New Voluntary Separation Incentive Program (VSIP) leaves Libraries with 42 jobs to fill; Tom Owen sole faculty member left to serve on search committees

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“...I might have misunderstood the invitation,” he said.

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“We heard you had signs of ghosts in Louisville,” says host Jason Hawes. “We think they meant the Ghost Signs project,” explains Rachel Howard.

Development Officer Denise Nuehring offers $5.00 pony rides as fund raiser. Millie (pictured) will come to work with Denise M-W-F, with proceeds going to her annual development quota. 
Says Nuehring, “Finding that loophole about the ban on pets at work was the hardest part!”

Medical students flock to Kentucky Science Center for BODY WORLDS Vital exhibit.
Kornhauser Library closes for the duration.
Says Nixon, “If it’s good enough for the Speed Museum …”
Related Story: Nixon Recommends Adding Real Bodies to the Kornhauser Display Cases. “That’ll bring ‘em in!”

A Louisvillian in Paris
Post-retirement, Bill Carner has been touring the sights of Paris and sending us a series of snapshots of his trip.

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- 21st Century University Initiative
- Charting Our Course Capital Campaign
- Libraries Strategic Plan
- i2a Critical Thinking QEP
**DPS puts out APB on the TPB**

Toilet Paper Bandit causes libraries’ budget to go bottoms up! “We’re wiped without these necessary supplies,” says Regina Brown, Custodial Supervisor.

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Ekstrom Library
Office of the Dean
New Hire
Marcy Werner has accepted the position of Library Specialist with Archives & Special Collections effective April 15, 2013. Marcy will report to Elizabeth Reilly.

Office of Library Technology
File (U Drive) and Group Share Migration to Virtual Center Server
Thanks to Craig, Calvin and Adam’s hard work, the migration has been completed successfully (except for a few minor permission issues for some individuals).

Open Conference Systems
Open Conference Systems is open source conference management software developed, supported, and freely distributed by the Public Knowledge Project (PKP) under the GNU General Public License. PKP server has been migrated to Virtual Center. A new component of PKP server was released to support the Thomas R. Watson Conference, a biennial international conference hosted by the University of Louisville around a theme in rhetoric and composition (http://conferences.library.louisville.edu).

Instructional Lab Scheduling System
The scheduling system has been upgraded to a newer version. This upgrade resolved the off-campus access issue.

Upcoming Server Upgrades
Libs_media1 migration (scheduled for 3/8) has been postponed until further notice.

The ILLiad server software upgrade (scheduled for 3/15) was postponed to the end of March.

Reference & Information Literacy


Anna Marie Johnson’s article “Information Literacy Instruction for an Honors Program First-Year Orientation: Lessons Learned over 15 Years of a Sustainable Partnership” was published in Communications in Information Literacy, Vol. 6, No. 2.


Kornhauser Library
On Wednesday March 27, Felix Garza was part of a panel discussion on the legacy of Cesar Chavez and his leader-
ship of the United Farm Workers. The event took place in the Elaine Chao Auditorium, and it launched a three-day celebration in honor of César Chávez.

Kornhauser has welcomed several new student assistants this semester: Riley Cantrall, Jonathan Britt, Katherine O’Daniel, Leslie Faulkner and Kieshia Talley-Paige.
Ekstrom Library Adventures

by “Cap’n” Brittney Thompson and Evan Butler

Remember the days of old when things were a lot simpler in Ekstrom Library? Ah yes, those were the good days. Instead of conveniently placed signs and easy-to-read directions helping students get what they needed, we would make intricate YouTube videos for all of their scholarly needs. The visual tutorials known as Ekstrom Library Adventures hosted a cast like no other. Despite a heavy hiatus due to all of the writers transferring to clown college, every show has its break-out star. The lead role of these adventures was handed to the prestigious Josh Whitacre.

Josh’s career all started before he was even born when a palm reader told Ms. Whitacre that she was with child, but not just any child, the child. Josh went on to do great things in his life after birth, but he would find that all of his accomplishments fell short of his ultimate destiny of becoming the next big star. We caught up with Josh’s former co-star Matt Goldberg (fondly remembered as Robot Number 1 from the RRS video). He had this to say:

“You know how everyone says up-and-coming actors are going to be the next Tom Cruise or the next Will Smith? Well, the next up-and-coming actor will be the next Josh Whitacre!”

Josh was selected to be in the Ekstrom Library Adventures when no one else in any department wanted to be in them. Looks like everyone missed out! Josh just happened to walk into Baxter Avenue Theatres, ready for the opening night of Silver Linings Playbook, when he was spotted by a famous producer (who asked that his name be withheld) who declared, “Your jaw line is stronger than Bradley Cooper’s! You should replace him in everything! Aren’t you the guy from Ekstrom Library Adventures?”

We caught up with the Ekstrom Library Adventures producer, E-diz, to ask him questions about Josh’s recent rise to fame. “The first time I saw Josh I knew he was born to be a star and I was the gateway to his first production. I love his acting more than I could ever love a human baby.”

Josh will be working with a few upcoming films, including:

‘Murica
Silver Linings Playbook 2
Mighty Ducks 4
Space Jam 2015

Iron Man 3
The Hangover 3
Dusky Midnight: The Twilight Prequel (head writer)
Fifty Shades of Grey: The Movie (producer)

All Josh Whitacre movies will be available at the Media Resources desk as soon as they hit the shelves. Josh might be swimming in loads of money from his new Hollywood career, but we’ll always remember him as the lovable character “Josh” from Ekstrom Library Adventures.
Name: Maurini Strub
UofL position and dept: User Experience/Assessment Librarian, Dean’s Office
Hometown: Diego Martin, Trinidad & Tobago
Schools attended: Oakland University and University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Significant other/family members: Husband, Andy
Pets: Catya, yes, she’s a cat; and Max(imillian), a not-terribly-smart-but-incredibly-loyal dog
Zodiac sign: Pisces
Hobbies/Activities: Biking, biking, and biking. Oh, and walking.
Favorite vacation spot: Trinidad
Favorite quote: 

Lagom är bäst -

Enough is as a good as a feast -

För mycket och för litet skämmer allt.

Too much and too little spoils everything.

Anything else you would like to tell us about yourself: As transplant from warm and sunny Trinidad, I’ve adapted to a colder clime. However, I love the sun, its warmth and the energy I get from it. I’ve been a swim instructor, lifeguard, and even an insurance cold caller (*ducks from flying objects*). I’m currently obsessed with bicycling and hope to bike my first century this summer.
Ekstrom Library
Kain Gallery, Rare Books
**Harlan and Anna Hubbard Collection**
This first exhibit of the newly-combined library – Archives and Special Collections – includes correspondence, journals, literary production and artwork of Harlan and Anna Hubbard from the University Archives and Records Center.
**February 21 – Spring Semester 2013**

Photographic Archives Gallery
**FSA in Kentucky**
Documentary photographs of Kentucky taken in support of the Farm Security Administration during the 1930s and 1940s
**February 8 – Spring Semester 2013**

Second Floor, East Wing
**UNBOUND**
Permanent exhibit produced by UofL photography professor Mary Carothers, and her Advanced Photography class and funded in part by CODRE (UofL Commission on Diversity and Racial Equality).

Kornhauser Library
**Opening Doors: Contemporary African American Academic Surgeons**
This exhibition was developed and produced by the National Library of Medicine and the Reginald F. Lewis Museum of Maryland African American History and Culture.
**April – May 22, 2013**

Music Library
**First Floor**
**Works of Michel van der Aa**
Winner of the 2013 Grawemeyer Award for Music Composition
**Through April**
Thanks to Tiffney Gipson for organizing and producing Kornhauser’s Harlem Shake video, and for recruiting almost her whole family, including grandma, to participate. Thanks also to Kornhauser folk and family who participated. To see who was shaking, check out the video on our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/KornhauserLibrary.

Thank you to Sheila Birkla, who noticed I needed a new keyboard and acquired a much better one for me without me even needing to ask! You rock, Sheila. —Anna Marie Johnson

Thanks to everyone who helped with the recent Library Spaces survey: Adam Lawrence for setting up four laptops with links to the survey, Raymond Slaughter for setting up signage and tables in the lobby, and Tracey Washington, Delna D’Souza and Jessie Roth for their assistance with the students who took the survey. —Dean Bob Fox

Thank you to Amy Purcell, Delinda Buie, and students Jeremiah Rose, Hao Nguyen, and Alex Clifton for all of their assistance with the Standard Oil New Jersey / Louisiana scanning project. It could not have been done without them. —Elizabeth Reilly

I want to thank Ren Hinshaw for providing consistently competent, courteous and professional IT service and support at the Kornhauser Library. Whenever I call on him to help a library patron I am confident he will be knowledgeable about the problem and that he will do his best to solve it. The same is true when I am in need of his expertise. Although I never fail to thank him personally for his excellent service, I think it is important to let others in our library community know that he is a valued and appreciated colleague. —John Chenault

Kentucky Women’s Book Festival—Save the Date!

9:30 a.m. May 18 Ekstrom Library
Free sessions; RSVP for lunch: $16

Want to connect over a favorite pastime of reading and writing? The 7th Kentucky Women’s Book Festival will feature a diverse group of Kentucky women writers who will share their experiences and works with those in attendance. There will be author presentations and workshops, book sales and signings and a keynote luncheon. Doors to the library will open at 9 a.m.

For more information and updates, visit the Kentucky Women’s Book Festival or call the UofL Women’s Center, 852-8976.