April 24, 2007  Welcome to InfoShock News Express! InfoShock News Express is a 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—

Wheatshocker Professional Development Seminar Coming
The Third Wheatshocker Professional Development Seminar is scheduled for the afternoon of May 17th and the morning of May 18th. This year’s topic is “Vital Connections: Public Programming in Academic Libraries.” The guest speakers are Jennifer Paustenbaugh and Karen Neurohr from Oklahoma State University, speaking on public programming in academic libraries, and Brett Lear, author of *Adult Programming in the Library*. The University Libraries will pick up the $35.00 registration fee for those in the Libraries who would like to attend this seminar and who have received supervisory approval. As seating is limited at the seminar, please send an e-mail to Sylvia Epp by Monday, April 30th if you would like to attend. More information is available at: www.wichita.edu/conferences under Vital Connections: Public Programming in Academic Libraries.

Shocker Scholars Festival Tomorrow
This is a reminder that the annual Shocker Scholars Festival will take place in Ablah Library’s lower level tomorrow from 2:00PM -3:30PM. Each year during National Library Week, the Libraries celebrates the scholarship of our University. This year, our speaker is Dr. Ray Calabrese, Professor of Educational Leadership. He will be speaking on using appreciative inquiry in educational settings. Remarks will begin at 2:30PM. In addition to the remarks, there will be a display of publications representing the University’s scholarship for 2006 and refreshments.

Check out the New Display
*Making Connections @ Your Library* is this year’s National Library Week theme and the theme for the newest first floor display. The display is promoting our networked seminar rooms and books from our collection that promote collaboration and group presentations. In the true spirit of the display’s theme, the display was produced through a collaboration of members from Circulation, Collection Development, and Technical Services. Check out their fine work in the display case north of Interlibrary Loan.

Successful Presentations at Tri-Conference and New Mexico
All conference attendees have returned safely and several successful presentations at Tri-Conference. Gwen Alexander reports that her presentation on managing change was well received and attended. Susan Matveyeva also reported that despite a last minute scheduling change, her presentation with Nancy Deyoe on mentoring went well and those useful contacts were made with librarians involved with mentoring at other Regents universities. Sai Deng and Hongfei Li’s discussion of OPAC redesign also went well, and Sai reports that several requests were made for copies of their PowerPoint presentation. On Friday, April 13th, Lorraine Madway, made a presentation at the National Council on Public History 2007 Annual Meeting in Santa Fe. Her topic was “Cinema as Redemption:
Exodus and the Formation of American Jewish Collective Memory.” She reports that the audience was appreciative and that a lively Q&A session followed her presentation.

MRC Truck Parking
You may have noticed that lately more of the MRC’s trucks are being parked in the service spaces east of the library. This is happening because the entrance to the MRC’s south dock has been blocked by the construction project. Tom Brock reports that this situation should last a little over one month.

Last Call for Comments on the Staff Room Guidelines
This is a reminder that the proposed Staff Room Guidelines are posted on the internal network (the library on lib2001\space4 I: drive for most of you.) Please send any comments that you have about these guidelines to Sylvia Epp or Jane Hodge by Friday, April 27th.

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Looking At Jazz Completes a Successful Run
Rachel Cane is congratulated for securing the grant and successfully spearheading the Looking at: Jazz programs that ran last week from April 2 through April 7. The Looking At: Jazz series is provided to libraries by the National Video Resources and the National Endowment for the Humanities, in collaboration with Jazz at Lincoln Center and the American Library. Over 140 persons attended at least one of the six WSU sessions. Each session featured an introduction by Rachel, music, a documentary film covering an aspect of jazz, commentary by WSU music faculty, discussion, and refreshments. Those who attend sessions came away with a deep appreciation of this art form and a deeper appreciation of the caliber of WSU’s music faculty, especially Tom Fowler, Director of Jazz Studies. Thanks go out to those who assisted Rachel to make this event a success.

Electronic Resources Search Committee Up and Running
The search committee for the Electronic Resources Librarian has been established. Members are: Sai Deng, Nancy Deyoe (Chair), Judy Lewis, Cathy Moore-Jansen, and Christina Feeney (student member). The search committee is working on the position description and expects to be interviewing during the summer. The position description will be posted to our website as soon as the description and search process have been approved by Academic Affairs.

Draft of Staff Room Use Guidelines Available
The Staff Room Use Task Force has placed the draft of the room use guidelines on the I: Drive as a word document titled: Staff Room Use Guidelines – Draft. Members of the task force request that library faculty and staff members review the guidelines and return all comments to Sylvia Epp by April 18.

Welcome Back George!
George Corbin returned to the Libraries on Wednesday. He will be working part-time for a while until he has fully recovered from his surgery.

**Mark Your Calendars**
The Libraries has several occasions planned during the remainder of April. Make sure you mark your calendars so that you don’t miss out on these exciting events.

**April 17th** – A poetry reading and book signing by Kevin Prufer. The reading will take place in Ablah Library’s lower level at 3:30PM. Kevin Prufer is the author of three books of poetry and the editor of two anthologies. His is currently the English Department’s Visiting Poet-In-Residence. This reading will celebrate National Poetry Month and National Library Week. Refreshments will be served.

**April 19th** – A Wine and Cheese Celebration to congratulate our successful tenure and promotion candidates and to thank all who served on this year’s tenure and promotion committee. The celebration will be held at the Marcus Welcome Center from 3:30PM – 5:00PM. Individual invitations have been sent out. Sylvia asks that you please remember to RSVP to her by April 13th.

**April 22nd** – A Multimedia Presentation and Exhibit: Celebrating the Harold G. Dick Airship Collection. This Library Associates event is scheduled for 2:00PM -4:00PM in the lower level of Ablah Library. Come and see a fascinating program that allows attendees to experience the German airship industry during the important 1930’s through the recorded memories of the late Harold G. Dick. Refreshments will be served and all are welcome.

**April 23rd** – Hongfei’s Going-Away Party Tentative time 9:30AM-10:30AM. More details will follow later.

**April 25th** – The Annual Shocker Scholars Festival. Come join us in celebrating the research, scholarship, and creative activities produced by WSU faculty, staff, and unclassified professionals during 2006. Speakers will include President Beggs, Vice President Gary Miller, a faculty researcher, and our own Dean Pal Rao. See a display and bibliography of WSU scholarship. Refreshments definitely will be served. Activities run from 2:00PM-3:30PM in Ablah Library’s lower level.