



December 21, 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—*

Library Will Have Heat over the Break

Klent Harkness, Director Computing Services And Environmental Control, Gaddis Physical Plant, has informed us that the work on the steam pipe outside of the dock will only take a few hours this morning. While the heat will be off just long enough for the contractors to cut and cap the pipes going to Corbin, he will be placing limits on the outside air coming into the building, so we will not lose any heat. Klent doesn't think we will notice any temperature difference. After the work is completed, the heat will be back to normal.

24-Hour Room Closed over Holidays

For security purposes, the 24-hour study room will be shut down for part of the holidays. It will be closed on Friday, December 21 at 5:00 p.m., and reopen on Wednesday, December 26 at 1:00 p.m. It will be closed again on Friday, December 28 at 5:00 p.m., and reopen on Wednesday, January 2 at 8:00 a.m.

Work Continues on the Compact Shelving Project

The walls enclosing the compact shelving area are nearly completed. Over the break, John Stewart will be directing his staff to start moving compact shelving materials off of the third floor. He hopes to have this phase of the project completed by the beginning of the spring semester





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Blackburn Accepts Library Systems Developer Position

We are pleased to announce that Gemma Blackburn has accepted the offer to become our new Library Systems Developer. Gemma will assume her new responsibilities on January 7, 2008. Gemma Blackburn received her MLS in 2007. As a member of Interlibrary Loan and the Research Services Group, she has worked on the implementation of ILLiad and the EMPOWER project. Once Gemma assumes her new responsibilities, she will be meeting with library units to discuss ongoing development needs and working to become familiar with Voyager files and the sun server. Congratulations , Gemma on your new position!

Holiday Alarm Schedule

During the holidays, the library will have shorter hours. Our alarm system will be on most of the hours that the library is closed in order to protect the collections and equipment. To accommodate those who will be working during the holiday period, the following alarm schedule has been set:

Libraries Alarm Schedule

System is disarmed during the times listed below

Friday, Dec. 14	6:00 AM to 10:00 AM	11:30 PM
Saturday, Dec. 15	to	6:00 PM
Sunday, Dec. 16	1:00 PM to	6:00 PM
Monday, Dec. 17 -- Friday, Dec. 21	6:00 AM to	11:30 PM
Saturday, Dec. 22 -- Tuesday, Dec. 25	Alarms on all day	
Wednesday, Dec. 26 -- Friday, Dec. 28	10: 00 AM to	6:00 PM
Saturday, Dec. 29 -- Sunday, Dec. 30	Alarms on all day	
Monday, Dec. 31	10:00 AM to	6:00 PM

Tuesday, Jan. 1

Alarms on all day

**Wednesday, Jan. 2 -- Sunday,
Jan. 20:**

Mondays -- Fridays

6:00 AM to
10:00 AM

11:30 PM

Saturdays

to

6:00 PM

Sundays

1:00 PM to

6:00 PM

Monday, January 21

Alarms on all day

Library Key Element in Gordon Parks Proposal

Many of you may have been following the University's efforts to secure a significant body of Gordon Parks' papers and to establish a Gordon Parks research center on campus. What you may not know is the long hours of work that Lorraine Madway and members of Special Collections have contributed to this project. Lorraine and her team produced a proposal for the papers that summarized Special Collections' long commitment to African American collections such as the William Lloyd Garrison papers and the extensive collection of local African American publications. The proposal discussed Special Collections current digital initiatives and outlined how the Gordon Parks collection would be preserved and promoted. Ted Ayres, Vice President and General Counsel, called the proposal superb and exactly in tune with what he wanted. He further stated that the proposal was a key component of the University's overall proposal. The University still does not know if it will be chosen to receive this valuable collection. We do know, though, that the efforts of Special Collections has helped the University be a strong contender as it competes against the Library of Congress and the New York Public Library the papers.