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# The Owl

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

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## Remembering the 1964 March on Frankfort

In honor of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this march, *The Owl* Board is re-running the February 2005 *Owl* feature.

**O**N MARCH 5, 1964, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., along with baseball legend Jackie Robinson, Reverend Ralph Abernathy and a host of Kentucky civil rights activists led 10,000 people in a peaceful demonstration at the Kentucky state capitol. Folk singers Peter, Paul and Mary performed. The march was coordinated by the Allied Organization for Civil Rights (AOCR). Organization officers were Frank Stanley, Jr., editor of *The Louisville Defender*; Dr. Olof Anderson, Synod Executive of the Presbyterian Church; Rev. John Loftus, Dean of Bellarmine College; and activist Eric Tachau.

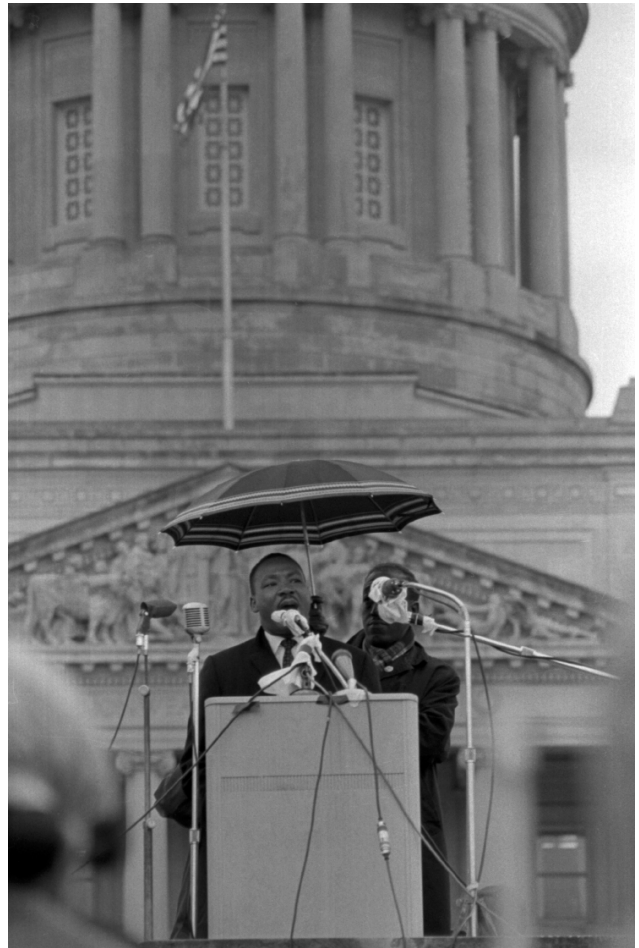
Dr. King spoke of the need for a bill to prohibit segregation and discrimination in public accommodations in the Commonwealth. The General Assembly, in session at the time of the march, was considering just such a bill, one that would have outlawed discrimination in businesses, restaurants, and theaters. Unfortunately, the bill never made



it out of committee during that session. Two years later however, The Kentucky Civil Rights Act of 1966 passed, due in part to the 1964 march and its influence.

In 1964, Andy Anderson, now Photographic Archives Curator, was chair of a UofL student group called Students for Social Action. They held rallies on campus to generate support for the march. They also worked with the AOCR on city-wide efforts. The main event of the campus organization was a rally held in front of the library (now Schneider Hall) on Tuesday, March 4, the day before the March on Frankfort. The principal speaker was Frank Stanley, Jr. Stanley had conceived the idea for the march, intended to support efforts in the Kentucky legislature to pass a state-wide open accommodations law.

The UofL campus was generally receptive to civil rights talks. However, early one morning the Louisville police raided the house where Andy lived with other organizers. Luckily, Andy and the other students were out of jail in time for the march. Andy went to Frankfort with a group from local Presbyterian churches and the seminary. They held a private prayer service with local clergy prior to the event. The rally itself was well-attended, with a group of several hundred people from UofL. Despite the cold and rainy weather, Andy says it was great to be part of the rally and it was thrilling to hear Martin Luther King, Jr. speak.



*Photographs courtesy of the UofL Photographic Archives, James N. Keen collection. Text by The Owl Co-editors, Amy Purcell and Robin Harris.*





# Library and Department News

## Archives & Special Collections

### *Vacations*



Delinda Buie had a grand adventure when she went on her dream vacation to the Galapagos Islands. Above is the view from the Point — 360 steps up a volcanic mass. “Earlier in the day we’d snorkeled with sea turtles around the arrowhead-looking rock on the right.”

Tom Owen and his family of 15 people vacationed on the Yucatan Peninsula in Mexico. This cathedral in Merida (left) is one of the many sights they visited.

## Art Library

### *The Students Spoke, We Listened*

“The Art Library looks out of date.” That was one of the comments from the last user survey. The user certainly had a point, since most of the furniture in the Art Library came from Ekstrom. We replaced tables in the stacks area since the survey, and over the winter break we replaced the computer tables. If you haven’t seen them already, stop in. The library looks much more spacious and we’ve gotten positive feedback from the students.

## Ekstrom Library

### Distance Learning Library Services (DLLS)

#### *Promotions*

Two DLLS staff received reclassifications: **Jason Friedman** was promoted to Library Specialist and **Bethany Poston** was promoted to Library Assistant. Two DLLS staff received reclassifications: Jason Friedman was promoted to Library Specialist and Bethany Poston was promoted to Library Assistant.



### *Website redesigned!*

Thanks to the help of Terri Holtze, the DLLS webpage has been redesigned: <http://louisville.edu/library/dlls/>. Some highlights of the new site include pictures of DLLS staff, an enhanced Item Request form to input up to five items, a prominent location for the chat box, and information about DLLS policies like E-Reserves. We hope this redesign helps our patrons have a better experience when using our services!

## Interlibrary Loan

### *Smooth transition*

The move to LDAP authentication for Ekstrom Interlibrary Loan patrons is going smoothly, and most patrons have made the switch to using their ULink ID and password. Andrew Huff is to be commended for communicating this change effectively to patrons and collaborating with OLT personnel, especially Craig Patton and Weiling Liu, on this long-needed change.

### *Chat feature added*

Ekstrom ILL has also launched an ILL chat feature located on the main ILL login webpage, as well as on Ekstrom patrons' ILL account pages. The chat is staffed by Ekstrom ILL staff, including Andrew Huff, Brittany Sutton, Nicholas Sweat and Stephen Whiteside, from 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The chat box has been active and popular, and patrons have been appreciative of this additional and timely means of communication. Thanks to Anna Marie Johnson and Josh Whitacre for helping us get started.



### *Presentation*

Andrew Huff will be presenting a poster session entitled “Using Microsoft Word’s Mail Merge for Custom Invoicing and Notices” at the International ILLiad Conference in Virginia Beach, Virginia in March.

## Office of the Dean

### *New Hire*

Effective January 2, 2014, **Brandon McKinney**, Kornhauser Library student assistant has accepted the position of Library Technician/Part time. Brandon will report to Felix Garza.

### *Promotions*

Effective January 1, 2014 **Vida Vaughn** has been promoted to Assistant Professor and **Rob Detmering** has been promoted to Associate Professor. Rob has also been granted tenure effective January 1, 2015.

## Reference & Information Literacy Departments

### *Welcome, James!*

The department welcomes James Manasco as our new Physical Sciences and Engineering Librarian. James can be found in Mike Wilson’s old office. Already we have been grateful to hand off a couple sticky-wicket chemical and engineering questions to him!

### *Winter travels*

James Manasco attended the Special Libraries Association (SLA) Leadership Summit in Memphis, Tennessee from January 15 -17.

Fannie Cox attended the American Library Association (ALA) midwinter conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania from January 23 - January 27.

### *Advice for library science grads*

Sam McClellan blogged some advice on job searching to graduating library science students: <http://ilsblog.soic.indiana.edu/2013/09/18/on-the-job/>

### *Five-year stats up 93%!*

The department taught 13% more information literacy sessions in FY 2012-2013 than the previous fiscal year. Our five-year calendar year statistics went from 133 sessions in 2009 to 257 in 2013, a 93% increase!

## **Kornhauser**

### *Condolences*

Mrs. Helen Wolf, mother of recently retired employee Maura Ellison, passed away in January at the age of 94.

### *Under construction*

Much of Kornhauser's second floor is under plastic, awaiting construction of new open study areas and four new study rooms. All of the journals previously shelved in this area have been moved to a site several blocks away, and a discard project for those items to which we have electronic access will be undertaken shortly.

### *Traveling. . .and coming home*

Santa left a very impressive gift in Ron and Kathie Johnson's stockings this Christmas. Besides a new house, there was a contract on the old one (closing set for January 31 – keeping fingers crossed) and a week's trip to Cancun, Mexico to assist in recovery from the medical condition known as "Downsizing and Moving." They flew out on Tuesday, January 14 to the beautiful Presidente Intercontinental Hotel in Cancun – where, although much warmer than Louisville, they could not spend much time on the beach due to cool temps and a stiff breeze. The situation greatly improved by Friday and they were able to bask in the sunshine, imbibe tropical drinks, totally relax – EXCEPT that they were notified that there was no water at the new house – this presumed to be caused by frozen pipes. Instead, after having a plumber check, it was discovered that due to some miscommunication, the water company had turned off the service to the new house. Of course, by this time late on Friday, there was no way to reach the water company until Tuesday, January 21. Emails flew and they arrived home Tuesday night to about 15 degrees outside, and still no water inside. Luckily they reached the water company first thing Wednesday morning, and by 1:00 p.m. there was water in the pipes again – which froze by 5:00 p.m., even with the faucet dripping and the cabinet doors left open. Re-routing some of the plumbing is the next project at the Johnsons' house (as soon as it is warm enough to do so).



## **Law Library**

### *Vending comes to the library!*

A soda vending machine was recently installed in the law library's lower level at the request of public patrons who don't have access to the student lounge at night and on weekends. A snack machine has also been ordered. These are just two of the many improvements the law library has made to enhance its services. (Note: For more than two years, the library has allowed food and drink in all areas except for the computer labs and the rare books room. This policy has been very successful!)

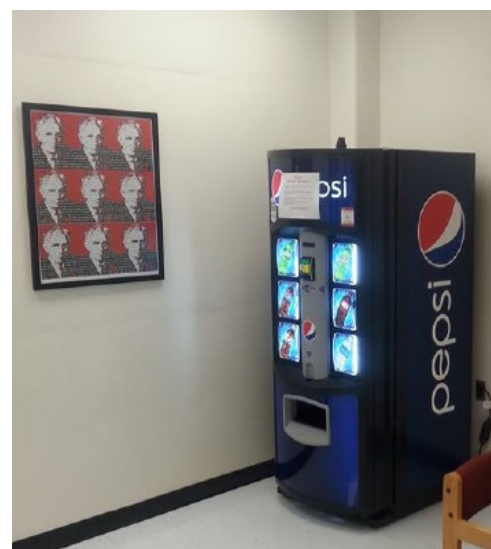


Photo by Virginia Smith



### *Commemorating Dr. King's Visit to Allen Court Room*

On Friday, February 28 during Black History Month, the Brandeis School of Law unveiled a photographic exhibit honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., who visited the law school's Allen Court Room on March 30, 1967. Dr. King spoke at 11:00 a.m., addressing law students about the issues of the day, including the struggle for open housing going on in Louisville at the time.

A short program in the Allen Court Room included speakers David Leibson, Andrew Williams and Stephen Porter, who were present on March 30, 1967 to hear Dr. King's remarks, Miranda Ratcliffe (President, Louisville Black Law Students Association) and Cate Fosl (Director of the Anne Braden Institute for Social Justice Research). There was also a special guest speaker, Eddie Beal, the great nephew of Dr. King. Mr. Beal is a recent law school graduate.

The event was also the first reunion for the Brandeis Law School graduates of color and many Law School alumni were in attendance. Also among the guests was Senator Georgia Powers.

Several library faculty and staff have been heavily involved with this project, including Carrie Daniels, Robin Harris, Amy Purcell and Marcy Werner. Amy serves on the seven-member display committee, and Robin Harris chaired the group.



*Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. arrives at the law school. Photograph: Phi Kappa Tau records and memorabilia, Archives & Special Collections.*



*Students hang out the windows of the Allen Court Room in the Law School to listen to Dr. King. Photograph: Archives & Special Collections*

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Thank you Marcy Werner for your upbeat, always-happy demeanor. When I asked if I could get scans of 40 35mm negs to help me with an exhibit, she said no problem and they were done by the next day. Marcy can take a lot of stress out of a deadline! —*Amy Purcell*



Thank you Circulation, Media, and Reference student assistants for helping conduct the 1st round of observations for the 1E Assessment Project! Your diligence was truly appreciated! —*Maurini Strub*



Many thanks to Janissa Moore, Scott Campbell, and Marcus Walker who routinely and consistently open the law library in the early mornings. It's especially appreciated during this polar vortex.  
—*Viginia Mattingly*



Robert Doherty Collection  
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## THANK YOU

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# Library Exhibits

## ***Ekstrom Library***

### **Photographic Archives Gallery**

#### ***Experiencing the March on Frankfort***

Through photographs by Robert Doherty and James N. Kean

**February 20 – March 28 2014**



## ***Kornhauser Library***

### ***Life and Limb: The Toll of the American Civil War***

National Library of Medicine Travelling exhibit to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the American Civil War.

**Until March 28 2014**

## ***Music Library***

### **First Floor**

#### ***Historic UofL Band Photo Collection***

**Through March 2014**

