March 28, 2007, Welcome to InfoShock News Express. InfoShock News Express is a semi-weekly 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

WSU Recommended for Reaccreditation

On Wednesday, the University learned that it will be recommended for full reaccreditation by the HLC site team. Many library faculty and staff were involved in contributing to this successful effort. Congratulations goes out to Nancy Deyoe (HLC steering committee member, Criterion Three Subcommittee member and site team escort), Cathy Moore-Jansen (Criterion Four Subcommittee member), and John Williams (Criterion Five subcommittee member) for all of their hard work. Congratulations also go to Hongfei Li for the HLC Resource database and to the Self-Study Report Indexing Team of Mary Nelson, Sai Deng, Nancy Deyoe, Josh Yearout, and Kathy Downes. Finally, a special thank you goes out to all of you in the Libraries who responded to surveys, cleaned up your work areas, and worked to provide the site team with a very positive view of the University Libraries. This was a job well done!

Deyoe In Charge

Pal Rao, Gwen Alexander, and Kathy Downes will be out of the Libraries from March 29th – April 2nd to attend the ACRL Conference in Baltimore. While they are gone, Nancy Deyoe will be in charge of the Libraries. Liorah Golomb and Cindy Craig also will be attending the conference.

Jazz Arrives at the Libraries

This is a reminder that the Looking at Jazz, America's Art Form begins on April 2. A reception will begin at 6:45 with the film starting at 7:15. The first film is: New Orleans: The Birthplace of Jazz. Following the film, a discussion will be led by Tom Fowler, Director of Jazz Studies at Wichita State University and Educational Director of the Wichita Jazz Festival. All viewing and discussion sessions will be held in the atrium on the lower level of Ablah Library. All viewing is free and open to the public. A complete listing may be found at: http://www.nvr.org/lookingatjazz/content.php?sec=screenings&institution_id=89

Reminder About Campus Research Workshop

Nan Myers will be giving a workshop on the new research database "Campus Research" on Thursday, March 29 from 12:30-1:30 in Room 217. "Campus Research" is provided by Thomson-West and offers research capabilities in the same areas that LexisNexis Academic does -- news, business and law. Part of Nan's workshop will focus on comparing the uses of Campus Research and LexisNexis.

George Corbin Update

George Corbin is still recovering from his surgery. He isn't yet up to receiving visitors, but if you would like to send your best wishes, mail may be sent to him at:

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Carpeting Project Begins
Starting March 19th, the areas around the Reference Desk and the Research Services Group (RSG) Offices are scheduled to be re-carpeted. This new carpeting is part of the University’s ongoing maintenance program. The Reference Desk area should be completed by Wednesday. The RSG offices will be completed in two phases. Work will begin on the east offices on Monday and Tuesday. Work on the west offices will start Wednesday or possibly Thursday. If all goes well, all work will be completed by Friday. This work requires that the RSG offices be completely vacated; so during the re-carpeting, members of the Research Services Group either will be working in other areas of the library or at home. A complete list of work locations is available in the Dean’s Office.

EndNote Web Ready For Use
A new product has been added to the EndNote line. This product is EndNote Web. EndNote Web is part of the campus subscription supported by the WSU Libraries. EndNote Web is a Web-based tool for managing and citing references in papers and creating bibliographies. It works seamlessly with EndNote desktop version and provides an online collaborative environment. It also is great for when you are doing research at distance libraries. Registration is easy and just requires that you register from a PC with a WSU IP address. The registration page is: http://www.myendnoteweb.com/EndNoteWeb/1.2/release/EndNoteWeb.html

Du Page Streaming Video Link Now Available
A link for the recent College of DuPage teleconference is now available. The topic is “Next Generation Librarianship: Where Do We Go from Here?” The link is available through April 9th. This program can be viewed from any workstation in the library but you will need to use either speakers or a headset. Kathy Downes would like to know if anyone wishes to view this teleconference in a group setting. If so, please contact her and she will make arrangements. The link to the teleconference is: http://www.dupagepress.com/COD/index.php?id=1191

Lorraine Madway Joins in WSU's Celebration of Gordon Parks: A Kansas Native Son
On Wednesday, March 7, 2007 WSU celebrated the life and legacy of Gordon Parks, renowned African American photographer, artist, writer and filmmaker who grew up in Kansas. From 11:30 - 1:30 at the Rhatigan Student Center, WSU students, faculty, and staff and members of the Wichita community read selections of his poetry and prose. Among the participants was Lorraine Madway who read a selection from Parks's autobiographical piece, "Voices in the Mirror" dealing with the tragic death of his son, Gordon Jr. The event was organized by Ted Ayres, Vice President and General Counsel of WSU, and was part of an all-day series of programs and films to honor Gordon Parks. A copy of the program will be placed in the University Archives.

Cathy Moore-Jansen Presents at WALA Spring Workshop
On Tuesday March 13, the Wichita Area Library Association (WALA) presented its spring workshop on “Issues in Collection Development.” The workshop was held at the WSU Metroplex with the keynote speaker being Mohan Ramaswamy, Assistant Professor and Science Librarian at Kansas State University. Following the speaker, Cathy Moore-Jansen joined a panel with three other local librarians to discuss issues of collection development in public school libraries, public libraries, community college libraries, and academic libraries. Attendees went away with a greater understanding of collection development issues along with a great handout prepared by Cathy Moore-Jansen.

Susan Matveyeva Helps ALCTS Evaluate Translator Software
Susan Matveyeva was recently asked by Charles Wilt, Executive Director of the Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) to evaluate software programs that translate
webpage information from one language to another. Susan used the program to translate the ALCTS webpage from English to Russian and then evaluated the results (which weren’t all that good.) She also suggested software that performed better than the two she had been asked to evaluate. Mr. Wilt was very impressed with her thorough analysis and indicated that he could not have hoped for better. Due to Susan’s analysis, ALCTS will be evaluating more software packages as they work to make their web pages available to a global audience. In case you are wondering, Susan ranked the following programs: 1. Google, 2. Applied Language, 3. World Lingo, and 4. Babel Fish.

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Jazz Comes to University Libraries
Last fall Rachel Crane received a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) to host a free six-part film viewing, reading and discussion series called “Looking At: Jazz, America’s Art Form.” The first viewing, focusing on New Orleans: the Birthplace of Jazz, will be held on Monday, April 2, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. Additional sessions will be held each evening at 7:00 p.m., April 3-7, in the lower level of Ablah Library. Discussions will be lead by Tom Fowler, Director of Jazz Studies at Wichita State University and Educational Director of the Wichita Jazz Festival along other faculty members in the Wichita State University School of Music Jazz Studies Program. A complete schedule of events may be found at: http://www.nvr.org/lookingatjazz/?institution_id=89

March Resource of the Month: Campus Research
Mary Walker reports that Campus Research is the March Resource of the Month. Campus Research is an online research service for news, business and law related information for virtually every subject – business, economics, accounting, political science, marketing, history, social science, etc. This database is a comprehensive, full-text resource with thousands of news databases, hundreds of business, trade and professional journals and publications, SEC filings, and law-related resources, including both primary law and analysis. For more information about Current Research go to: http://library.wichita.edu/colldev/ResrcMonth/RotMCurrent.htm

Workshops will be held in room 217 on Monday, March 12 from 11:30-12:00 & on Thursday, March 29 from 12:30-1:00.

For more information about the workshop contact Nan at ext. 5130 or nan.myers@wichita.edu. For general questions about Campus Research contact your favorite Reference Librarian.

Article On Beta Testing to Be Published
John Williams received good news this week when he learned that his article with Sha Li Zhang (University of North Carolina/Greensboro), University Vice President and General Counsel Ted Ayres, and Maggie McNair (Blackwell Book Services) was accepted. The article entitled "Academic Library Beta Testing of Vendor System Design and Upgrade: Legal Aspects and Checklists of Best Practice" will be published in a forthcoming issue of Library Collections, Acquisitions, and Technical Services. This will be a good read for those of you who remember the Blackwell beta testing project or for anyone considering beta testing a vendor’s product. Congratulations to John!

Equipment Needs Lists Being Prepared
Equipment lists are being prepared by all units. Please notify your supervisor or your unit’s associate or assistant dean by March 19, 2007 of equipment needs in your area.