Distance Learning. We are in the process of hiring his replacement. Building 7, which houses the library, will be undergoing a major renovation scheduled to begin Fall quarter of 2005. The Library hopes to gain a computer classroom and changes in configuration which will better serve our students and result in a QUIET library! The four faculty librarians continue to be very busy—teaching an average of two two-credit courses and about 90 "one shots" each quarter.

Contributed by *Becky Sproat*

University of Washington

World's Largest Book:

Bhutan: a visual odyssey across the last Himalayan kingdom

In February, the UW Libraries received a gift of the first edition of the World's Largest Book, as verified by the Guinness Book of Records. The 112 pages of images, opening to 5 x 7 feet, were created by Michael Hawley of the MIT Media Lab. UW Professor David Salesin accompanied him on his trip to Bhutan and helped with the photography. Funding for the book's production came from Microsoft, the Gates Foundation and many others. Amazon is the exclusive vendor. Pictures from the unveiling on February 13, 2004, are here on the website of the Friends of the UW Libraries. We are still working on the best arrangement to display the book in the Libraries.

2004 ACRL Excellence in Academic Libraries Award

UW Libraries Director Betsy Wilson announced in February that the Libraries has received the 2004 ACRL Excellence in Academic Libraries Award. The awards are funded by Blackwell and given to a community college, college, and university library each year. A campus celebration is scheduled for May 17 in Red Square.

New Appointments

Anthony (Tony) Wally, Grants Officer, Administration/Development Office, 11/1.

Edward Roberts, Head, Systems, Health Sciences Libraries, 11/1.

Temporary Appointments

Amy Coyne, Reference/Instruction Librarian, UW Bothell Library/CCC, 1/1.

Theodore Gerontakos, Metadata Librarian, Digital Initiatives Program, 1/1.

Rachel Howard, Metadata Analyst (50%), Digital Initiatives Program, 2/1.

David Forsythe, Assistant Acquisitions Librarian (50%), Monographic Services Division/Acquisitions, 3/1.

Title Changes

Mark Kibbey, Head, Integrated Library Systems, Information Technology Services, 12/1.

Jennifer Ward, Head, Web Services, Information Technology Services, 12/1.

Catherine Burroughs, Acting Associate Director of the Regional Medical Library, 2/1.

Neil Rambo, Acting Associate Director, Education, Research & Clinical Services in the Health Sciences Libraries, 2/1.

Emalee Craft, Information Technology Coordinator, Information Technology Services, 2/1.

Retirement

Liz Fugate, Head, Drama Library, 11/14.

Resignations

John Paul Deley, University Archivist, MSCUA Division, 10/28.

Lisa Scharnhorst, Library Supervisor I, MSCUA Division, 10/30.

Xiaoli Li, Serials Librarian, East Asia Library, 12/17.

Lisa Spagnolo, Assistant Acquisitions Librarian, Monographic Services Division/Acquisitions, 12/11.

Contributed by *Dottie Smith*

Washington State University

Marilyn Kimble Northwest History Database

The financial support of alumni Wallis and Marilyn Kimble has allowed the WSU libraries to develop a digitizing project to preserve and make available online a unique but deteriorating historical resource -- the Pacific Northwest Newspaper Clippings Collection. The database contains more than 300,000 indexed newspaper articles about important Northwest events from the 1890s to the 1940s and provides an in-depth, first-hand look at the issues of this tumultuous era. To date, more than 24,000 clippings in the database have been digitized and approximately 1,500 new clippings are being added monthly. The database also includes primary source material such as government reports, laws, maps, photos, etc., pertaining to the settlement and development of the Northwest. In addition, the database includes extensive links to other related Web sites, such as Native American cultural sources, relevant dam Web sites and important laws and legislation. This collection was initially created by historians as a Works Progress Administration project during the Depression under the direction of Washington State College history professor Herman J. Deutsch.

The Wallis and Marilyn Kimble Northwest History Database is accessible at <http://content.wsulibs.wsu.edu/pncc/pncc.htm>.

For questions and/or suggestions related to this collection, please contact Ingrid Mifflin of the Washington State University Libraries at mifflin@wsu.edu.

Announcements

Christy Zlatos will be taking a Professional Leave starting July 1, 2004. She will spend a year researching and writing a book tentatively titled "What Color is Your Parachute" for mid-career librarians with an emphasis on self-discovery and career planning information including continuing education opportunities, conference participation and publication opportunities in the field of librarianship.

Departures

Tammy Siebenberg, Science Librarian and Library Instruction Coordinator, has accepted the position of Information Literacy Coordinator at Brigham Young University.

Mark Jacobs, Electronic Resources Cataloging Librarian, has accepted the position of Electronic Services Librarian at the University of Wyoming.

Contributed by *Joel Cummings*

Western Washington University

Stefanie Buck has recently joined the staff at Western Libraries as Librarian for Extended Education. Her duties include providing reference and research assistance to faculty and students in Western's extended education programs, teaching library information literacy courses at Western Washington's extended education sites, and acting as a liaison to the Extended Education programs. Prior to coming to Western Libraries, Stefanie served as reference librarian at the International University Bremen in Germany. Stefanie also worked for the library project at the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation in Seattle and was humanities and social science reference librarian at the University of South Carolina. She has a Master of Library Science and a Master in History from the University of Hawaii and received her B.A. in history from Iowa State University.

Contributed by *Sylvia Tag*

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