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# MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN



The Wayne State University Library System reaffirmed our commitment to you through our Just For You campaign this year. Our goal is to provide resources from anywhere at any time that will answer information questions and

satisfy the needs of our patrons. In order to do this, we launched several new services and redesigned and enhanced others in an effort to bring quality services to our clients.

The Technology Resource Center (TRC) opened in September in the renovated east wing of the Purdy Library. The TRC is a convenient and friendly place for faculty and instructors to design and develop instructional experiences for the classroom and online teaching environments. Partners in this innovative new center include: Office for Teaching & Learning, Computing and Information Technology and Library Computing and Media Services.

In October, the Information Services librarians

launched "Librarians on Location," creating a reference and assistance "outpost" in Old Main. By turning a former equipment closet into a mini-computer room with reference assistance available during the busiest hours at Old Main, librarians were there when they were needed-- close to the action and able to assist within a moments notice.

*A library is the delivery room for the birth of ideas, a place where history comes to life.*

*- Norman Cousins*

Two "Conversations with Authors" programs were held in conjunction with the Irwin T. and Shirley Holtzman Special Collection for Contemporary American Literature. Authors Stanley Crouch and Charles Johnson provided excellent commentary on their writings, and gave audience members the opportunity to hear first hand how contemporary American literature is created and analyzed.

Librarians at the Shiffman Medical Library began the grant project, Michigan GoLocal, creating a Web site containing community health information and how to locate health

information and services in Michigan. This project is providing much needed assistance to those who need to find health services and resources in their communities.

In the second year of our three-year Institute for Museum and Library Services grant to train librarians for the 21st century, the cohort of 20 students are still actively engaged in a training program for new information professionals for the next generation of libraries. These students are now spending time with our partner institutions, digitizing materials and understanding how to make the images available and easily accessible to everyone. Through the students' work, images and video shots of historical toys are now available through the Internet, bringing life to these hidden treasures.

These are just a few highlights of the activities that we were engaged in last year. Many more activities, news, events and programs are covered in this report. We are responding just for you and will continue to bring you the best resources for your needs!

# ACCESS TO NEW *RESOURCES* AND *SERVICES*

## TECHNOLOGY RESOURCE CENTER OPENING

After extensive renovations in the Purdy/Kresge Library, the Technology Resource Center (TRC) opened in early September with a Welcome Back Week grand opening ceremony. Established by Provost Nancy Barrett, the TRC is designed to help faculty, graduate students, academic support staff, instructional designers and others who help teach classes effectively use technology in support of learner-centered instruction. The team effort by staff in the Office for Teaching and Learning, Computing & Information Technology and the Library System has brought together comprehensive support services and resources for faculty and instructors in a comfortable and inviting setting.

The TRC revived 7,000 square feet of the Purdy/Kresge Library. The new facilities include a walk-in help desk, small library area, development lab, large instructional lab with new computer equipment, video editing suites and conference rooms with video conferencing capability.

## LIBRARIANS ON LOCATION

In October, Old Main was the first place on campus to host Librarians on Location, a service offered by librarians to perform reference services outside of the libraries. The room is equipped with eight computers and a librarian is available to assist students, faculty and staff with their research needs. Students and faculty that have classes in Old Main, or cannot make it to one of the five main libraries, can consult with librarians that are onsite to assist in finding information to support their projects and assignments.

## MICHIGAN GO LOCAL

The Shiffman Medical Library has partnered with the National Library of Medicine to develop Michigan Go Local, a comprehensive database of health services that will assist Michigan residents in locating health services in their communities. Michigan Go Local will be linked to MedlinePlus, the National Library of Medicine's resource for authoritative consumer health information. Shiffman staff has been identifying health programs and services in Michi-

gan and entering them into the database hosted by the National Library of Medicine. Michigan Go Local will become available in late 2006.

## LEGAL WRITING AND RESEARCH LIBRARY WORKSHOP MODULES

Thanks to a 2005 Innovative Instructional Technology Faculty Grant, librarians at the Arthur Neef Law Library are developing a set of Legal Writing and Research Library Workshop Modules. These interactive tutorials will provide a simulated one-on-one introduction to the legal research materials introduced in the Legal Writing and Research class for which librarians currently provide supplemental, hands-on instruction within the library.

The modules are intended to provide further support to first-year students as they learn about the resources for legal research. In the past, students have sought more individualized introductions to the materials than has been impossible given present staffing levels. The modules will use several computer programs including Camtasia, which allow voice-over presentations and snapshots from

relevant resources that will make the pages of statutes and case digests come alive!

The law librarians will collaborate with the Wayne State LIS Program students and Instructional Technology majors from the College of Education to animate the materials for the tutorials.

In addition to law students, hundreds of students across campus will be able to receive an introduction to legal materials using the modules. Professors in the Schools of Business College of Education and the LIS and Criminal Justice Programs teach courses each year that require a basic understanding of legal materials necessary for making policy analysis, entering negotiations, and providing library assistance. The modules should be completed and ready to use for fall 2006.

#### MEDICAL LIBRARY SERVICES FOR DETROIT RECEIVING HOSPITAL

The Shiffman Medical Library began developing and delivering library services to the Detroit Receiving Hospital, Harper Hospital and Hutzel Women's Hospital. This collabo-

ration improved information services and increased training facilities for the Detroit Medical Center's quality and customer service initiatives, increased educational programs for residents and lowered overall costs. New approaches include clinical decision-making support programs for mobile devices through the "Shiffman Library to Go," DVDs for licensing preparation, and informatics training programs supporting new national residency competency requirements.



KRISTYN MELUCCI  
*Undergraduate Student,  
Occupational Therapy*

*"I like being able to search the journals and databases by subject area. This is a really simple way to narrow down my search while at the same time providing me with a wide variety of information so I know I'll be able to find what I need."*



## EVENTS

### CONVERSATIONS WITH AUTHORS

In April, the Library System held its first “Conversations With Authors” event at the David Adamany Undergraduate Library. The inaugural discussion featured noted critic and author Stanley Crouch. Perhaps best known his novel “Don’t the Moon Look Lonesome?” and for his criticism of jazz music, Crouch has written articles for the New York Daily News and for magazines such as New Yorker, The New Republic and Esquire.

Crouch lead a discussion about some of the authors represented in the Irwin T. and Shirley Holtzman Special Collection of Contemporary American and English Literature. Crouch’s first-hand experiences with authors like Saul Bellow, Ralph Ellison, Charles Johnson and others gave new insight and perspectives on the work of these literary giants.

A dedication program to recognize the new collection given to the Library System by the Holtzmans concluded the program, including remarks from Provost Nancy Barrett, the Director of the Detroit Public Library System, Nancy Skowronski, and Dean Yee.



Mr. Holtzman was presented with a plaque noting the dedication date and its purpose as “donated to the Wayne State University Library System to form a cooperative arrangement with the Detroit Public Library System.” The Holtzman collection numbers in excess of 1,300 books, periodicals, audio cassettes, videos and original drawings. The Holtzman collection is on display in the Special Collections Room of the Undergraduate Library.

In October, “Conversations With Authors” hosted African-American novelist, essayist and cartoonist, Charles Johnson. Johnson lead a panel of campus and community speakers to discuss other authors as well as his own literary works. He also participated

in a book signing session at the end of the program.

Johnson first came to distinction in the 1960s as a political cartoonist, a time when he was also involved in radical politics. Johnson’s first novel, “Faith and the Good Thing” was published in 1974. In 1990, he was awarded the National Book Award for “Middle Passage”. Johnson is currently the Pollock Professor in Humanities at the University of Washington, is a MacArthur Fellow and the recipient of a Guggenheim Fellowship. In 2003 he published “Turning the Wheel,” a collection of essays about his experiences as an African-American Buddhist.



# EVENTS

## CAMERON LECTURE SERIES- ADVOCACY: IT'S EVERYONE'S BUSINESS

The Library System and the Library and Information Science Program held its first lecture in the Jane R. Cameron Lecture Series: Libraries and the Political Process last September at the David Adamany Undergraduate Library.

The lecture entitled "Advocacy: It's Everyone's Business" featured former South Carolina State Librarian James Johnson with comments by Michigan Deputy State Treasurer Cynthia Faulhaber. The lecture concentrated on strategies to enhance the economic impact of libraries in Michigan.

The Jane R. Cameron Lecture Series was created in 2004 when James Cameron honored the Library and Information Science Program with a \$100,000 gift in memory of his wife. The gift now funds an endowed speaker series that is held biennially.



## OZ COMES TO THE WAYNE STATE LIBRARIES FOR NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

In celebration of the American Library Association's (ALA) National Library Week, April 10 through 16, the Library System hosted an exhibit and film showing that exemplified the 2005 National Library Week theme: "Something for Everyone." As a well-known book and film, "The Wizard of Oz" has delighted young and old alike over the years.

The exhibit was on display in the atrium of the David Adamany Undergraduate Library throughout the month of April and shared information about the author, L. Frank Baum, the story of Oz and the 1939 film starring Judy Garland.

First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the ALA and libraries across the country each April. It is a time to celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians and to promote library use and support. All types of libraries – school, public, academic and special – participate.

## AUTHOR DISCUSSES LITTLE-KNOWN AFRICAN-AMERICAN CLASSICAL SCHOLAR AT PRESENTATION AND BOOK SIGNING

Michele Valerie Ronnick, associate professor of Greek and Latin at Wayne State University, discovered a rare, never-before-published manuscript nearly eight years ago. She edited "The Autobiography of William Sanders Scarborough: An American Journey from

Slavery to Scholarship” (Wayne State University Press, 2005), and rescued Scarborough’s story from obscurity.

In February, Ronnick gave a presentation and signed copies of her critically acclaimed book at the Undergraduate Library. In honor of Black History Month, Ronnick also set up a photographic display of African-American notable figures.

This compelling autobiography traces Scarborough’s journey from slavery in Macon, Ga., through his prolific scholarly career that culminated with his presidency of Wilberforce University in Ohio. Ronnick makes Scarborough’s long-neglected and inspiring narrative come alive through an exploration of a wide variety of sources such as census records, church registries, period newspapers and military and university records.



*“The Ask-a-Librarian service has been wonderful! I’ve gotten immediate and extremely helpful advice via e-mail and on-line chat.”*

SUZANNE HILGENDORF  
Assistant Professor of German,  
German & Slavic Studies



# NEW FACULTY

## NEW FACULTY APPOINTED TO WAYNE STATE LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE PROGRAM

The Wayne State University Library and Information Science Program appointed five new faculty members in 2005:



**Bin Li** joined the faculty in the Information Science area. She received her PhD in Library and Information Science from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where her dissertation focused on "The Social Construction of Web Appropriation and Use in American Libraries: An Interpretive and Longitudinal Approach."



**Marcia Mardis** has extensive experience as a school library media specialist, assistant principal at schools in Michigan and Texas, project director of the Michigan Teacher Network, research scientist at the University of Michigan and lecturer at the College of Education at Eastern Michigan University. She has presented at conferences in the United States, Europe and Australia. Mardis is the principal investigator or co-principal investigator on three current and two concluded National Science Foundation grants. She is also the 2004-2005 winner of the Margaret Hayes Grazier Award for Service to the School Library Media Profession.

**Anaclare Evans** joins the LIS Program as a visiting faculty member, bringing expertise in the area of technical services. Evans has over 40 years of experience in the Wayne State University Libraries where she has had assignments at the Shiffman Medical Library in reference, serials and cataloging, in the University Libraries Technical Services Department, where she coordinated database management activities, and most recently, as a systems librarian for the Detroit Area Library Network.





Recent Library and Information Science graduate **Jan Utz** returned to the program as a faculty member. Utz's expertise is in the area of information science and she teaches LIS 6080, Information Technology and LIS 8410, Productivity Tools for Library and Information Science Professionals.

In addition to teaching, Utz also serves as the Library and Information Science Program Webmaster. She serves on the Staff Development and Recognition Council and is also Webmaster and Documents Librarian for the committee working on the reaccreditation of the university that will take place in February 2007.

**Howard Rodriguez** came to the Wayne State LIS Program from the Florida State University (FSU) College of Information. Currently working on his PhD, he received his master's in science from FSU and his MLIS from the Universidad Interamericana de Puerto Rico. Rodriguez is the author of numerous library publications and has presented at conferences across the United States. He has instructed several workshops on reference and customer service as well Microsoft PowerPoint, Excel, Outlook and Project.



# NEW LIBRARIANS

## NEW LIBRARIANS BRING EXPERIENCES TO WAYNE STATE

**Matthew Martin** was hired as the Digital Projects Librarian, part of Library Computing and Media Services. Martin focuses on digitizing the collections of libraries and museums in southeast Michigan. He mentors Institute of Museum and Library Services grant recipients in the Wayne State LIS Program in the areas of digitization and Web delivery. In addition, Martin has a background in photography and fine art and owns an art gallery in Detroit.





Judith Arnold joined the Library System last August as an Information Services Librarian III. Arnold provides library instruction, reference and research support, with liaison responsibilities for Women's Studies, Religion, Philosophy and Classics. She also serves as Instruction Coordinator for the Undergraduate Library. Before coming to Wayne State, Arnold was Reference and Extension Services Librarian at Marshall University in Huntington, W. Va. She has also worked as a librarian at Western Michigan University and St. Xavier University in Chicago, Ill.



*"As a busy student using the electronic reserves for my Honors 2000 course and the Math Lab in the Science and Engineering Library is so convenient!"*

EMILY YOUNG  
Undergraduate Student,  
Accounting Major

# *G*RANTS, *A*WARDS AND *H*ONORS

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## DISTINGUISHED PROFESSIONALS HONORED BY LIS PROGRAM

The Library and Information Science Program selected Robert Raz, and Carole Callard to receive 2004/2005 Distinguished Service Awards.

Robert Raz has been active in the ALA, the Michigan Library Association (MLA), served on the Library of Michigan Board of Trustees, the Grand Rapids Area Council for the Humanities and has taught part-time for the Library and Information Science Program at Wayne State.

His nomination credited Raz with mentoring and teaching the next generation of librarians, serving as a role model for others and furthering the state of librarianship in Michigan. From 1979 until his retirement in 2004, Raz was the director of the Grand Rapids Public Library. Previous to that position, he served as the director of the Willard Public Library in Battle Creek and he also worked at the Library of Michigan.

Carole Callard was a Genealogy Librarian for Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Ind., and a Federal Depository Library Inspector for the United States Government Printing Office. She has created and taught the genealogy course offered by the Wayne State Library and Information Science Program.

Callard compiled the Michigan 1870 Census Index and was the compiler for the Michigan Cemetery Sourcebook and the Michigan Cemetery Atlas. She is a member of the ALA, the MLA and various genealogy societies. Callard has been a leader in state, regional and national professional library associations. She was the first endowed chair librarian in Michigan and was awarded the prestigious Filby prize for genealogical librarianship in 2003.



# GRANTS, AWARDS AND HONORS



## EDUCATING LIBRARIANS FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

In 2004, the Library System received a \$743,286 grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Science (IMLS) to recruit and train librarians in the field of digital librarianship. Students selected to participate in this program are from traditionally underrepresented groups.

The IMLS grant provided twenty individuals from underrepresented groups with financial aid to attend the Wayne State Library and Information Science Program. Senior librarians mentor the recruits in the fields of sys-

tems, digital project development, metadata, digital archives and museum management.

From 2005 up to the present, the students participating in the program are rotating each semester to the various partner institutions (Michigan State University Libraries, Detroit Historical Museums, the Detroit Public Library and the Reuther Archives). They are working on such projects as: digitizing pieces from the WSU art collection and producing Detroit Plays, an online toy exhibit encompassing over 5,000 objects from the last century from the Detroit Historical Museums.

## GARY PRICE HONORED WITH DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD

The Wayne State University Library and Information Science Program selected Gary Price as its 2004/2005 Distinguished Alumnus of the Year.

“Gary Price is a much sought after speaker and consultant, and we hope to get him to return to Wayne State to teach the librarians of the 21st Century,” said Joseph J. Mika,

director of the Library and Information Science Program.

Price was the unanimous choice of the committee because of his stature as a leading figure in information technology. Formerly a reference librarian at George Washington University, Price is now a consultant. He publishes Price's *List of Lists*, and is responsible for Direct Search, the first Web site to focus on “the invisible Web,” the part of the Internet that is private and not accessible to search engines such as Google. He regularly contributes to *Fast Facts*, *Speech and Transcript Center*, *News Center*, *Audio/Video News on the World Wide Web*, *Congressional Research Service Reports*, *Virtual Acquisition Shelf and News Desk*. His daily electronic newsletter *The ResourceShelf* covers news and other resources of interest to the online searcher.

Price is a faculty member of WebSearch University. In 2002 he was recognized as one of the “Top Librarian Personalities on the Web”

and was highlighted in *Searcher Magazine*. The Special Libraries Association has recognized Gary with their “Innovations in Tech-

nology Award” and the “Agnes Henbry Roll of Honor Award” by the News Division.

### **\$150,000 GRANT ALLOWS EXPANDED ACCESS TO DIGITAL COLLECTIONS**

The Library System was awarded one of ten 2005 Digitization for Preservation and Access grants from the Library of Michigan totaling \$150,000. These grants represent a statewide effort to digitize valuable and significant local and state-related information held in Michigan libraries.

The funds from the grant will be used to further develop the Virtual Motor City photo collection, an online resource already containing more than 15,000 digitized images from the Detroit News Collection, a photo-journalistic resource held at the Reuther Library. Donated to Wayne State in 1997, the full collection consists of more than 800,000 photonegative images, many of them on vintage glass plate. The Detroit News was a pioneer in the use of photojournalism equipment and techniques, which gives many of the early images recorded on glass and film additional historical significance. The collec-

tion is the largest single collection of graphic images of any kind at the Reuther Library.

“Virtual Motor City is an outstanding resource that depicts countless significant events from times past,” said Sandra Yee, dean of the Library System. “This grant will allow us to make significant strides in digitizing more of this collection so that everyone can experience these important moments in history.”



CAESAR MICKENS, JR.  
*Adjunct Faculty,  
Instructional Technology*

*“The library facilities at Wayne State provide me with a nice, quiet place to think and develop idea”*



# STATISTICS

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	2004	2005
Volumes held	3,348,242	3,383,826
Total serials received	20,940	22,606
Film and video	26,643	28,023
Number of electronic books	23,727	45,312
Electronic Journals purchased	14,160	16,109
Virtual reference transactions	1,230	2,043
Size (in megabytes) of library's digital collections	2,600	18,000

# DONOR PROFILES



## PAULETTE GROEN GIVES BACK TO LIBRARY SYSTEM AND LIS PROGRAM

For Paulette Groen, the road to librarianship took a few twists before she reached her final destination. Now, years later, Groen has enjoyed a successful career as a librarian and has chosen to give back to the program that propelled her into the profession that she loves with a substantial gift to the Library System.

in 2005, Groen and her husband David became the Library System's newest members of the Anthony Wayne Society, the university's most prestigious donor society.

After graduating from Wayne State with her bachelor's degree in Latin and English, Groen took a teaching position with Livonia Public Schools, where she taught English, Latin and Journalism. While helping her English students research a paper at the library, she was taken aside by the head of the library, Fred Pfister, who asked if she had ever considered becoming a librarian. "Curiously enough, I did apply for a position at the Detroit Public Library while I was in high school but there were no openings at the time," said Groen. "So, instead, a wonderful young adult librarian named Emmy Lou Wilson took me under her wing and guided my reading and got me involved in library activities.

"I still think of her often—she may be surprised to know that!"

Because of Pfister's encouragement, Groen took a hiatus from her master's program in the classics at Wayne State and decided to give the introductory library science class a try. "I met Dr. Bob Booth and the other faculty and I was hooked," she said.

She completed the program in 1972 and, after practicing librarianship in several areas, is now the senior librarian at the Visteon Corporation. Groen has been active in the Michigan chapter of the Special Libraries Association for over 25 years, including serving as chapter president for two separate terms. She also served on the Library and Information Science Alumni Association Board both as a member and as president.

Keeping the needs of the LIS Program and Library System in mind, Groen and her husband decided to make a contribution that will benefit the Library System and the LIS Program "We believe in giving back to the community where we lived and learned," she said.

Groen serves as a leadership volunteer on the LIS Program fundraising team and, through her role on the Library System Board of Visitors, is helping to raise funds for the Endowed Professorship in 21st Century Librarianship. "We are so grateful to Paulette and David for their gift to the Library System," said Dean Yee. "Paulette is a wonderful role model for future librarians and the profession as a whole."



### DONALD ROSS DONATES ART BOOK COLLECTION

In November, the Library System was honored to dedicate the Marilyn Burnett Ross Art Information Resource Collection. This collection was given to the university by Donald Ross in memory of his wife, Marilyn Burnett Ross. Mrs. Ross earned her bachelor's degree in art education at Wayne State in 1951. The collection consists of printed materials on art and art education with an emphasis on Asian art. This collection is being transferred to the Library System in stages which began with the donation of 300 volumes in 2005. This gift will serve as a valuable and important information resource for our students, faculty and community.

### NEW LIBRARY EDUCATION PROGRAM BEGINS THANKS TO GIFT FROM CYNTHIA FAULHABER

Friend of the Library and Information Science Program, Cynthia Faulhaber, has donated \$25,000 to begin a program called LEAD, Library Education for Administrators and Directors. This gift was matched by a donation of \$15,000 from the H.W. Wilson Foundation to commence the series.

The LEAD program will be an education series targeted at directors, administrators and library board members in Class I, II and III Libraries in Michigan. The program will provide training in the fundamentals of librarianship and management for individuals currently working in Michigan's smaller libraries or that are headed by individuals who would not normally pursue the master's degree in Library and Information Science.

Instructional unit modules will be created and delivered over the Web to participants with some sessions held at local cooperatives or state conferences. The Wayne State LIS Program will serve as the lead institution and work closely with the Library of Michigan to provide the instruction needed for participants to obtain library administration certification.



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