

Library Links

Denison Library Celebrates Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Event

Constructing Community: What Piece is Next?

The Library staff were delighted to support the Martin Luther King, Jr., Day of Celebration on campus on January 25. From brainstorming and sharing resources to creating displays, publicizing events, and hosting a reception, they were involved with and engaged in the events in many different ways.

The MLK Service Challenge event kicked off a week of celebration with a focus on volunteering and service to the community. Many Denison community members participated in these events, creating and carrying out service projects to fulfill all sorts of needs ranging from supporting homeless shelters to creating a stronger awareness of diversity in our community.

Librarian Roger Kosson worked with a group of students who were given the task of collecting winter blankets for the local Salvation Army. In addition to gathering 72 donated blankets from the campus community, the students raised over \$700 from their fellow students for the Salvation Army.

The Celebration continued with an all-campus convocation in the Mitchell Center on Monday, featuring Dr. Charles Ogletree, Jr., a noted legal theorist at the Harvard Law School. Students, staff, and faculty joined together in discussions about community on campus following Ogletree's inspiring talk.

The Denison community were able to meet Dr. Ogletree and continue their discussions at the Library reception.

Many thanks go to Sarah Ray for serving on the 2010 MLK Planning committee, and Librarians Josh Finnell, Moriana Garcia, Lareese Hall, and Heather Lyle, who created displays featuring the speakers, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s work, and his ideas in action, in particular highlighting the current service projects in Haiti.



Everett Daily '10, Dr. Charles Ogletree, Jr. & Joseph Butler '10 at the library reception.

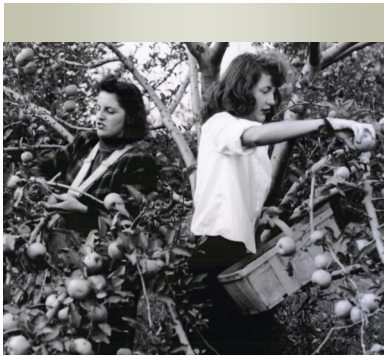


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Guests participate in the library's MLK, Jr. Reception on Monday, January 18.



Students pick apples for local farmers.



Students bring Christmas cheer to the children's home in Newark.



JAZZMAN'S CAFÉ HOURS

Sunday - Monday
5:30 - 10:00 P.M.

Tuesday - Thursday
11:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.

Friday - Saturday
CLOSED

Smooth, rich, coffee and artful baked goods set the stage at Jazzman's Cafe & Bakery. But that's just for openers! Jazzman's Cafe & Bakery offers a broad food menu that you'll find at no other specialty coffee house. Here you'll find bakery classics, all freshly prepared on site, and affordably priced.

From the Archives

Heather Lyle, University Archivist & Special Collections Librarian

Denison University has a long history of service to the community. During the labor shortages of World War II, students helped local farmers by picking produce. They also engaged in food drives and other service projects in Newark and Granville in the 1940s.

In the 1950s, the Denison Christian Association (now the Denison Community Association) raised money for local charities via its annual "Bonds of Friendship" variety show. The Phi Gamma Deltas brought some Christmas cheer (and Santa!) to the Licking County Children's Home in Newark. And, through the Deni-Service program, all Denison students had the chance to participate in area service. One such project involved helping to redevelop Blanches, a small African-American community not far from Granville.

Assistance continued during the 1960s, when Denison students gave swimming lessons to children from the Blanches community, and taught at the Newark Children's Home. Sigma Chi began a mowing project at the overgrown Old Colony Burial Ground in Granville. In 1966, Denison provided a training program for Peace Corps volunteers to learn more about physical education and coaching. Dr. Roy Seils, athletics director and Denison 1942 alum, headed the program here.

Sixties students, through DCA, worked with the American Friends Service Committee and other national or state organizations in camps designed to spread social justice and alleviate poverty. Students volunteered to register voters, rebuild struggling communities, and teach in literacy programs. They lived in cities or in rural areas of states such as Kentucky and Tennessee, helping with grass roots efforts to improve the lives of disadvantaged Americans.

Another university contribution was the Pilot Enrichment Program (PEP), which began in 1969. PEP was designed to aid students from lower-income families in expanding their educational options. Denison student and faculty volunteers ran the program.

Charles Henry was one service-oriented student who was determined to make a difference in Newark, his hometown. Henry taught a course at a Newark church, and gave American history presentations at Newark High School. He presented a program in 1969 at the city's South End Neighborhood Center, and worked in the DCA Welfare Group. Henry graduated in 1969, using his leadership skills to become the director of the Center for Black Studies here.

Jumping ahead to 1997, the Center for Service Learning began coordinating student service projects. The Center currently assists the Denison Community Association, a student-run organization that sponsors participation in a variety of service programs. Examples include building houses for Habitat for Humanity, and Breakaway, where students engage in community service during school breaks.

It's good to know that so many Denisonians have acted on their concern for others, and that this commitment is documented through text and images held by the University Archives.

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Thanks to all who contribute to this newsletter.

From the Director

Greetings, all you snowaholics. It's been a challenge to keep everything running at Doane Library 110 hours/week THIS winter, but thanks to our intrepid late shift staff and Circulation Manager, Pam Magelaner, the library has stayed open to serve the research and study needs of our students and faculty. I'd especially like to thank the ladies who drive home at midnight or 2:00 AM, no matter what the weather. They are Colleen Goodhart, Carol Miller, and Retha Murray. They show humor and grace, while making all the rest of us look good.

You'll read elsewhere in this issue about a new two-year, \$600,000 grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation to the Five Colleges of Ohio in which Denison will be a key player. Titled "Next Steps in the Next-Generation Library: Integrating Digital Collections into the Liberal Arts Curriculum," the grant will fund curriculum-based partnerships between teaching faculty and librarians. Students will participate, too, especially helping in all aspects of digitization projects. Stay tuned for the appointment of a campus committee for this grant and a call to faculty to submit Summer, 2010 project proposals.

Our new liaison librarians made it through their first semester at Denison with all flags flying. They've done a great job of getting to know their faculty and students, as well as library collections and services, and the highly consortial environment we operate in. They've also stepped up to new responsibilities within the Five Colleges of Ohio, on campus, and in professional associations and publications. We're delighted to have them with us.

As you know, the Art Department's printmaking unit moved to Cleveland Hall late last summer, and we've spent the past few months planning and restoring Level 1 to library uses, BUT, just as we were about to shift library materials down to the 1st floor to create growth space for the Learning Commons on the 2nd floor, we learned that the Information Technology Services Department needs temporary housing while Fellows Hall has its HVAC systems updated between March and August, 2010. Sooo, we'll welcome our ITS colleagues in March, 2010 for a few months of fellowship and fun here in the Library.

Some of you are aware that OhioLINK has suffered significant budget cuts recently, as well as staff departures. Though our local costs have increased as a result of the cuts, we've been able to maintain almost all content that we purchase through OhioLINK. Meanwhile, Denison has helped OhioLINK maintain as much stability as possible during a difficult time for all state-funded entities. Ohio is still "libraryland," and we'll do our best to keep it that way. As our departing OhioLINK Executive Director, Tom Sanville, says, "It's the library community in Ohio that makes OhioLINK strong, not any one individual."

I returned in late January from working in Thailand for several weeks, so I've written a short article for this newsletter about my experiences and a link to my blog of the trip is included. It's always warm in Thailand, so the current Ohio weather has been particularly annoying. I look forward to writing my next *Library Links* column when it's hot and sunny outside!



Scottie Cochrane

... from the Liaison Librarians

New Database: Digital Library of Greek Literature



by **Josh Finnell, Humanities Liaison Librarian**

The Thesaurus Linguae Graecae (TLG®) is a research center at the University of California, Irvine.

Founded in 1972 the TLG represents the first effort in the Humanities to produce a large digital corpus of literary texts. Since its inception the project has collected and digitized most texts written in Greek from Homer (8 c. B.C.) to the fall of Byzantium in AD 1453 and beyond. Its goal is to create a comprehensive digital library of Greek literature from antiquity to the present era. TLG research activities combine the traditional methodologies of philological and literary study with the most advanced features of information technology.

TLG texts became available to the scholarly community first on magnetic tapes (in the mid 1970s) and later in CD ROM format. CD ROMs A (1985), C (1988) and D (1992) were produced with technical support from the Packard Humanities Institute (PHI). In spring 2001 the TLG-team developed its own search engine and made the corpus available online. Today the Online TLG contains more than 105 million words from over 10,000 works associated with 4,000 authors and is constantly updated and improved with new features and texts. The full corpus is available to more than 2,000 subscribing institutions and thousands of individuals in 58 countries worldwide.

Featured Database in the Social Sciences: Roper Center iPoll Database

By **Roger Kosson, Social Sciences Liaison Librarian**

Public opinion data can be useful for research and assignments in a wide variety of disciplines, and the iPoll database is a great resource for United States public opinion data.

Through Denison's subscription to the iPoll, which is sponsored by the Roper Center for Public Opinion Research at the University of Connecticut, users can locate and examine responses to questions asked on national surveys on a wide range of topics over many years. In fact, some of the surveys date from the 1930s.

The database can be searched by subject, keyword/phrase, polling organization and date, allowing users to sift through hundreds of thousands of poll questions. For each item retrieved, iPOLL displays the complete question text and the percentage of the public giving each response.

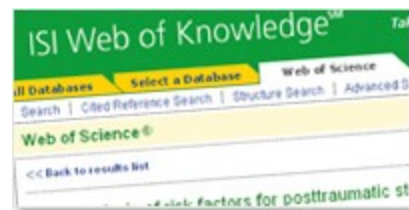
Most of the major survey research organizations that have done work in the areas of social and political research in the United States are represented in iPOLL. Among them are The Gallup Organization, The Roper Organization, Louis Harris and Associates, the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago, ABC News, CBS News, NBC News, the Los Angeles Times, The New York Times, USA Today, The Washington Post and the Associated Press, to name just a few.

Database News and Updates

Moriana Garcia, Natural Sciences Liaison Librarian

The access to *Web of Science (WOS)*, a multidisciplinary citation database included in the *Web of Knowledge* package, was put on a statewide trial last semester by OhioLINK. As part of the evaluation process, *WOS* was compared with a rival product, Elsevier's *Scopus*. *WOS*, previously known as *ISI Citation Databases*, is the brain-child of Eugene Garfield, a chemist turned librarian, who introduced the concept of citation indexes to the sciences during in 1950s. Citation indexes provide links between citing and cited articles that are constantly updated. By following citations, researchers can follow the evolution and branching out of ideas in related topics, increasing the chance of a serendipitous discovery.

The *ISI Citation Databases* were acquired in 1992 by Thomson Reuters and re-branded *WOS*. Thomson also acquired another of Garfield's products, the *Journal Citation Reports (JCR)*, a database that ranks journals according to their impact factor. Journal impact factors are used to evaluate journal performance based on the average number of times articles from the journal published in the past two years have been cited in the current year. Ideally, a high impact factor should reflect a high quality journal. The tool is also used to quickly evaluate author performance, a widespread practice that has received numerous criticisms in recent years. *Scopus* was the first database to challenge *WOS*'s supremacy. It was launched by Elsevier in 2004 after a process that enlisted 21 libraries all around the world as development partners. It indexes more publications than *WOS*, but includes citations only from 1996 forward. During the trial between *WOS* and *Scopus*, Denison's community opinions were divided, with an almost equal number of users in favor of each one. At the end of the trial, the OhioLINK review team opted for recommending Thomson's product under a new offer, which included additional resources and a renegotiated contract. The team also recommended a study of the feasibility of adding *Scopus* as a new database to the OhioLINK subscription in the future. For Denison this means that *WOS* continues to be available, but pumped-up with *Conference Proceedings*. As a perk, we now have access to *Derwent Innovations Index* (with patent information), *MEDLINE* and the controversial *JCR* in *Web of Knowledge*, plus more coverage for *BIOSIS*. A "happy ending" if I know one...Thank you OhioLINK!



Displays Spring 2010

Lareese Hall, Fine Arts Liaison Librarian

When you visit the library this spring be sure to visit our constantly changing displays. A display in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was the first featured in the cases outside of the main library offices on the third floor. Over the next few months the display cases on the third floor will feature material related to women's history (March) and food/sustainability (April). In addition, the display cases on the fifth floor (between the Fine Arts and Music Reading Rooms) will feature a display highlighting our collection of comics and graphic novels.

You may notice that we feature music and videos in our displays. Denison's music and video collections (searchable in the catalog and stored behind circulation) continue to grow and feature current and classic films and music. Can't find something? Just ask us!



Strategic Planning Update

Peggy Rector,
Planning Committee Chair

The staff members of the Denison Libraries are continuing 10 years of strategic planning with the revision of the Mission and Vision and the creation of a Values Statement.

The 2010-2013 library goals have been written to reflect the "Standards for Libraries in Higher Education" of the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) which is a section of the American Library Association. In order to act on the goals the Planning Committee initiated a brief but valuable survey of users. The survey was available on myDenison and in the library (printed on recycled paper). Information gathered via this survey will inform the planning committee in providing the activities and operations that the users feel are most important.

If you missed the opportunity to complete the survey and wish to provide input on the planning process, please contact Peggy Rector (rector@denison.edu, x6225) or any of the Planning Committee members:

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Denison's Work with Academic Libraries in Thailand Continues



Class-workshop at Srinakharinwirot University, President and Nongnath next to Scottie Cochrane

With assistance from a grant from the Carolyn Craig Franklin, '41 Endowment, in late December and January I was privileged to continue the work I began in 2007 with academic librarians and libraries in Thailand. The original project was funded by a Fulbright Senior Specialist grant from January-March, 2007. The first follow-up to that visit came in October, 2007, when twelve Thai academic librarians visited Ohio for a study tour to see first-hand how we manage the extraordinarily high level of library collaboration we achieve here. At that time, Srichan Chancheewa, Director of Libraries at Thammasat University in Bangkok, asked me to come back to Thailand in early 2010 to conduct a workshop on library cooperation. Thanks to Thammasat, where the workshop was organized and conducted, and to Srinakharinwirot University, where I made my home once again, I experienced yet another rewarding and fulfilling experience. I believe my visit also advanced the cause of library cooperation among Thai academic libraries.

The January 7-8, 2010 workshop at Thammasat attracted about 75 librarians from public and private universities all over Thailand. My keynote addresses, titled "Library Collaboration: Why and How?" and "Library Collaboration: the Ohio-LINK Experience," were followed by presentations by Thai colleagues. Their presentations included topics such as next steps in Thai library collaboration, open source resources for collaboration, PULINET (Provincial University Library Network) activities, the private universities' point of view on



Chulalongkorn library media center

library collaboration, and OCLC WorldCAT Local. The latter session included a presentation by Andrew Wang, OCLC Vice President Asia Pacific. It was one of those "it's a small world" moments, because Andrew announced that he had worked at Denison's Library for seven years as Deputy Director in the 1970s! At the end of the two days, it was very clear to me that Thai librarians are moving forward in their efforts to improve services and resources for their users through cooperation. Hallelujah!

In addition to the workshop at Thammasat, I also gave presentations on 21st century re- search in library science at Srinak- harinwirot University (SWU) and at Chulalongkorn University's Center of Academic Resources-CAR (the main library). This was my first visit to "Chula," as everyone there calls Thailand's oldest and most prestigious university. I especially enjoyed meeting Chula's Director of CAR, Dr. Pimrumpai Premssmit, who studied at Simmons College's Graduate School of Library and Information Science in Boston under my old friend, Dr. Robert Stueart.



Chulalongkorn workshop traditional exchange of gifts

From January 13-15, I attended a conference at Burapha University- Chanthaburi Campus regarding Thailand's Inter-University Net- work (UniNET). UniNET is the Thai equivalent to Ohio's OARnet. The conference emphasized service and technical infra- structure for all public institutions of higher education in Thailand, with support for libraries as a key topic.

Ajarn (teacher) Nongnath Chairat was once again my hostess at SWU, and we took up right where we left off in 2007. Nongnath is the Director of Libraries at SWU, in addition to being a professor in the library science program, a department in the Faculty of Humanities. Like Denison in 2000-2003, the SWU campus is currently suffering the construction of a much- needed underground parking garage. The beautiful, tree-lined football (soccer) field that was formerly in the middle of the SWU campus is temporarily gone, while the garage is being built, but it will return once construction ends. Given SWU's location in the heart of Bangkok, a city of 12 million people, there is a grave need for parking on campus. Nevertheless, I missed the sight of grass, big trees, and children playing right in the middle of a busy Bang- kok neighborhood. I look forward to seeing the campus when construction is over.

I also enjoyed trips hosted by my Thammasat colleagues, first to Bangkok's Ancient City <http://www.ancientcity.com/?q=en/index> and later a weekend in Nakhon Ratchasima (Korat) Province. If you'd like to see photos and read a bit more about my trip, you can find those at my blog: <http://thailand-2009-cochrane-middleman.blogspot.com/>



Chulalongkorn University workshop-a lively coffee break

Library honors student employ- ees

It is time, once again, for the graduating senior student employees of the library to choose one book each which they have found to be valuable in their education at Denison. Once the book is selected a bookplate bearing the student's name and photo will be placed in the front of the book. This pro- gram is in its 9th year. Look for the photographs in the April newsletter.

Staff members also held an annual holiday party and potluck for the Library stu- dent employees on Decem- ber 4, 2009. The "event is held annually to acknowl- edge the hard work and dedication of the library's student employees. Our students also received final exam "goody bags" from the library staff. These small gifts, including studying sup- plies and food, are another way to honor the students who play such a vital role in the daily operation of the library. The time clocked by student employees in the library is equal to just over 13 FTE (full-time equivalent) staff members. Student em- ployees play a vital role in the library which could not offer all of the services avail- able without their help.

Annual Edible Book Festival to be held April 1

Do you enjoy cooking? Are you an artist? Combine the two and create an edible masterpiece for the Edible Book Festival.

Trophies will be awarded for 1) Most "Bookish", 2) Most Creative, 3) Best Presentation, and 4) Best of Show. A new trophy has been added this year to incorporate the Denison theme of consumption.

Watch for further details on the library home page <http://www.denison.edu/library>

Events at YOUR LIBRARY !

DISPLAYS TO HONOR

- Black History Month – February
- Women's History Month – March
- Food and Sustainability – April

CELEBRATIONS

- Edible Books Festival – April 1
- Library Week – April 11 – 17

FOOD FOR ALL

FOOD FOR FINES - Donate food for the Shelter and reduce overdue fines

MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT !!

- A cappella groups' concert dates are as follows:
Thursday, February 25, 2010 Hilltoppers
Thursday, March 25, 2010 Du Wop
Thursday, April 8, 2010 Ladies' Night Out
To be announced Tehillah

New Course Reserves Library Associate III Welcomed

By Pam Magelaner, Circulation Supervisor

"My first impression of Denison was completely positive. The beauty of the campus aside, I found Denison to be a wonderful hub of learning for students, faculty, and staff alike. You cannot go a day without seeing or learning about some new opportunity to expand your mind or gain a new experience. As I have slowly settled into the Denison library family, I am repeatedly humbled by the camaraderie and the library staff's almost-instinctual desire to form positive human relationships", says Kristen Pantle.

Kristen joined the Library staff in November as Course Reserves Specialist and we are so pleased she made that decision! She comes to us with a Bachelor's Degree in Physical Anthropology from the University of Pittsburgh and a Master's Degree from Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus, both of which demonstrate her passion



Kristen Pantle

for learning. She also enjoys writing, exercising, nature, wine-tasting and watching television. She and her husband make their home in Columbus with four cats.

And what is she reading right now? "Blood and Belief: the Circulation of a Symbol Between Jews and Christians" by David Biale and "Start Where You Are" by Pema Chodron.

Staff Notes

Josh Finnell, Humanities Liaison Librarian, has an article appearing in the spring 2010 issue of *Reference & Users Services Quarterly*, Vol. 49, no. 2, 280-288, entitled, "Reference Question Data Mining: A Systematic Approach to Library Outreach." He has also been selected as a copy editor for the "Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy."