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Owldiculous

"The Owl of Minerva takes flight only as the basketballs begin to fall." — Hegel

Headlines We'd Like to See ...

Promoting Stress-Free Environment – Dean Fox Approves
PETS IN THE BIG UL LIBRARY PROGRAM (PITBULL)

Recycling Efforts Increased – PITBULL Donates
Animal Waste for Belknap Campus Fertilizer/Mulch



Ekstrom Director Bruce Keisling Endorses
New PITBULL Program

Beginning April 1 each department approved
for one pet rock

Rachel Howard lauds this as part of the Great
Places to Work initiative



Libraries Development Officer Nuehring Joins World Poker
Tour to Raise Money

Co-workers hear her belting out Kenny Rogers' "The Gambler" throughout
the day. Unnamed sources report hearing, "You've got to know when to hold
'em, Know when to fold 'em, Know when to walk away, Know when to run,
..." so many times they called campus police.



MOVIE MOGUL IN THE MAKING

In retirement Karen Little thriving as movie
producer — currently working on re-makes of
Cat on a Hot Tin Roof, *Cat Ballou*, *That Darn*
Cat, *Cats—The Musical*, and *Catwoman*.

UofL "Happy" Video Dancers Join
Dancing With the Stars

Terri Holtze and Alice Abbott-Moore Heading to Hollywood!



DEAN ANNOUNCES SUN DAYS

"It's too sunny, we have to close!"

NEW RETINAL SCANNERS

Andy Clark, libraries facilities, reports high-
tech retinal scanners to be installed on all doors.
Each will have back-up 24-digit access code with
5 upper case, 3 lower case, 5 numbers, and 11
symbols (!!#%*&\$&&@#!)



HUMAN RESOURCES ANNOUNCES TITLE CHANGE

At a recent faculty meeting UofL librarians vote to change their titles from Professor to Coach to adjust for cost-of-living.



**Try Shoney's New
Menu Item — The
Schimmelburger!**



Kornhauser Renovation Update

Director Neal Nixon alters architect's plan to add disco lounge. "I really love that lime green circular ceiling!"

UofL NCAAW Watch Party on the Roof!

UofL Women's basketball game watch party on Ekstrom's roof. "We will have a great view of the Churchill Downs big screen and the burning couches in the street," exclaims Andy Clark.



21st C. University Initiative Set for 22nd C. Implementation

RIP VSIP

This blank space dedicated to the memory of all jokes lost due to VSIP



Librarian SWAT Team Takes Over the Silos

More Recycling News

Dean Fox to recycle Ekstrom 1st floor bricks in his new backyard patio —

SAVE THE DATE for Derby Ice Cream Social on the Bricks!

Tulip Tree to Host Fish Fry Fridays

(Try 'em with Ranch Dressing!)



Dean Fox Organizes Library Hunger Games

Departments to compete for funding. Says Fox, "yes we'll lose people ..."

May 2014

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Melissa Laning Files Grievance ...

to grieve her long tenure on the Faculty Grievance Committee



Raucous Opening

4th Floor Quiet Study Area
Opening Celebration Disturbs
Students

The annual headline issue was composed by members of *The Owl* board. Any resemblance to actual events is purely satirical.

Library and Department News

Archives & Special Collections

Walking the Walk and Talking the Talk

This February past, Sarah-Jane Poindexter embarked on an oral history project to document the work of *Footprints for Peace*, a non-profit organization dedicated to creating change through peaceful action.

Her methodology included conducting side-by-side walking oral histories with the long-distance walkers, during the organization's annual "Walk for a Sustainable Future." The walk spanned 14 days and 150 miles, from the coal-fields region in Eastern Kentucky to Frankfort, the state capital, and worked to raise support for the improvement of Eastern Kentucky's environment, health, and economy as well as to heighten awareness of the impact of mountaintop removal coal mining practices on Appalachian communities. Participants ranged from residents of the Ohio Valley region and Appalachia to Japanese Buddhist monks, Veterans for Peace, and American Indians. (Photograph by Larry Bringing Good.)



As a participant observer, Sarah-Jane cooked, ate, slept, conversed, and walked with the group for over 70 miles. Additionally, her research explored the role that "walking" plays in social justice and personal journey; the boundaries of traditional oral history methodology; and the challenges inherent to documenting a community that is in motion. All of the oral histories were recorded while walking. In many ways this approach was less than ideal (challenges included narrow road shoulders, hostile locals, traffic noise, inclement weather, juggling cords and equipment), however it was uniquely advantageous to talk and walk because it allowed for capturing both the thoughts and action that are at the heart of *Footprints for Peace*. The oral histories recorded during this trip will be added to the Archives and Special Collections.

Ekstrom Library Office of the Dean

New Hires

Sarah Carter has accepted our offer as Director of the Bridwell Art Library. Pending final approval by the Board of Trustees, she will begin at UofL on April 21, 2014. Sarah is currently a Reference and Instruction Librarian at Ringling College of Art & Design in Sarasota, Florida. She received her MLS and MA in Art History from Indiana University and her undergraduate degree is from Smith College. For those who were unable to attend her presen-

tation, Sarah talked about creating and implementing a pop-up library program as a means of campus outreach to Ringling faculty and students.

Tiffani Belin began work on March 17, 2014, as Administrative Assistant, reporting to Karen Nalley.

Resignation

Effective March 7, 2014, **Craig Patton** resigned his position as Systems Programmer III and has accepted a position with Kindred Healthcare. Congratulations!!

Reference & Information Literacy Departments

LibGuides Links to Appear in Blackboard Course Shells

Reference/IL is excited to announce that beginning with Summer 2014 classes, links to the most appropriate subject LibGuide will appear in all Blackboard course shells. Thanks to Rob Detmering and Randy Kuehn for their work on this! We hope it will direct some more students to library resources.

Paws for Finals Will Return!

The wildly popular Paws for Finals is coming back! First Year Initiatives is working with Animal House to bring dogs in on Wednesday, April 23 (1st day of finals) and Thursday, April 24 (2nd day of finals) from 2:00 – 4:00 p. m. both days.



Here's a major THANK YOU to Gail Gilbert -- my boss for 35+ years!! Gail is a superlative leader, with a sense of humor, humility, and empathy, managing the Art Library by example not words; she's shown remarkable scheduling flexibility (especially important in a two-person unit!—we're always totally mystified, that year after year, meetings, sick leave, and vacations manage to be covered, although there are a lot of lunches eaten in the office); and her professionalism and dedication to our collection is appreciated by many Faculty and Donors. Most of all, though, Gail is a good friend that I'm going to miss hugely! Happy Retirement!!

—**Kathy Moore**



I'd like to say thank you to all of my colleagues in Archives & Special Collections for stepping in and helping back me up while I had to be out of the office to supervise the very short-notice and equally chaotic relocation of one of our warehouse spaces – boxes, shelves, and all! It couldn't have been done without a team effort, and I greatly appreciate their support. —**Chad Owen**



I would like to send a big thank you to Andy Clark for his help with repairing the broken locks on the research carrel doors. I'm very appreciative of his advice and assistance. —**Jessie Roth**



I would like to thank Circulation and Reference/Info Lit. for helping Media during our illness outbreak and all the crazy times we have had this semester. We really appreciate your support! —**Trish Blair**



A very sincere Thank You to Marcy Werner, Amy Purcell, Femmy Rose and Jeremiah Rose for working tirelessly on the Photographic Archives shelf read. —**Elizabeth Reilly**



Thank you to the Tech Services Department for their hard work, positive attitude, and patience while we work together on changes to the accounts payable process. John Burton, Derrick Yara, Tami Sexton, Diana Reid and Tyler Goldberg, I appreciate your sharing your knowledge of the library collections. A big thank you to John Burton for clueing me into shortcut keys in Voyager! I would also like to send out a huge thank you to Mary K Marlatt for her assistance with preparing requisitions the past few months. —**Karen Nalley**



Huge thanks to Sue Finley who remains the unofficial Tech Support for our Invoicing Database. When there was no product available to do what we needed, Sue created one for us. A recently technology SNAFU corrupted some of the database. Sue graciously assisted us in making the necessary updates that ultimately fixed the database. We couldn't have done this without you!!! —**Archives & Special Collections**

THANK YOU

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Library Exhibits



Archives & Special Collections

Photographic Archives Gallery

Under the Skylight

Louisville's 19th Century Portrait Studios

April 4 - May 1, 2014

Ekstrom Library, Lower Level East

Exhibit Cases, Lower Level, East Wing

GonzoFest 2014

An exhibition documenting the friendship between Hunter S. Thompson and Ron Whitehead. The exhibition features artifacts from the Ron Whitehead archive held in Rare Books, Archives and Special Collections.

April 4 - 30, 2014

Ekstrom Library, Lower Level East

Music Library

First Floor

Various Works of composer Djuro Zivkovic

Grawemeyer Award Recipient for
Music Composition 2014

Through April 2014



Hunter & Ron watching end of Bears/Cardinals
exhibition game in Hunter's Kitchen.
Woody Creek, CO. 8-20-95 Bears blew field
goal & lost 18-17.

