

# InfoShoek

## ***Welcome to Rhonda Huisman!***

We are pleased welcome Rhonda Huisman as the Associate Dean of University Libraries. Rhonda joins us from Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis where she worked as an Assistant Librarian. Rhonda will be providing leadership and management support for the University Libraries' Public Services. Her main office will be in the Dean's suite. She also will have a satellite office in Research Services Group. Welcome Rhonda!



## ***Spring Semester Workshops***

A new semester means a new series of workshops available for the WSU community. The spring Digital Literacy Workshop Series features some repeat topics as well as new content. Popular workshops on EndNote Citation Manager, cloud-based presentation software Prezi, and SmartSearch will be offered alongside workshops on infographics and smartphones. A full list of descriptions, dates, and times for workshops can be found here: <http://libresources.wichita.edu/digitworkshops> and flyers will be available soon.

Melissa Mallon is also working with a group to develop a series of workshops targeted at students engaging in undergraduate research. WSU Libraries will collaborate with the Honors Program on this workshop series. Watch the Libraries Events Calendar for spring workshop topics and dates.

All workshops are free and open to WSU students, faculty, and staff. New this year, prospective attendees are encouraged to RSVP for workshops on the [WSU Libraries Events Calendar](#) (click on the workshop title and fill in the registration information), but drop-ins are always welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Mallon at [melissa.mallon@wichita.edu](mailto:melissa.mallon@wichita.edu) or x 5077.

## ***Reminder***

University Libraries is hosting an appreciation reception for Kenny Pavlicek and Jessie Wolf on Tuesday, January 21, 10 - 11 AM, in the Ablah Library Staffroom.

# News From Access Services

## *Chemistry Library Update*

To get to where you want to go, it helps to know from where you are starting. This was the mindset behind the McKinley Chemistry Library Shelf Reading project in Fall 2013. Student Assistants Navya Bodla, Karina Carias, Amanda Perkins, and Keith Wondra all pitched in their efforts to reconcile catalog holdings with what is actually on the shelf. The results were surprising, especially from the Chemistry Reference collection. Using a Voyager list of 523 items, we discovered:

12 missing items found elsewhere in the Chemistry Library  
9 items that should have been in Chemistry Reserve  
10 missing items located in Ablah Library's Stacks  
AND  
55 items NOT on the Chemistry Reference list.

Fortunately, the number of items that remain missing has lowered to 14, and items that were missing from Ablah or the Chemistry stacks are now back where they belong. A BIG thank you to our students for all their hard work!

## *University Libraries is busier than ever...*

**Visits in 2013:** 550,645

**Average daily visits Fall 2013 semester:** 2,184

On Monday, Dec. 3, 2013, we recorded 4,382 visits  
(highest daily attendance since August 2011)

<b>Busiest Month:</b>	<b><i>October</i></b>	<b><u>2011</u></b>	<b><u>2012</u></b>	<b><u>2013</u></b>
		62,303	68,821	75,059

## ***WSU Libraries in the News***

With all of the changes and updates taking place over the past several semesters, WSU Libraries has been garnering campus media attention. Two Wichita State Media outlets have chosen the Libraries as the focus for several stories. Sunflower News, the student newspaper, has run several stories mentioning Ablah Library. These stories have mentioned Ablah Library's 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Quiet Zone as a [great option for studying](#), the campus-wide [Technology Fair](#) held in Ablah Library in October, and the [2 Millionth Volume Celebration](#).

Studio B, the live news broadcast hosted and produced by Elliott School students, has also featured WSU Libraries. In the first of a two-part series, reporter Ken Ward interviewed students in Ablah Library to learn more about their expectations of the "modern library" which include spaces to study with groups and access to technology. This story can be seen [here](#) (skip ahead to the 6.42 minute mark). As a follow up, Ward interviewed Melissa Mallon on how libraries are meeting modern students' needs with digital resources, including the library's new discovery search tool, SmartSearch. The interview can be found [here](#) (it's the first story in the broadcast).

## ***New Microwaves***

If you've been in the staffroom recently, you've probably noticed the two new Panasonic microwaves. One of the old Sharp microwaves quit working and it was determined that both of the old microwaves should be replaced. Many thanks to Connie Basquez for researching, purchasing and transporting the new microwaves for us. Funds from the Pal and Laura Rao Staff Association account were used for the purchase.



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