



THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF EKSTROM LIBRARY & "ALL THE NEWS THAT'S PRINT TO FIT"
VOLUME 5 ISSUE 1 "INTO OUR SECOND DECADE!" February 1, 1990

The following was submitted by (who else?) Calvin Miracle, Systems Office.

New Infants Miracle Diet for Overweight People

Edited by Brad Templeton

Flabby Americans are always on the look out for a new diet. The trouble with most diets is that you don't get enough to eat (the starvation diet) or you don't get enough variation (the liquid diet) or you go broke (the all-meat diet).

Consequently, people tend to cheat on their diets, or quit after three days, or go right back to stuffing their faces after it is all over. Is there nothing you can do but give up and tell your friends that you've got a gland problem? There is a slim hope; the Infants' Miracle Diet.

Over the years, you may have noticed, as I have, that most two-year olds are trim. It came to me one day over a cup of black coffee and a carrot that perhaps their diet is the reason. After consultation with pediatricians, X-ray technicians and distraught mothers, I was able to formulate this new diet. It is inexpensive, offers great variety and sufficient quantity. Before embarking on the diet however, be sure to check with your doctor, otherwise you might have to see him afterward.

FIRST DAY:

- **Breakfast:** One scrambled egg, one piece of toast with grape jelly. Eat two bites of egg, using your fingers; dump the rest on the floor. Take one bite of toast, then smear the jelly over your face and clothes.
- **Lunch:** Four crayons (any color), a handful of potato chips, and a glass of milk (three sips only, then spill the rest).

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- Dinner: A dry stick, two pennies and a nickel, four sips of stale beer.
- Before Bedtime, toast a piece of bread and toss it on the kitchen floor.

SECOND DAY:

- Breakfast: Pick up stale toast off kitchen floor and eat. Drink half bottle of vanilla extract or one vial of vegetable dye.
- Lunch: Half a tube of Pulsating Pink Lipstick, and a cigarette (to be eaten not smoked). Ice cube if desired. After lunch, lick an all day sucker until sticky, take it outside and drop it in the dirt. Retrieve it and continue slurping until it is clean again. Bring it inside and drop it on the rug.
- Dinner: A rock or/and an uncooked bean, which should be thrust up your left nostril. Pour iced tea over mashed potatoes; eat with a spoon.

THIRD DAY:

- Breakfast: Two pancakes with plenty of syrup, eat with fingers, rub fingers in hair. Glass of milk, drink one-half, stuff pancakes in glass. After breakfast pick up sucker from rug, lick off fuzz and put on cushion of your best chair.
- Lunch: Three matches, peanut butter and jelly sandwich. Spit several bites onto the floor. Pour milk on table and slurp up.
- Dinner: Dish of ice cream, handful of potato chips, some wine, coffee.

LAST DAY:

- Breakfast: A quarter tube of toothpaste (any flavor), bit of soap, an olive, pour over bowl of cornflakes, add 1/2 cup sugar. When cereal is soggy, drink milk and feed cereal to dog.
- Lunch: Eat crumbs off kitchen floor and dining room carpet, including bites of sandwich you spit out yesterday. One soft drink. Find sucker and finish eating it.
- Dinner: A glass of spaghetti and chocolate milk. Leave meatball on plate. Stick of mascara for dessert.

General



The following two items were submitted by Ralze W. Dorr, Director, Office of Planning and Administrative Services, University Libraries



ADMINISTRATIVE PHOTOCOPYING (LATE AND SOON)

The advent of new photocopy services for the students may cause faculty and staff in the Ekstrom Library to wonder why there have been no improvements in administrative photocopying. In fact, there will soon be some improvements but others may have to wait until the University's Office of Information Technology has completed its comprehensive plan for campus photocopiers. The near-term improvements will be felt by University Archives and the Division of Technical Services which will soon receive nearly new Xerox 1025 copiers to replace their old machines. The Xerox 1025's will be transferred from the Kersey and Kornhauser libraries which have replaced those copiers with the new Savin 7300's for student use.

ADMINISTRATIVE PHOTOCOPYING (LATE AND SOON)



(con't)

The units in Ekstrom that will have to wait for improvements are Circulation, Interlibrary Loan, Reference and the Administrative Offices. It was our intention to replace the four old Ricoh copiers used by those units with new Savin 7350's; however, we were not able to do so because the University apparently has placed a freeze on copier purchases (although there has been no official announcement to that effect). Once the apparent freeze has been lifted, we hope to replace the old Ricoh's with new machines. We will not know what make or type of machine we will be allowed to lease until the Office of Information Technology has released its new plan for copiers. At this time, we do not know when that plan will be released, so the old copiers may be with us for some time to come.

NEW LOCATION FOR AFRO-AMERICAN COLLECTION, BROWSING COLLECTION AND NEW BOOKS SHELVES



Some of the more observant faculty and staff members in the Ekstrom Library may have noticed the disappearance of shelf ranges from the north wing of the second floor and their reappearance (in altered form) in the Koster Reading Area on the main floor. That is no coincidence. It's part of a plan to create a new reading-shelving area for those collections in a more conspicuous part of the building. The new location will give greater prominence to the collections and will (it is hoped) encourage greater use of the books. Another reason for moving those collections is to make room for the eventual renovation for the Current Periodicals, Special Services and Media and Microforms areas on the second floor. That renovation calls for the building of a wall where the west range of shelves (holding part of the Afro-American Collection) originally stood.

It may be another month before the new Koster reading/shelving area will be completed; although its possible the books may be moved earlier than that. If they are moved, everyone in Ekstrom will be notified. As of this time, it is not known when the renovation work on the second floor will be started.

Department



UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES AND RECORD CENTER

Guaranteed Genuine as per Accompanying Certificate of Authenticity

In January 1987 the Society of American Archivists voted for a certification program for practicing archivists. We are happy to announce that the following members of the University of Louisville Archives and Records Center are now Certified Archivists: Sherrill Redmon, Bill Morison, Dale Patterson, Margaret Merrick, Janet Hodgson, and Tom Owen. The 1990 annual meeting of the Society will be held in Seattle, Washington and Dale Patterson will be on a panel concerned with data-base management software in the Archives.



Church History

Dale Patterson is teaching at the Presbyterian Seminary for the Spring semester. His class is on the history of the United Methodist Church.



Looming Over Louisville

LOUISVILLE!



Margaret and Robbie Merrick have been in their new home on Kenwood Hill near the Loom House since September. Margaret savors the view from her porch of downtown Louisville and the fountain and they have enjoyed the raccoons who come onto the porch to partake of her cats' meals (when the cats aren't looking.)

GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS

On Trial

This is just a reminder that the Government Publications Department will have the Congressional Information Service (CIS) CD-ROM index and abstracts of publications of the U.S. Congress through February. Anyone interested is asked to come by the department and try it out. We would welcome your reactions to it.



Special Giveaway Offer!

The Government Publications Department has Federal and Kentucky state tax forms and publications available again this year. We have many of the most common forms to give away and other forms for photocopying. If you need a tax form or publication, please see any of the staff in GPD.



REFERENCE

Chicago in January

Glenda Neely attended the ALA Midwinter meeting in Chicago, January 5-8, 1990 to participate in the RASD BRASS section meetings. BRASS is the Business Reference Services Section. She also chaired the BRASS Gale Research Award Committee.

Kay Womack also attended ALA Midwinter in Chicago, January 5-9, 1990. She attended meetings of her committee RASD CODES Continuing Education Committee, which is working on a survey, and three discussion groups. DELCAT+, the University of Delaware's extended database service was discussed at one meeting. The new OCLC/Amigos product for collection analysis was discussed at another. At the last meeting reference librarians from medium-size academic libraries discussed items of mutual interest. One topic of discussion is how libraries are coping with OCLC's EPIC Service.

Be it Ever So Humble

Barbara and Steve Prior (and Sean) have just bought their first house after looking for over a year. In case you've noticed Barbara looking rather harried, they've spent the last two weeks repairing, cleaning and moving. They are glad (most of) it is over and will be smiling again after the dust settles.



CATALOGING

Cha Cha Cha



All the Cataloging librarians attended the ALA Midwinter Conference in Chicago over the first weekend of the year. "My kind of town," one reported. One saw a man who danced with his wife, but it was not clear whether either was a librarian.

New Faces

There has been quite a turnover in student assistants for Cataloging. New to the Department are Joy Beatty (Online Records Cataloging), Tonia Henley (Bibliographic Control) and Aneira Urieta (Serials Cataloging).

New Generation



Dumb terminals are a thing of the past for OCLC processing in Cataloging. Five of the older generation OCLC terminals were taken offline at the end of November (plus another in KULS). One OCLC M310 was transferred from Kornhauser Library and another 6 Zenith micros were brought in to replace the obsolete terminals. Each terminal used for OCLC processing may now also be used as a PC, giving us much greater flexibility.

Shelflist Shifting



A major shift in the shelflist catalog located in Cataloging was completed in December. The shift was necessary due to crowding in several sections of the catalog. Individual drawers are now much easier to work with. Kudos to Carol Honaker for completing this tedious and time-consuming task on her own. It was anticipated that she would have a lot of help from staff members cut off from their OCLC terminals while the changes in the system were made, but the change of OCLC terminals went so smoothly (well, it did HERE Neal) that help was not on the way.

Photographic Archives



It is with sadness and a deep sense of personal loss that we report the death of Stern Bramson, one of our volunteers, on December 24, 1989.

Mr. Bramson was the photographer who made most of the images in our Royal Photo Collection, some of which have been reproduced in the Ekspress. Royal Photo was established by Mr. Bramson's father, Louis Bramson in 1904. Stern joined the firm upon graduation from Male High School in 1930, and operated the studio until its closing in 1972. Mr. Bramson served in the U.S. Army Signal Corps during WWII, seeing duty both in Europe and England.

In recognition of their value as historical records, the Royal Studio negatives were purchased for the Photographic Archives in 1981 by Barry Bingham, Jr. Only after the acquisition was wide recognition given to the artistic merit of Mr. Bramson's work. Two exhibitions of this work were staged at the Photographic Archives, in 1984 and 1988. A much wider audience was introduced to Mr. Bramson's work with its exhibition at galleries in New York, San Francisco,

Stern Bramson (con't)

Pittsburgh and Chicago. Special honor and recognition was given to his work when Mr. Bramson was given an exhibition at Chicago's Art Institute this past summer.

Collector's eagerly sought limited edition prints produced at the Photographic Archives by Bill Carner under Mr. Bramson's direction. Several of these images became quite well known, especially the one showing Louisville magician/attorney Lawrence Jones ("Captain Squirrelly"). A series of postcards bearing these images was issued by a New York firm for sale in museum shops throughout the U.S.

Beginning in 1983, Mr. Bramson volunteered his services at the Photographic Archives one day each week. He and his wife Claire became warm personal friends to all of us and our lives were enriched by our association with them. One of Mr. Bramson's final acts was the purchase of holiday treats for each of our families and children.

Mr. Bramson suffered a heart attack in the summer of 1989 and underwent coronary bypass surgery in July. We were all encouraged by his speedy recovery from the surgery and hopeful that we would enjoy his presence here for many more years. We are all deeply saddened by his loss.

A memorial display of Mr. Bramson's prints is currently on display in the ground floor lobby of the Ekstrom Library.

Circulation Department



The Worst of Times... Brings Out the Best of Effort

Our secretary and search supervisor have moved on to greater horizons. We lost one half of our reserve supervisor's position due to budget cuts. We are short about eight student assistants. We have one monitor, not the usual three. What do you do when the going gets tough? The tough, or at least the mildly resilient folks, get organized and communicate.

Weekly we convene in the circulation department - all of the staff and the two student assistant representatives Kristi Hatcher and Jim Howard. Our staff meetings combine with profs to form our lifeline of communication. When issues crop up we prof the whole department and discuss the implications at the weekly meeting. What's the big deal? EVERYONE has meetings. Our meetings are forums to discuss, clarify, and delegate necessary activities.

Last week, a staff meeting for the student assistant workforce was held. This meeting involved individual presentations by the staff and served to update the students on everything from the changes in technical processing to the solicitation of student help in particular areas of circulation outside of stacks work. The meeting let students know that they are appreciated and gave them insight into the difficulty of speedy change in a bureaucracy. Circulation is not out of the woods yet in terms of work but our combined team effort will get us through until we are fully staffed.



Two Welcome Returns...

Jonathan McGuffy and David Lee, two outstanding student assistants from the past, are playing an encore performance in the circulation department. With the recent loss of 6 students, the addition of John (Guff) and Dave were greeted with hoots and hollers by the staff. Already both have picked up on the change to the NOTIS system and Dave is once again offering his cartooning talents to the department.

Master of Lost and Found



Mark Dickson has recently revamped our lost and found area. Sunita George, a student assistant, took it upon herself to rearrange the area and Mark deftly followed suit with an organized plan of action. Mark enjoys the newfound organization and is studying how to apply the same principle to his desk area.

The NOTIS Problem Totem Pole

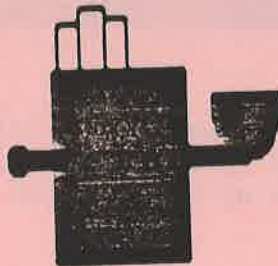
Whenever anything seems "off" in relation to a NOTIS function or record, the students turn to the staff, the staff ask Cindy Lucas, Cindy screams, and approaches Dave Carlson, Paul Russell, Peggy Steele, or Calvin Miracle with the dilemma. The Systems Office has come to our aide in many a harried time and we thank them for their continued outstanding efforts.



P.S. Ms. Lucas sends our copious gratitude also to Ms. Margo Smith, she to whom the unresolved records from the bowels of the earth are banished.

Quotes of the Month

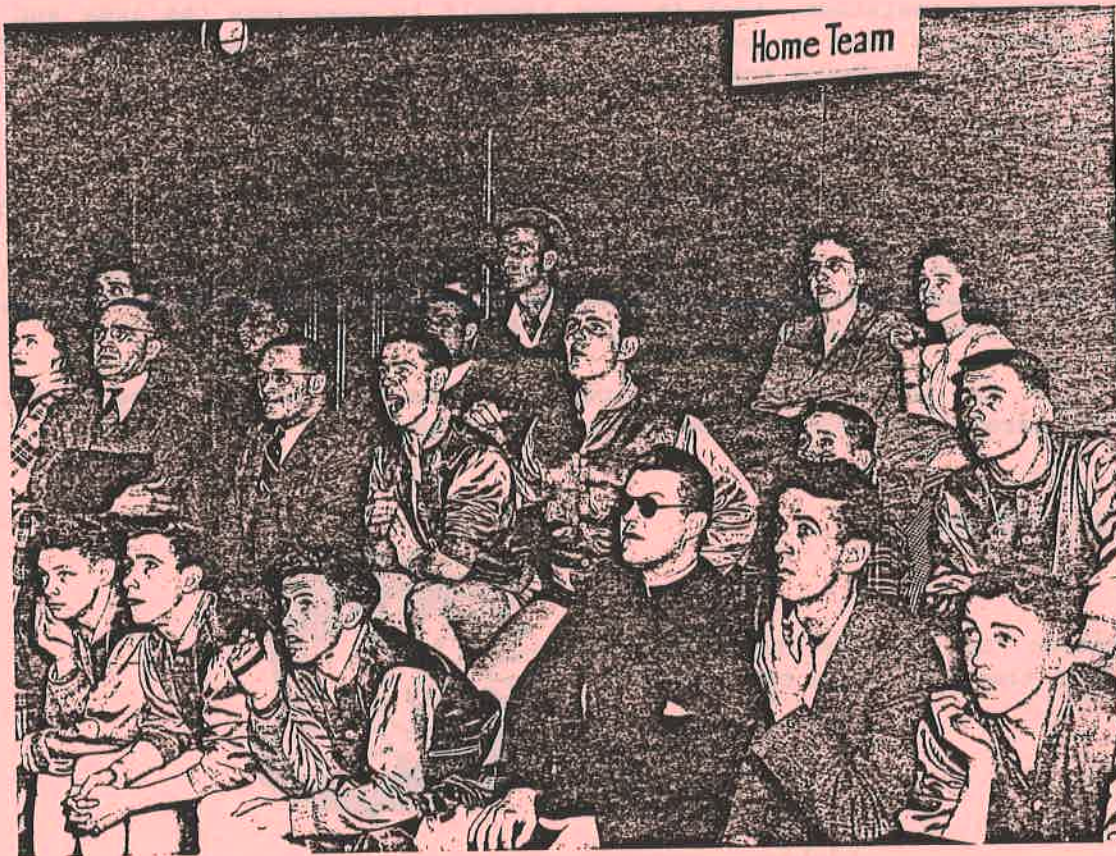
From a patron "Do you have to check out books before they can leave the library?"



Asked by a smoking patron at the circulation desk: "Where are the ashtrays?"

Photo of the Month

Gordon Parks, Springfield Mass., February 1945.
Spectators and players at a High School basketball game between Cathedral, Springfield and St. John of Holyoke.

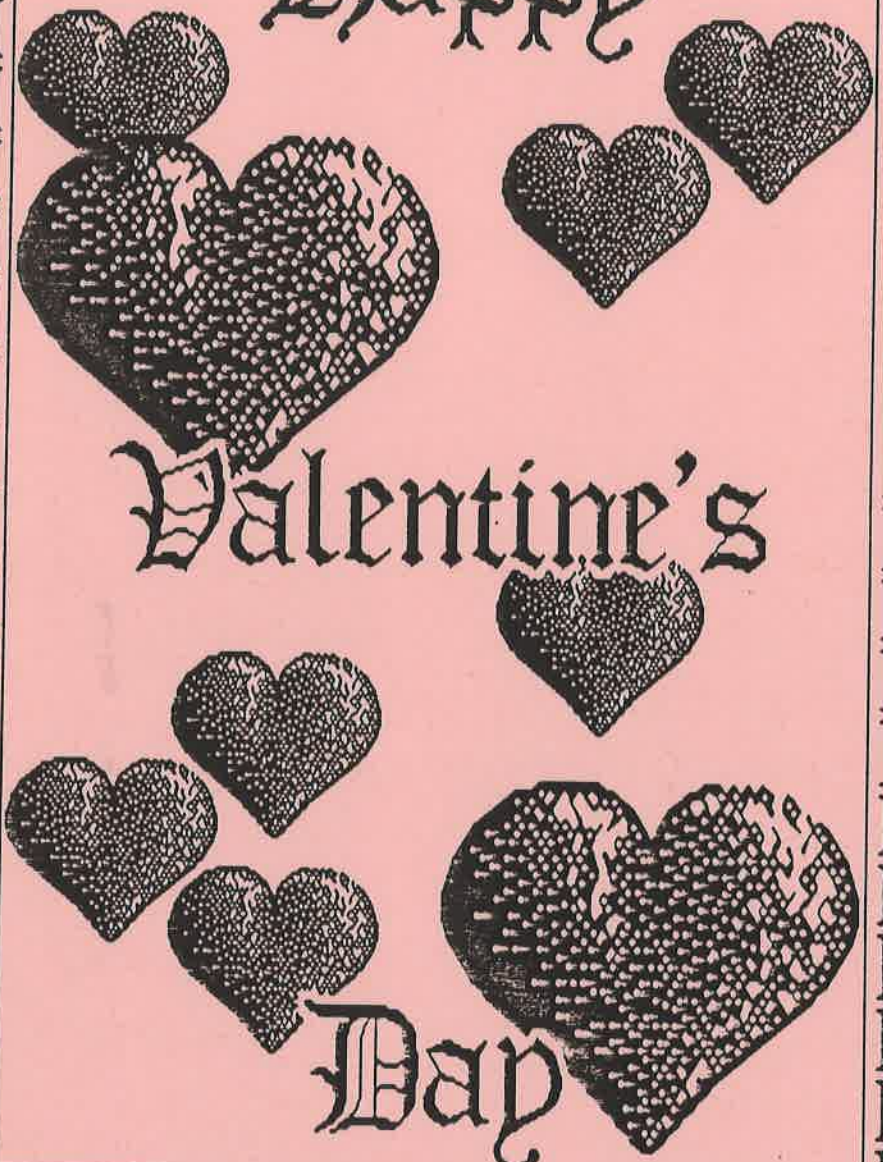


The photographer, Gordon Parks, is quite well known and is also a film director (Shaft), composer, and subject of a recent PBS special. Photographic Archives has a video on the history of photography narrated by Gordon Parks.

val-en-tine (vāl'an-tin') *n.* 1. *a.* A greeting card of a sentimental or satirical nature sent, usually, to one of the opposite sex on Saint Valentine's Day. *b.* A card or gift sent as a token of love or glad out as one's sweetheart on Saint Valentine's Day. 2. A person sin-



Happy
Valentine's
Day



Saint Valentine's Day: February 14, on which valentines are traditionally exchanged.

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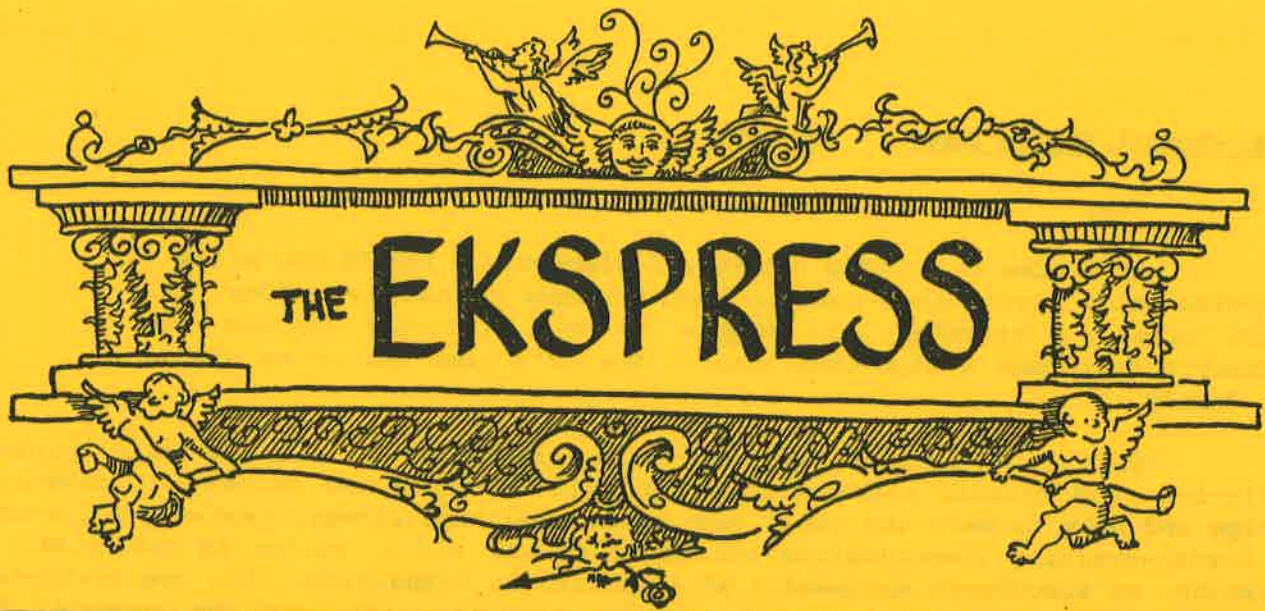


we will see

ground-hog day (ground'hōg', -hōg'). February 2, traditionally the point that indicates an early or late spring. [Supposedly the day when the ground hog emerges from hibernation, and hurries back to his burrow if it is sunny and he sees his own shadow, presaging prolonged winter weather.]



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This "ad" is a little out of date, but I'm sure the Techno-Nomad Bikers can still be reached - The Editor.

Submitted by Calvin Miracle, Office of Library Systems



Year-Round Field Day?
An open invitation from
Steven K. Roberts (N4RVE) and Maggie Victor (K8ZYW)

For about 5 years, I have been pedaling around the United States on a 54-speed, 275-pound computerized recumbent bicycle. It started in Columbus, Ohio 16,000 miles ago: a fancy getaway, a blend of technoid passions, a ticket to romance and adventure. And it succeeded beyond all reasonable expectations, evolving from year to year as the bike kept frantic pace with technology and publishers grew more and more interested in hearing about my nomadic exploits.

Why all the technology? Simple: I run both my life and a complex freelance business from the road, and I depend upon the on-board systems to render my current geographic location irrelevant. Five computers, cellular phone with modem, a packet station, HF, 2-meters, solar panels, daily network connection...it all adds up to a new definition of "home" and complete freedom from the usual constraints of travel. I can wander forever if I like -- or I could stop right now.

But I have chosen to continue. My new bike Winnebiko III, is more like an OSCAR satellite than a bicycle. This whole caper has long since passed critical mass: I'm in an endless loop of publicity, sponsorship, fun, adventure, and writing projects... trapped in my own playground and loving it.

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Now.

It's time to do this a little differently. For 10,000 miles I traveled solo, living from town to town, romance to romance. Then, for 6,000 miles, I traveled with Maggie -- who willingly trashed her lifestyle to become a high-tech nomad. Now it's time for us to expand the family...

This is a call to nomadics -- an invitation to all you wild spirits suffering from chronic stir-craziness, to all who know the madness of creative escape and ache to make the world your home. You have already tasted the flavors of border-crashing communication online or on the air... you're an anarchist, a renegade, an electronic ambassador of a culture in transition. You are restless, curious, and enchanted with tools that empower the individual to compute, to communicate, to be free.

Does talk like this make your chest pound? Are your priorities suddenly being rearranged like a fresh deck in Vegas? Is the ol' nine-to-five taking on a new, and not altogether flattering, perspective?

Maggie and I are hitting the road again soon with a loosely coupled ad-hocracy of like-spirited individuals. The purpose? To learn, play, teach, and use the magic of technology to open doors worldwide and then waltz through them. The global amateur radio community is our host, sharing that essential support function with computer networkers, cyclists, writers, and others who recognize the wanderlust and ache to share it through evenings in their homes or contributions of equipment. We seem to have touched something fundamental here, and there's plenty of it to go around.

I'll save the details for one-to-one correspondence, but here's the basic invitation: if you have creative skills to offer a team of internationally traveling hams, are physically and emotionally fit, and are free to make the commitment that a year or more on the road entails, then I want to hear from you. The sponsors are interested, the publishers are waiting in the wings, subscribers want to read the monthly journal, clients want us to get busy, audiences are hungry for stories, and there are countless photo and video opportunities. All we need is personnel. In addition to ham radio expertise, we need all of the following...



Bike mechanic
Cook/nutritionist
Logistics wizard
Doctor or nurse
Bodyguard/Survivalist
Network/PC programmer
Design engineer (MSEE)
Masseuse/therapist
Musician/magician/clown
Programmer (controls)
Public speaker
Machinist
RF/antenna designer

Professional photographer
Business manager (corporate experience)
PR/marketing person
Videographer
Well-published freelance writer
Traveler (major expedition experience)
Desktop publishing expert
Historian/geologist/generalist
Research librarian
Graphic artist (pubs and advertising)
Fabrics wizard
Cartoonist
Engineering technician (micros & SMD's)



Year-Round Field Day? (con't)

If this strikes a chord and you want to discuss it, please write to me immediately at 98 Sudbury Drive, Milpitas, CA 95035. In your letter, tell me who you are, what you do, why you're interested, what you can offer, and what you want out of life. Send photos, publishing credits, claims to fame, secret longings, resumes, and anything else of interest. Impress me. Make me laugh with delight. Make me want to pick up the phone and ask you to go for a bike ride...

Cheers, and see ya down the road...
Steve N4RVE

General



The following was submitted by David F. Reed, Director, Division of Public Services

You Missed It



The 1987 conference on rural and isolated libraries entitled "Libraries Alone" was actually held in (ready????) Wagga Wagga, New South Wales, Australia. I am waiting till all who attended return, sometime in 1992, to hear how things turned out.



READERS' PICKS

Looking for a good book? A call to library personnel for the titles they liked best in 1989 drew an enthusiastic response. Fiction choices appear below. Watch this space next issue for the non-fiction picks.

Compiled by Sherrill Redmon

Dave Meyer - PARIS TROUT and GOD'S POCKET by Pete Dexter, THE JOY LUCK CLUB by Amy Tan and THE MOST BEAUTIFUL HOUSE IN THE WORLD by Witold Rybczynski.



Martha Bowman - JITTERBUG PERFUME by Tom Robbins.
An outrageous and fun filled saga spanning the last millennium.

Bruce Spencer - THE LORD OF THE RINGS by J R R Tolkien.
I just finished it for the fourth time. It is better every time I read it, especially when one takes the time to read the history of Middle-Earth (THE SILMARILLION) and THE HOBBIT beforehand. I took an MA in literature, and I have never found any book with the same depth of character and richness.



Jean Small - A PRAYER FOR OWEN MEANY by John Irving.
The best book I've read in many years.



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Margaret Merrick - A GLASS OF BLESSINGS by Barbara Pym.

Carolyn Gettler - LOVE IN THE TIME OF CHOLERA by Gabriel Garcia Marquez. Noted for his "magical realism," the author recalled to me with this novel what the years had made me forget: that what we dream may be more real than what we live, and that "the only everyday and eternal reality is love."

Dick Griscom - LOVE IN THE TIME OF CHOLERA by Gabriel Garcia Marquez. It's a love story with a happy ending. Also THE BELLAROSA CONNECTION by Saul Bellow and short stories by Anton Chekhov.

Mary K Becker - IN COUNTRY by Bobbie Ann Mason. A girl whose father died in Vietnam before her birth travels to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington. Anyone who has ever lived or had family in rural areas will find someone they know in this book.

Judith Niles - THE RAJ QUARTET and its semi-sequel, STAYING ON, by Paul Scott. The best books I read this decade. THE LONESOME DOVE by Larry McMurtry is my second choice for book of the decade.

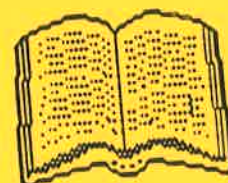
Gail Gilbert - THE JOY LUCK CLUB by Amy Tan.

Lea Hable - TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD by Harper Lee. Every time I read it, it's always the best book I've ever read. On a lighter note (much lighter) I really enjoyed THE BOYFRIEND SCHOOL by Sarah Bird.

Melissa Laning - SUMMONS TO MEMPHIS by Peter Taylor. Best book I've read in recent memory. The jacket describes the book this way: "When Phillip Carver receives two successive telephone calls from his sisters, begging him to return immediately to Memphis, he is slow to agree. His sisters, middle-aged and unmarried, want his help in averting the remarriage of their father, an elderly widower. Although Phillip wants no part in such manipulations, he finds himself unable to refuse to make the trip South and into his own past."

Nikki Gaines - THE KISS OF THE SPIDER WOMAN by Manuel Puig. Many people will remember the movie about the two Argentine prisoners, one a political prisoner and the other a homosexual; it was a good movie, but, as usual, the book is better.

Pam Yeager - SOME TAME GAZELLE by Barbara Pym. The best book I EVER read. I've read it several times each year since. An unsentimental novel about quiet lives and times.



Michel Atlas - CAT'S EYE by Margaret Atwood.

A woman artist returns to Toronto for a retrospective show and reviews her life growing up there, particularly her childhood relations with other girls. Extremely well written and insightful about the lives of children and their relations with each other.



Glenda Neely - COLD SASSY TREE by Olive Ann Burns.

The novel is told in first person by a young boy, Will, growing up in the South at the turn of the 20th century. It is comical, with touching insights and memorable characters. It was a TV movie in '89.



Kay Womack -

THE CAT WHO COULD READ BACKWARDS, THE CAT WHO ATE DANISH MODERN, THE CAT WHO TURNED ON AND OFF, THE CAT WHO PLAYED POST OFFICE, THE CAT WHO KNEW SHAKESPEARE, THE CAT WHO SNIFFED GLUE, THE CAT WHO WENT UNDERGROUND by Lilian Jackson Braun. I don't know if I can qualify them as "the best," but I have thoroughly enjoyed these mysteries. The books feature a newspaper journalist and two Siamese cats.



Maggie Steptoe - CONFESSIONS OF A FAILED SOUTHERN LADY by Florence King and FAIR AND TENDER LADIES by Lee Smith. (Maggie is a U of L medical editor and a friend of the compiler.)



Department News

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Look out Garrison Keillor!

Tom Owen is on WUOL-FM, every Saturday morning from 10:55 a.m.-11:00 a.m. in a feature called "Sidewalks". It focuses on some original local history topics like a park bench in Shawnee Park and an old tollhouse on Frankfort Avenue.

OFFICE OF LIBRARY SYSTEMS

Our office is producing a newsletter in electronic form called "Connections".



Peggy Steele is the publisher/editor/chief newshound, but the whole Systems Office has pitched in. It will be issued bimonthly via PROFS. Any ideas/comments/suggestions are welcome, as are full fledged articles. (Need more "B" on your Faculty Performance Update?) Just contact Peggy at PØSTEEØ1.

INTERLIBRARY LOAN

Another new smiling face in ILL! Teresa Heintz joined us in January and she's been burning up the photocopiers ever since (with legitimate ILL requests--not sabotage!) Say hi to her when you see her pushing that infamous ILL truck around the stacks.



CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT

Bribery !!!



Student Assistant David Lee was recently offered \$5.00 by a couple to let them check out Reserve material without a current validation sticker. He stood steadfast and refused. Not that our rules are absolutely inflexible under any circumstance but with money involved, Dave's honor was at stake!!!

Go Ahead Make My Day

The monitor program has evolved recently. Now, for the first time in months, we have a full roster of monitors, more than ever before. The monitors enforce building policy such as the ban on food and drinks outside of the student lounge, the maintenance of a quiet study atmosphere, proper treatment of library materials (watching for offensive graffiti, pamphlet distribution, or solicitation), and making sure that all areas are locked that should be (any of the non-Public Service Departments outside of regular hours). The monitors, who often are Circulation Student Assistants, provide a sense of security to the users and answer questions for patrons in need of information. The job of a monitor is not glamorous but necessary. Having Student Assistants that double as monitors is part of a larger plan of eventually integrating the monitor work into the tasks performed by Student Assistants. At present, monitors only work nights and weekends. Eventually, their round the clock presence may be realized.

It is very difficult to ask someone to dispose of food and drink when the adjacent trash can is full of Pepsi's and candy wrappers. We can all do our part as employees of Ekstrom by stopping people with food or drink in the library and informing them of our policy. This simple action takes only a moment and keeps the public from assuming that food and drink is permissible. We can also try to make an effort to be discrete when bringing food or drink into our departments for consumption. Parading a McDonalds bag around the lobby, rather than using the staff elevator confuses the public. United we stand, divided we fall.

Our New Student Assistants

We have hired a whole new batch of students in Circulation: Gary Barmore, Beth Garchek, Jamie Kinney, LaTanya Matthews, Scott McLaughlin, and Rob Tuel, and Billy Yowell. All of these students were hired by a committee which involved a lot of coordinating on the part of the committee chair, Mike Trauth and the Circulation Manager, Jean Vinson. Hiring students is only the first step of our work here in Circulation Training in stacks work (Mike Trauth), Notis (Cindy Lucas), Circulation Policy (Jean Vinson), Reserve (John Whitfield), and Holds/Recalls (Mark Dickson) will follow along with practice, practice, practice... Now, if we can only complete our 3rd revision of the over 50 page Student Manual.



Obscure Reference Question of the Month Award:

How do you pronounce the family name Pierrepont (their claim to fame is living next door to Jane Austin's summer home).

**Photographic Archives
Photo of the Month**



Stern Bramson, 1930 - by Walter Mann

Funnies

Those Fish Shirt Blues

Another part of the on going battle over Mark Dickson's fashion choices. Sung to a basic E blues pattern (ie EAB type), like the song "I'm a Man" (also known as "Mammish Boy"). By Thomas (Eborg-Tu)

I woke up this mornin'
little man in my head
Workin' me over and over
'til I thought I wuz dead.

Walked into the shower
after worshipping the ceramic god.
Everyone keeps talkin' louder
So I get that shirt hangin on a rod.

Chorus: I gotten
(Background Voices "Those Fish Shirt Blues")
Yea I got them old fish shirt blues ----
I'z gotta a blue one,
Maybe a red one too
I'll put one on,
You'll love'em two
Those Fish...
Those Fish Shirt Blues

Button up the front
of that polyester masterpiece.
Could wear somethin' else, no don't
I'll make it the center piece.

Come strollin' into work
World goin' to and fro
Every little quirk
Makes them fish go and go

Chorus

Lunch time comes around
That's when this shirt is great.
Spill my soup all round
And no one can tell what I ate.

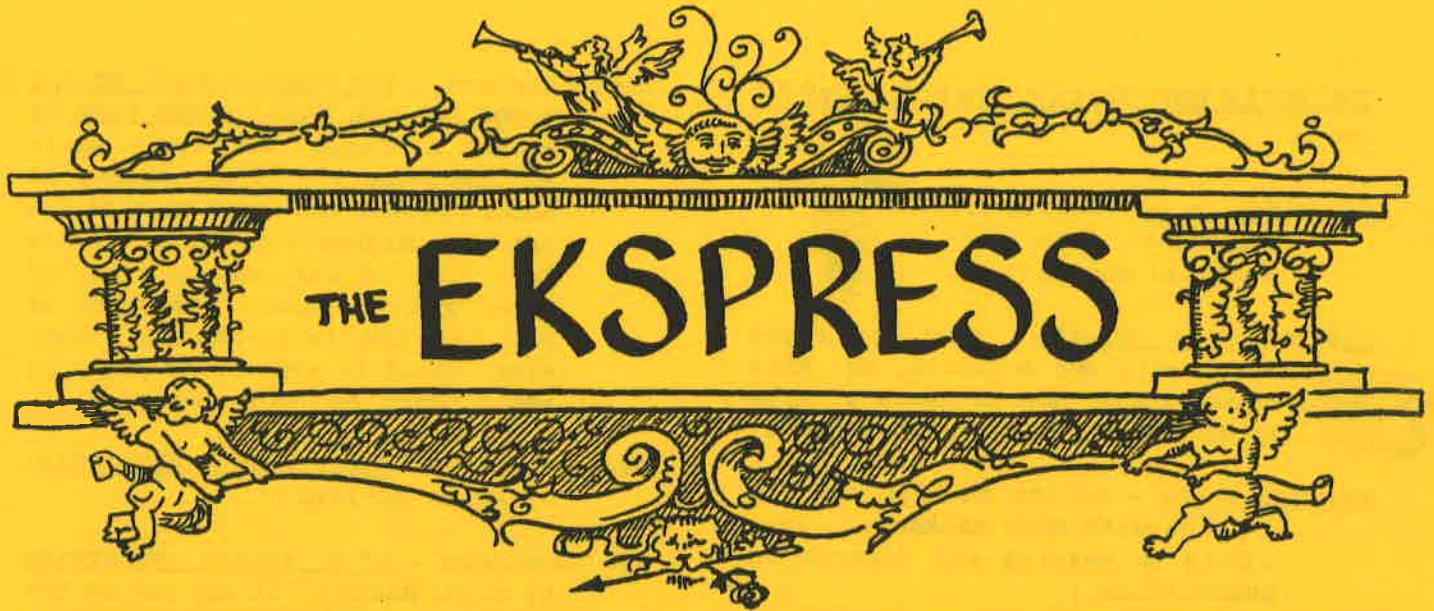
Someone pointed and laughed
At my shirt one night late
I told them 'come in the back
And I showed them my shark bait!

Chorus

I get home to the wife 'n kids
Knockn' on the door
My wife throws me a garbage can lid
Says I'm stinkn' up three floors.

Chorus: I got the blues...Them Fish Shirt Blues





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"INTO OUR SECOND DECADE"

APRIL 1, 1990



Television worth watching??

Submitted by Mark Tucker,
OPAS Student Assistant

While perusing the weekly television schedule, we couldn't help but notice that Ted Turner's Superstation and the newly formed Fox Television Network have left gaping holes in America's quality television viewing schedule. As always, your friends on the second floor have come up with a solution, and have formed the OPAS Television Network. We don't want to publish our complete schedule yet, for fear that Ted and the others may steal our ideas. Here is a small sample of what you can expect.

Yoga With Yogi - Be entertained while exercising with your favorite cartoon character.

Morning Miracles - Daily inspiration with this computer wiz is on fare. It could be Calvinistic, but that hasn't been predetermined.



D.I.P.S. - Two campus policemen patrol Eastern Parkway on their Flintstone



Cha Cha With Zsa Zsa - You'll be captivated as this Hollywood star counts down her favorite top 40 prison tunes.

Fred Wiche's autobiography: I Was A Teenage Eggplant - Just the kind of show you need to vegetate after a long hard day at the office.

America's Least Wanted - This week featuring jay-walkers, mattress tag rippers and people who don't wear shoes in restaurants.

Lifestyles Of The Poor And Insignificant - Ah, who really cares!

The Monitor Zone - What Horrors Lurk in the deep recesses of the 4th floor?

Bookworms, Booklice and You - Mary Walter Hughes hosts an informative half hour about safe book reading for the 90's.

Television Worth Watching???

(con't)

Dr. Cindy Is In - Advice from the best. fake Austrian accent.



Fishing With Trauth - Trolling right along with our schedule, Mr. Mike demonstrates how to catch a large mouth Bass with a bound periodical.



Sew Up, Yours - Advice on high and low fashion with Mark Dickson. (This title's meaning all depends on punctuation.)

The Adventures Of OPAS Man - Hey, ole Ted has a cartoon to protect the environment, so we want one too.

I.L.L. Wrestling - Watch out W. W. F. This week features a special cage chainsaw tag team grudge match as Jumpin' Judy and a "secret weapon" take on the U.S. Postal service.



GENERAL NEWS

READERS' PICKS

Compiled by Sherrill Redmon

The last issue of EKSPRESS carried the fiction titles most favored by library personnel in 1989. Here are the choices for non-fiction.

Andy Anderson - PARTING THE WATERS: AMERICA IN THE KING YEARS by Taylor Branch. Certainly my favorite and the best I've read this year.

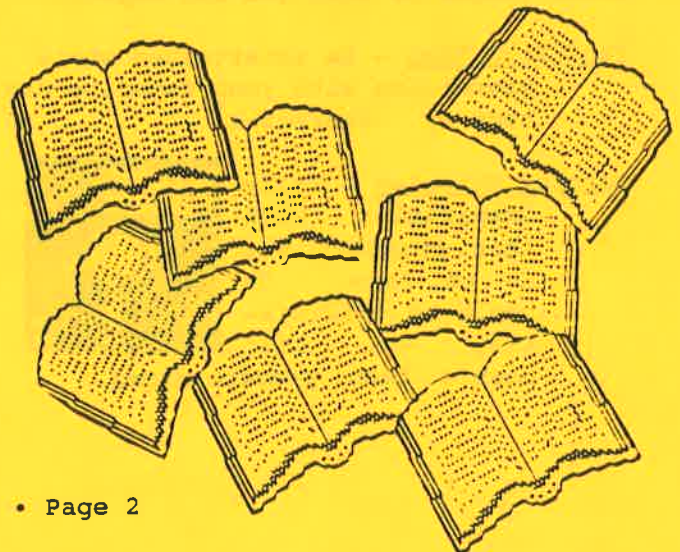
Bill Morison - MINE EYES HAVE SEEN THE GLORY by Randall Balmer. A thoughtful journey over the landscape of our nation's contemporary "evangelical subculture" by a historian reared in the fundamentalist tradition.

David Carlson - THE POWER BROKER: ROBERT MOSES AND THE FALL OF NEW YORK by Robert A. Caro. Extremely well-written analysis of the career of Robert Moses, who built most of the bridges, highways and parks of New York City. A fascinating study of power and politics. This book is not for the faint-hearted, however, as it is over 1,000 pages of small print on large pages.

Dave Meyer - PILGRIM AT TINKER CREEK by Annie Dillard

Lee Caruthers - IT'S ALWAYS SOMETHING by Gilda Radner. It may not be the BEST, and it's certainly not "great literature," but it is a powerful book, and I found myself thinking about it often long after I had read it. It is, of course, ultimately a sad book, but somehow it was also a happy book in that it is a testimony to the human spirit in the face of extreme adversity. I would think it would be especially meaningful to anyone ill with cancer. I'd recommend the book to anyone, especially anyone who knew and loved Gilda on the original SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE show.

Gail Gilbert - SEEING VOICES by Oliver Sacks, FIERCE ATTACHMENTS by Vivian Gornick (about her relationship with her mother, and it is fierce) and A TURN IN THE SOUTH by V. S. Naipaul (an outsider's view of the South which I found very interesting).



READER'S PICKS (CONT)

Ralze Dorr - THE FIRST SALUTE: A VIEW OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION by Barbara Tuchman. I found it one of the most readable works on the subject of the revolution. There is just enough anecdotal material to make it interesting. It contains Tuchman's philosophical comments about history which are insightful and sometimes amusing. I found the book to be particularly informative in terms of an excellent explanation as to why the British lost the war.

David Horvath - INSIDE CENTRAL AMERICA by Phillip Barryman. Barryman, with 15 years experience as a pastoral worker and regional representative of the American Friends Service Committee in Central America, offers both an excellent primer and useful reference source for anyone interested in the region.

Gwen Snodgrass AND THE BAND PLAYED ON by Randy Shilts. My most memorable book of 1988, which still had a strong effect on me in '89 and possibly for many years to come. Everyone who gets this list must read it. It's not optional like many others on the list. Also I CHING or BOOK OF CHANGES by Confucius and others.

Tom Owen - IBERIA: SPANISH TRAVELS AND REFLECTIONS by James Michener. Through interview and travel observations, evokes Spain's historic character and the threshold of modernization.

Leonard Eddy - IBERIA: SPANISH TRAVELS AND REFLECTIONS.

Jim DeLotel - TRANSFORMATION: THE BREAK-THROUGH by Whitley Strieber. A sequel to COMMUNION: A TRUE STORY, it is at times maddeningly subjective. Still it raises question about the very nature of our existence which are shattering in their potential implications (and

which most people remain stubbornly unwilling to examine). It deals with the author's ordeal of coming to grips with what he has termed "the visitor experience," which means the uncovering or buried memories of contact, involuntary and traumatic, with some kind of non-human and apparently highly advanced intelligent physical beings.

Merry Bortz - ONE by Richard Bach. Bach and his wife travel through alternative realities via their airplane and discover philosophies for living in their present reality.

Sherrill Redmon - THE CHALICE AND THE BLADE by Riane Eisler. A specialist in cultural change envisions a world in which women and men share political, religious, and cultural leadership. She bases this "partnership model" on growing archaeological evidence of goddess-worshipping, nature-respecting, non-martial, creative, spiritual, playful, less stratified civilization in Minoan Crete and elsewhere in early southeastern Europe. I like her hopefulness for the transformation of today's tottering patriarchies. Also enjoyed her reading of key Western cultural documents (including Judao-Christian scripture) for evidence of the struggle of male-dominant cultures to squelch goddess-worship and reduce the statues of women.

NASA Spacemobile Visits U of L

The schedule has been set for the NASA Spacemobile visit to the University of Louisville April 23-28. Presentations cover the past, present, and future of aviation and aerospace science illustrated through models and video presented by a NASA education specialist.



NASA Spacemobile Visits U of L (con't)

The Rauch Memorial Planetarium will also conduct special school shows complementing the NASA schedule, featuring the Hubble Space Telescope set for launch this spring. Planetarium tickets are \$1 each.

U of L campus tours will be available Monday through Thursday at 10:00a.m., 11:00a.m., and 1:00p.m.



Celebrate Earth Month!

Try some of these suggestions:

Energy Solutions:

- Use public transportation -- car-pool, bike, walk
- Use electricity and hot water efficiently and invest in ample insulation, weatherstripping and caulking

Food Solutions:

- Eat lower on the food chain -- vegetables, fruits and grains. Decrease consumption of meat and animal products
- Read food labels; buy foods that have not been heavily processed; learn which additives are harmful



Water Solutions:

- Take showers, not baths, to cut water consumption
- Do not let water run when it's not actively in use while showering, shaving brushing teeth, etc.

Toxins & Pollutants Solutions:

- Read labels; buy the least toxic products available; find out the best disposable methods for toxic products; use nonharmful substitutes
- Avoid purchasing clothes that require dry cleaning, for it uses toxic chlorinated solvents.

Waste Reduction/Recycling Solutions:

- Reduce consumption whenever possible. Buy products in bulk or with the least amount of packaging.
- Buy products that are recycled, recyclable, reliable, repairable, refillable, reusable.

Preservation of Life & Environment Solutions:

- Don't buy endangered plants, animals or products made from exploited species (furs, ivory, tortoise shell, etc.)
- Buy products from companies that don't pollute or damage the environment and don't test products on animals.

Finally, join, support, volunteer your time to organizations working on causes that share these concerns.



Earth Day 20

DO NOT FORGET!!!

Saturday, April 21
' 'Campus Clean up Day' '
at U of L.

Sunday, April 22
' 'Earth Day Celebration' '
at the Louisville Zoo.



Department News

RARE BOOKS

Roll Out the Welcome Mat

Rare Books has three new student assistants: Erica Gutermuth, Angie Payton and David Klaphaak. Erica and Angie wrote the exhibition notes for the American Humorists exhibit currently on display in Rare Books.

New Hours

Rare Books has changed the hours when the department will be open to the public. The new hours, which began March 19, are 10:00am to 4:00pm, Monday through Friday, and Thursday evenings until 8:00pm. We hope that this will allow us to juggle more effectively increases in public and technical services demands, and make it possible for us to do much needed work within our collections. Please help us explain these changes to our patrons, and pass on to us any feed-back you may have or may hear from users.



Eighteen American Humorists

Rare Books is currently displaying an exhibit of Nineteenth and the turn of the century humorists with examples from the Wayne Yenawine American Humor Collection. Dr. Yenawine was Dean of Libraries here in the 1960's. His family gave the nucleus of this collection in his honor and it has been added to as funds permit. The exhibit will be up through April 14th.



Exhibit of Rare Astronomy Books to Celebrate Arrival of NASA Spacemobile on Campus April 28th

In conjunction with the visit of the NASA Spacemobile and Astronomy Day

(April 28th) the Department of Rare Books and Special Collections of Ekstrom Library will display rare astronomy books for the William Marshall Bullitt Collection of Astronomy and Mathematics. The exhibit will include key works of premiere astronomers from the 16th through 19th centuries, including the 1543 DE REVOLUTIONIBUS ORBIUM COELESTIUM in which Nicolaus Copernicus first published his heliocentric theory. The NARRATIO PRIMA, published in 1540 by one of Copernicus' students, will also be on display.

Students will have an opportunity to view actual editions of works mentioned in their textbooks: Galileo's DIALOGO, Newton's PRINCIPIA (this copy with annotations in Newton's own hand), and an 18th century edition of the work of Archimedes, published at Oxford by Edmund Halley of comet fame. Twenty other important works, including first editions of Kepler, Euler, LaGrange and Laplace, will be on display.

Visitors are welcome to visit the exhibit in Rare Books and Special Collections, on the ground floor of Ekstrom Library, April 23 through 27, from 10:00a.m. until 4:00p.m. daily, and on Thursday evening until 8:00p.m.

The Bullitt Collection was donated to the University of Louisville in 1957 by Mrs. William Marshall Bullitt. It is considered one of the most important collections of astronomy and mathematics in the United States. With the invaluable help and support of University of Louisville Professors Richard Davitt and Joel Gwinn, the collection has grown in the past ten years and attracted scholars from around the world. While rarely exhibited, the collection is currently available for use by faculty and students. A bibliography of the more than three hundred items in the collection is available in the Department of Rare Books and Special Collections.

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT



Lanny Coberly - Newly Appointed Student Assistant

In our last episode, the new monitors and Student Assistants were revealed to the reader with one significant oversight. Lanny Coberly, stalwart monitor, is now a Student Assistant in addition to his usual monitor duties. Lanny's devotion as a monitor is outstanding. He was the only monitor for a time and volunteered to cover every night but one. Lanny has offered a number of suggestions in regard to the monitor program, and has been instrumental in tabling two suggestions for standard monitor equipment: wearing of fish shirts with an anti-soda can symbol on the back and ordering battery operated electric cattle prods.

Thursday Party Animals!!!!



The last two Thursday evenings the department has done the town after work! Two Thursdays ago some of the crew celebrated Jim Howards' 21st b-day. John Whitfield, Cindy Lucas, David Lee, Poling Lau, Mike Trauth, Stewart Thomas, and, ironically, Jim Howard hit Players and a dance club. This past Thursday, Lora Lennertz blew into town and was accompanied to dinner at Mark's Feed Store by Mark Paul (honorary circulation party animal) and John Whitfield. Later that evening, Cindy Lucas, Kristi Hatcher, Jennifer Carrico, Jim Howard, Jonathan McGuffy, and Stewart Thomas joined the aforementioned crew at a dance club for a rowdy evening of dance and merriment. Perhaps the most interesting aspect of these little get togethers is that Jim, Mike and Stewart open the Circulation department on Fridays and Cindy comes in at 8:30. No one was late these past two Fridays. Vive endurance of the mighty party animal!!

P.S. Mark Paul also opens and was also on time! (Thank God we did not run out of coffee!!!)

Western Sees NOTIS in Action



A group of library folk from Western Kentucky University visited the Circulation Department this past week. The six Westerners wanted to observe the Circulation Desk in action, examine our policies and procedures, and study how we set up the NOTIS tables. Mike Trauth offered a demonstration at the Circulation Desk. Sharon discussed our policies and procedures and gave out copies of our policy statements. Dave Carlson aided Cindy Lucas in going over the NOTIS tables with the group. Cindy, in particular, was delighted to finally be able to show the Western folks the situations that they had long discussed through telephone conversations.

Small Thanks To All The Little People

Seriously, once again the hour has come to turn the spotlight of gratitude toward folks in other departments. On the first floor Carmen Embry was kind enough to ask for our input on a self-guided tour of Ekstrom that she is preparing. The folks at ILL have been generous enough to help us polish off the culinary leftovers from our Wednesday staff meetings. They also sent us multiple copies of their basic policy (now we have no excuses for forgetting when patrons ask us about their service). Lula Ealy kindly sent oil for our noisy book trucks. The oil was one suggestion among many from (moving on to the second floor) Thomas and the rest of the gang in OPAS. Thomas has dealt with everything from repairing our maimed book trucks to suggesting how to deal with the removal of graffiti in semi-enclosed carrels upstairs. Continuing the walk around the second floor, Lee Caruthers and Jackie Sidney have volunteered to be on our hiring committees. Ralze Dorr has listened to our many complaints about the HVAC system. Mark Paul has helped

Small Thanks to All the Little People (con't)

us keep up with our periodical searching. Dave Reed has worked with us on almost everything we do. The Systems Office has continued to be patient, vigilant, and competent in their advice and work. Thank you Dave, Peggy, Paul, and Cal. Cal, in particular, has shown us how to transfer files from DW4 to PROFS and retrained us in operating the modem (which proved quite useful when the North Center was out of commission on a recent Saturday).

Lastly, there are quite a few folks downstairs that have truly pitched in either by keeping us informed of changes in NOTIS cataloging or by helping in committees. Tyler Goldberg keeps us aware of changes in serials cataloging and asked for our suggestions about circulating bound sets of serials. Margo Smith and Carol Honaker have been patient while we dealt with withdrawing materials in the wake of Lora Lennertz' departure. Delinda Buie and Mary Walter-Hughes have estimated the repair costs for damaged books. Melissa Laning, Tyler, Margo and Carol have, as ever, been ready to deal with problem books dumped in their laps by Cindy Lucas or the Circulation Department search team. If we left anyone out, on any floor, we appreciate your work too and, hopefully, will publicly embarrass you next time around.

P.S. Thanks to Martha Bowman and Dave Reed for their help with high school students enrolled in the Bellarmine ACCP program.

A Lora By Any Other Name...

When Lora left the Circulation Department in late December she told us that we would discover how little she actually did. Lora always has a knack for sarcasm. Her absence left an already understaffed department to cover a plethora of "claim returns", searches, and "claim never charged" files which needed to be searched regularly (several times a week) plus keeping statistics and

mailing the search results. Many staff members have pitched in to help but almost all of the work has been carried out by two able Student Assistants: Kristi Hatcher and Jennifer Carrico. Kristi and Jen collectively work many hours a week to keep the searches current and have met with Cindy Lucas on several occasions to iron out problems relating to NOTIS. They are very competent and are even working on a spreadsheet to facilitate statistic keeping. We cannot thank them enough (since vacations to the Bahamas are not within our budget). Their tireless efforts are appreciated and we want them to take a well deserved bow (and a well deserved rest when we get Lora's replacement hired through a committee of which Kristi is a valuable member).

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT

To Market, To Market

Carmen Embry and Glenda Neely are authors of "To Market, To Market: Academic Reference Departments and the Promotion of CD-ROMS." It appeared last month in the Winter issue of SOUTHEASTERN LIBRARIAN.

SPECIAL SERVICES

Expanded Hours

Gwen Bronson has been working as Special Services Coordinator on a temporary basis for 15 hours a week, but the position is once again permanent: the office is now open 5 days (and 30 hours) a week. She is finding the old adage about work expanding to fit the time available all too true, but it is encouraging to see the increase in people's use of the service!

Don't Forget About Special Services!



Recently, a few students have managed to find us even after being told that there was no such service, or being

Don't Forget About Special Services! (con't)

sent to other places on campus. Special Services helps disabled people access to the library. Gwen has adaptive equipment and a suite which has quiet study rooms; She personally helps students with research, locating materials, photocopying, and so on. The office (231) and suite are located next to the photocopy room on the second floor.

New Aids for the Disabled

We're very excited about the new computer in Special Services! The Department for the Blind will be loaning us a speech synthesizer for it, and we already have Zoomtext software which enlarges the characters on the screen. It has already received rave reviews from the students though we have just begun to realize its usefulness. Visually impaired students can now use Minerva on their own and work on their projects and papers as well. Many thanks to all who have taken the time to bail this computer neophyte out of various difficulties--believe me, your help is much appreciated!

Gwen is a member of a new student organization on campus called STAND (Students to Advocate the Needs of the Disabled) is planning a Disability Awareness Day on Thursday, April 26. There will be a speaker, displays from local agencies, activities, and refreshments at the Red Barn from 12:00 to 3:00. The evening before (Wednesday the 25th) they are sponsoring a wheelchair basketball scrimmage at Belknap Gym starting at 7:00. Everyone is welcome to attend these events.



UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES AND RECORDS CENTER

Kentucky Council on Archives Meeting

Bill Morison,
Director of the University of Louisville Archives and Records Center and University Archivist, will speak



on "Graduate Archival Education in Kentucky" at the Spring 1990 meeting of the Kentucky Council on Archives. Hosted by the University of Kentucky's Department of Special Collections and Archives, the meeting theme is "Resources for Archivists: Archival Education and Training in the 1990s."

Local Church Prepares for 75th Anniversary

In preparation for its 75th anniversary celebration, Dale Patterson, Associate Archivist, has been assisting St. Paul United Methodist Church on Bardstown Road in locating, identifying, and evaluating their archival records. In order to establish a church archives, Dale searched filing cabinets in basements next to boilers, in back hallways, and in closets where he found historic materials dating back to the church's 1915 beginning. Handwritten minutes from the first meeting of St. Paul's administrative board, old church membership records, and photographs of members and all pastors have been discovered. An interesting sidenote is that the first baby baptized in the church is still a member.



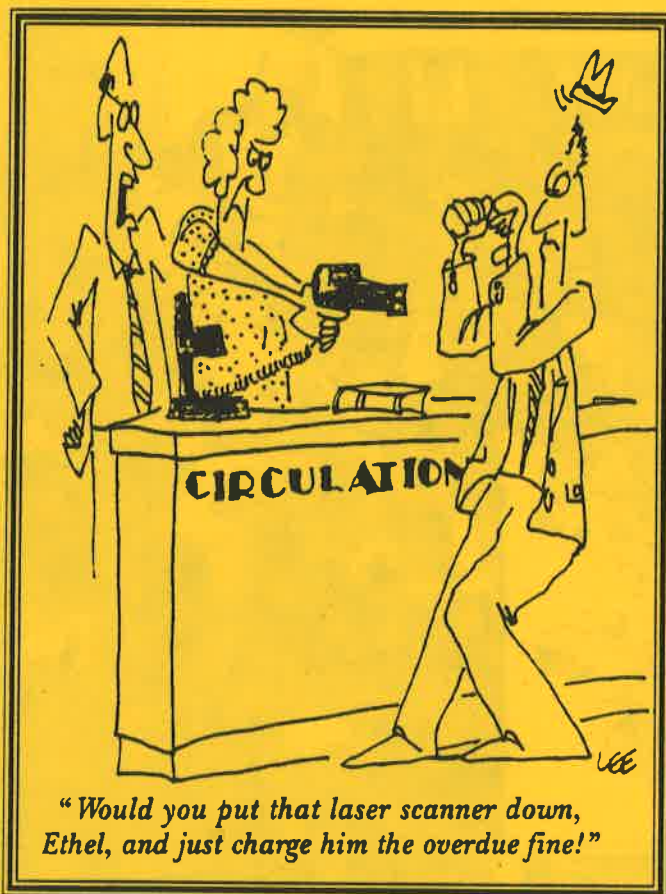
FUNNIES

The following was submitted by a reader who wants to keep their identity quiet.

Quote of the Month

Not That We'd Care to Identify....

John Whitfield was asked at the Circulation Desk "Have you seen a big, fat English teacher with a bunch of students?"



"Reprinted with Permission"

HELP WANTED

Professional Shoosher

The Ekstrom Library needs a Professional Shoosher (PS). A Professional Shoosher is someone who shooshes and has their MLS. Lowering decibels is the primary responsibility of a PS. When several people congregate, decibel levels rise, at which time the PS is called to the rescue. The position is important (especially in a library), but does not pay much. If you are thinking of becoming a Professional Shoosher, give it more thought. A PS is usually someone who keeps to her/himself, can emerge without much notice and can't stand crowds. Although there is a high turnover rate among Professional Shooshers, it is a time-honored position and fulfills the expectations of society at large. Interested parties (of one) should send their resume and three letters of reference to:

P.S. Search Committee
One Ekspress Plaza
Suite M37, Reference Department
William F. Ekstrom Library
University of Louisville
Louisville, KY 40292

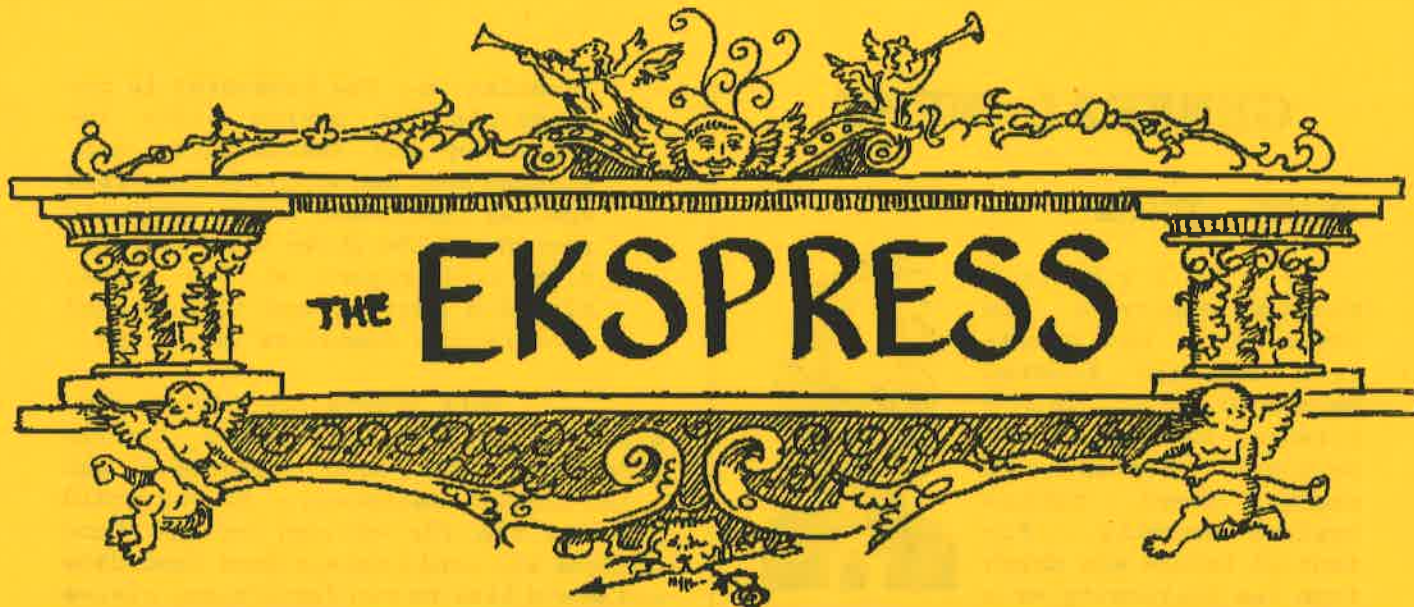
An Equal Opportunity
Employer -
Applicants will be
considered in spite of
their wardrobe and/or
sour disposition.

Photographic Archives

Photo of the Month



December 30, 1927. Group at Birthday Party. Caufield & Shook Studio.



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May 1, 1990

Traveling Tips

Are you planning a trip this summer? To prepare our readers for all eventualities The Ekspress will print tourist signs from around the world in the next three issues. This list comes to us from Dr. Saltik in the Geology Department, who brought it from her native Turkey.

Signs of the Times

In a Tokyo Hotel: Is forbidden to steal hotel towels please. If you are not person to do such thing is please not to read notis.

In a Bucharest hotel lobby: The lift is being fixed for the next day. During that time we regret that you will be unbearable.

In a Belgrade hotel elevator: To move the cabin, push button for wishing floor. If the cabin should enter more persons, each one should press a number of wishing floor. Driving is then going alphabetically by national order.

In a Paris hotel elevator: Please leave your values at the front desk.

In a hotel in Athens: Visitors are expected to complain at the office between the hours 9 and 11 A.M. daily.

In a Yugoslavian hotel: The flattening of underwear with pleasure is the job of the chambermaid.

In a Japanese hotel: You are invited to take advantage of the chambermaid.

In the lobby of a Moscow hotel across from a Russian Orthodox monastery: You are welcome to visit the cemetery where famous Russian and Soviet composers, artists, and writers are buried daily except Thursday.

In an Austrian hotel catering to skiers: Not to perambulate the corridors in the hours of repose in the boots of ascension.

On the menu of a Swiss restaurant: Our wines leave you nothing to hope for.



GENERAL NEWS

Tutor, Tutee

Several Ekstrom employees are involved in the Operation Outreach program here at U. of L. Calvin Miracle, Dave Meyer and Margaret Merrick are among seven tutors trained recently. Potential tutors are drawn from the University as a whole. Operation Outreach provides reading and math tutors for University of Louisville employees seeking a G.E.D.



Library Association Elections:

The Library Association will be holding elections at this month's meeting, Tuesday, May 29, 1990. There are three positions that are open for election:

1. President-Elect: serves the first year after election as Vice-President, and the second year as President. The Vice-President will assist the President in the performance of his or her duties. In the absence of the President, the Vice-President will assume the duties of the President. S/he will succeed to the Presidency in the event of disability or resignation of the President, without forfeiting his or her status as President-Elect. The President-Elect will chair the Thanksgiving Smorgasbord Committee.
2. Secretary: records the minutes of the Association and Executive Board Meeting. S/he will be prepared to present the minutes from previous meetings and to issue notices of meetings to all members including the Emeritus membership.
3. Treasurer: receives all the money and deposits it in the mane of the

Association. The Treasurer is responsible for paying bills incurred by the Association, collecting dues and entrance fees from special functions, and maintaining records of the above transactions. S/he will report at the Annual Election Meeting and when called upon by the Executive Committee.

This year's nomination committee consists of Susan Devlin (SMDEVL@1), Ben King (BFKING@1) and Alice Abbott (MAABBO@1). If you would like to run for office, or you know someone who would make a good candidate and would like to run for office, please contact one of these three people via campus mail, phone or PROFS. Nominations have to be in by Tuesday, May 22, 1990, which is one week before the elections, so that a ballot sheet can be made. Nominations can be made from the floor on the day of the election. The candidate must be a member of the Library Association in order to run. In order to be able to nominate someone, one also has to be a member of the Library Association.

The Nominating Committee hopes to hear from you soon!

Thank you.

Alice Abbott
Vice-President/
President-Elect
Library Association
1989-1990 term

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

'How can you govern a nation which has 246 kinds of cheese?'

-- Charles de Gaulle



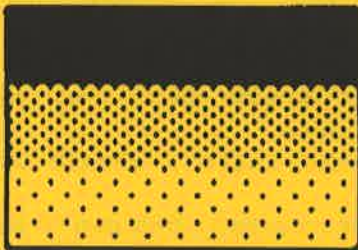
DEPARTMENT NEWS

UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES AND RECORDS CENTER

Future Archiving

The Spring meeting of the Kentucky Council of Archives was hosted by the University of Kentucky's Department of Special Collections on Friday April 20, 1990. The program theme was Resources for Archivists: Archival Education and Training in the 1990s. Bill Morison, University of Louisville Archivist, who teaches courses in Archives and Archival Administration, spoke on "Graduate Archival Education in Kentucky." Attending from the University of Louisville Archives were: Janet Hodgson, Kathy Johnson, Margaret Merrick, Bill Morison, Tom Owen, Dale Patterson, and Colleen Schiavone.

Was ist Das?



The University of Louisville Archives will be microfilming the LOUISVILLE ANZEIGER, a German language newspaper in existence from 1849 to 1938. The papers are owned by the Filson Club and the project is sponsored by the Louisville Genealogical Society. Funding is from the Mary and Barry Bingham Foundation. The ANZEIGER was founded to satisfy the demand for news from Germany by Louisville's German population and was edited for many years by George Doern, who came to the United States from Germany at the age of twelve.

Faster than a Speeding Manuscript

The Mini-Marathon, run on Saturday April 28, 1990 had two members of the University Archives as participants - Margaret Merrick and Tom Owen. Happy running!



REFERENCE DEPARTMENT

Who IS Buried in Grant's Tomb?

Mildred Franks and her family drove to Virginia during the Public Schools' Spring Break in early April. They stayed with relatives in the Richmond and D.C. areas and combined lots of sightseeing with good relaxation and family visiting.

Buried With Full Gerbilitary Honors

With great sadness Reference observed the passing of Cato this month. Cato's main claim to fame (outside of the department) was coyly digesting novels (literally) during Preservation Week earlier this Spring. Cato lived a long life (for a gerbil) of 5 1/2 years, and was buried next to his brother, Go, in the U. of L. Memorial Pet Cemetery (back behind Speed Museum). Donations in Cato's honor should be forwarded to the Preservation Committee.



Reference Department

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OK Minnie!

Glenda Neely and family visited Walt Disney World over the spring break. They spent most of their time visiting foreign countries in EPCOT Center, but also toured MGM, rode Star Tours, and saw Micky and Minnie in the Magic Kingdom. They particularly enjoyed the foreign cuisine in Morocco and Norway while eating their way around the world.

RARE BOOKS DEPARTMENT

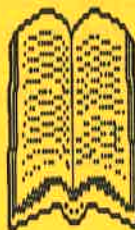
Catalog Published

Rare Books is proud to announce the publication of the Catalog to the Edgar Rice Burroughs Collection;



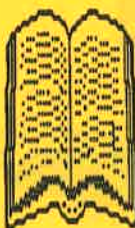
Edgar Rice Burroughs Memorial Collection: A Catalog

Bibliographies on Science Fiction, Fantasy and Horror, Number 4
George T. McWhorter



Sometimes called the "Grandfather of American Science Fiction," Edgar Rice Burroughs is best known as the creator of Tazan.

This catalog is an annotated and lavishly illustrated checklist of items in the Burroughs Memorial Collection, the largest and most comprehensive of its kind in any institutional library in the world, containing over 20,000 books, periodicals, films, posters, works of art, correspondence, ephemera, and memorabilia.



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325pp. June 1990

CURRENT PERIODICALS

Two students from Current Periodicals will graduate this semester. David Fowler will graduate with a degree in ISDP from Speed School and Rick Ransdell will earn his degree in Sociology. Many thanks to them from Current Periodicals for their valuable work. Best wishes for much success in the "real" world.



FUNNIES

The following was submitted by Calvin Miracle, Systems Office.



Just BOOT it....

by Robert M. Sklar
(Sung to the tune of
Micheal Jackson's
"Beat it".)

Next time your computer dies, maybe you'll feel like singing.....?

You're processing some words when your keyboard goes dead,
Ten pages in the buffer, should have gone to bed,
The system just crashed, but don't lose your head,
Just BOOT IT, just BOOT IT.

Better think fast, better do what you can,
Read the manual or call your system man,
Don't want to fall behind in the race with Japan,

So BOOT IT,

Get the system manager to BOOT IT,
BOOT IT,
Even though you'd rather shoot it.
Don't be upset, it's only some glitch.
All that you do is flip a little switch.

BOOT IT, BOOT IT,

Just Boot It.... con't

Get right down and restitute it.
Don't get excited, all is not lost.
CP/M, UNIX or MS/DOS Just BOOT IT, boot
it, boot it, boot it...

You gotta have your printout for the
meeting at two,
The system says your job's at the head
of the queue,
Right then the thing dies but you know
what to do, BOOT IT.

You always get so worried when the
system runs slow,
And when it finally crashes,
man you feel so low,
But computers make mistakes (they're
only human you know)
So BOOT IT, Call the local guru to
BOOT IT, BOOT IT,

Go ahead re-institute it.
If you're not lucky,
get the book off the shelf,
But if you are, it'll do itself.

BOOT IT, BOOT IT,

Then go find the guy who screwed it!
Operating systems are built to bounce
back,
Whether it's a Cray or a Radio Shack.

BOOT IT, BOOT IT !



Congratulations Graduates!!

Commencement Day

May 19, 1990

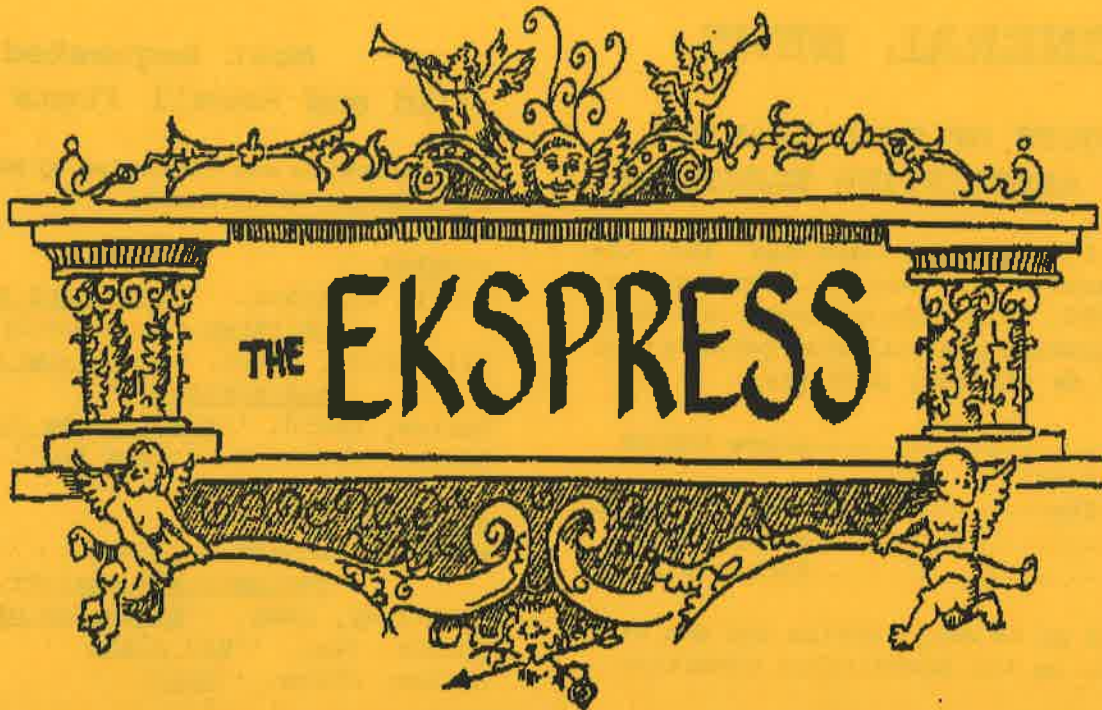
Good Luck



Photographic Archives
Photo of the Month



Photo by Kate Matthews - PeeWee Valley, KY - c. 1900



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"We have them just where
they want us" - James Kirk

June 1, 1990

Travel Tips

Part Two

As promised, more advice for you
summer vacationers;

Outside a Paris dress shop: Dresses for
street walking.

In an East African newspaper: A new swimming
pool is rapidly taking shape since the
contractors have thrown in the bulk of their
workers.

In a Vienna hotel: In case of fire, do your
utmost to alarm the hotel porter.

A sign posted in Germany's Black Forest: It
is strictly forbidden on our black forest
camping site that people of different sex,
for instance, men and women, live together in
one tent unless they are married with each
other for that purpose.

In a Zurich hotel: Because of the impropriety
of entertaining guests of the opposite
sex in the bedroom, it is suggested that the
lobby be used for this purpose.

In an advertisement by a Hong Kong dentist:
Teeth extracted by the latest Methodists.

A translated sentence from a Russian chess
book: A lot of water has been passed under
the bridge since this variation has been
played.

In a Rome laundry: Ladies, leave your
clothes here and spend the afternoon having
a good time.

In the window of a Swedish furrier: Fur coats
made for ladies from their own skin.

On the box of a clockwork toy made in Hong
Kong: Guaranteed to work throughout its
useful life.

Detour sign in Kyushi, Japan: Stop: Drive
Sideways.

In a Bangkok temple: It is forbidden to enter
a woman even a foreigner if dressed as a man.



GENERAL NEWS

RESULTS OF THIS YEAR'S LIBRARY ASSOCIATION ELECTIONS:

The annual elections for the Library Association were held on Tuesday, May 29, 1990. The Library Association is happy to announce the following persons will be serving as officers next year:

President.....Alice Abbott
Vice-President/
President-Elect.....Stewart Thomas
Treasurer.....Merry Bortz
Secretary.....Kimberly Locke

Many thanks go to Susan Devlin and Ben King for serving on the Nominations Committee.

Thank you,

Alice Abbott
President,
Library Association

DEPARTMENT NEWS

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT

Live on Arrival

Our staff ranks have recently been increased by the addition of Dave Lee. David is a former student assistant from the Circulation Department. Dave's skills as a cartoonist and pianist are head and shoulders above the rest of the group here. Dave previously worked at Sam's Warehouse where he was in charge of their freezer stock as well as deciding what height entrance each Sam's warehouse ought to have. Dave's sense of humor is one that will blend in well with the department along with his level-headed management style. Dave's hobbies include hula hoop manufacture (handmade and a bargain at \$19.95 a loop), windsurfing, and quantum physics. We are hoping that he maintains his quiet, competent style and does not make the rest of us feel inferior.

Most Requested

Hold and Recall Items in 1990

The following was submitted by Mark Dickson, Circulation Department;

JANUARY

Kozol, Jonathon. "Rachel and her children." (currently in mending)
Gillchrist, Ellen. "Light can be both wave and particle."
Garrow, David. "Bearing the cross."
Clarke, Arthur C. "Rama II."

FEBRUARY

Bingham, Richard, et al(eds.) "Homeless in contemporary society."
McCaffrey, Anne. "Renegades of Pern."
Koontz, Dean. "Bad place."
Barker, Clive. "Cabal."

March

Eddings, David. "Sorceress of Darshiva."
Clancy, Tom. (everything we have)
Quarterman, John. "The matrix:"
Peck, M. Scott. "Road less traveled."

APRIL

Ludlum, Robert. "Bourne ultimatum."
Stoll, Clifford. "Cuckoo's egg."

MAY

Chase, Truddi. "When rabbit howls."
Buffett, Jimmy. "Tales from Margari-taville."

OTHER ITEMS OF NOTE:

Denton, Sally. "Bluegrass conspiracy."
Rice, Anne. "Queen of the damned."
Barker, Clive. "Weaveworld."
L'Engle, Madeleine. "Two-part invention."
Hawking, Stephen. "A brief history of time." (currently being searched)
Tan, Amy. "Joy luck club."

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"The sooner you fall behind the more time you have to catch up."
-Ogden



SPECIAL SERVICES

This year Wendy Bronson, in the Special Services Office, took a central role in planning and organizing the campus Disability Awareness events. On Wednesday evening (April 25), the wheelchair basketball scrimmage between the Derby City Mustangs and U of L players took place. About 150 spectators filled Belknap Gym to watch the U of L team (which included members of the Lady Cards and former students Roger Burkman and Nat Carter) try to adjust to playing in wheelchairs against an experienced team. The game was close, with the Mustangs prevailing over U of L 45-40, largely because the Mustangs spotted U of L a 25 point lead before the game began! John Tong, the voice of the Cards, announced the game in his inimitable style, and three of the local networks covered the game on their late news. Hopefully, people learned that people in wheelchairs can be great athletes and that wheelchair basketball is an exciting sport in its own right.



On Thursday, April 26, there was an open house at the Red Barn for Disability Awareness Day. Sixteen local agencies were represented in person, and several other organizations sent literature. In addition to the displays, which included slide shows and videos, there were events like a wheelchair obstacle course and a blind walk. Three speakers dealt with the topics of the new student group S.T.A.N.D. (Students to Advocate the Needs of the Disabled), the contribution of the disabled to cultural diversity at U of L, and the improvements that have been made here as well as the changes still needed to come. We estimate that several hundred people attended the event; we hope they learned about both the barriers that the disabled face in this society and the capabilities and achievements of many disabled people. Thanks to all the library people who came by!



Teleconference Sponsored by Special Services

The Special Services Office also sponsored a two-part teleconference on Communication Aids and Devices for the Disabled. The first part (May 10) dealt with aids for cognitively-impaired children. People from the public school system, U of L, and various community organizations attended. The second part (June 7) will deal with aids to enhance employability. We hope to draw people from the business sector as well as disabled students on campus. With the recent passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act (civil rights legislation that prohibits discrimination against the disabled and requires employers to make reasonable accommodation for the disabled), this particular teleconference is very timely.

Videotapes of the two teleconferences will be available in the Media-Microforms Department.



KENTUCKY UNION LIST OF SERIALS



Lisa Kennedy, Assistant Editor for The Kentucky Union List of Serials will be ending her position with our office at the end of June. Her husband has just graduated from medical school and will be starting a family practice in Lexington soon. Lisa will be starting Pharmacy school in the fall. We wish her much great luck.

FACT OF THE MONTH

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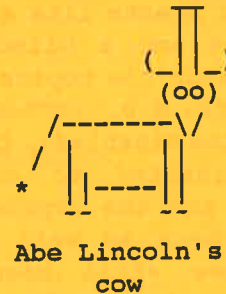
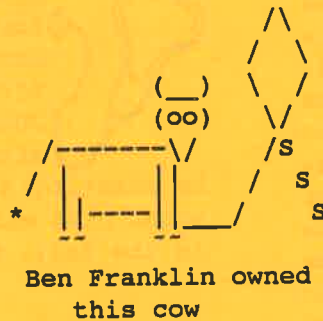
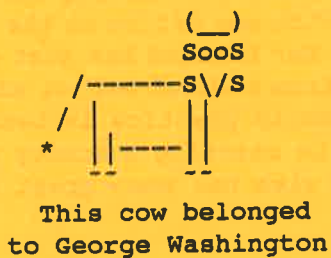
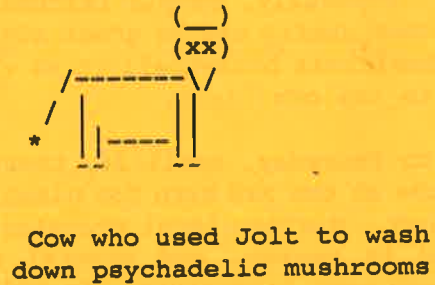
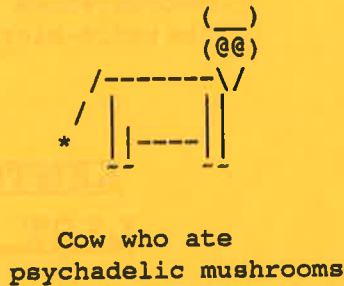
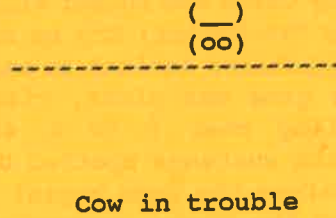
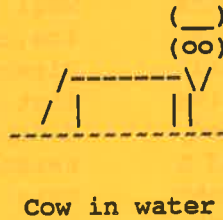
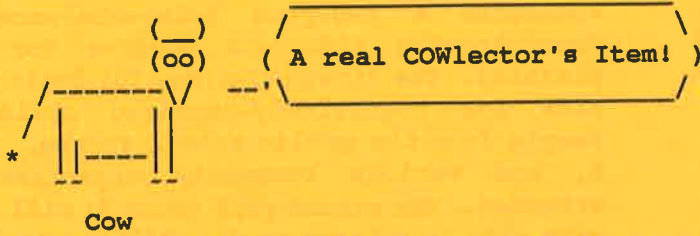
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 COMPLETE GUIDE TO COWS!

The following computer drawings
 were submitted by
 John Whitfield, Circulation.

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Edited by Eric W. Tilenius



Cow-struction worker.

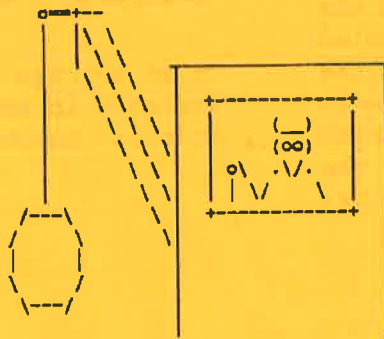
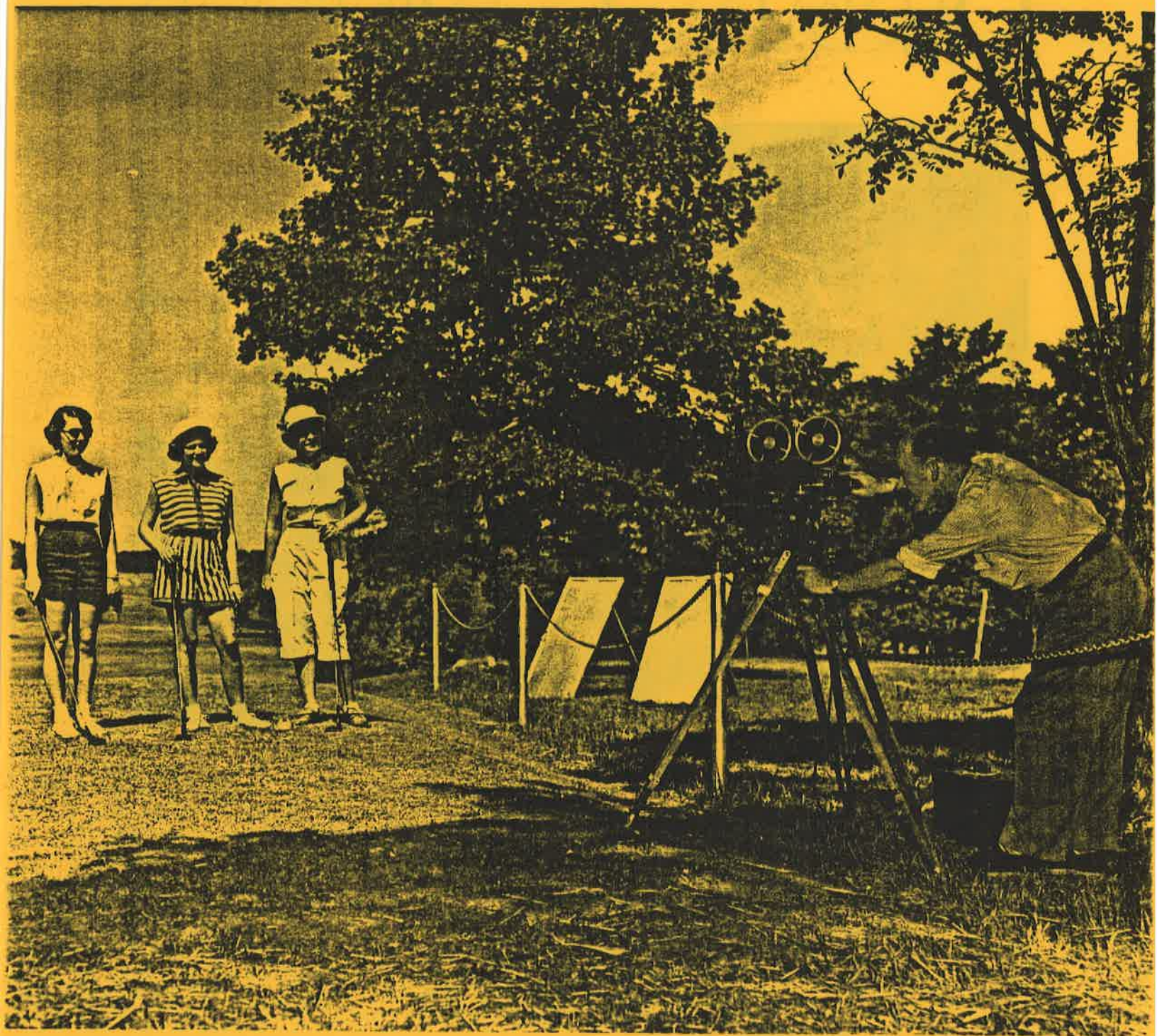


PHOTO OF THE MONTH



June, 1952 - Lin Caufield Collection

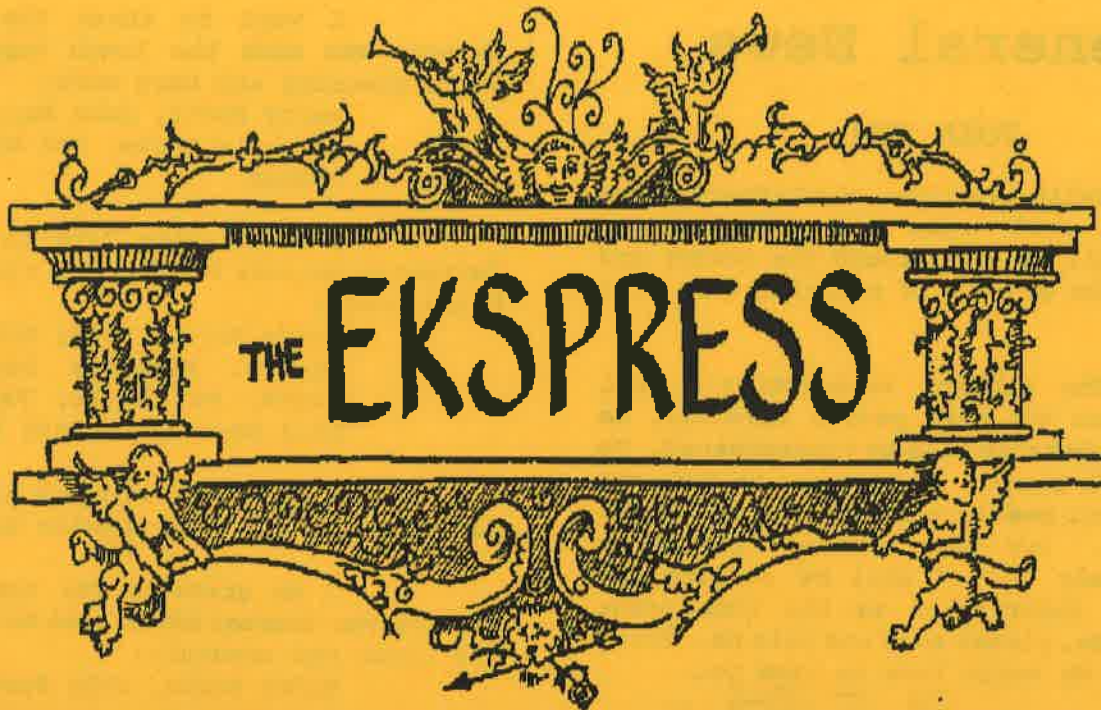
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May 13 - June 24

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"Your true value depends

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entirely on what you are compared with."

Travel Tips

part three

The advice continues for you summer vacationers;

Outside a Hong Kong tailor shop: Ladies may have a fit upstairs.

In a Rhodes tailor shop: Order your summer suit. Because is big rush we will execute customers in strict rotation.

Similarly, from the Soviet Weekly: There will be a Moscow Exhibition of Acts by 15,000 Soviet Republic painters and sculptors. These were executed over the past two years.

In a Copenhagen airline ticket office: We take your bags and send them in all directions.

On the door of a Moscow hotel room: If this is your first visit to the USSR, you are welcome to it.

In a Norwegian cocktail lounge: Ladies are requested not to have children in the bar.

At a Budapest zoo: Please do not feed the animals. If you have any suitable food, give it to the guard on duty.

In the office of a Roman doctor: Specialist in women and other diseases.

In an Acapulco hotel: The manager has personally passed all the water served here.

From a Japanese information booklet about using the hotel air conditioner: Cooles and Heates: If you want just condition of warm in your room, please control yourself.

From a brochure of a car rental firm in Tokyo: When passenger of foot heave in sight, tootle the horn. Trumpet him melodiously at first, but if he still obstacles your passage then tootle him with vigor.

Two signs from a Majorean shop entrance:

- English well talking.
- Here speeching American.



General News

JOIN US!

Hello everyone, the Library Association is well under way this summer. However, fall is just around the corner and we are in the process of planning some neat programs.

The Library Association's goal this year to get more people involved, so that our membership will be strengthened. To achieve such a goal, we need you to come and join us at our meetings and as well as our fun activities. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, July 31. I will be sending out additional information as the time draws near. So, please come and join us. Bring a friend. We would love to have you.

Thank you,

Alice Abbott
President
Library Association



THE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION HOT DOG LUNCH/BAKE SALE WAS A SUCCESS!

The following was submitted by Alice Abbott, President, Library Association



The Library Association Hot Dog Lunch/Bake Sale held Wednesday, July 11th in the Ekstrom Staff Lounge was a success. Thanks to the many people who supported it, either by working at the event or coming to enjoy the hot dogs and goodies. The following rough statistics were compiled by Library Association Treasurer Merry Bortz;

- * 76 hot dogs and 90 to 180 baked goods were sold.
- * The Association made \$130.00 (gross) on the hot dogs (minus about \$55.00 for expenses).
- * The final net is \$75.00 for the hot dogs.
- * The Association made \$45.00 (all profit) on the bake sale.

I want to thank the following persons who made the lunch happen due to their planning and hard work:

Merry Bortz, John Burton,
Kimberly Locke, and Stewart
Thomas

I would also like to thank the following persons who donated the delicious baked goods:

Merry Bortz, Wendy Bronson, John
Burton, Kimberly Locke, Vicki
Mayes, Pat Meyer, Kathy Moore,
Lois Severt, Stewart Thomas

I also want to thank Glenda Neely for bringing her very popular pasta salad.

I am grateful for the following persons who donated their time to making sure the lunch ran smoothly:

Merry Bortz, John Burton,
Vasundhara Dasari, Nina Deeley,
Susan Devlin, Kimberly Locke, Ben
King, Vicki Mayes, Lois Severt,
Stewart Thomas

Without help from people like this, events like the Hot Dog Lunch couldn't happen. Their willingness and enthusiasm make it all worthwhile.

(If there are any others who helped with this event and were inadvertently overlooked please contact Alice Abbott and accept her apologies in advance.)

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Life is 10 percent of what you put into it and 90 percent of how you take it."

- Irving Berlin





Picnic 90



The following was submitted by Mark Tucker, student assistant and reluctant volleyball team captain, Library Support Services

Several folks from Ekstrom attended the University of Louisville's annual picnic on Saturday June 23rd at the Shelby Campus. Bowman's Bombers, the softball team, never even made it out of the hanger, and therefore didn't play. Our volleyball team did participate, however, and were roasted worse than the free hot dogs at the food table. Those participating were: Jessie Roth, from Acquisitions, and her two guests; Norman Simpson, an OPAS student assistant; Nina Deeley from cataloging; and Monica Ealy and her beau Monte. Watching the heated competition, my exclamations, "What style, what grace!" took on an interrogative tone, as I never saw our team display any of these traits. Even my "win just one for the old Tucker" speech didn't help either. (Maybe if I had hummed the Notre Dame fight song in the background...?) Being a "shanghai-ed" team captain taught me an important lesson, however, never volunteer to join until a leader has been found.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES

Say Hello to Hans & Frans

Overseas travelers late in July include Janet and Fred Hodgson, who are going to Innsbruck, Austria with an Interhostel tour. Arranged by the University of New Hampshire Office of Continuing Education, the trip combines informal classes on the history, geography, and the arts of the country with day trips to places of interest in the region, plus lots of time to hike and explore the area on your own. If anyone is interested in this or any other Interhostel trip, Janet has the information.



CATALOGING DEPARTMENT

Riding the "EL"

Lois Severt and Melissa Laning attended the ALA Annual Conference in Chicago from June 22-26, 1990. They will be reporting on the meetings they attended to their Technical Services colleagues at an upcoming Catalogers meeting.



The Merry Band

The Department is pleased to welcome its newest member, Merry Lambert, who began work on June 11. She filled the part-time position in Shelf Preparation that has been vacant since January 1990. Another new face in Cataloging is Gerri Curry who began as a student assistant in the Serials Cataloging Section on June 4. Gerri has several years of library experience having worked at a branch of LFPL.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT

A Yearly Visit

Barbara, Steve and Sean Prior had a delightful vacation with Barbara's family in a rented beach house on Emerald Isle, off the coast of North Carolina. The weather was perfect and the accommodations more spacious (and thus relaxing) than in previous years. They built a sea dragon in the sand (rather than the traditional sand castle) and saw three dolphins swimming inside the breakers where they had been hours before.



On Yet Another Sunny Isle...



Glenda and her family spent a few days "Down South" on St. Simons Island, off the Georgia coast, during the week of July 4th. The fireworks were spectacular over the Atlantic Ocean.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT

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Dorothy Gray, Kay Womack, Glenda Neely, and Mildred Franks all attended ALA's national conference in Chicago during the end of June. Mildred's husband and two daughters went with her to Chicago, and while they enjoyed swimming and visiting museums, Mildred attended meetings on book reviewing and censorship, collection evaluation, and selection of electronic materials. Dorothy and her husband, an editor, attended meetings together and thought those on networks the most enlightening. Glenda attended the RASD BRASS (Business and Reference Services Section) program and several committee meetings. The main program for BRASS was "Going Global" and the 1st Gale Research Award for Excellence in Business Librarianship was presented (by Glenda!) to Diane Strauss of UNC, Chapel Hill. The award consists of \$1,000 and a citation.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

Michael Trauth, Head of Support Services In OPAS

Michael S. Trauth began his new appointment on July 1, as Head, Support Services, Office of Planning and Administrative Services. Michael was formerly Stacks Personnel Supervisor in the Circulation Department, Division of Public Services in the Ekstrom Library and prior to that was a student assistant in the Circulation Department.



Michael succeeds Karim S. Momeni as Head of Office of Planning and Administrative Services' Support Services. Karim was the first staff member to fill this position and began his tenure when the Ekstrom Library was first opened in 1981. Karim will continue working on a part-time basis, to assist Michael in getting started in his new job, until the end of July.

Michael may be contacted via: telephone at 6744; pager 455-7443 and PROFS Office of Planning and Administrative Services Service Request Form.

Karim Momeni Leaves OPAS After Nearly a Decade as Head of Support Services

Karim S. Momeni, formerly Head of Office of Planning and Administrative Services' Support Services and one of the libraries' best known staff members, will be leaving at the end of July. Michael S. Trauth succeeded Karim as Head of Support Services on July 1, but Karim will be staying on as a consultant until the last of July.

Karim began working as a student assistant for Lula Ealy, the Central Library's Supplies Coordinator, in 1981. Later in that year, he was appointed to the position of Photoduplication Assistant in OPAS. Shortly thereafter, the office of Support Services, Office of Planning and Administrative Services, was established and Karim became the head of that unit.

Karim was largely responsible for organizing the Office of Support Services, the responsibilities of which were greatly expanded after Martha Alexander Bowman became University Librarian in 1982. The office now handles nearly 1,000 service requests per year and is responsible for: photocopy services, mail distribution, inter-library transportation, shipping and receiving, supplies, telephones, signage, key systems, maintenance of equipment and furnishings, inventory control, and is acting liaison to the Department of Physical Plant and the storage facility in the Reynolds Building.

Karim carried out two major upgrades of the Ekstrom Library's photocopy services. The first upgrade included replacement of all old and obsolete copiers and the addition of bill-changer machines. In that upgrade, Karim and his technical assistant provided in-house technical repair and maintenance of the Ekstrom Library's copiers and allied equipment. In the subsequent upgrade, accomplished in January, 1990, coin/debit card copy service was made available via contract with a local vendor.

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Because Karim was an electrical engineer, he also solved many troublesome electrical problems which occurred with the increasing automation of the library. One of the most memorable involved the library's 3M Security system. Several years ago, the system stopped functioning. Repeated tests by the 3M service man, over a period of several weeks, did not discover the cause of the interference with the system's electromagnetic field. Karim discovered the culprit as a malfunctioning computer terminal far distant from the 3M system.

Karim was well known in the libraries for his exceptional ability to solve the unsolvable and fix the unfixable. His Persian wit and charm made dealings with him a pleasure to us all.

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT

Rising Star

Mike Trauth has left the proud ranks of the Circulation Department to fill Karim's shoes in OPAS. We are very happy for Mike and are waiting for him to take our whole department out for a night on the town. We regret his loss but are happy that OPAS is getting someone as qualified, competent, and knowledgeable as him. Good luck, Mike. Now about that preferential treatment for Circulation work orders....

On parle francais ici



France

We have a French exchange student working in our department this month. Jean-Luc Valat is from Montpellier, Louisville's sister city in the south of France. Jean-Luc's English is incredible! He will be studying in the United States next school year on another academic exchange program. Jean-Luc has an Apple PC at home and is indebted to Barb Prior for her tour of our computing research facilities. Come on by to meet Jean-Luc if you have the opportunity. We regret his departure at month's end because he fits in very well here.

CURRENT PERIODICALS

To Keep You Current...

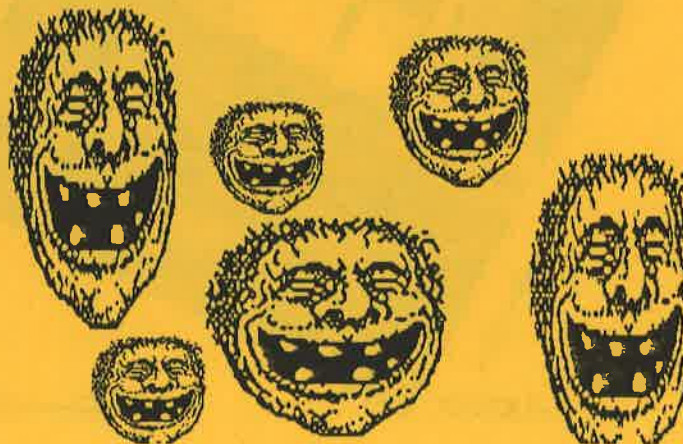
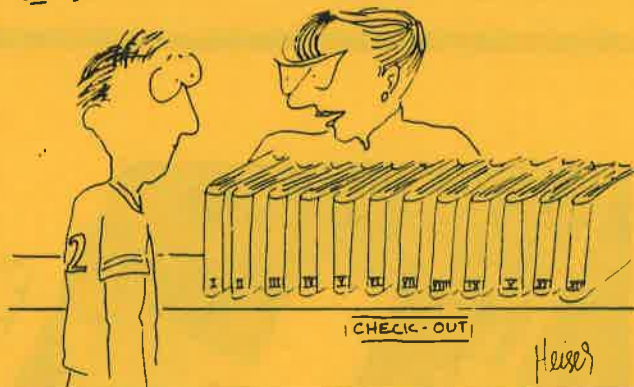
As you may have noticed, or heard, major renovations are occurring in the Current Periodicals area. We are now in our temporary location next to the east windows on the second floor, right across from where we were. Once new carpet is installed and things tidied up, we will again move our shelves, this time to their final resting place in the middle of the area. Except for the excitement of the move, things should be running as usual. Many thanks to all the students who helped in moving. If you have not made a visit yet, drop by and see our new "in the works" area.



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LIBRARY LAUGHLINE Heiser Zedonek

I UNDERSTAND HOW IMPORTANT YOUR RESEARCH PAPER IS,
BUT YOU CAN'T CHECK OUT THE ENTIRE ENCYCLOPEDIA SET.



OPERATION RAIN

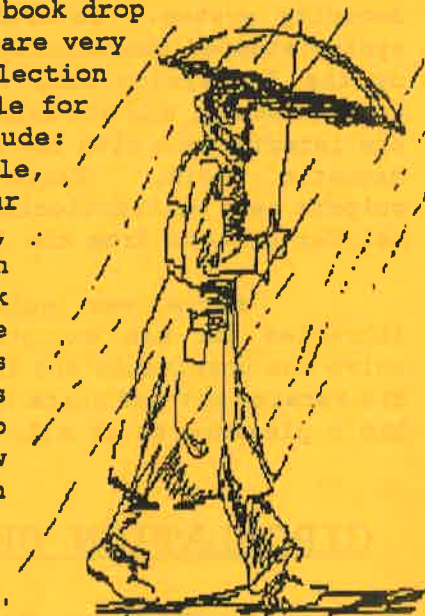
The following "policy" was submitted by Alice Abbott, Cataloging.

During the inclement, moist, monsoon season, the University Provost may cancel or delay the opening of classes on any and all campuses of the University by implementing OPERATION RAIN found in Appendix R of the Staff Handbook and Section H20 of the Water Policies and Procedures Manual. The purpose of this is to reduce the number of people skidding on the road during critical rush hours, thus providing some traffic relief for those who must slide to their jobs. Rainy weather is hazardous to the health of those who melt, curl their hair, wear make-up, and don fuzzy sweaters. For those persons who happen to get stranded at work at the end of the day due to flood conditions, row boats will be available at the loading docks of the different University buildings. These boats will have determined routes throughout the city. If flood conditions occur before work hours, be sure to listen to Wawa 2000 for official University announcements concerning the cancellation of classes. These two actions are part of OPERATION RAIN. Let's all comply with these procedures and avoid any slipperiness, wet tragedies.

In addition to these policies, there will be a new collection development policy relating to the conservation of trees. Soon patrons will be able to check out trees at the front desk for a period of a week at a time. It has been discovered that trees are becoming a rarity due to the extreme wet weather and that there is a need to have trees available to be checked out. Please note that trees that are borrowed may not be returned via the book drop for reasons that are very obvious. The selection of trees available for check-out include: birch, cedar, maple, oak, pine and our pride and joy, which is kept in the Rare Book Room...the rare Sequoia. Patrons with overdue trees will be shipped to help plant new trees in the rain forests.

Thank you,

OPERATION RAIN



NUOVOI

2039 Frankfort Ave.

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Please join
NUOVOI in the
opening of a
one-of-a-kind
candlestick show
representing the
imagination of
area artisans.

Candlelight Reception
Thursday, July 12th
7 - 10 p.m.
Show Continues
through July 28th



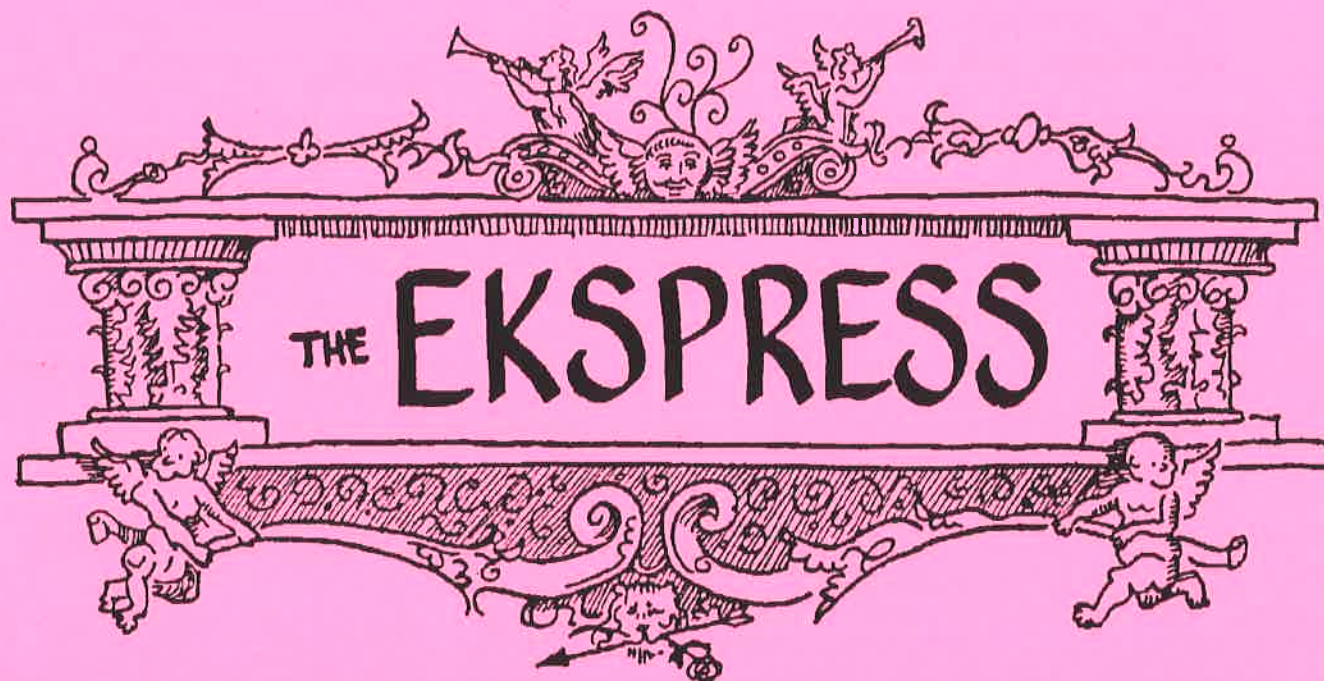
This
exhibit
includes
our own
Barbara
Crawford
as well
as other
artists.



Photographic Archives Photo of the Month

Potter Collection, 1950's.
Chestnut Street, N.W. at
the corner of 3rd Street





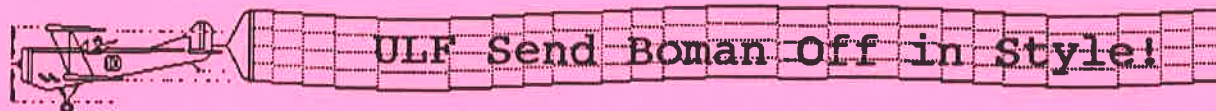
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ground rise up and smite thee"

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WARNING - The following is composed of hyperbole, fabrications, distortions, and outright lies. Nothing, NOTHING, is to be taken seriously. Everything, EVERYTHING, is to be taken tongue-in-cheek. Please read it in that spirit. I hope you find it amusing. - LEE.

The following was gathered and written by Lee Caruthers, Government Publications librarian, and erstwhile roving reporter. The editorial board of the Ekspress makes no guarantees as to its accuracy, and do not recollect whether the said evening ever occurred.

The University Libraries Faculty gave departing University Librarian, Martha Bowman, a farewell dinner at the Rudyard Kipling restaurant, bar, and jukebox dance emporium on the evening of July 17, 1990. For those of you who are not familiar with the Rudyard Kipling, it is a rather unusual, (for Louisville) place decorated in a vaguely

East Indian motif, hints of madras, etc., and, therefore, has a somewhat 1960's hippy flavor. It is located in a fine old Victorian house on W. Oak Street near 4th and Oak. This, of course, adds to the "local color." (Those of you who rarely venture out of the east-end at night will have no idea what I'm talking about, but read on anyway.) Since Kipling was a Victorian figure, par excellence, and was very much into local color, particularly Indian, this all seems to fit together somehow. I suspect Jim Ryan (ILL), who works there, gives occasional readings from Kipling (after appropriate inspiration, of course) but he was nowhere to be seen that night. I am told that the Kipling was Martha's favourite restaurant, which makes one wonder if she was leading a double life. I guess we'll never know now.

The festivities began at 6:30 with cocktails, followed by an rather undistinguished dinner of your choice of "beef burgandy", "jambalaya", or "curry-doesn't-really-taste-like-chicken." We

ULF Send Bowman Off in Style (con't)

should have ordered out! But the setting was festive, the company pleasant, and Dave Reed refrained from smoking cigars. Lee Caruthers, aided and abetted by Phyllis Owen (Tom Owen's wife), entertained the gathering with big band selections on the jukebox, until Gail Gilbert told the staff to turn it off. Gail is a closet heavy metal fan, no doubt, and could not endure the smooth sounds of Glenn Miller. She made up some excuse about needing to proceed with the program. (I'm still waiting for my 50 cents to be refunded, Gail.)

And proceed the program did. Ralze Dorr managed to insult practically everyone with a long farewell speech to Martha. I understand Dick Griscom is still not speaking to him, but, since Ralze is now acting head, this poses some problems. Apparently, all communication is going through Peggy Steele. Anyway, the Faculty had shelled out a buck ninety-five for a gift for Martha, and Rose had found an old moth-eaten quilt at the DAV Thrift Store. The Cataloging Department had come in ON A SATURDAY (!!!) to mend it. This was presented to Martha. Then Bill Morison rose unsteadily to his feet and recited a somewhat incoherent limerick, the point of which no one got, especially Lee Caruthers, who was back over at the jukebox looking for old Tammy Wynette songs. Well, the program continued with a farewell address from Martha. Everyone broke down as Judith Niles chimed in with Tammy's rendition of "It Shoulda Been Me" on the jukebox. Judith was last seen being loaded into Sherrill Redmon's trunk with the quilt. At that point, Mildred Franks and Dorothy Gray headed for the door. No dummies they. Obviously, things were headed downhill.

The party pretty much broke up into free-for-all at that point, and I sort of lost track of who was doing what. I did see Diane Nichols hand Martha something that looked suspiciously like a resume. Gopala Myneni was still trying to explain the process for making madras to Delinda Buie and Tyler Goldberg, but they didn't seem to understand a word. Carmen Embry had found a field mouse in the corner and was trying to explain to it that it would have a nice home, but the mouse had other ideas. Finally, since Lee Caruthers had run out of cigarettes, everyone took his cue from David Horvath, who had bummed all the former's cigarettes, and left.

It was a lovely occasion, and, except for the ugly incident Sharon Edge had with the police, it all went quite smoothly, considering the usual rowdy nature of the attendees. My last memory is of being dragged away from the jukebox (Gail had taken all my quarters away by then anyway) by Martha, Tony and Carmen. We stood in the parking lot discussing metaphysical subjects for a time under an amber moon and then each headed his (or her) own way. Martha (as far as we know) and Carmen & Tony to their respective homes and Lee back to the jukebox.

GENERAL NEWS



WATER FAUCETS THAT TURN THEMSELVES ON MAY HAVE BEEN CULPRIT IN EKSTROM FLOODING

Submitted by Ralze Dorr,
University Librarian (Acting)

Recently, it has been revealed that water faucets in Ekstrom custodial closets have the ability to turn themselves on if water pressure is at extremely high levels. This makes the faucets, themselves, prime culprits in those incidents, during the past year, when faucets in custodial closets on the south end of Ekstrom were found running after water had seeped into public areas. The faucets' ability to turn themselves on was related to David Reed, Ralze Dorr and Jim Elder (Department of Public Safety) by the plumbing expert in the Department of Physical Plant, who said that the problem was peculiar to the particular make of faucet now in the custodial closets. The Department of Physical Plant will soon replace the faucets with ones which will be able to control themselves. It is hoped this will solve the problem of periodic flooding in Ekstrom.

EXHIBIT

Coming to the main floor lobby of Ekstrom in September, "The Bicentennial of the Federal Judiciary" a traveling poster exhibit.



DEPARTMENT NEWS

PHOTOGRAPHIC ARCHIVES

University Archives

All My Children?

Going to Seattle Soon...



The annual meeting of the Society of American Archivists will be held in Seattle, Washington from August 30 through September 3. Attending from the University of Louisville Archives will be Bill Morison, Dale Patterson, Margaret Merrick and Janet Hodgson. Dale is presenting a program at the meeting entitled: "Advanced Revelation as a Management Tool."

Landau Papers

The papers of Sara Landau, economist, teacher, world traveler, and social reformer, are now open for research. These records, part of the women's collection held by the University of Louisville Archives, were processed as part of a grant from the Kentucky Foundation For Women, awarded in 1988.



A recent visitor to the Photographic Archives is living proof that Mark Dickson is not the only former Archives student assistant to become famous. The visitor was John Kinnard, who worked here in 1974 as a field placement student from the Center for Photographic Studies. John's return visit to Louisville this summer was a special one, since he was here as the Louisville Redbirds' artist in residence for the 1990 baseball season. The Redbirds' artist in residence program, in association with the J.B. Speed Art Museum, will exhibit his baseball photographs in the summer of 1991. The Speed is currently exhibiting paintings by the first of the Redbirds' artists in residence, John Hull. John's baseball photography, taken up after his stint with us, was featured in a 1980's travelling exhibition entitled "Diamonds are Forever."

The Photo Archives said goodbye in June to one of it's about-to-be-famous student assistants. Anne Collins, who has worked in our darkroom since 1986, has moved on to a position as staff photographer with the Courier newspaper in Huntingburg, Indiana. Anne is a graduate of the photography programs here at U of L and at JCC. Now a single parent, Anne has shown great determination in sticking to her studies and in the remarkable work she has done for us. We will miss her companionship and her darkroom skills. Huntingburg is a small town in western Indiana, near Jasper. Anne reported, after "putting to bed" her first edition, that she enjoys work very much, since the paper's small staff will allow her to participate in every step, from the taking of the photographs to final paste-up and layout. She's looking forward to putting together her first monthly "Baby Page."

INTERLIBRARY LOAN

In Search of Ultimate Tooth...

Instead of gearing up, ILL seems to be losing ground. Half of our ILL students departed for home towns--Dayton, OH, and Somerset, KY--when the spring semester ended, and we're about to lose another one. Terry Turley, a native of Slaughter, KY, will be leaving to enroll in Dental School at U of L. Phew! Better do some space-truckin', Terry.



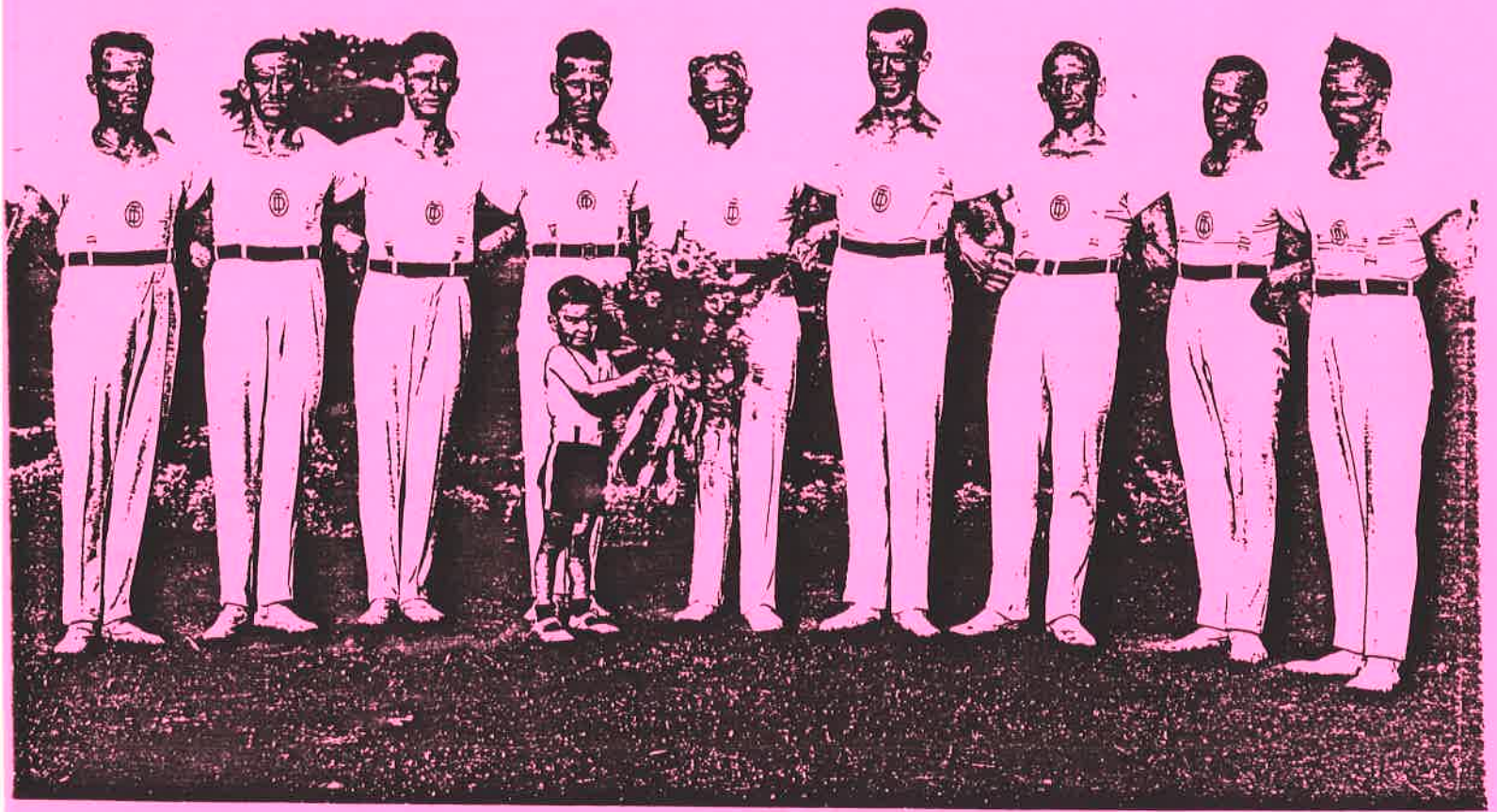
QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Nothing so needs reforming as other people's habits" - Mark Twain



PHOTOGRAPHIC ARCHIVES

PHOTO OF THE MONTH



The American Turners, Turnverein Festival, Louisville, 1929
From the Potter Collection



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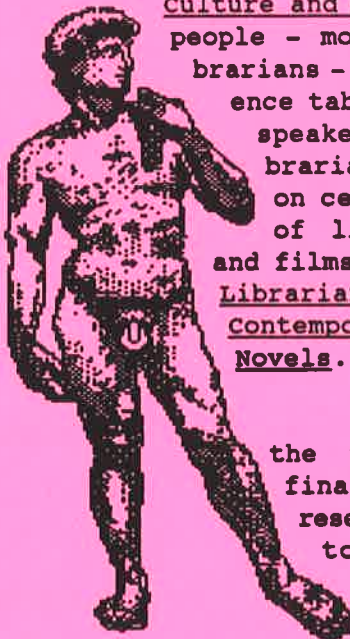
September 15, 1990

The following was submitted by Ralze Dorr, Director of Planning and Administrative Services.

..Pop Goes the Culture..

Part of an article entitled "Pop Goes the Culture" by Robert Meyers describing the Popular Culture Conference in Canada. In: The Realist. Summer 1990.

At the session entitled Popular Culture and Libraries, 15 or 20 people - most of whom are librarians - sit around a conference table listening to the speakers, who are also librarians, present papers on censorship, the image of librarians in books and films, and Libraries and Librarians as Portrayed in Contemporary Pornographic Novels.



According to the presenter of this final paper, he began his research into this heretofore unexplored field of popular culture studies when he stumbled across a

novel entitled sex Behind the Stacks at a used book sale in Albuquerque.

He has subsequently added over fifty books to his collection, including Bookworm Bimbo, The Overdue Librarian and Helpful Head Librarian.



The other titles in this genre are considerably less inventive - Loose Librarian, Hot Pats Librarian, Nympho Librarian, Bondage Librarian. Almost all such books he has found are for heterosexuals - perhaps, he suggest, because gay male porno novels tend to focus on professions that are perceived to be more macho, with titles like Truck Driver Stud and Oil Field Slave.

The presenter, who has an advanced degree in statistics as well as library science, says he is planning to do some sort of statistical analysis of the books in his collection using a spread-sheet program, which in this context takes on an entirely new meaning. One minor irony he fails to mention is that none of these "novels" is likely to be found in any library.

General News

Library Association September Event

*The following items were submitted by Alice Abbott,
President, Library Association;*

Cafe L.A.



On Wednesday, September 19, 1990 Ekstrom Library hosted a new and exciting dining experience, "Cafe L.A." This chili lunch was well attended and made a profit of over \$100. Thanks to the following people who made this event a success:

Carolyn Hohmann, Mary Walter Hughes, Chuck Hughes, Kimberly Locke, Janet Lendeman, Jean Black, John Burton, Nina Deely, Wendy Bronson, Stuart Thomas, Jean Small, Vasundhara Dasari, Karen Casebier, Lula Ealy, Ben King, Merry Bortz, Pat Meyer, Vicki Mayes, Elizabeth Gill, Judith Niles (for use of her tape of Martha's Farewell), and David Horvath (for use of his tape and TV).

The Weekend Gardener

Also, coming soon is our monthly meeting. We are pleased to announce that our guest speaker will be the Weekend Gardener, Fred Wiche. In order to accommodate Mr. Wiche's schedule, the meeting will be moved to MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 at 10:00 am. We hope that you can join us.



A Report from the Racial Harmony and Ethnic Relations Committee

The Racial Harmony and Ethnic Relations Committee has been hard at work. One of the items in our charge was to review, and implement if possible, the following recommendations from the Universities' Task Force on Racial Harmony and Ethnic Relations regarding the Libraries' collections:

"Establishing a process for the Libraries to review holdings to ensure that collections contain multi-cultural, pluralistic, and heterogeneous materials.

- I. Establish a sub-committee to monitor and identify additions to the collections.
 - A. Size and composition of the sub-committee should be representative of the ethnic diversity within the Libraries but qualified to perform the task.
 - B. Supervise the development of the Afro-American and other ethnic collections.
- II. Investigate the possibility of funding to ensure that collections are multi-cultural, pluralistic, and heterogeneous."

In dealing with this charge we investigated whether there was already a process in place to develop diversity in our collections, and to what extent it would be then necessary and feasible to implement the recommendations of the Task Force. As a result of our study, we subsequently requested the approval of the Administrative Advisory Council (AAC) to revise the charge. What we recommended as a role for the Racial Harmony Committee is to help promote greater awareness of our already diverse collections, and of the numerous collection development efforts in place which ensure that this diversity will continue. We also recommended that the Committee have a contributing and reviewing role in the revision of the Collection Development Policy to ensure that guidelines for diversity are incorporated into it. The AAC approved this revision to our charge.

This Ekspress report is a first step to promote greater awareness of our

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collections' diversity. We also intend to keep interested groups such as the Library Association or the University Libraries Faculty informed of the Libraries diverse collections. What follows is a summary of the assessment we reported to the AAC.

A detailed, comprehensive review of existing holdings is not feasible with current staffing. It would require extensive work just to determine an appropriate methodology for such an analysis. That methodology would need to stem from the overall Collection Development Policy, which when it is revised in the future, should incorporate guidelines for diversity.

Nonetheless, the Committee on Racial Harmony and Ethnic Relations has determined that even without existing guidelines, there are a number of selection and collection development activities ongoing which are responsive to racial, ethnic, cultural and minority concerns. By virtue of having regular allocations to purchase materials for many disciplines and in many foreign languages, the collections are to some extent naturally heterogeneous. With the existing, inadequate level of funding for materials, we cannot afford purchases that do not primarily support curriculum and research needs. Currently, Reference Librarians and other members of the University Libraries faculty and staff who are involved in selection (individuals as well as groups such as the Acquisitions Committee and the Ekstrom Collection Coordination Committee) make efforts to select diverse materials which support those needs. Because of these existing efforts, we felt that a collections sub-committee of the Racial Harmony Committee would be redundant.



The issue of seeking additional funding to support diversity is a more difficult matter. Since we are lacking funds to obtain many basic traditional materials (e.g., more books, more journals) as well as to respond to the need for new products such as CD-ROM databases and equipment, it may not be possible to give high priority to seeking specific funding for diversity. However, it will be useful to have this as an additional rationale for general fund requests to enhance our collections.

To further promote awareness of our diverse resources the Committee has begun to develop exhibits which will draw from and call attention to resources in our collections. Please contact any member of the Committee (Andy Anderson, Granville Bunton, Vasundhara Dasari, Carmen Embry, Dave Meyer and Judith Niles) for further information about our activities in this area. Please also feel free to submit suggestions to Judith Niles for books or other materials to be added to the collections in support of racial and cultural diversity. Purchases will be made to the extent that funding is currently available and providing that the materials will also support curriculum and research needs.

OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE AWARD WINNER - MARY WALTER HUGHES!



Be sure and look in the Sept. 10th issue of Inside UofL for the write-up on one of our own, Mary Walter Hughes in Rare Books. Congratulations Mary!

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

A waist is a terrible thing to mind.
- Ziggy

EKSTROM LOBBY EXHIBITS ANNOUNCED FOR 1990-91

Gopala Myneni has arranged for the following travelling exhibits for the main floor lobby of the Ekstrom Library in 1990-91:

- September, 1 - September, 28 1990
Bicentennial of the Federal
Judiciary - Poster Exhibit
- November, 1 - November 1, 1990
''Aids and Intimate Choices''
- January 1 - January 18, 1991
Martin Luther King Exhibit
- February 1 - February 28, 1991
''Black Women: Achievements
Against the Odds''
- March 1 - March 29, 1991
''Women Working for Change''
- April 1 - April 30, 1991
Albert Einstein, 1879-1979:
A Centennial

DEPARTMENT NEWS

RARE BOOKS

The Burroughs Dum Dum

The Burroughs Dum Dum*, an international conference of fans of Edgar Rice Burroughs held at the Galt House and Ekstrom Library, was a great success. An eager crowd, television news coverage, and a rousing banquet with illustrator Burne Hogarth and movie Tarzan Denny Miller made a memorable weekend. Hats off to Burroughs Curator George McWhorter for organizing the event and to Mary Walter Hughes and students Angie Peyton and Doug Gray for providing crowd control!

*Editor's note to the uninitiated; a "Dum Dum" is what the apes in the Tarzan Stories called their meetings.

Commedia dell'arte

The next exhibit in Rare Books celebrates Commedia dell'arte with posters, puppets and dolls from that tradition. This exhibit runs from September 14 through October 18th as Ekstrom Library's contribution to the city's Classics in Context Festival.



Graham Greene

On November 8, Rare Books will open an exhibit of the Graham Greene collection with a reception in honor of English Professor Robert Miller who has just published a book, UNDERSTANDING GRAHAM GREENE, through the University of South Carolina Press.

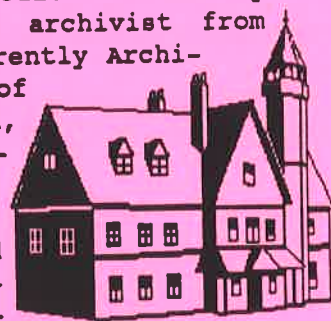
UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES

''The Many Hats We Wear''

University Archivists will attend the Fall meeting of the Kentucky Council on Archives Friday September 21, 1990 at Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, Kentucky. Hosted by Archivists at Western Kentucky University the program topic, ''Archivists, the Working Environment and Priorities: The Many Hats We Wear,'' is a timely one. A special feature of the meeting will be the luncheon address by Don Wilson, Archivist of the United States. Program participants from the University of Louisville Archives will be Bill Morison and Janet Hodgson.

Greetings from Cynthia Stevenson

Greetings from former Archives colleague Cynthia Stevenson are sent to all at the University of Louisville library. Cynthia was project archivist from 1986-1988 and is currently Archivist at University of the Pacific, Stockton, California. She reports that her archives is currently being automated and that she and her husband, Chris, just purchased their first house. Cynthia was in Seattle, Washington at the annual meeting of the Society of American Archivists.



SPECIAL SERVICES

Looking Back at the Summer



Minnesota

Wendy Bronson has just returned from a wonderful two week visit with her family in her natal home of Minnesota where, of course, "all the women are strong, all the men are good looking, and all the children are above average." In addition to picnics, boat rides, Twins games, canoeing, sailing, and gardening, Wendy was able to enjoy the annual Viennese Summerfest in Minneapolis (classical concerts combined with live outdoor music, dancing, and feasting). As if the 13,000 or so lakes in Minnesota weren't enough, Wendy also made a pilgrimage to Iowa and that Mecca of all serious vacationers, Lake Okabaji, for a family reunion.

Looking Forward to the Fall



This should be an exciting term in the Special Services Office as we now have our computer set up for student use. Special Services patrons will be able to use the computer to gain access to Minerva and also to work on their own papers and projects. The computer is adapted for the visually impaired in two ways: Zoomtext is software which magnifies the characters on the screen, and the Speaqualizer is a speech synthesizer which reads out loud the text on the screen. This should make a big difference for several of our patrons, and we expect our services will continue to expand.

As the term begins, please remind new students and staff people about Special Services. Our basic goal is to make the library accessible to everyone; we offer adaptive equipment, special study rooms, information about resources, and individualized help to disabled library patrons. Thank you!

Readers Needed



The Special Student Services Office in Robbins Hall can always use extra people to help as readers and exam assistants for disabled students. The work is sporadic, so they need a pool of people they can call on at different times. They pay from \$3.80 to \$5.00 an hour (although they appreciate volunteers as well!). Please call Cathy Patus at 588-6927 or Wendy Bronson at 588-8757 for more details.

REFERENCE

Read More About It



READ MORE ABOUT IT, vol. 3 (Pierian Press, 1989; Ref D11.5 .B66) contains two articles by Mildred Franks; one on Yasurani Kawabata, the other on Eva Le Gallienne.

Kawabata, the only Japanese writer so far to receive the Nobel Prize in literature, is probably best known for his works *A THOUSAND CRANES* and *SNOW COUNTRY*. He is recognized as "bridge builder to the West" because his writings so effectively combine contemporary Western techniques and traditional Japanese characteristics.

Actress Eva Le Gallienne at various times also served the theatre as director, technician, designer, producer, manager, translator, writer, and teacher. She was a major driving force behind American repertory theatre from the 1920's through the 1940's.

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Disney World



Kathy Marsall recently spent a three-day weekend at Disney world for only \$110! She won a special travel package offered through Places/Carlson Travel Network (the University's travel agent). She traveled in a group of 17 women and one man. Places Travel and Delta sent a total of three representatives to oversee the trip, and they did an excellent job. Kathy and her companions got the V.I.P. treatment everywhere they went. The representatives took care of all travel arrangements along with complementary passes to airport Crown Rooms (which are normally available only to those who pay an annual fee) where they awaited their planes.

The group arrived in Orlando Friday morning in time for a special luncheon sponsored by Delta--a huge salad topped with an abundance of baked chicken and a honey based sauce. Delta also sponsored a brunch/dinner at the Royal Plaza Memory Lane where they watched a musical filled with songs from 1900-1950's.

Kathy and her group spent the first day (Saturday) in the Magic Kingdom. They spent most of the day in Adventure Land touring the Jungle Cruise, Haunted Mansion, the Pirate Show, etc. Later that evening they all went to Pleasure Island (Disney World's Adult Entertainment/ shopping place). There they visited the Comedy Warehouse and watched 45 minutes of improvisation. Pleasure Island also had a small fireworks display at midnight - it was a very entertaining evening.

Saturday she spent at MGM on the Backlot Tour, Star Tours and the Indiana Jones Tour. Her favorite was the Indiana Jones Tour, but all of Disney was great! She had dinner in the Giraffe Lounge during their happy hour -- meatballs, pizza and vegetable/dip plate. Late in the evening Kathy and another from the group, Sandy, took a leisurely soak in the Jacuzzi (the first time for Kathy) and then a late evening swim in the

pool before she crawled, exhausted, into bed.

Kathy was busy all three days she had in Disney World and enjoyed herself immensely. The only thing she missed seeing was the Tour Through the Body (a new show in Epcot). She even bought a ticket at a '711' store for the Florida Lottery (\$50,000,000). (Obviously she didn't win as she's back at work in the Administrative Offices.)



CUSTODIAL STAFF

Eva Ashford, first floor custodian, has been out since July 12th due to an operation on her feet. Barbara Spencer, also on the custodial staff, has spoken to Eva and reports she is recovering well and should be back to work on September 24th. GET WELL SOON!



FUNNIES

The following was submitted by Mark Dickson, Holds and Recalls Supervisor, Circulation.

A student worker in Circulation recently had the following phone encounter with a patron;

student: Ekstrom Circulation, may I help you?

patron: are you open today?

student: yes, until 10pm.

patron: is that tonight?

student: yes, we close the library at 10 tonight.

patron: the whole library?

student: no, just the front doors, but that usually does it.

patron: oh...okay.

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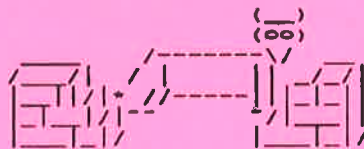
Mooore Cows.....



The Simpsons' cow

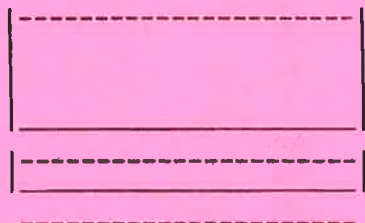


Cow in the GDR before...



...and after 9-Nov-1989

"Udder Art"



Mark Rothko Cow



Minimalist Dead Cow



Ceci N'est Pas Une Cow

Rene Magritte Cow



Jackson Pollock cow



Andy Warhol Cow

PHOTO OF THE MONTH

Home Team



Spectators and players at a high school basketball game between cathedral of springfield and st. john of Holyoke, Mass.



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Etch-A-Sketch is to art"

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*The following was submitted by Stewart Thomas,
Circulation Department .*

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CORDLESS INVADERS

Dear Cordless Phone Owner,

On a map of your town, draw a one mile radius circle around your home. Did you know that anyone who lives within that circle and who owns a scanner can listen to your phone calls? If you live in an urban area, there could be hundreds of people listening to your every word. The fact is that the one mile radius is rather conservative. Cordless phone signals have been monitored at distances greater than two miles.

To the average person, the idea of cordless signals traveling a distance of two miles seems rather ridiculous. After all, the advertised operating range of a cordless

phone is approximately 1500 feet. And if you're a cordless owner, you know from first hand experience that your phone won't work beyond the limits of your back yard.

So how can someone with a scanner radio, living several miles away, monitor your cordless phone? To answer that question, you need to understand that the cordless telephone is actually a two-way radio. Most people are surprised to learn that the cordless phone is nothing more than an FM walkie talkie that flings your telephone conversation in all directions. If atmospheric conditions are favorable, cordless phone signals can travel for miles.

The scanner radio that we use has the unique ability to capture, receive, and amplify a variety of weak signals. Its sensitivity to low power signals, like the ones coming out of your cordless phone, is further enhanced by the addition of an outside

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Articles and ideas are welcome! Deadline for publication is the 10th of every month.

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antenna. With the proper equipment, it's easy to monitor an entire neighborhood of low power cordless phones.

Hobbyists who monitor the cordless bands quickly learn to match voices with specific frequencies. Local cordless frequencies can be cataloged in the same manner as regular phone numbers. For example: If a cordless phone is monitored at 46.610 megahertz, that particular frequency and the name of the person using it can be logged and retained in a cordless frequency book. It then becomes as easy to "tap" into a neighbor's cordless phone as it is to "punch up" his or her frequency on a scanner radio.

By now, you're probably wondering if it's legal to monitor cordless phones. The answer is, yes. A few months ago, the Supreme Court ruled that users of cordless phones have "No justifiable expectation of privacy." Shortly thereafter, the Iowa Civil Liberties union stated that, "Consumers are purchasing cordless phones at the expense of their constitutional rights."

To protect yourself from uninvited eavesdroppers, it's not necessary to throw your cordless phone into the closet. You only need to realize that the cordless phone should be utilized as a convenience, and not as a tool. If the phone rings when you're out in the garden, it's okay to answer that call on a cordless phone. But don't discuss personal or financial matters. Simply ask the calling party to hold until you can get to a wire-connected phone.

However, there's more to protecting your privacy than most people realize. If you call your neighbor on a standard wire connected phone, and they answer on a cordless phone, your right to privacy doesn't exist. Why? Because your neighbor's phone is broadcasting both sides of the conversation into the air!

For total protection against uninvited listener, use a standard wire connected phone and don't forget to ask the second party to do the same. In today's high tech society, it's the only guaranteed way of protecting your telephone privacy.

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News for YOU!

The first-ever Ekspress Readership Survey is attached at the end of this month's Ekspress. Help us make the Ekspress a newsletter that meets YOUR needs! Please take a few minutes to respond to this survey and drop it in campus mail. Any additional comments or suggestions are VERY welcome (attach additional sheets if necessary). We will be re-evaluating the Ekspress over the next several months, and your responses to this survey will have a BIG influence on any changes we may make. As always, thanks for your support!



- the Editorial Board

Are You Ready
for Disaster?



If not then
check-out these
KLA pre-conference
workshops!

Disaster Preparedness for Libraries

WORKSHOP LEADER: Lisa Fox, Program
Development Officer for
Preservation, SOLINET

PLACE: Hyatt Regency, Lexington

DATE: October 24, 1990 - 8:00 am
until 3:00 pm

REGISTRATION: Through KLA Fall
Conference Registration packet
(or call KLA 502-223-5322)

COST: \$40.00 members,
\$50.00 non-members

All libraries are vulnerable to damage from disasters such as tornadoes, fires, floods, and earthquakes. Even more often, they sustain damage from roof leaks, plumbing malfunctions, mold/mildew, and similar problems. Through advance planning, librarians can not only increase their chances of recovering damaged collections, but can also reduce the chances of such disasters even occurring.

This workshop will provide an introduction to disaster preparedness issues including planning, prevention, and recovery. Through lectures and extensive discussion, participants will learn:

- * how to reduce the incidence and/or the effects of fire, maintenance failure (such as plumbing or roof leaks), and other avoidable incidents
- * what steps are involved in salvaging damaged materials
- * what commercial services are available to support a disaster recovery effort

- * what elements should be included in a disaster plan, and how to gather the necessary information
- * how to sustain disaster preparedness activities

Lotus for Librarians

WORKSHOP LEADERS: Martha Birchfield,
Head Librarian, Lexington
Community College and Kathleen
Richardson, Technical Services
Librarian, Lexington Community
College

PLACE: Lexington Community College,
Room 247 Moloney Building

DATE: October 24, 1990, 8:00 am
until 2:30 pm

REGISTRATION: Through KLA Fall
Conference Registration Packet
(or call KLA 502-223-5322)

COST: \$40.00 members,
\$50.00 non-members

This workshop will provide a basic introduction to LOTUS 1-2-3, a spreadsheet program that has many applications for library reports. "Hands on" experience will be gained at the workshop (2 persons per computer). Participants are encouraged to bring actual statistics for creating reports. Though the workshop is for inexperienced LOTUS users, basic computer keyboard knowledge is required.

Basic Word Processing

This workshop has been cancelled due to technical problems.



Rare Books

Special friends

Mary Walter Hughes recently went to a conference for Citizens Advocates in Lincoln Nebraska. This organization teams people with mentally retarded citizens in a friend-relationship. These relationships can range from exchanging letters and phone calls all the way to taking guardianship. Mary and her special friend, Jackie, had a wonderful time enjoying Jackie's first trip on a plane.

Cold Tuba

Student Assistant Doug Gray played tuba at the Student Activities Center Clock start-up at midnight on October 5. He had a bad cold, but played bravely.



Done Dum Dum

George McWhorter is recovering from the Dum Dum, and looking forward to giving a lecture on Burroughs at annual Chicago (Burroughs' home town) Convention on October the 19th.

Reference

New ideas

Barbara Prior attended a seminar entitled "How to Write, Design and Edit Newsletters" on September 24th here in Louisville. The seminar was very interesting and helpful, and has given her a lot of ideas for improving the Ekspress.


University Archives

Sabbatical Leave

Sherrill Redmon is currently taking a sabbatical from the University Archives. She is preparing some material for publication. Her leave began September 16, 1990 and will run to January 2, 1991.

Tennis, Marriage, and Pikes Peak

Plans of others on the Archives staff will keep them busy the last part of October.

 Bill Morison is traveling to Tennessee the last weekend in October to attend his 25th reunion from Milligan College. While there, Bill will participate in the alumni tennis tournament.

Dale Patterson will participate in the Notis Users Group meeting in Chicago, October 23rd and 24th.

Colleen Schiavone has a daughter being married October 27th. Colleen is experienced now at putting on weddings as this is her third child in thirteen months to march down the aisle.

Margaret Merrick will be vacationing in the Denver, Colorado area October 22nd through 26th. Weather permitting, she will take in such sights as Pike's Peak, and Estes Park.

Working on the railroad

A recent grant from the Mary and Barry Bingham Foundation, matched by the CSX Transportation Company, will enable the University Archives over the next 30 months to produce a comprehensive inventory of their Louisville and Nashville Railroad collection. The Project Director is Tom Owen. Charles Castner will serve as consulting archivist, and Colleen Schiavone and Janet Hodgson will be technical archivists on this project.



CURRENT PERIODICALS AND MEDIA AND MICROFORMS



MERGER NEWS:

Free at last,
merged at last

The merger and renovation of the Current Periodicals and Media and Microforms departments is still running smoothly, or as smoothly as can be expected. Creating the second largest public service department in the library brings many surprises. One challenge is the successful management and integration of two formerly independent groups of people and services. We are no longer holding our breaths, but moving toward what promises to be a new "focal" point in Ekstrom Library.

Presently we are waiting for completion of the physical renovation. This includes an office and expanded copy room on the north end of the area and an updated workspace and office space at the now-combined service point. We hope the work will begin this month. In anticipation,

the photocopiers have already been moved out of the copy room to the open area on the extreme north end of the second floor. Eventually the entire east side of the second floor will be enclosed, with a single public entrance and exit. We are ready as soon as Physical Plant is ready.

We have not been surprised to find our patrons not only approve of but enjoy the open stacks in Current Periodicals. Students and Faculty both have praised the freer access for browsing and photocopying. Also patrons are using periodicals and studying in this area more frequently. However, we don't know yet what to call ourselves. Current Periodicals and Microforms? Microforms and Current Periodicals? Media and Microforms and Periodicals? Media and Periodicals? Any suggestions?

While the renovation is not finished yet, we are still offering full service to all our patrons. If you need any assistance in locating a periodical or microform please feel free to contact us at 588-6302. All that will be left when the renovation is finished is for the administration to order the Bang and Olufsen stereo to complete the atmosphere.

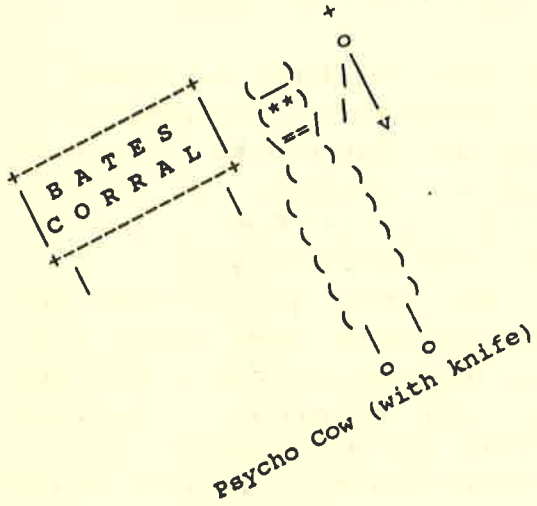
Quote of the Month

"I can't give you brains, but
I can give you a diploma."
- The Wizard of Oz

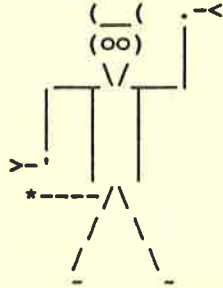


FUNNIES

Happy Halloween Boooo Cows



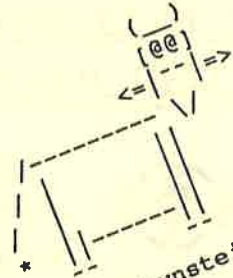
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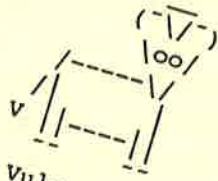
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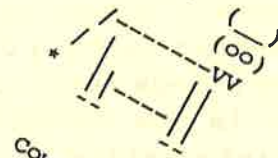
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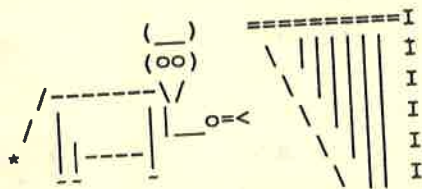
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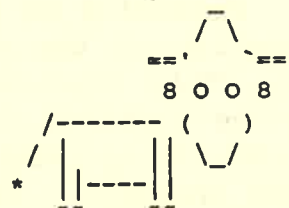
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Halloween

PHOTOGRAPHIC ARCHIVES
PHOTO OF THE MONTH



Cemetery in Gloucester, Massachusetts, where many of the Gloucester fishermen and their families are buried.

Gordon Parks/ Gloucester, Mass./ 1944

EKSPRESS READERSHIP SURVEY

Dear Reader:

Please give us your opinion. We'd like to know if you find the Ekspress interesting and informative. With your input we can make it more valuable.

Please complete and return this survey by October 30, 1990. Simply fold, tape, and drop it in campus mail.

Thank you!

THIS SURVEY IS INTENDED TO BE ANONYMOUS. DO NOT SIGN YOUR NAME.

Please indicate your status:

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1. How many items do you read in each issue of the Ekspress?

almost all more than half less than half almost none

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- 1 - very interesting
- 2 - some interest
- 3 - slightly interesting
- 4 - no interest

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<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____

3. Rate the Ekspress on each of the following attributes:

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"Things will get better despite our effort to improve them. --Will Rogers

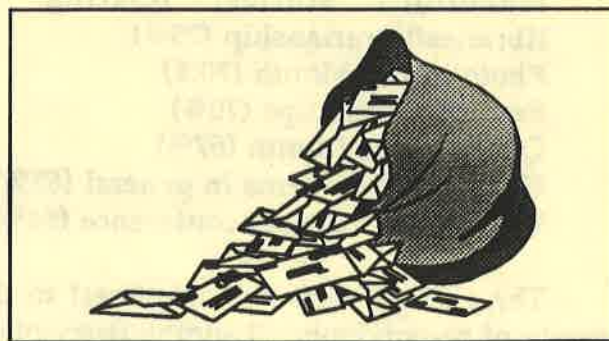
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Ekspress Readership Survey Results

The results are in for the Ekspress Readership Survey. Thanks to the 35 readers (approximately 35% of our in-house readers) who responded and "ekspressed" their opinion.

First some demographics. The average respondent was between 26 and 35 and a public services staff member. 47% of respondents work in public services, 35% in technical services, 9% in library administration and 15% in other (Library Systems Office or University Archives). 56% of respondents were staff and 38% faculty. 12% of respondents fell in the 25 and under, 56 and over, or 46-55 age brackets. 24% were between 36-45, and the majority, 29% are 26-35.

Apparently the newsletter fills a need as 89% of respondents read "almost all" or "more than half" of the Ekspress. The overall interest of Ekspress news and stories was rated as "excellent" or "good" by 85% of respondents. 83% rated the appearance as "excellent" or "good" while the use of graphics was similarly rated by 97% of respondents. Frequency also



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seems to be generally approved, receiving an "excellent" or "good" rating by 94%. The overall opinion of the Ekspress received an "excellent" or "good" ranking by 82% of respondents.

With such high rankings for the newsletter in general, it should come as no surprise that the individual components, both current and proposed, fared as well, with three notable exceptions. The following categories, listed in rank order, were considered "very interesting" or of "some interest" by 80% of respondents or more. Department news had the highest approval rate of 97%.

- Department news in general (97%)
- Interviews of faculty/staff in Ekstrom
- Profiles of departments in Ekstrom, describing what services they perform (83%)
- UofL library committees and other organization news (82%)

The following items received an overall rating of "very interesting" or of "some interest," but by under 70% of respondents.

- Humorous stories not related to libraries/librarianship (73%)
- Humorous stories, relating to libraries/librarianship (73%)
- Photo of the Month (70%)
- Environmental tips (70%)
- Quote of the Month (67%)
- General News items in general (67%)
- Who's been to what conference (64%)

Three items were not of interest to the majority of respondents. "Lengthy description of vacations" was of slight or no interest to 67% of respondents. "Brief descriptions of

vacations" and the funnies had mixed responses, most finding them of some interest or only slightly interesting.

In addition to ranking the items on the survey 17 respondents also included comments and/or suggestions, all of which were greatly appreciated and will be given serious consideration.

Overall the survey was a great success due to the many who took the time to respond. The Ekspress will be going through a re-evaluation in the coming months, and the opinions of our readership will heavily influence any changes that are made.

As always, thanks for your support!
Barbara Prior, the editor

GENERAL NEWS

Library Preservation Month

The following was submitted by David Horvath, Media and Microforms Department.

Once again, your friends on the Preservation and Maintenance Committee brought you Library Preservation Month. (Yes that's right, it was only a week last year!)

Those who missed the antics from November 2-22 will no doubt pay closer attention next year. The highlights of the month included "Preservation Follies." Each and every Friday at high noon, George McWhorter's voice boomed through the lobby (and the rest of the building) announcing the

appearance of the Lyrical Lice who were in fact, Carmen Embry, Stewart Thomas, Elizabeth Gill, David Horvath, and Delinda Buie dressed up minimally as lice. They performed a poem "Book Lice" from Paul Fleishman's Joyful Noise Poems for Two Voices. The message: *Don't Eat or Drink in the Library!* After the lice, Jim Carter (yes, from A & S) performed superbly as Juggling Jim the Book Juggler (to an original poem by Carmen Embry and George McWhorter). The message: *Don't Mistreat Books*. During all this fun, which attracted thousands of curious spectators, other Committee members including Mike Trauth and Mary Walter Hughes distributed preservation propaganda.

In the display cases on the main floor we showed more educational preservation related subjects, including a great display about preservation microfilming put together by Larry Raymond. The star attractions however, were Cato and Plato, the rodents whose job it was to make a book a bed. They were, as always, cute and hard to pass by. The message: *Don't Eat or Drink in the Library*.

See you next year. Same message.

Darn good entertaining reading...

The following was submitted by Delinda Buie, Rare Books Department.

Wondering how to manage the fury* of patrons wanting information on Belize? Read on!

Dear Librarian

Our Tourist Board in Belize informs us that of the 178,783 visitors last year to our country from yours, a statistical analysis breakdown shows 1,638 from YOUR AREA made written complaints by letter in their enquiries for information about Belize, mentioning the LACK OF INFORMATION on Belize available locally from YOUR LIBRARY SYSTEM.

We are sorry to hear your library lacks literature giving your local residents a contemporary picture of our country. We understand you have travel guide books and encyclopedias giving some dry statistical information covering South America in general and the Caribbean area, casually mentioning Belize in passing.

Next year we plan to help you by sending a list of the dozen books available in Belize.

At the moment to help your readers get a feel for the atmosphere of our country there are two books immediately available.

"THE Belize VORTEX" an espionage thriller.

"THE Belize CONNECTION" a classic suspense of Mafia penetration into a small Caribbean country.

These two books are manufactured in the USA but PUBLISHED in Belize.

You may order direct from our MIAMI warehouse.

These two fiction novels will give your complaining library membership a natural feel for the atmosphere of Belize when planning this seasons vacation here. They are darn good entertaining reading also.

sincerely

* Actually MINERVA lists 7 or 8 books on Belize under the sub-headings "history" and "description and travel."

Ekspress Makes C&RL News

Check out pages 953-954 of the November 1990 issue of College and Research Library News. Norman Stevens, author of the "Humor & Creativity" articles under INNOVATIONS has quoted from our very own Ekspress. The anonymous contributor of this "Professional Shoosher" piece has revealed her identity - none other than Rose Jenkins, Library Administrative Offices. Congratulations Rose - your contribution received national exposure!

Library Association Smorgasbord'90 -- Another Year, Another Success!"

*The following was submitted by Alice Abbott,
President, Library Association*

Thursday, November 15, 1990, the Library Association sponsored its annual Smorgasbord. The planning was performed by Stewart Thomas and he did survive. Ask anyone who has ever taken on the planning for this annual event and s/he will be most likely to tell you a similar story, it takes a lot of work! Regardless, Mr. Thomas did a wonderful job. Troops of enthusiastic, willing Circulation student assistants attacked any jobs that needed to be completed: from setting up to clean up. The meat was wonderful and let me be the first to tell you...drum roll, please...the dressing was scrumptious! The Library Association Smorgasbord was proud and grateful that this year's dressing was not only edible (unlike previous year's) but very tasty. We can thank Mike Trauth's aunt, Mimi, who catered the turkey, ham and dressing.

In the midst of the good food and conversation Miss Shannon Caitlin Devlin, the daughter of Susan and Dennis Devlin, made her official "coming out" debut. Also, it was discovered that KULS' own Mr. Bruce Spencer will be getting married at the end of December. (Editor's note - see announcement under Department News - KULS.)

This year's Library Association Smorgasbord was a success due to the hard work of Stewart Thomas and a cast of dozens, who willingly donated their time, efforts, and talents.

Quote of the Month

"About when we think we can make ends meet, somebody moves the ends."

- Hoover

DEPARTMENT NEWS

K.U.L.S.

"Out of Circulation"

Bruce Spencer, Editor of KULS, will be getting married during the Christmas break to Maureen Pawley, his long time dance partner. The wedding will take place on December 29th, at the Church of the Epiphany, and as you might expect, there will be dancing.

UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES

"An update"

In the October Ekspress we had an item concerning Bill Morison's 25th college reunion and his participation in it's Alumni tennis tournament. Bill reports that he and his 70 year old uncle, W.T. Mathes, also a Milligan graduate, were runners-up in the doubles event.

"Worth saving"

Larry Raymond, chief of microform services in the University Archives, participated November 9, 1990 in a preservation workshop given by the Kentucky Historical Society in Frankfort. The program consisted of three mini-workshops on the ways to maintain different kinds of records. Larry also contributed a display on microform preservation for the recent Ekstrom Library exhibit to celebrate Library Preservation Month.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT

"What is NUGM?"

Barbara Prior along with several others from the university libraries attended the annual NOTIS Users Group Meeting (NUGM) in Chicago last month. NUGM is an two-day conference where NOTIS sites from across the country (and even some international sites) gather to exchange ideas and advice. There

were over 800 attendees this year, the largest NUGM yet.

Barbara also attended a NUGM pre-conference on the new Online Public Access Catalog (OPAC). With the release of NOTIS 5.0 (which is scheduled for March '91) and its subsequent implementation the look of Minerva will change radically. Each NOTIS site will be given a lot of flexibility in deciding exactly how their OPAC looks - which means the Minerva Users Group has a lot of decisions to make in the upcoming year. The pre-conference was very helpful and provided Barbara with the basic information MUG will need to prepare for these changes.

KLA

Several members of the Reference Department attended KLA in Lexington last month.

Carmen Embry attended a pre-conference on Preservation. This all day workshop really brought home the need for disaster preparedness. The knowledge and materials garnered from Lisa Fox, Solinet representative and workshop leader, will be useful when the Preservation and Maintenance Subcommittee, of which Carmen is a member, develops their own disaster preparedness plan.

Dorothy Gray reported on the activities of the Academic Section Publicity Committee at the Section business meeting. She also attended meetings on the preservation of library materials, staff supervision, the White House Conference, CD-ROM's, and library instruction.

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT

Farewell Jean Vinson

On Friday, November 9th, Jean Vinson retired after 22 years of service at the University. She started here in 1968 in the Cataloging Department, moved to the Acquisitions Department, and was later appointed as Head of the Shelby Campus Library. When the Shelby collection was sold and that library defunct, Jean moved to the Circulation Department of the Main library on Belknap Campus. She arrived only weeks before the move from Schneider Hall to the newer and better William F. Ekstrom Library. Since 1983 Jean has served as the Circulation Manager of the Circulation Department.

The Circulation Department was taken by surprise when Jean announced her leaving, but wish her well in her future endeavors. What made Jean decide to retire? This was a mystery until Jean made her second announcement: she is getting married before the end of this year. She and her husband-to-be are intending to do a lot of traveling in their motor home. The first trip will be through the Western United States where they will visit with Jean's two children who live in California. Jean also mentioned migrations to Florida during the winter months.

No matter where she is or what she is doing, Jean will certainly be missed by the students and staff of the Circulation Department. We wish her the very best!!

GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS DEPARTMENT

New CDs

Recently a student wanting some import statistics was told we had data available on a CD that might be useful to him. "No thank you," he said. "I don't have time to sit and listen to it."

CDs are not just for stereos anymore. Indexes and bibliographic information as well as data and books are now available on CD, offering speedier searches and vast quantities of information.

The Government Printing Office has begun dispersing publications on electronic media to depository libraries. The County/City data Book, Toxic Chemical Release Inventory, 1987 Economic Censuses, National Trade Data Base (updated monthly), U.S. Imports, and U.S. Exports (monthly) are available at Ekstrom's government publications department. They are using them with patrons, training themselves, and also training staff from other libraries. There are more CD's to come--such as the 1985 Congressional Record.

If you'd like to use or experiment with any of these products (each has its own software), please stop by. You can view (in color), print, or download to your own 3 1/2" disk. But you can not play these CDs on your stereo!

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

Self Interiors

Larger than life student assistant, Melissa Long, is exhibiting a self-portrait photograph with her Photography 312 class. The self-portraits are larger than life ranging from 6 1/2 feet to 5 1/2 tall by 3 feet wide. The exhibit is located on the 2nd floor of Schneider Hall near the Art Library and will be up through mid December.

Building beautification

Take a seat

The Ekstrom Library has recieved 300 new Smith-Neilson chairs. The new chairs furnished the Current Periodicals section and replaced defective chairs on the third floor.

Rain drops keep falling...

Physical Plant has tried once again to stop the skylight from leaking. The conclusion was drawn that the leaks were not an effective way to water the third floor plants.

Lighted information

Students will now be greeted by a new illuminated bulletin board which has been installed in the vestibule of the library. The new bulletin board provides a space for a library directory listing, current events and posters.

Wipe your feet first

A new carpet-type of floor mats will replace the old rubber mats in the vestibule. The new mats should catch the dirt and leaves before they are tracked throughout the library.

Exhibits

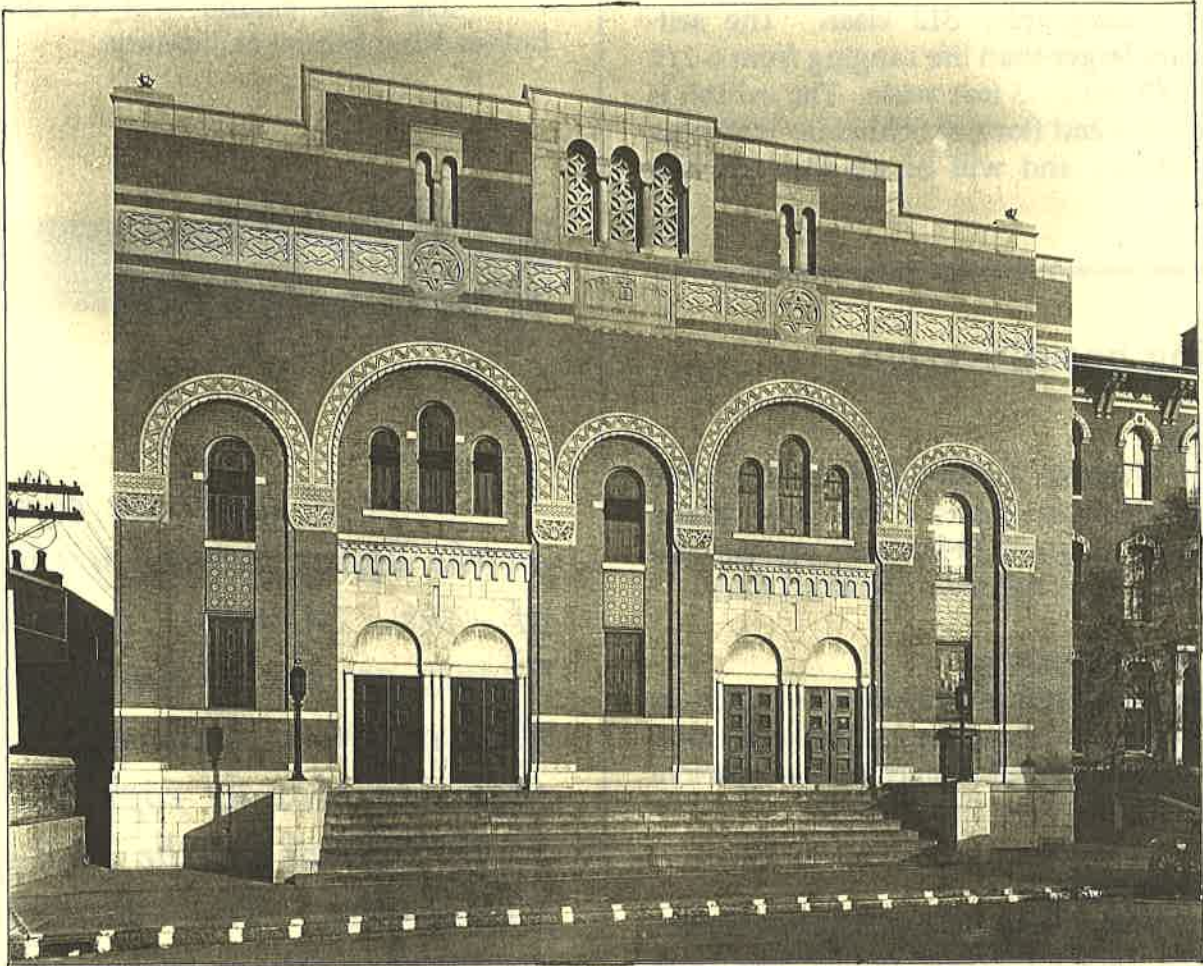
The AIDS exhibit was a success and is likely to be duplicated next year.

The next exhibit will be the Martin Luther King exhibit in January.

SPECIAL THANKS

Some of you have commented on the higher quality of the Photo of the Month's reproduction. Thanks are due to Andy Anderson, Photographic Archives. Andy suggested that he copy the Photo of the Month on the high quality photocopier in Photographic Archives. These sheets are then added to the copies made for the rest of the Ekspress. The result is a high quality Photo of the Month - thanks to Andy!

PHOTO OF THE MONTH



CONGREGATION ANSHEI SFARD, 509 S. First Street, Louisville, 1928. R.G. Potter Collection, No. P4092. One of several Photographic Archives images used in a recent survey of Kentucky synagogues past and present. The photo shows the 1928 facade which was erected over the 1881 building. The site is now an on-ramp for southbound I-65.



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The Christmas that almost wasn't

from Seven Stories of Christmas Love by Leo Buscaglia. Thorofare, New Jersey: SLACK, Incorporated, 1987. Reprinted with permission.

There is no way I could suspect, as I drove to the hospital on that damp December morning, that it would be a one-way trip. Repeating ritualistically what I had done in previous years, I parked in the limited outpatient parking area and proceeded to the admissions office, where I filled out the necessary forms for my physical exam.

It was Christmas time, 1982. In the center of the waiting room was a magnificent Christmas tree. It was a welcome and glowing touch. Carols were being piped in via Muzak to keep

us mindful of this special time of year, and to remind us that "'tis the season to be jolly," that "we'd better be good," that we should be decorating "the halls with boughs of holly" and generally preparing for the "holy night" to come.

I love the feel of the holidays. They have always been eagerly anticipated family events for the Buscaglias. The pasta was readied. The antipasto was planned, sliced, and marinated. The fowls were purchased and ready for stuffing. The Christmas breads and cookies were baked and the chestnuts boiled. Days ahead, both my sisters' kitchens were feasts for the senses: foods in tempting arrays of color, shape,

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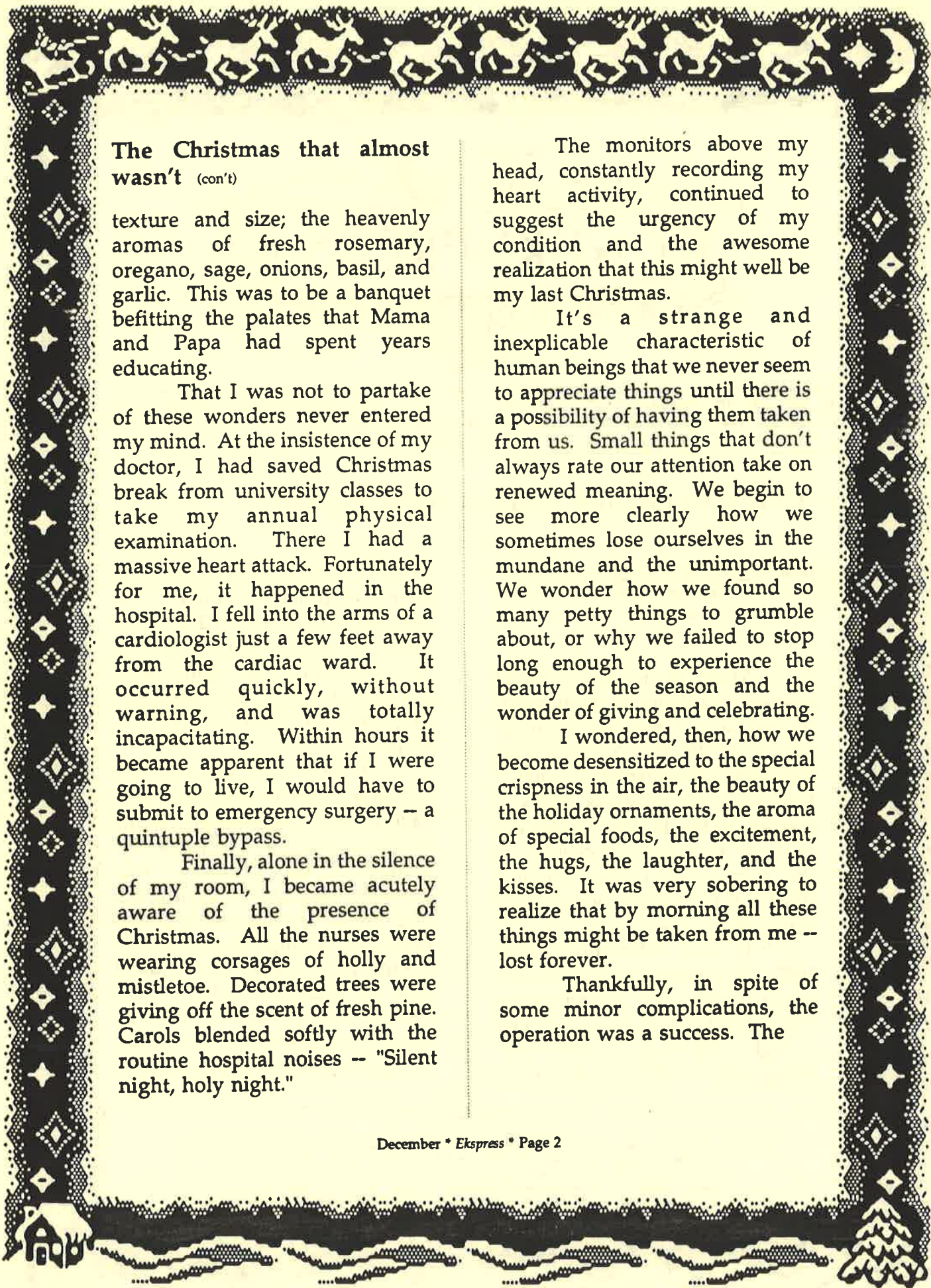
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texture and size; the heavenly aromas of fresh rosemary, oregano, sage, onions, basil, and garlic. This was to be a banquet befitting the palates that Mama and Papa had spent years educating.

That I was not to partake of these wonders never entered my mind. At the insistence of my doctor, I had saved Christmas break from university classes to take my annual physical examination. There I had a massive heart attack. Fortunately for me, it happened in the hospital. I fell into the arms of a cardiologist just a few feet away from the cardiac ward. It occurred quickly, without warning, and was totally incapacitating. Within hours it became apparent that if I were going to live, I would have to submit to emergency surgery -- a quintuple bypass.

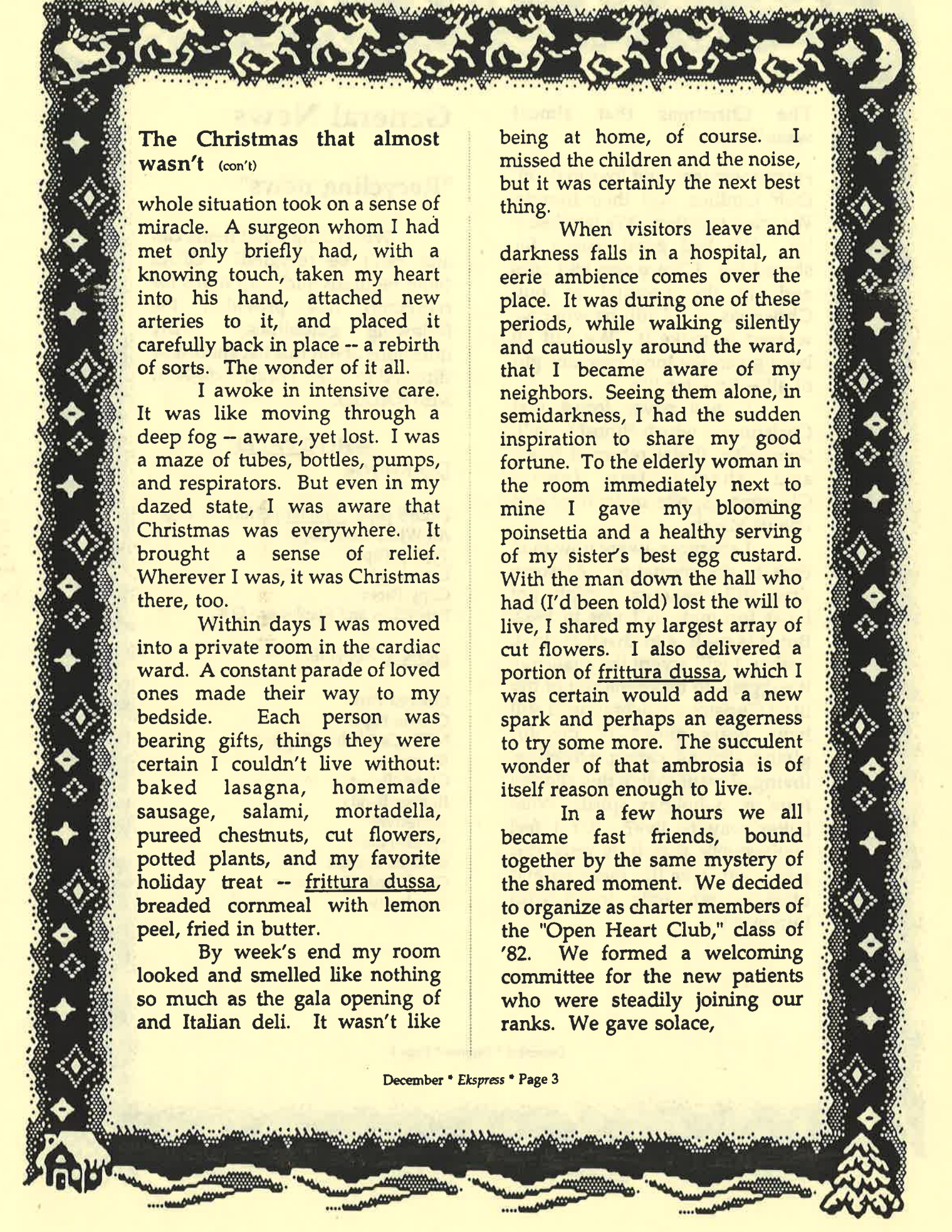
Finally, alone in the silence of my room, I became acutely aware of the presence of Christmas. All the nurses were wearing corsages of holly and mistletoe. Decorated trees were giving off the scent of fresh pine. Carols blended softly with the routine hospital noises -- "Silent night, holy night."

The monitors above my head, constantly recording my heart activity, continued to suggest the urgency of my condition and the awesome realization that this might well be my last Christmas.

It's a strange and inexplicable characteristic of human beings that we never seem to appreciate things until there is a possibility of having them taken from us. Small things that don't always rate our attention take on renewed meaning. We begin to see more clearly how we sometimes lose ourselves in the mundane and the unimportant. We wonder how we found so many petty things to grumble about, or why we failed to stop long enough to experience the beauty of the season and the wonder of giving and celebrating.

I wondered, then, how we become desensitized to the special crispness in the air, the beauty of the holiday ornaments, the aroma of special foods, the excitement, the hugs, the laughter, and the kisses. It was very sobering to realize that by morning all these things might be taken from me -- lost forever.

Thankfully, in spite of some minor complications, the operation was a success. The



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whole situation took on a sense of miracle. A surgeon whom I had met only briefly had, with a knowing touch, taken my heart into his hand, attached new arteries to it, and placed it carefully back in place -- a rebirth of sorts. The wonder of it all.

I awoke in intensive care. It was like moving through a deep fog -- aware, yet lost. I was a maze of tubes, bottles, pumps, and respirators. But even in my dazed state, I was aware that Christmas was everywhere. It brought a sense of relief. Wherever I was, it was Christmas there, too.

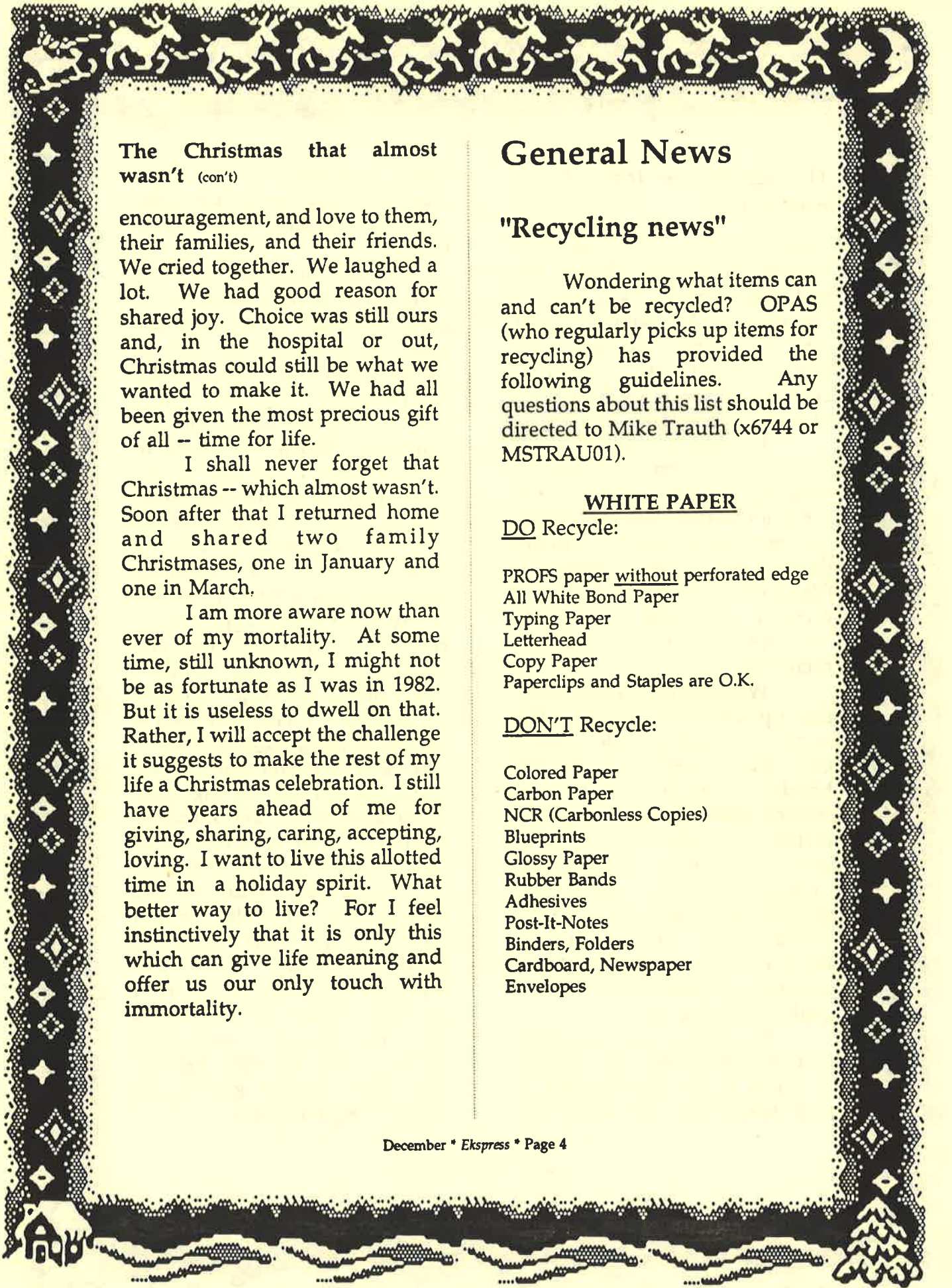
Within days I was moved into a private room in the cardiac ward. A constant parade of loved ones made their way to my bedside. Each person was bearing gifts, things they were certain I couldn't live without: baked lasagna, homemade sausage, salami, mortadella, pureed chestnuts, cut flowers, potted plants, and my favorite holiday treat -- frittura dussa, breaded cornmeal with lemon peel, fried in butter.

By week's end my room looked and smelled like nothing so much as the gala opening of and Italian deli. It wasn't like

being at home, of course. I missed the children and the noise, but it was certainly the next best thing.

When visitors leave and darkness falls in a hospital, an eerie ambience comes over the place. It was during one of these periods, while walking silently and cautiously around the ward, that I became aware of my neighbors. Seeing them alone, in semidarkness, I had the sudden inspiration to share my good fortune. To the elderly woman in the room immediately next to mine I gave my blooming poinsettia and a healthy serving of my sister's best egg custard. With the man down the hall who had (I'd been told) lost the will to live, I shared my largest array of cut flowers. I also delivered a portion of frittura dussa, which I was certain would add a new spark and perhaps an eagerness to try some more. The succulent wonder of that ambrosia is of itself reason enough to live.

In a few hours we all became fast friends, bound together by the same mystery of the shared moment. We decided to organize as charter members of the "Open Heart Club," class of '82. We formed a welcoming committee for the new patients who were steadily joining our ranks. We gave solace,



The Christmas that almost wasn't (con't)

encouragement, and love to them, their families, and their friends. We cried together. We laughed a lot. We had good reason for shared joy. Choice was still ours and, in the hospital or out, Christmas could still be what we wanted to make it. We had all been given the most precious gift of all -- time for life.

I shall never forget that Christmas -- which almost wasn't. Soon after that I returned home and shared two family Christmases, one in January and one in March.

I am more aware now than ever of my mortality. At some time, still unknown, I might not be as fortunate as I was in 1982. But it is useless to dwell on that. Rather, I will accept the challenge it suggests to make the rest of my life a Christmas celebration. I still have years ahead of me for giving, sharing, caring, accepting, loving. I want to live this allotted time in a holiday spirit. What better way to live? For I feel instinctively that it is only this which can give life meaning and offer us our only touch with immortality.

General News

"Recycling news"

Wondering what items can and can't be recycled? OPAS (who regularly picks up items for recycling) has provided the following guidelines. Any questions about this list should be directed to Mike Trauth (x6744 or MSTRU01).

WHITE PAPER

DO Recycle:

PROFS paper without perforated edge
All White Bond Paper
Typing Paper
Letterhead
Copy Paper
Paperclips and Staples are O.K.

DON'T Recycle:

Colored Paper
Carbon Paper
NCR (Carbonless Copies)
Blueprints
Glossy Paper
Rubber Bands
Adhesives
Post-It-Notes
Binders, Folders
Cardboard, Newspaper
Envelopes

"Recycling news" (con't)

COMPUTER PAPER

DO Recycle:

PROFS Paper with perforated edges
White Bond Computer Print Out

Includes:

Greenbar, Blue Bar
Multibar or Nobar

DON'T Recycle:

Groundwood Computer Print Out
(Newspapery and Greyish)
Binders, Folders
Post-It-Notes
Paperclips or Staples

Bug in the system

*The following was submitted by Alice Abbott
and Nina Deeley, Cataloging.*

Alice Abbott recently noticed a pile of desk pieces stacked outside of Technical Services had been removed. In the remaining dust she discovered a new item--at least new to her--a once very active little fellow: a dead 1 1/2 inch cockroach. She showed the roach to her co-worker, Nina Deeley, and they dubbed him "Ralph." Now "Ralph" resides in a cleaned out Coffee Mate jar and is existing very peacefully. Ralph is very inexpensive to support and does

great tricks like not begging for food and not making a mess. He's even cheaper to have than gold fish. He can be quite a conversation piece: a must for dull parties! Having a hard time finding a unique gift for that special someone? Give the gift that keeps on giving: there are plenty of Ralph's kind in this world (Please note that there will be variations in color, size, and personality.)



"Ralph" (shown actual size)

*The following was submitted by
Delinda Buie, Curator, Rare Books*

Cockroaches, silverfish, rodents and other vermin feed on paper and spread disease. For the health of our books and other materials, and our own health, it is imperative that we keep pests out. The most effective way to do this is to keep food out of our work areas or, at least in covered

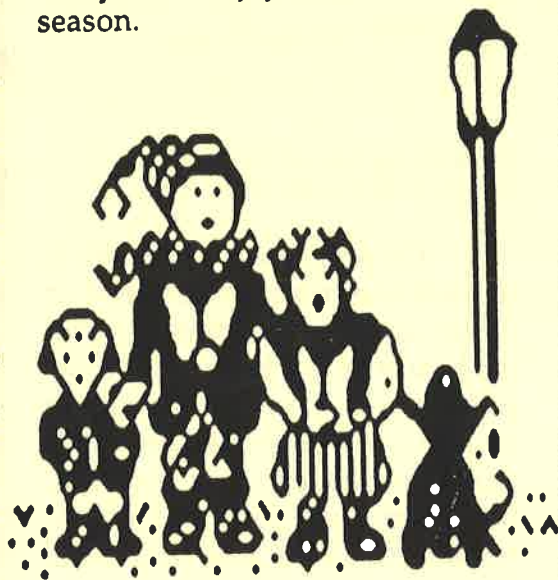
tins. We must all make the effort to keep crumbs off floors and tables and place all food scraps and wrappers in the covered garbage cans in each department. Remember the words of the Preservation and Maintenance Subcommittee:

"Starve a bug; save a book!" It works.

Dare to Care

Don't forget about the Dare to Care collection containers in the Ekstrom Lobby!

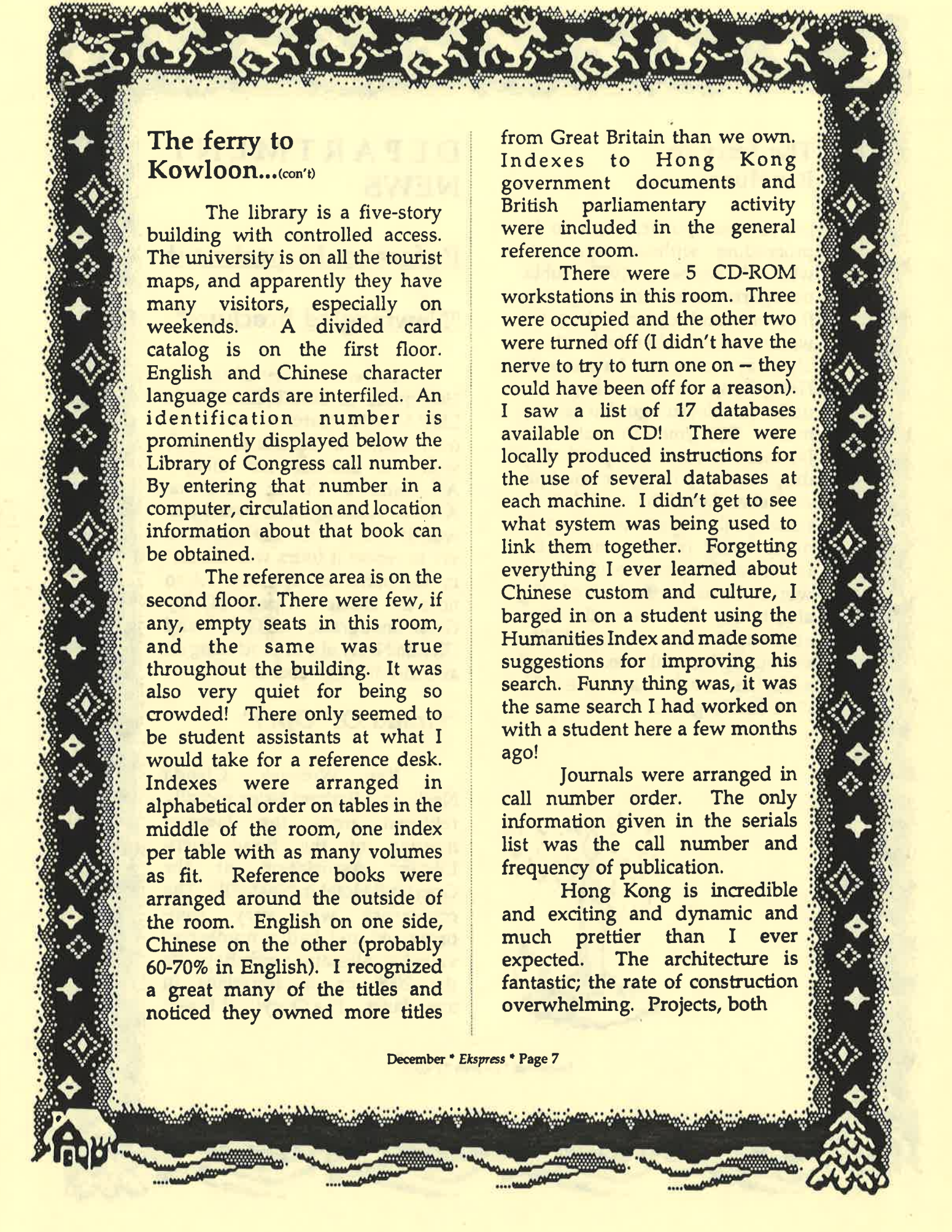
Contributions have been down so far this year, but the need is as great as ever. Please make a special effort and help everyone enjoy this holiday season.



The ferry to Kowloon or Impressions of the library at the Chinese University of Hong Kong (and other things in town)

The following was submitted by Michel Atlas, Reference Department

I had the opportunity to visit the campus and library at the Chinese University of Hong Kong in early December. This beautiful new campus located in the New Territories, (the part of Hong Kong whose lease to the British expires in 1997) opened in 1963, and is, like much of Hong Kong, built into the sides of hills. The architecture is very modern -- lots of poured and shaped concrete -- but not at all sterile-looking and blends very well with the environment. The grounds are beautifully landscaped and meticulously maintained. The university, one of three in Hong Kong (there are also smaller colleges and technical institutes), has an enrollment of 8000 students and is under government mandate to increase enrollment before 1997 in light of the exodus of so many educated and professional people who want to leave.



The ferry to Kowloon...(con't)

The library is a five-story building with controlled access. The university is on all the tourist maps, and apparently they have many visitors, especially on weekends. A divided card catalog is on the first floor. English and Chinese character language cards are interfiled. An identification number is prominently displayed below the Library of Congress call number. By entering that number in a computer, circulation and location information about that book can be obtained.

The reference area is on the second floor. There were few, if any, empty seats in this room, and the same was true throughout the building. It was also very quiet for being so crowded! There only seemed to be student assistants at what I would take for a reference desk. Indexes were arranged in alphabetical order on tables in the middle of the room, one index per table with as many volumes as fit. Reference books were arranged around the outside of the room. English on one side, Chinese on the other (probably 60-70% in English). I recognized a great many of the titles and noticed they owned more titles

from Great Britain than we own. Indexes to Hong Kong government documents and British parliamentary activity were included in the general reference room.

There were 5 CD-ROM workstations in this room. Three were occupied and the other two were turned off (I didn't have the nerve to try to turn one on - they could have been off for a reason). I saw a list of 17 databases available on CD! There were locally produced instructions for the use of several databases at each machine. I didn't get to see what system was being used to link them together. Forgetting everything I ever learned about Chinese custom and culture, I barged in on a student using the Humanities Index and made some suggestions for improving his search. Funny thing was, it was the same search I had worked on with a student here a few months ago!

Journals were arranged in call number order. The only information given in the serials list was the call number and frequency of publication.

Hong Kong is incredible and exciting and dynamic and much prettier than I ever expected. The architecture is fantastic; the rate of construction overwhelming. Projects, both

The ferry to Kowloon...(con't)

private and public, seem to be proceeding without regard to what will happen in 1997. Public transportation is outstanding--fast, frequent, and cheap. And the water in the harbor looks clean! The days of great bargains in Hong Kong are over though our dollar just doesn't go that far any more. Still you can watch the Japanese tourists "shop 'til they drop" in every designer boutique you ever heard of, and lots of fantastically expensive ones you never heard of, in some of the largest and fanciest malls in the world. I was satisfied with being able to say that I took the ferry across to Kowloon. It sounds like something incredibly exotic out of a thirties novel or a movie with Gale Sondergaard!



DEPARTMENT NEWS

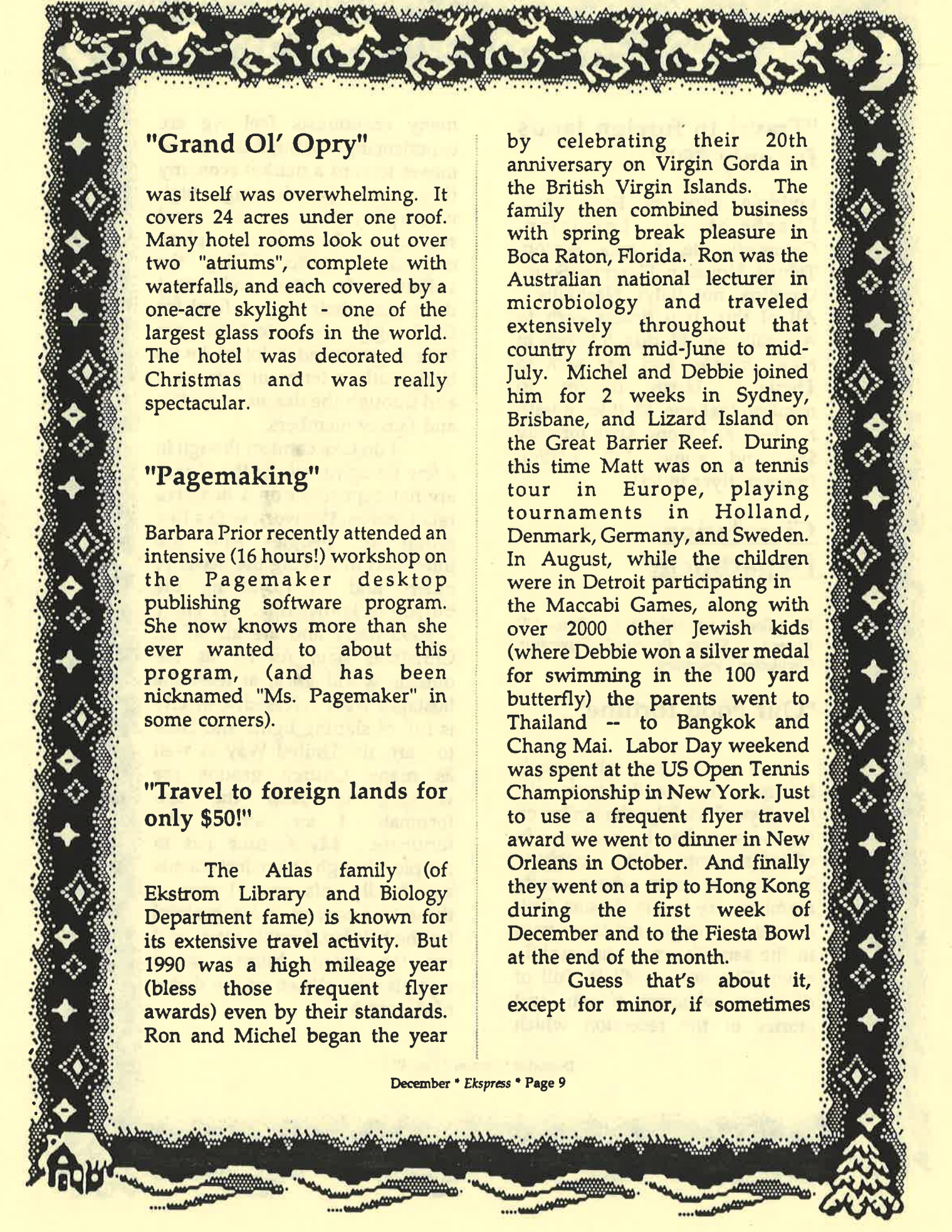
Reference Department

"Newfangled brochure"

The cover story of the fall 1990 issue of *SOUTHEASTERN LIBRARIAN* features our very own Minerva brochure, which won the Southeastern Library Association's Public Relations Award. Although the award was won in '88, it took the journal 2 yrs to report it (ours was the last in the series to appear). Also note the article (on page 142) by Gwen Snodgrass, Gail Gilbert and Glenda Neely about producing an award-winning brochure.

"Grand Ol' Opry"

Kay Womack, Glenda Neely and Barbara Prior recently returned from the biennial meeting of the Southeastern Library Association at the Opryland Hotel in Nashville. The conference was very well-organized and had a number of valuable talks and workshops for the 2000 or so librarians in attendance. The Opryland Hotel



"Grand Ol' Opry"

was itself was overwhelming. It covers 24 acres under one roof. Many hotel rooms look out over two "atriums", complete with waterfalls, and each covered by a one-acre skylight - one of the largest glass roofs in the world. The hotel was decorated for Christmas and was really spectacular.

"Pagemaking"

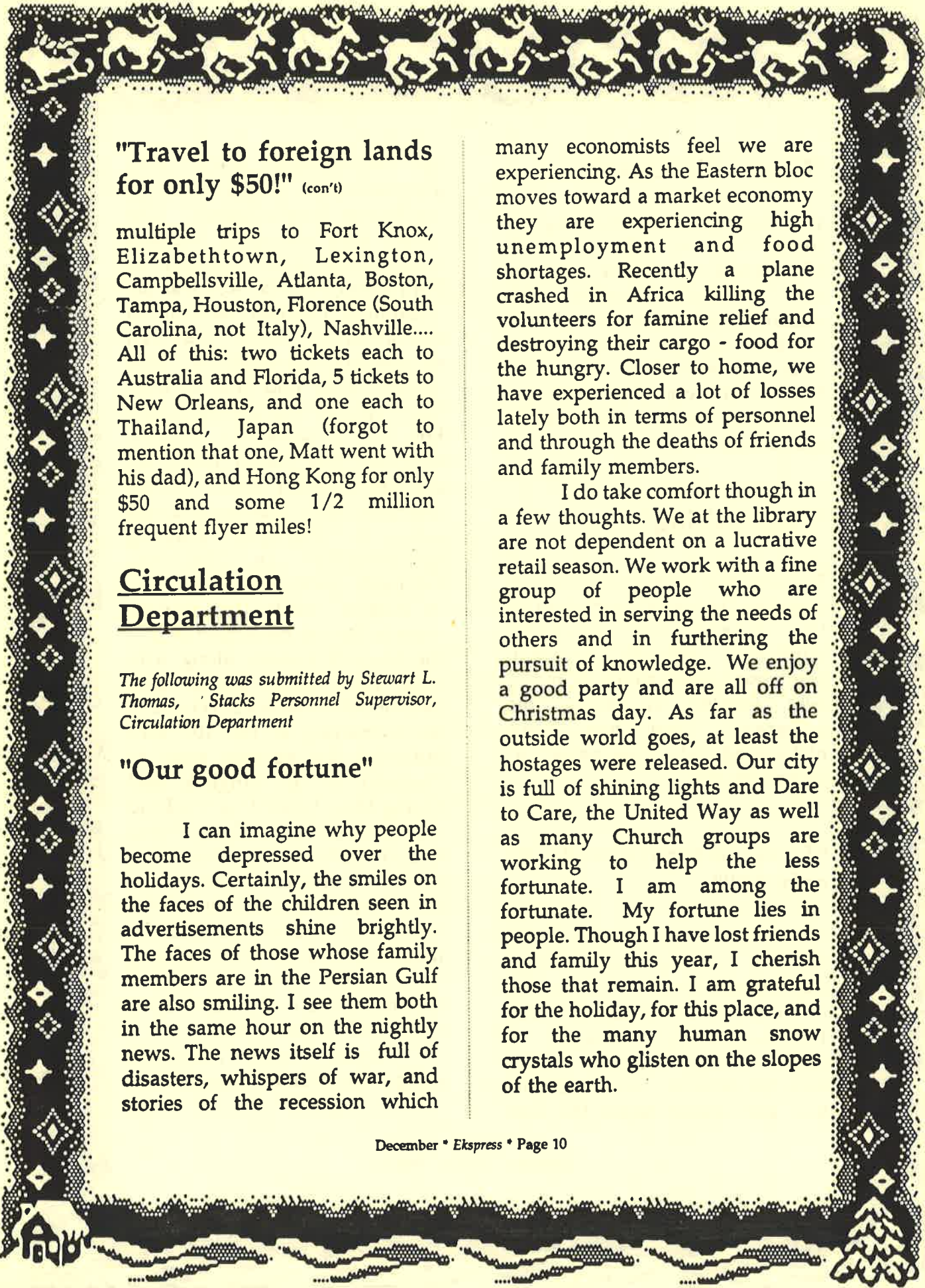
Barbara Prior recently attended an intensive (16 hours!) workshop on the Pagemaker desktop publishing software program. She now knows more than she ever wanted to about this program, (and has been nicknamed "Ms. Pagemaker" in some corners).

"Travel to foreign lands for only \$50!"

The Atlas family (of Ekstrom Library and Biology Department fame) is known for its extensive travel activity. But 1990 was a high mileage year (bless those frequent flyer awards) even by their standards. Ron and Michel began the year

by celebrating their 20th anniversary on Virgin Gorda in the British Virgin Islands. The family then combined business with spring break pleasure in Boca Raton, Florida. Ron was the Australian national lecturer in microbiology and traveled extensively throughout that country from mid-June to mid-July. Michel and Debbie joined him for 2 weeks in Sydney, Brisbane, and Lizard Island on the Great Barrier Reef. During this time Matt was on a tennis tour in Europe, playing tournaments in Holland, Denmark, Germany, and Sweden. In August, while the children were in Detroit participating in the Maccabi Games, along with over 2000 other Jewish kids (where Debbie won a silver medal for swimming in the 100 yard butterfly) the parents went to Thailand -- to Bangkok and Chang Mai. Labor Day weekend was spent at the US Open Tennis Championship in New York. Just to use a frequent flyer travel award we went to dinner in New Orleans in October. And finally they went on a trip to Hong Kong during the first week of December and to the Fiesta Bowl at the end of the month.

Guess that's about it, except for minor, if sometimes



"Travel to foreign lands for only \$50!" (con't)

multiple trips to Fort Knox, Elizabethtown, Lexington, Campbellsville, Atlanta, Boston, Tampa, Houston, Florence (South Carolina, not Italy), Nashville.... All of this: two tickets each to Australia and Florida, 5 tickets to New Orleans, and one each to Thailand, Japan (forgot to mention that one, Matt went with his dad), and Hong Kong for only \$50 and some 1/2 million frequent flyer miles!

Circulation Department

The following was submitted by Stewart L. Thomas, Stacks Personnel Supervisor, Circulation Department

"Our good fortune"

I can imagine why people become depressed over the holidays. Certainly, the smiles on the faces of the children seen in advertisements shine brightly. The faces of those whose family members are in the Persian Gulf are also smiling. I see them both in the same hour on the nightly news. The news itself is full of disasters, whispers of war, and stories of the recession which

many economists feel we are experiencing. As the Eastern bloc moves toward a market economy they are experiencing high unemployment and food shortages. Recently a plane crashed in Africa killing the volunteers for famine relief and destroying their cargo - food for the hungry. Closer to home, we have experienced a lot of losses lately both in terms of personnel and through the deaths of friends and family members.

I do take comfort though in a few thoughts. We at the library are not dependent on a lucrative retail season. We work with a fine group of people who are interested in serving the needs of others and in furthering the pursuit of knowledge. We enjoy a good party and are all off on Christmas day. As far as the outside world goes, at least the hostages were released. Our city is full of shining lights and Dare to Care, the United Way as well as many Church groups are working to help the less fortunate. I am among the fortunate. My fortune lies in people. Though I have lost friends and family this year, I cherish those that remain. I am grateful for the holiday, for this place, and for the many human snow crystals who glisten on the slopes of the earth.



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wishes everyone
a

Happy Holiday
and a

Peaceful
New Year

PHOTO OF THE MONTH



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