



**February 11, 2010, Welcome to InfoShock News Express. *InfoShock News Express is a news bulletin of activities happening in the University Libraries brought to you by the members of the Libraries Operations Council. And now for the announcements—***

### **Another Successful Open House**

This semester's Library Open House was very successful. Nearly 150 people registered for door prizes and 36 prizes were given away. Also, 20 had their pictures taken for READ posters, and half a dozen even stopped by the Learning Center with Cindy to learn about library resources and services. The success of the open house would not have been possible without the help of many employees, the cooperation of the entire library staff, and the assistance of UCATS Help Desk. Satellite campuses had their own library open house.

Angie Paul and Nan Myers along with helpdesk students Pravin Ravi and Jose Crosa provided information and help with library services. At the West Campus, 40 people stopped by and 4 students received help with their laptops. At South Campus, 35 stopped by for information and prizes. Thanks again to everyone who made these events possible.

### **Going Wireless Again!**

On February 2, 2010, the new wireless network (WSU Secure) started broadcasting in library building and the old network (WUSHOCK) was unplugged. This new wireless network will provide better service and provide more security. Students started coming to the helpdesk right after 9am to get connected to new network. Helpdesk and Library Systems Department staff members were ready to make sure that laptop users received the best possible support in getting connected to the new wireless network.

More than 160 laptops were connected to the new wireless the first day, 90+ on the second day and about the same on the third day. Since then it has been consistent with around 50+ setups per day. More than 55 Staff hours and 60 Student hours were used the first day to provide this support. The following staff members and students from the Libraries and UCATS worked extremely hard to provide quality service during the past week and to ensure the smooth transition for student to the new wireless network:

Staff: Baseer Khan, Madeline Sparling, Kenny Pavlicek, Jessica Wolfe, Steve Dickerson

Systems Graduate Assistants: Adeel Khan, Moin Khwaja, Farhan Hussain, Mohsin Raza

RSG Helpdesk Students: Bala Konathala, Jose Crosa, Harish Muppalla, Arun Seetamsetti, Pravin Ravi

Additional assistance also was received from UCATS staff members: Ruchi Sharma, Garrett Marks, Rob Phillips, Keith Neufeld

Congratulations on the success of this transition. Your efforts are greatly appreciated!

### **Tweet Library Systems**

Keep up with the Library Systems Department on Twitter at: <http://twitter.com/wsulibsys>  
Join today!

### **Best Books of the Decade**

Check out the new “Books on Exhibit” display entitled, *Best Books of the Decade*, outside of ILL. Books in the display include: *Who Moved My Cheese?* by Spencer Johnson; *Peace Like a River* by Leif Enger; and *Girl with the Dragon Tattoo* by Steig Larsson and Reg Keeland. For a full listing of books and checkout information, please see: [http://library.wichita.edu/circulation/exhibit\\_books.htm](http://library.wichita.edu/circulation/exhibit_books.htm)

A special recognition to Nancy Deyoe (exhibit suggestion), Cathy Moore-Jansen (books), Connie Basquez (exhibit design) and Amy Williams (website) for their efforts. Thanks as always for a great display!

### **Voices from the Archive**

Special Collections announces an exhibit of selections from the Gordon Parks Papers, “**Voices from the Archive: Celebrating the Gordon Parks Papers,**” in Special Collections, Wichita State University Libraries. The texts, images and books in this exhibit document the versatile artistry of Gordon Parks (1912-2006) in photography, painting, poetry, prose, music and filmmaking. Special Collections is currently processing the Gordon Parks Papers which preserve the legacy of this remarkable artist whom Kansas is proud to call its own.

The exhibit is on display in the cases outside Special Collections and materials can be viewed whenever the library is open. The exhibit will be on display through May 31<sup>st</sup>.

This exhibit is the collaborative efforts of Kelly Dyer, Lorraine Madway, Mary Nelson and Patrick Kozicki. Another great display!

### **Mark Your Calendar and Call for Assistance**

Mark your calendar for upcoming Library Associates event entitled, “**Speaking of a Silent Star: The Life and Times of Margarita Fischer,**” presented by Theresa St. Romain. Join us on **Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, from 2-4 p.m.** for a fascinating talk on Margarita Fischer who starred as Eliza in the famous 1927 version of *Uncle Tom’s Cabin*. Fischer became one of the nation’s earliest and most popular screen stars in the 1910s. She was married to director Harry Pollard, a native Kansan, and her papers and film memorabilia are in Special Collections.

St. Romain is the author of a recent biography of Fischer based on her research in Special Collections. She is a WSU graduate and an administrator at the University of Kansas School of Medicine-Wichita. Copies of her book will be available for purchase.

### **Presentation Information:**

**Sunday, February 21, 2010, 2-4 p.m.**

**Location:** Special Collections, lower level

If you are interested in assisting with this event, please contact Lorraine Madway at 3590 or [lorraine.madway@wichita.edu](mailto:lorraine.madway@wichita.edu)

### **Special Collections as a Resource**

WSU's Special Collections was a resource for an exhibit and presentation held on Saturday, Feb. 6, at the Kansas African American Museum, 601 N. Water in Wichita. The exhibit and presentation is called "Separate Is Not Equal: Research on Wichita Public Schools."

Lorraine Madway, Curator of Special Collections, moderated the Saturday event with over 100 participants in attendance. The exhibit of documents and artifacts will come to Special Collections in March, 2010. Lorraine was instrumental in promoting the digital preservation of these important pieces of Wichita history.

### **Info for InfoShock**

Did someone in your department do something good? Did something change that affects the library? Do you have an upcoming event? If you have something to share with the library, please submit these items to Stephanie Sauls or Kathy Downes to be included in InfoShock.



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### **Library Info to the Proud Parents of Future Shocks**

The library has been invited to be part of a panel presentation university resources to the parents of students enrolled in the fall semester. Dr. Pendse and Angie Paul will represent the library at the Parent Enrollment Workshop hosted by Admissions, Saturday, February 27.

### **Matveyeva Receives Award**

Susan Matveyeva has received the American Library Association (ALA) International Relations Committee's Bogle-Pratt International Library Travel Fund Award. The Bogle Memorial Fund and the Pratt Institute School of Information and Library Science will provide a \$1,000 cash award for Matveyeva to attend her first international conference in Spain. This competitive award is in recognition of Sarah Comly Norris Bogle, a prominent U.S. librarian who made notable contributions to international library service. Susan Matveyeva is planning to attend the 5<sup>th</sup> Open Repositories International Conference in Madrid, Spain, July 6-9, 2010. Congratulations, Susan!

### **Library to Offer Extended Hours**

Ablah Library will be offering extended hours during the last three weeks of the semester. The revised schedule provides for a midnight closing time on Monday – Thursday. Dr. Pendse is working to see if evening refreshments will be donated by Campus Life and University Relations or Sodexo.



### **Jane Hodge- Update**

As you know Jane Hodge's last day is today, Friday, February 26. The good news is that she will be staying on campus in another position at the Graduate School. Jane will be greatly missed at the library, but still close by. Best wishes, Jane, on your new position!

(The beautiful going away cake was created for Jane by Kathi Adams.)

### **Celebrating Kansas' 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday**

As a lead up to Kansas' 150th birthday in 2011, the State Library of Kansas is seeking recommended books for a Kansas 150 list. Nominations can be made until Oct. 31. The list of 150 notable titles will be announced at the beginning of 2011 and promoted throughout the sesquicentennial year.

The criteria for nominations: a significant aspect of the book must relate to Kansas. In addition, the book may be written by a recognizable author who called Kansas home at some time in his/her lifetime, the book may be from any genre, fiction or nonfiction, and suitable for readers of any age.

A submission form is available at:

<http://www.kslib.info/kansas150/index.html>

### **Just for the FUN of it!**

The Pew Research Center has just issued their "Millennial" report. (The "Millennial" were born after 1980.) The report is getting quite a bit of media attention. The report can be found at: <http://pewsocialtrends.org/pubs/751/millennials-confident-connected-open-to-change>

Among the findings:

Millennial are:

- More ethnically and racially diverse than previous generations
- On track to become the most educated generation in American history

- Their entry into careers has been badly set back by the Great Recession, but they are actually more upbeat about their economic futures and the overall state of the nation than other generations
- One in four have a piercing somewhere other than an earlobe, and four in ten have a tattoo they more readily embrace multiple forms of self expression)
- They get along well with their parents and respect their elders
- Three-quarters have created a profile on a social networking site. One-in-five have posted a video of themselves online.