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Library users have opportunity to eat their words at the 2004 International Edible Books Festival



"Some books are to be tasted, others to be swallowed, and some few to be chewed and digested: that is, some books are to be read only in parts, others to be read, but not curiously, and some few to be read wholly, and with diligence and attention." -- Sir Francis Bacon, 1561-1626

Library users found an entirely new way to feed their need to read. On Thursday, April 1st the Denison University community had the opportunity to celebrate literature through food! This very special festival, Books2Eat, the International Edible Book Tea, was held at the William Howard Doane Library. The edible book high/low tea celebrated every conceivable written word from cheesy novels to recipe books.

The edible creations were viewed and photographed between 3:00 and 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 1, 2004 in the Doane Library Atrium on the 2nd floor. At 4:30 p.m. tea was served and the exhibits were eaten. Various teacakes and treats were available for those who thought the edible exhibits were too interesting to consume.

The Edible Book High/Low

Tea, started in 1999, is the brainchild of Judith A. Hoffberg and has become an international event featured on radio and television. All exhibited works of art must be edible and have something to do with books: look like a book, include text to read, or illustrate a theme taken from a book or book title. All artwork may be any size, but must be made entirely of edible food products.

The library had sixteen edible book entries submitted by students, community members, Denison staff as well as from library staff.

For more information about participating in the event next year, please contact Nedda Ahmed, Fine Arts Liaison Librarian at e-mail address, ahmedn@denison.edu or call extension 6688.



"Rock On" by Sharon Zink (left)



"Ketchup in the Rye" by Star Andrews (below)



"The King of Tortes" by Sheryl Pustay (left)

Photos by Carol Vasenko

Sarah Torrens begins duties as Stack Maintenance Specialist



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Sarah Torrens has been hired as Stack Maintenance Specialist, replacing Sheryl Pustay, who was recently promoted to Acquisitions/Circulation A/V Specialist.

Sarah joined the library staff on February second. Her duties include opening the library every morning, monitoring the building for safety and maintenance issues and acting as liaison with custodial staff and the campus physical plant. She is responsible for the shelving of library materials, including the supervision of a

team of student employees.

Above the daily routines of keeping the books and library materials in their logical order, Sarah also shares the duties of her co-workers on the Circulation Desk.

Sarah worked a short time in the library in 2000 as a Circulation Assistant before moving to Office Services where she was a Kodak Systems Operator.

Library staff welcome Sarah as the newest member of the team.



Doane Library façade holds historical significance



The photo above depicts the west elevation of La Petit Trianon in the Garden of Versailles built in the sixteenth century for Louis XV and Madame de Pompadour.



The eastern façade of the William H. Doane Library in 2003.

The William Howard Doane Library sits at the west end of the academic quad of the Denison University campus. Simple yet elegant the library building, designed by college architect William Gehron, was erected in 1937 in the style popular during that time period. Gehron fashioned the front of the building to loosely resemble La Petit Trianon in the Garden of Versailles.

There have been some rather dramatic changes to the Doane Library building since it was originally erected facing the eastern campus, but today the additions and changes don't detract from the original façade of the building.

In 1999 the front entrance was redesigned to remove a wall erected during the construction of the Seeley G. Mudd Learning Resources Center in the early eighties. The wall was built to accommodate a wheelchair ramp, a necessary addition at that time. The current entrance includes two circular patios to the right and left of the steps. These were added to incorporate a new wheelchair ramp with a more gradual incline. Although the original French doors were removed in the 1981 construction, the likeness to Gehron's French inspiration is still visible in the library's façade.

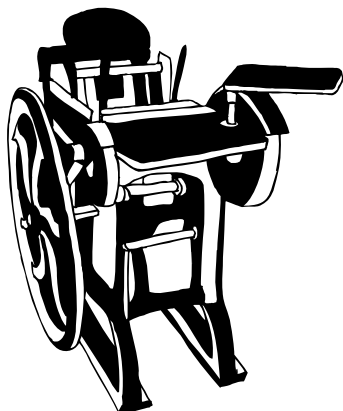
The grand stairway leading to the entrance of the building has become a popular "classroom" for many classes during the warm days of late summer and early spring. Students also enjoy studying on the wide stone balustrades which flank the steps.

Mrs. George W. (Marguerite) and Miss Ida F. Doane funded the construction of the building as a memorial to William Howard Doane. Above the Doane name prominently etched over the entrance, is the inscription "*Books are the treasured wealth of the world, the fit inheritance of generations and nations.*" Thoreau. The inscription is flanked by stone "ribbons".

The library building plays a vital role as a place of learning for the campus community and in the archiving and distribution of educational materials.

Historical Printing Plates to be displayed in the library

By Cynthia Cort



Before the days of computer generated printing, Denison University used the Granville Times Press in Granville to print all of its letterhead, forms, invitations, maps, and programs.

A selection of the plates and printed items were recently donated to the Doane Library Archives by The Works in Newark who are currently operating the press.

In an upcoming exhibit, the library will be displaying the four color plates used to produce Horace King's 1944 map. This great map shows the campus and the village as it was when the wigwam and Talbot Hall were still standing. There are also plans afoot to create a work of art to hang permanently in the library containing many smaller plates of the Denison seal and other reminiscent images.

Message from the Director

Lynn Scott Cochrane

It's been a very successful year in Doane Library, and you can read about some of the best activities and resources we've acquired for you in this issue of *Links*. Of course, the edible book festival April 1 was a big hit with everyone - students, staff, and faculty. Especially since it was our first year participating in this international event, I was delighted and amazed at the clever, creative, yummy entries. We plan this as an annual event every April Fool's Day, so begin thinking about your submission for next year.

Alumni Weekend in June is a time we in the library always look forward to. It's a great treat for us to meet the former students who come back to see where they once studied, and perhaps worked, when they were students. In 2001 a member of the 50th anniversary class came all the way from the Philippines with her daughter, who helped ease her mother's travels, which require a wheelchair. Esther Cervantes-Viloria had worked in the original Doane Library before the stack wing was added in the late 1950s. As a page, she pulled books from the then-closed stacks and brought them to the desk for students to check-out. Esther was a great joy to visit with, and we were impressed by her pluck in making the long trip, despite her health limitations. Her memory of everything about Doane Library inspired everyone who met her that weekend.

Similarly, we're eagerly anticipating the arrival of hundreds of Doane family members for their large reunion on campus in August. Heather Lyle, Archivist and Special Collections Librarian, has been working with the family for quite some time on the preparations. We will host a brunch for the participants in the Library Atrium and will invite them to visit the Archives and our exhibit areas throughout the library to see what rich holdings we have about Denison and the Doane family.

We began an initiative this year to begin using the new College Library Standards (Association of College and Research Libraries) to assess ourselves in a variety of areas, such as collections, services, instruction, facilities, and others. The planning committee will conduct a two-day retreat in late July to allow all staff to participate in the early review of this first year's effort and to help direct the work in 2004-2005. We've started assessment with the services area and have lots of data that will help us evaluate ourselves. Included in these resources are the LibQual+ surveys conducted in 2002 and 2003, focus group data, suggestion box information, and statistics we keep at all of our service points. We will conduct the LibQual+ web-based survey again in Spring, 2005, in a cooperative venture with the other Ohio Five colleges.

We'll miss all of you this summer, but will be ready to see you when you return in August. Have a safe, fun time while you're away.

Denison's Library Joins Oberlin Group Libraries in backing open access publishing

Oberlin Group Libraries Join Public Library of Science

The movement for open access to scientific and medical literature gained important support recently when 51 members of the Oberlin Group of Liberal Arts College Libraries announced that they have become institutional members of the Public Library of Science (PLoS).

The Oberlin Group is an association of the libraries of seventy-five leading liberal arts colleges from all geographical areas of the United States.

PLoS is a non-profit advocacy organization and a publisher of open-access journals like PLoS Biology, which are available for free online and are subsidized largely by author-side charges for publication. Scientists affiliated with member institutions are entitled to substantially reduced fees for publishing in PLoS journals.

"We are tremendously pleased that such a prestigious group of colleges has expressed its support for our efforts to promote open-access publishing," said Dr. Helen Doyle, PLoS Director of Development and Strategic Alliances. "The commitment of these institutions to create a better system for disseminating scientific knowledge is absolutely crucial for the growth and sustainability of the open access movement."

"My colleagues and I welcome the opportunity to support efforts such as PLoS that offer our science faculties a new way to share their research widely as a public resource available to other scholars around the world," said Larry Frye, Wabash College Head Librarian. "We hope that our commitment will encourage other academic libraries to join PLoS."

The announcement follows the January launch of the PLoS Institutional Membership program. More information about the PLoS Membership Program is available at <http://www.plos.org/support>.

Thanks-a-million!

The following staff members have received Thanks-a-million awards from coworkers in the past quarter. The Thanks-a-million! Program was created by the Denison University Human Resources Department.

**Carol Vasenko
Cynthia Cort
Sheryl Pustay**

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PARKING

You asked for it!

Behind the library on the West Loop one parking space has been designated "ten minute parking only." This space is to be used by library patrons for returning books and other brief visits. Please use the space as intended.

New Databases, Technical Upgrades aid users in Journal Searches

by Susan Scott



The *Television News Archive* database currently includes 725,000 records, including abstracts at the story level of regular evening news programs.

New databases:

The *Television News Archive* from Vanderbilt University is a new acquisition. The collection includes citations for network evening news broadcasts from the major U.S. national broadcast networks: ABC, CBS, NBC and CNN and some special news-related programming including ABC's *Nightline* since 1989. Our access includes full video clips from CNN from 1999 to the present. The database currently includes 725,000 records, including abstracts at the story level of regular evening news programs.

The full-text of *Annual Reviews* in the Sciences and Social Sciences are now available via CONSORT. You can search in CONSORT, for example, by doing a title search such as *Annual Review of Clinical Psychology* to find a link to the full-text of that particular title. You can also go to the

Databases list on the Library web page, click on *Annual Reviews*, using the advanced search to access multiple *Reviews* of your choice.

For one year, Denison Library now has free access to two *Ebsco* databases: *Communication & Mass Media Complete* and *American Humanities Index*. Generally, their titles describe the contents. The search screen for these databases is the familiar screen of *Academic Search Premier* and other *Ebsco* databases. *Communication & Mass Media Complete* includes at least 100 journal titles, as well as major journalism reviews, recent encyclopedias, and handbooks in the area of communications studies. Images are also available in the database. *American Humanities Index* covers over 1,000 journals published from 1975 to the present. This database provides citation information for articles, essays and

reviews, as well as original creative works including, poems, fiction, photographs, paintings and illustrations.

Technical News:

The library has made a couple of useful changes to *OLINKS*. *OLINKS* is also known as the *Find a copy* link in many of the library's databases. Now from that window you can go directly to Denison's Interlibrary Loan form when you need to. And, from the same window, you can go directly to the full-text in JSTOR, Muse and other online articles when available! OhioLINK has also added 665 open access journals from the Directory of Open Access Journals to the *OLINKS* service.

Many are asking for access to locally subscribed Denison Library databases from off-campus. That service is not yet available but we are working on this option.

Library Honors Senior Students Employees

For the third year in a row, the library staff is delighted to recognize and honor those graduating seniors who have been our faithful assistants during their college careers.

Each student was asked to choose a book—either new or from the stacks-of importance to them. Their selections will be book-plated in their honor and will become a permanent part of our collection, reminders of our student assistants' many hours of work helping the Library serve the Denison community.

During April and May, the books will be on display. The display will also include a page for each senior assistant with their picture, library job, future plans, and a short statement explaining why they chose this particular book.

Seanna Holtz and Nedda Ahmed organized and put together the display for the 2004 Senior Book Project. This year the library has twelve Seniors who are library assistants.

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Library Jobs: Periodicals

Future Plans: Upon graduation I plan on finding employment pertaining to event planning or corporate communication. Soon after I hope to pursue graduate studies in the field of Speech Pathology. Hopefully I'll be getting married, too!

Book: *The Annotated Wizard of Oz*, by L. Frank Baum

There has been a lot of talk about the Wizard of Oz in recent years. I've seen the movie, but I don't read the book. I really love the book. The book has the research and the behind-the-scenes details of the book as well as the story by L. Frank Baum. I love the story and the book has helped me see that all the characters in the story are really people. I love the book and I hope to read it again.




Example display page from last year.