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Franklin Legacy Continues



Franklin Award recipients Rachel Rynski and Laura Menard (photographed on the Franklin Terrace).

This is the first year for presentation of The Carolyn Craig Franklin and Dr. Carl M. Franklin Library Endowment Fund awards for library student employees. The Library is pleased to announce that Rachel Rynski and Laura Menard have been recognized for their outstanding work as library student assistants.

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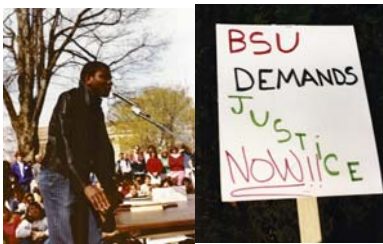
Annual Books2Eat Tea held April 1

From the Archives

Heather Lyle, University Archivist & Special Collections Librarian



Kappa Sig John Ehrle
Scrapbook Medal 1921
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Esther Baer
'28*



Black student Union Protest, 1988



Divestment Shanty 1986



Castellini scrap day cage ball 1925



student vigil for BSU c1970

The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation recently awarded a \$600,000 grant to the Five Colleges of Ohio. The consortium includes College of Wooster, Denison University, Kenyon College, Oberlin College, and Ohio Wesleyan University.

The grant, "Next Steps in the Next-Generation Library: Integrating Digital Collections into the Liberal Arts," supports the ongoing transformation of the curriculum through digital library technologies. Objectives of the grant are to: help faculty identify, build and integrate digital collections into their courses; enhance faculty and student scholarly endeavors; establish a digital infrastructure to support new initiatives; develop a gateway to digital collections; and enrich the digital competencies of participants. Photos or illustrations on this page exemplify the types of material which could be included in a project.

Currently, proposals are being accepted from faculty, who partner with librarians to develop plans for digital projects. A selection committee, chaired by Library Director Scottie Cochrane, chooses which proposals will receive grant funding. Projects based on archival and rare books collections, faculty research interests, and student publications, projects and papers, are especially encouraged. A portion of the grant money will fund collaborative projects across the Five Colleges and has allowed the consortium to hire a digitization specialist for the duration of the grant period.

The new Digitization Specialist is Catalina Oyler, who will begin work with the consortium July 1, 2010. Ms. Oyler is a graduate of the

prestigious library program at the University of Michigan, and comes to us with experience in working with an Arizona library consortium. She will make a tech-savvy and enthusiastic addition to the grant project, helping to coordinate efforts at the five libraries involved.

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The Mellon grant also supports the development of a Five Colleges of Ohio digital repository for interdisciplinary scholarship, which will publicize campus research and make it widely accessible. This timely initiative ensures that the consortium libraries will remain integral to the liberal arts curriculum. Please see the Denison University Libraries home page, under Digital Collections Grants, for information on submitting grant proposals. http://www.denison.edu/library/digital_collections_grants.html A link to an accepted proposal is posted there, too. <http://www.denison.edu/library/costumecollectiongrant.pdf>

Liaison librarians Lareese Hall, Moriana Garcia, Josh Finnell, and Roger Kosson, as well as archivist Heather Lyle, look forward to working with you!

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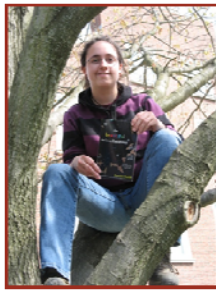
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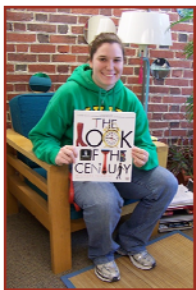
Suzanne Humphrey



Caitlin Jonassen



Kenny Kremyar



Stephanie LaCount



Kai Liu



Laura Marie Menard



Lisa Mervosh



Cali Orr



Rachel Rynski



Emily Taylor



Lindsey Wallace



Elizabeth Zak



At the year-end party, L-R Jenny Ewing, Katie Earls, Sheryl Pustay and Lisa Mervosh.

17 of the approximately 60 student employees of the library graduate this year. These graduates were honored through the Library's Senior Book Program, now in its 8th year.

Graduating students select books from the library collection which are of special importance to them. A bookplate in their honor is placed in the front of their book. This year the students were also given gift certificates to Barnes & Noble and 100 bookplates for their personal libraries..

Photos of the graduates and their books are on display on the 3rd floor of the library until the first of June.

Library Student Employees' Lunch

The Student Employee Appreciation Lunch, hosted by the library staff, was held on Friday, April 30. All library employees were invited to attend.

Each student employees received a "finals goody bag" which contained an ink pen, pencil, highlighter, sticky note pad, some snack items and a lighted keychain.

The Franklin Awards and Senior gifts were presented at this event.

Service Learning in El Salvador

By Roger Kosson, Social Sciences Liaison Librarian

This year I had the pleasure of being a faculty advisor to Denison's Habitat for Humanity trip to El Salvador. While the trip took place during Spring Break in mid-March, my involvement began months earlier.

The trip was part of a for-credit, independent study experience, where nine students took part in six class sessions to learn about El Salvador and its history and culture. I created a class page that compiled a variety of resources that the students could utilize to learn more about El Salvador. And during our first class I conducted an instruction session, introducing the students to the class page and the various library resources. For the remainder of our class sessions, the students utilized some of the class page resources to research various topics related to El Salvador – such as economic and environmental issues, and the country's political history – and then present their findings to the rest of the class.

But the heart of the experience was clearly the trip. We helped build a house for a single mother who sells food in the outdoor market in the city of San Vicente. Much of the work involved carting sand and gravel from the driveway to the build site, carrying concrete blocks, and mixing mortar and cement for the foundation and walls of the house. It was hard work, but we really bonded over the experience, which was made more meaningful by the fact that the woman we were helping build the house for was there working with us.



Above - Day one (Monday).
Below - Day five (Friday) shows the progress.



On the left is Isabel with her daughter, Valeria. , We worked with Isabel helping build her house.
On the right, our visit to the orphanage.



In addition to our work on the house, we had time for some fun activities. One of the highlights involved visiting a local orphanage, where we donated some books and sporting goods (soccer balls, basketballs, etc) for the children.

All in all I had a wonderful experience working with the students and the other leader on the trip, Susan King of the Environmental Studies Program. The trip was a terrific combination of doing good work, cultural education, and just plain fun.

Food for Fines 2010



Library student employees Belkis Schoenhals, Erika Johnson, and LV Flowers stand with all the boxes of food donations received during the “Food for Fines” event in 2010.

For the third year Denison’s Library has partnered with the Food Pantry Network of Licking County in order to provide some cash relief to patrons while benefitting a very good cause. There were two ways to receive “fine forgiveness” in this program - \$2.00 off of accrued fines for every item of food donated or \$3.00 off of accrued fines for every cash contribution of \$1.00.

This year the event was held over a three week period beginning with National Library Week on April 11 and ending on May 3. As a result over 600 food items were donated at a weight of 504 pounds. \$1,248.00 in cash contributions were also received. Last year’s totals were 368 pounds of food and \$832.00.

According to Charles Moore, Executive Director of the Food Pantry Network of Licking County, in 2009 over 794,651 meals were provided to over 168,817 individuals in Licking County (increased over 2008 from 700,543 meals for 131,067 individuals). The network distributes aid through 32 agencies in Newark and Licking County.

There are 32 member pantries and social service agencies who distribute food or provide on-site feeding programs for the needy. The vast majority who work to distribute food are volunteers.

Fines are issued to library users to encourage return of items so they will be widely available to the library community. Providing this fine “amnesty” is a way to help our library users and the greater Licking County community.

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The Carolyn Craig Franklin Student Service Award is presented annually to an outstanding library student employee. Nominations come from librarians, staff and the nominee’s library student co-workers.

This year’s award was presented to Rachel Rynski. Rachel has worked in stacks, circulation and ILL throughout her years at Denison. In addition to classes and working ten hours a week in stacks and ILL, in the most current semester, she has worked a second job off campus

The Carl M. Franklin Student Service Award is presented annually to an outstanding library student worker. The nominations for this award come from faculty, staff, or students not employed in the library. This year the award was presented to Laura Menard. Laura has worked in circulation and at the commons desk. While not a requirement for this award, Laura has chosen to pursue a career in Librarianship at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Both winners received certificates of recognition a written acknowledgement of their excellence as library student employees, Denison clocks and \$100.00 cash awards.

Staff Notes



Megan Sheeran

Graduate student Megan Sheeran of Columbus, Ohio began working with the library staff this spring semester as a practicum student. This work offers opportunities to gain professional experience while enrolled in the master's degree program. For the next few weeks you may see Megan in the Reference area although she will be spending her practicum time in many areas of the library. Librarians Debby Andreadis and Moriana Garcia will be advising her during her time at Denison.

With an undergraduate degree in French, Megan will complete her Masters of Library and Information Science degree at Kent State University this summer.

7th Annual Books2Eat Event Held



The library hosted the seventh annual Books2Eat High Tea on Thursday, April 1. Entries came from 27 individuals or groups of students, staff, faculty, high school students and community members. Awards were presented in 5 categories to the following: "Most Bookish" - Kristin Pantle; "Best Presentation" - Emily Willner, Mara Harris, Evan Johnson and Cara Downs; "Best Use of Theme - Sustainability" - Dr. Susan Kantor and Nora Deeg; "Most Creative" - Max Armstrong and Carolyn Dunifon; and the "Best of Show" - Kaitlin Ulin.

The simple rules are: all entries must be completely edible and able to be displayed for two hours without refrigeration.

The International Edible Book Festival, a creation of Judith A. Hoffberg and Béatrice Coron is "a celebration of the ingestion of culture and a way to concretely share a book; it is also a deeper reflection on our attachment to food and our cultural differences." The International Website is located at www.diffusionadage.com.

