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The Owl

"The Owl of Minerva takes flight only as the dusk begins to fall." — Hegel

The Wait Is Over! **New Wing Construction Is Underway**

*By David Horvath, Media and Current Periodicals &
Diane Nichols, Director Ekstrom Library*

Reality! The view from the west windows of the Ekstrom Library is looking like a real construction site. Now that the sad sight of huge, old trees disappearing fades, we can begin to visualize what is coming in our new front yard as the expansion starts to take shape. Twenty-five years ago we designed a library around a tulip poplar — today we're beginning to move over its footprint.

Initially, the design of the new wing suggested enclosing the tulip poplar with a courtyard; however, that plan was not feasible due to the site limitations as well as the poor health of the tree. A certified arborist assessed the tree and indicated that the tulip poplar was "...an over-mature specimen ... (with) significant decay" which would not survive the construction process necessary to enclose it. We are currently considering

ideas for memorializing the tree within the new wing and how the wood of this tree might be used.

So after years of brainstorming and planning, we are more than ready! Phase I of the project has begun. The "400-day" construction clock is ticking! Occupancy is slated for September, 2005.

The new wing will include the following major features:

- **A new main entrance oriented to the emerging "west"**
- **The Robotic Retrieval System which will hold 1.2 million volumes, allowing for collection expansion and saving shelf space**
- **A new Circulation Desk and workspace for Reserves and Interlibrary Loan**
- **Relocated Office of Libraries Technology (OLT) featuring secure, state-of-the-art spaces for servers and technology management**



- A 156-seat auditorium
- Three additional instructional labs
- Several conference rooms and seminar rooms
- Café and after-hours study area
- Exhibit spaces
- Public seating and reading areas
- The McConnell Center for Political Leadership

One of first things to happen will be the demolition of the west stairwell. The existing stairwell will be permanently blocked off. Additional temporary walls will go up as further demolition of existing spaces happens.

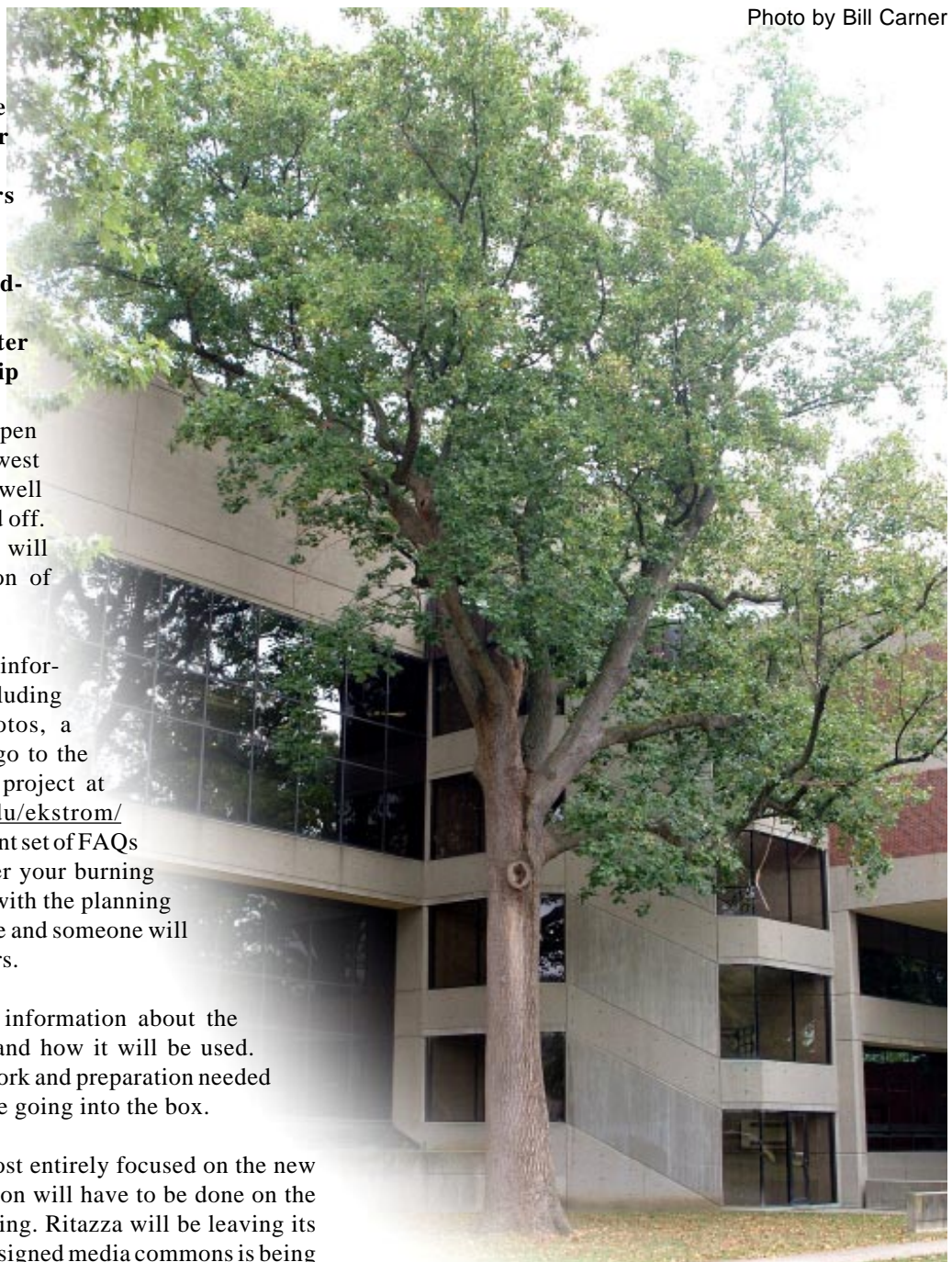
For lots of “nuts-and-bolts” information about the project including construction progress photos, a timetable and other news, go to the website for the new wing project at <http://library.louisville.edu/ekstrom/building/>. There’s an excellent set of FAQs on the page that will answer your burning questions. Or, get in touch with the planning team via the link on that page and someone will get back to you with answers.

The website also includes information about the Robotic Retrieval System and how it will be used. There will be a lot of team work and preparation needed for the collections which are going into the box.

Phase I construction is almost entirely focused on the new building, but some renovation will have to be done on the first floor of the main building. Ritazza will be leaving its current location. A newly designed media commons is being planned for the space which is currently Circulation and ILL. This area will include a new service point near the east entrance, laptop and media circulation, and a planned public viewing area featuring wireless audio and a large split screen showing a variety of television and movie selections, CNN, C-SPAN, etc.

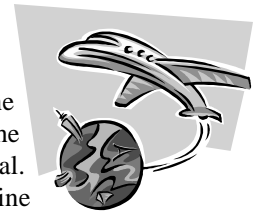
The current Reference Service point will also require partial renovation at the same time.

We are also planning for the integration of the Kersey Library which will take place shortly after the New Wing is



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From the Dean of Libraries . . .



The past two months have been very busy for all of us in the libraries, including myself.

Diane Nichols, Neal Nixon and I worked with Human Resources to add an information piece about the libraries to the New Faculty Orientation sessions, held in July and August.

By invitation I attended a diversity recruitment meeting sponsored by KYVL (Kentucky Virtual Library) in Frankfort. A Task Force for Recruitment and Diversity has been formed and Latisha Reynolds will be our representative to that group.

The SAALCK (State-Assisted Academic Library Council of Kentucky) met on July 9 and August 12. Issues under discussion were: finalizing the SAALCK consortium details including the duties of the new Executive Director; working out details with major vendors such as Elsevier, Wiley and Naxos; issues related to KYVL; salary surveys; and future workshops.

On July 6 Michael Bowles began his work with us as the Libraries' new Development Officer. His office is located within the Dean's Office, Ekstrom Library 203. Michael has extensive fund-raising experience, which includes his tenure with the Louisville Free Public Library. Michael had his first meeting with the Library Associates Board on July 14. The Board is updating its bylaws and investigating ways to help the Libraries with fundraising.

The Faculty Senate voted recently to reinstate tenure eligibility for library faculty who were hired after tenure eligibility

was removed ten years ago. The Senate proposal will now go to the Board of Trustees for final approval. Many thanks go to Professor Elaine Wise, chair of the Faculty Senate Committee on Libraries, who worked most diligently on this effort on behalf of the library faculty. A library faculty group is preparing procedures for future tenure reviews.

The Student Government Association (SGA), under the direction of President Ryan McKinley, recently purchased approximately 500 DVDs of feature films, which will circulate. SGA is also planning to purchase some furnishings for the Student Lounge.

Our annual staff dinner event, organized most successfully by Jessie Roth, was held at the Owsley Frazier Historical Arms Museum on August 6. More than 140 persons attended and enjoyed viewing the many interesting exhibits.

Eight of our library faculty members participated in the LAMA (Library Administration and Management Association) Conference on the 21st Century Organizational Effectiveness held at Northern Kentucky University on August 13.

I was recently elected to be the Information Officer of the newly formed Information Literacy Section of IFLA (International Federation of Library Associations). I attended our first meeting in Buenos Aires from August 22-27, where the Section sponsored a variety of programs.

— *Hannelore Rader, Dean of University Libraries*

New Wing *(continued from page 2)*

opened. The existing Current Periodicals area will be renovated, expanded and renamed the Laura Kersey Reading Room.

But it's Phase II that we're still so very excited about – it is really the heart of the plan to reform the libraries for the 21st Century. We've not only outgrown our 23-year-old building, but we've changed our ways of doing things and how we are used by our patrons. The renovation plans for Phase II will completely "rearrange" and reconfigure our spaces in Ekstrom. This planning is based on many conversations we've had in Ekstrom since the New Wing preparation began, including meetings with library design consultants and "conversation cafés" where we imagined the ideal space for our work. The New Wing Planning Group is now looking at these plans in more detail, and involving personnel from all the areas that will be affected. Of course, the big hurdle is raising the \$14 million that we need to do it right.

What you need to know and to watch for during the construction

If you see anything out of the ordinary, dangerous or suspicious, call Diane Nichols at 8707 or Dave Loeffler at 8709. Of course call DPS at 6111 if there is a real emergency. We want to be especially observant of things that could be dangerous or harmful to our collections, employees or patrons.

Traffic jams may occur on Third Street as traffic is halted to allow delivery trucks access to unload construction materials.

Patrons will be warned with signs about all the noise and disruption, but be prepared to help soothe their distress with a little empathy. This goes for each other, too; we're all in this together!



Library Dept. & Team News

Ekstrom Library Office of the Dean

The University Libraries Office of the Dean is pleased to announce that Latisha Reynolds, Program Assistant, Information Literacy, accepted the position of Library Intern/Lecturer, effective August 2, 2004. Latisha is working with Mildred Franks in the Reference Department.

Tracie Wright, Library Intern/Lecturer, Reference, resigned effective July 31, 2004. Tracie is returning to a teaching position with the Jefferson County Public Schools. Tracie has done a terrific job and she will be missed.

Effective July 1, 2004, **Judith Niles** accepted the Faculty Phased Retirement Plan. Judith will be working half-time in her new position as Grant Development Librarian and will focus on obtaining external funding for projects throughout the Libraries. She will also spend a few hours weekly providing public services in Special Collections.

Vivian Harrison accepted the Administrative Assistant position in Collection Development, effective August 20, 2004. Vivian reports to Suzy Palmer.

Office of Libraries Technology

Public PC Update

The public PCs on the first floor of Ekstrom Library have been replaced with the new ones. The PCs include the latest version of MS Office (2003) and the new UnipriNT client running on Windows XP.

All the public PCs on Belknap Campus will be updated to Windows XP with MS Office 2003 and the new UnipriNT client. So far the update has been completed for Music, Art, and Ekstrom 3rd and 4th floors. Ekstrom 2nd floor and Kersey Library will be updated next. Four public PCs will be added in Music and two in Art.

LIC (Library Instruction Classroom, Ekstrom 254) settings

Due to the battery life limitation, we have to use AC power to extend the use of laptops. Therefore, tables in LIC have been set up to accommodate this need. Several people worked for a few hours to rearrange the tables so that power cords are properly connected and secured. Please do your part to help keep this setting as it is.

Laptop Update

Loaning laptops have been updated with Windows XP and MS

Office 2003. Laptops used in the LIC will be updated soon.

RapIDstatus Is Coming to the Libraries

RapIDstatus is a method that uses a new Cardinal Card chip reader and some software to verify if students are currently enrolled. Circulation desks will soon have the new card chip reader and software installed. To check the enrollment status, simply insert the Cardinal Card in the reader and the name, enrollment status and the date of the last enrollment appears on the screen. RapIDstatus also verifies if employees are active. Training will happen at the time of installation.

So far installations have been completed for Art, Ekstrom Circulation, and Ekstrom Media. Kersey, Law, Music, and Kornhauser will have it soon.

Special Collections

New Staff!

Ann Collins now has a permanent part-time staff position in Special Collections. Ann has contributed to Special Collections in many ways over the years. In the 1980s she worked as a student assistant for 4½ years. In the '90s she volunteered in the darkroom for about three years, and in 2000 she started working as a temporary part-time staff member. She continued her work in Photo Archives and started doing pre-cataloging work on the Irwin Hilliard Collection in Rare Books. In 2004 she attained permanent part-time staff status and we are very lucky to have her!

SAA in Boston

This year Amy Purcell went to her first annual meeting of the Society of American Archivists in Boston. The meeting was from August 5-8. Her days were packed with meetings and information sharing. With such a fulsome annual meeting, Amy was lucky to have Kathie Johnson take her under her wing and help her get the most out of the experience.

Judith on Vacation: the QM2, London and Paris

"In July, my sister Lorrie and I sailed from New York to Southampton (six nights) on the new Queen Mary. Calm sea and balmy climate made the crossing perfect. We had a great ocean view from our stateroom. We went several times to the Canyon Ranch Spa for reflexology, acupuncture, massages, facials and spent lots of time in the spa pool (a giant whirlpool bath). We played the slot machines from time to time. (Alas, no big wins!) All the food was great, with several different cuisines represented. The ship has a planetarium where I saw some interesting programs. We



Judith's arrival at Southampton.



Aerial view of London from the Eye.

didn't have time to try everything else there was to do, such as the golf range and numerous lectures.

We stayed in London five days, with a day trip out to Bath, an old Roman spa, and to Stonehenge, where we walked among the stones and soaked up the ancient atmosphere. In London we visited the Tower of London and saw the Crown Jewels. We viewed the changing of the guard at Buckingham Palace, and walked in the parks. The "high point" of the trip was taking a ride on the London Eye. It is an enormous Ferris wheel on the Thames across from the Houses of Parliament and Big Ben. We got on one of the large pods, each of which holds about 15 people. It is a great way to see the city.

On to Paris via the "Chunnel," with twenty minutes of the 2.5-hour train trip with no scenery. Nonetheless, it is an amazing achievement of modern engineering.

In Paris, we took two cruises on the Seine, one of the three best ways to see the city. The others are from the Eiffel Tower, and from the Sacre Coeur church in the Montmartre district, where many of the impressionist artists painted. We walked in some of my favorite Paris neighborhoods, ate at sidewalk cafes, and enjoyed the ambience. A very satisfying vacation."

Kersey Library

Vacation

Adam Lawrence enjoyed some vacation days going to the Kentucky State Fair with his family. Last year he received an honorable mention in the Floral Photograph entries.

FYI

Jan Kulkarni will be teaching two sections of CHEM 320 on Wednesdays this semester from 5:30-6:30 and 6:30-7:30. Both classes are full. Jan will be very busy on Wednesday evenings!

Birthdays

Carol Brinkman and Melissa Wheeler will be celebrating their birthdays in September. Kersey Library extends birthday wishes to the rest of you celebrating your special day in September.

Kornhauser Library

Staff News

Kornhauser Health Sciences Library announces the graduation of student assistant Pruk Tangbua. Mr. Tangbua received a MS degree in Chemical Engineering. The faculty and staff of Kornhauser wish him the very best in his future endeavors. The Library also welcomes two new work-study students. Maria Brown will work in circulation and ILL, and Beth Moran will work with Mary K Marlatt in the administration office.

Housekeeping

Kornhauser's audio-visual collection has been moved to the reference stacks to free up additional space for monographs.

Summer Event

Do grilled chicken, hot dogs, hamburgers, potato salad, pasta salad, chocolate chess pie and cheesecake sound good to you? Those were just a few of the delectable items served at the Kornhauser Back-to-School Picnic on Wednesday, August 11. Ravenous staffers, faculty, and student assistants feasted, frolicked, and fortified themselves with essential supplies of food and fun to get through the upcoming weeks of fall semester.

The Newest Addition to Our Library Staff

The Health Sciences Library belatedly announces the birth of the beautiful Sophia Iris Adler to Circulation Assistant James Adler and his wife Amber. Sophia, who has visited the library twice since making her spectacular debut on planet Earth, was born on May 7, 2004. She weighed in at a healthy 8.6 pounds. Baby and Mom are doing fine. And Dad, well Dad is performing the role of proud Papa as if it were written just for him.

More News from the Vacation Front

Kornhauser ILL Manager Kathy Rogers managed to remove the special ankle monitor designed by OCLC to track her whereabouts and went over the wall at the HS campus. But once again the Library Police proved their mettle and resourcefulness. Employing a network of specially-trained ILL agents and heretofore secret features of Ariel technology, the LPs quickly located her in the wilds of North Carolina. A brief high-speed chase ensued, followed by a capture that involved the use of a taser and an Anne Rice novel. After an intense interrogation in a Gitmo-like library facility, the location of which remains secret, Ms. Rogers agreed to waive extradition. She returned to work under guard and has been chained to her desk ever since.

Law Library

Diversity Committee Program Addresses Same-Sex Marriage

The law school's Diversity Committee will present its first Diversity Forum of the academic year on Monday, September 27, at noon in Room 275 (2d floor of the law school). The speaker will be Prof. Carolyn Bratt from the University of Kentucky College of Law, who will address same-sex mar-

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LIFEstyle

*Opening the Doors to Healthier
and Stress-Free Living*
A column by Alice Abbott-Moore,
Ekstrom Library

SOMETHING TO DIGEST: ACID REFLUX, HEARTBURN, AND GERD

Acid Reflux: Condition in which stomach acid flows back into one's esophagus.

Heartburn: The burning feeling when stomach acid comes in contact with the lining of one's esophagus. The lining of the esophagus is more delicate than that of the stomach.

GERD (Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease): Gastroesophageal reflux describes a backflow of acid from the stomach into the swallowing tube or esophagus. This acid can irritate and sometimes damage the delicate lining on the inside of the esophagus. Almost everyone experiences gastroesophageal reflux at some time. The usual symptom is heartburn, an uncomfortable burning sensation behind the breastbone, most commonly occurring after a meal. In some individuals this reflux is frequent or severe enough to cause more significant problems, which can lead to disease. Thus, gastroesophageal reflux *disease* is a clinical condition that occurs when reflux of stomach acid into the esophagus is severe enough to impact the patient's life and/or damage the esophagus.

GERD is often called "reflux," "reflux esophagitis," or sometimes even "hiatal hernia", however the later is a specific diagnosis that may or may not have any connection to GERD, depending on the patient.

The four major symptoms of GERD are:

- Heartburn (uncomfortable, rising, burning sensation behind the breastbone)
- Regurgitation of gastric acid or sour contents into the mouth
- Difficult and/or painful swallowing
- Chest pain

Some side effects of GERD:

- Chest pain
- Difficulty swallowing
- Pulmonary manifestations, such as asthma, coughing, or intermittent wheezing and vocal cord inflammation with hoarseness.
- Dissolving of enamel of the teeth

So, if one does have GERD, it is best to see a doctor and begin treatment. GERD will get worse if untreated, hence unmanaged — it is a progressive illness. If no treatment is sought, a patient can suffer the following:

- Breaks in the lining of the esophagus (esophageal ero-

sions), esophageal ulcer, and narrowing of the esophagus (esophageal stricture). In some patients, the normal esophageal lining or epithelium may be replaced with abnormal (Barrett's) epithelium. This condition called "Barrett's esophagus" has been linked to cancer of the esophagus and must be carefully watched.

- Lung (pulmonary) aspiration, asthma and inflammation of the vocal cords or throat may also be caused by GERD.

People of every socioeconomic class, ethnic group, and age can develop GERD. Most cases do seem to occur in people over the age of 40; however, even infants can develop GERD.

Not all foods bother everyone; however do take the time to keep a food diary. The following are some foods that are known to relax the valve at the lower end of the esophagus:

- alcohol
- carbonated drinks
- caffeine drinks (coffee and tea) and foods (such as chocolate, coffee ice cream, etc.)
- citrus fruits
- garlic and onions
- mint in any form: tea, gum, jelly, candies and breath fresheners
- spicy foods
- tomatoes
- whole milk and whole milk products



Some sugars and spices that may trigger heartburn:

- allspice
- black pepper
- chili peppers
- cinnamon
- curry
- horseradish
- mustard
- nutmeg

Also, try these reduced-fat cooking methods to help ease and/or prevent acid reflux:

- bake
- boil
- steam
- grill or broil
- roast
- microwave

Some other helpful tips:

- Elevate one's bed: Elevate the head of the bed 4-6 inches. A 4x4 piece of wood with two jar caps that have been nailed to the board can hold the bed legs in place. If this

isn't feasible, then purchase a special foam wedge that will raise the body from the waist up—pillows will not do the task—they will only raise one's head and put more pressure on the esophagus.

- Allow 2-3 hours between the last meal/feeding and bedtime: this allows food to be more digested before lying down.
- Sleep on one's left side: the esophagus enters the stomach at a slight angle to the right side of one's body; hence sleeping on one's left side allows the contents of the stomach to go away from the esophagus (*Straightforward Newsletter*, issue 1, p. 3).
- Wait 2-3 hours after eating to exercise. For some people, walking doesn't seem to cause problems with sufferers of GERD, but heavy exercise such as running or swimming can aggravate GERD.

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riage, the upcoming vote on the amendment to the Kentucky Constitution, and the federal Defense of Marriage Act. This program is free and open to the public. For more information, please contact Robin Harris, Diversity Committee Chair.

Travels with Miriam

Veteran Law Library dance gypsy Miriam Schusler-Williams and first-time participant Nancy Baker traveled to the 26th Annual Sugar Hill Contra Dance Weekend August 20-22. Located on the Ransburg Boy Scout Reservation near Lake Monroe, Indiana, Sugar Hill is a three-day event packed with hiking, feasting, camping, and of course contra dancing. Miriam and Nancy thoroughly enjoyed the weekend, and are already planning another contra dance trip! Miriam also traveled to Los Angeles in late July for the 80th birthday party of her mom.

Louisville Mandolin Orchestra News

The Louisville Mandolin Orchestra will perform on Sunday, October 3 at 2:30 p.m. at the St. Meinrad Archabbey in Indiana. The event will be posted on the St. Meinrad web site in September. Visit www.saintmeinrad.edu for directions, a map, and more. For more information about the LMO, please contact Robin Harris at robin.harris@louisville.edu or 852-6083.

Music Library

The Music Library welcomes back returning student assistants Cecil Edford, Marlene Ballena, Andrea Paéz, Angela Slaughter, and Jonathon Raley. We also have a special welcome back and congratulations to the student who was Rebecca Frank when she left for the summer. She returns to us as Rebecca Dennis after having married Stephen Dennis. We're also excited about new student assistants, Treneice Walton and Doug Eddleman.

UARC

Carrie Daniels, Kathie Johnson, Bill Morison and Chad Owen attended the annual meeting of the Society of American Archivists in Boston August 5, 6 and 7. A great time was had by all as they ate at Legal Seafood and walked the area around the Park Plaza Hotel. Oh yes, they also went to sessions and meetings on a large number of topics such as electronic records, ethics, copyright, and the USA PATRIOT Act.

Kathie's husband Ron then flew up to meet her on the 8th and they proceeded to Cape Cod for four days and back to Boston for another couple days before heading home. They loved Chatham, the village on the Cape where they stayed, and going for a whale watch out of Provincetown. They were lucky enough to come across an entire pod of pilot whales — with about 30-40 of them visible and another 100 estimated below the surface. Once back in Boston another trip to Legal Seafood was mandated, along with walking the Freedom Trail and eating Italian in the North End.

DARE TO SAY THANK YOU!

"I'd like to say THANK YOU to **Jami Allen** for doing such a good job with student assistant schedules as we have faced the fall onslaught and continue to do so.

"I'd like to say thanks to **Mike Smith** for his perseverance during the Fall Course Reserve press. He and his assistant Jeanelle Sears are really working overtime to get the electronic reserves and regular reserves up as soon as possible for fall classes.

"I'd also like to thank **Callista Meyer** for handling the end of summer search request pile-up with her usual calm and fortitude.

"Also, I'd like to thank **Ryan Stearman** for being so professional and so efficient. Interlibrary Loan Lending has never run so smoothly."
— *Katrina Butcher*



"Thank you to **Tracie Wright** for seeing and making so many good connections with the public schools. You have opened my eyes to needs and possibilities, and have brought our presence before influential educators in our community. Tracie, you are a super communicator and educator, and I appreciate your vision and hard work!

"Tracie has recently resigned her position with the libraries to return to the public schools. The connections she has made will remain, but the direction of her communication will be reversed! We look forward to continuing to work with you, Tracie, and wish you well as you return to the classroom."
— *Mildred Franks*



"I would like to thank **Sheila Birkla, Mioshi Cobble and Amy and Mike Purcell** for all the hard work they did to get my computer and palm pilot up and running when I moved to Special Collections from Kornhauser. I know it wasn't easy, and I really do appreciate all their hard work and perseverance in making sure everything worked beautifully. Again, many thanks to them for everything they did!"
— *James Manasco*



"A big thank you to **Margo Smith, Martha Parry** and her students for the great searching project this summer. Great work everybody!"
— *Katie Meyer*



"Many thanks to **Anna Marie Johnson** for trekking to Kornhauser to teach Citation Management Software classes during the summer. She'll be a hard act to follow!"
— *Judy Wulff*

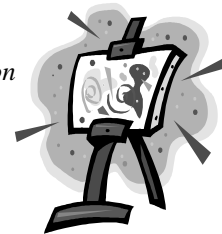


"Hearty thanks to **Sheila, Mike, Mioshi, Calvin, Leon and Tamer** for their diligent work on upgrading and updating the public PCs for the Fall in such a short time immediately after IT's releasing of the new UnipriNT."
— *Weiling Liu*

Exhibits

Art Library Belknap Gallery

Alternate Views: Approaches to Abstraction
September 10 – October 10



Covi Gallery

Christiane Schauder, Abstract Drawings
September 10 – October 10

Gallery X

Edie Tsong: Other Americans
Mainz, Germany artist in conjunction with Mayor's Sister Cities Summit
September 10 – October 10

Ekstrom Library

Lobby

Murals Designed by Pamela Rojas
Created in a public art project for International Women's Day, March 8, 2004
Summer 2004

Saving the Best: Architectural Preservation at UofL
September 17 – November 2004

Special Collections

Photographic Archives Gallery

Joseph and Joseph Architects: An Exhibition of Architectural Photographs
August 30 – October 15, 2004

Rare Books Gallery

Firsts: an exhibition in honor of new students' first semester at the University of Louisville
August 19 – September 24, 2004

Music Library

First Floor

Selected Accomplishments of School of Music Faculty
July 1 – October 31, 2004

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