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TOURING the UF Libraries from your Desktop

In an effort to deliver information about the UF Libraries using an alternative delivery method, a “virtual tour” of the nine major libraries on campus is now available. Library patrons can view the video and listen to accompanying audio to learn more about each library via a link on the libraries’ home page. Finding the campus locations of all the libraries is as simple as clicking on the link, which opens a map of campus that highlights each library. To find out more about the collections and services available at each location, patrons can click on the highlighted location on the map, which then opens a page containing both textual information about the library and a video/audio clip showing details about that specific library location.

The Smathers Libraries are considering using additional streaming

video segments to provide library instruction to patrons needing information about basic research tasks such as finding journal articles, locating specific databases or using the library catalog. According to John Ashcraft, electronic formats coordinator for the Marston Science Library and video coordinator for the project, the primary purpose of using multimedia and videos on the libraries’ web site is to offer information normally distributed in printed handouts in a more exciting, up-to-date format that takes advantage of new broadband Internet capabilities.

“Students and visitors touring this web site and watching the videos will get a much better idea of what our libraries are like than just reading a handout. As the old saying goes, a picture is worth 1,000 words,” said Ashcraft. “This is a more high-tech way to reach patrons, visitors, and

prospective students who have high-speed DSL or cable connectivity.”

Accessing the videos

requires a broadband Internet connection (at least 128K), Macromedia Flash, and Quicktime 6. Links are provided from the introduction page enabling patrons to download the free software from the product web sites. The tour can be accessed via the Smathers Libraries home page at <http://www.uflib.ufl.edu> or directly at <http://www.uflib.ufl.edu/videos/libtour/>

Patrick Reakes

Journalism and Communications Library

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UPCOMING Library Speakers

Tracks to the Promised Land: Selected Maps of the Holy Land RECEPTION
Sunday, April, 6, 4:00 p.m. in Smathers Library Special Collections exhibit area, second floor. **Dr. Mary Watt**, assistant professor of Italian at UF will present "Let him go up to Jerusalem: The Fine Art of Mapping Sacred Space."

Colorblind Southern Jazz: Subverting Jim Crow, a concert-lecture presented by **Dr. Charles Joyner**, Burroughs Distinguished Professor of Southern History and Culture at Coastal Carolina University. Thursday, April 10, 4:30 p.m.; reception at 4:00. Chapel of the Incarnation, 1522 W. University Avenue. Both are free and open to the public.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. When will the libraries' shiny new online catalog be unveiled?

A. The installation of Aleph, our new library management system and online catalog, is well under way but has fallen a little behind schedule. Our current expectations are for an early July completion of the switch, which will be timed to minimize inconvenience to our patrons.

Q. I have some books checked out and am not finished with them yet. What do I need to do to renew them?

A. You do not need to do anything. Because of complications associated with our new identification numbers, the library has decided to globally renew all the items charged out by faculty that would have been due April 1 without requiring any activity on their part. The new due date will be October 1.

Remote Access to Library Resources

With summer approaching it is important to remember that you do not need to lose contact with library resources while you are away from your office. The Remote Access link on our main page will take you to a web page that presents a number of options for connecting to library resources (<http://www.uflib.ufl.edu/access.html>). These options include Gator Link Dial-Up (a free Internet Service Provider for local connections), Primary Proxy, Secondary Proxy and UF Virtual Private Network.

The newest option, Primary Proxy, was established In August 2002. Primary Proxy is an easy way to connect both locally and from out of town. Primary Proxy can be used with any Internet Service Provider and Web browser. This service uses either your activated 14-digit library number, or your GatorLink username/password. Once connected you will be able to access databases, e-journals, e-books etc. from the links on the UF Libraries' Web Site.

For any option using your 14-digit library number (located beneath the bar-code on your Gator 1 Card), it is important to make sure that this number has been activated in the UF Libraries. In particular, if you have recently received a replacement Gator 1 Card, the new library number is NOT automatically added to the library system. If you discover that your card is not activated, you can request activation at any library circulation desk or by using the online form at <http://www.uflib.ufl.edu/distreg.html>.

*Cynthia Crosser
Intern for Library West Reference*

Florida Historical Society Comes to Gainesville UF to host reception

The Florida Historical Society will hold its 101st annual conference, "Crackers, Caballeros and Consumptives: 19th Century Florida," in Gainesville from Wednesday, May 21 through Sunday, May 25, 2003. Information on the conference program and registration can be found at: <http://www.florida-historical-soc.org/>. This year's Thursday night reception, a conference tradition, will be held in the Department of Special Collections on the second floor of Smathers Library (East). Sponsored by the Howe Society, the Department of History, and the University of Florida Sesquicentennial Committee, the reception also marks the opening of a new gallery exhibit, "Portraits of Florida: Selections from the P.K. Yonge Library of Florida History." Besides hors-d'oeuvres and refreshments, conference attendees will have a chance to tour the Research Room and to see displays of the Yonge Library's most treasured items, including a recently acquired Revolutionary War memoir and a never-before-seen manuscript by John Lee Williams – the unpublished second edition of his classic work "Territory of Florida" (1837). Please make a point of attending both the conference and the reception

*James Cusick
P.K. Yonge Library of Florida History*

Libraries Acquire Four-Millionth Volume

Displaying a commitment to partner with the George A. Smathers Libraries in building the university's intellectual resources, the University Athletic Association has funded an important milestone – the four-millionth volume. The rare book, valued at \$17,000, is *Urania Propitia* written by the first modern-era female astronomer, Maria Cunitz (1610-1664) and is one of only nine copies in existence.



Millionth-Volumes Display

Stop by the display window of Marston Science Library during April to learn about the four-millionth volume which is represented by photograph to avoid damage to the book. The display also includes photos of the libraries' first, second, and third-millionth volumes. For more information about all of these volumes, see the web site at <http://www.uflib.ufl.edu/pio/4MillVol/index.htm>.

Librarians Join Medical Faculty to Teach Evidence Based Medicine to Residents

Linda Butson, assistant director for Outreach Services at the Health Science Center Libraries, and Pam Sherwill, College of Nursing librarian, have collaborated with the College of Medicine's Division of Internal Medicine Residency to bring the resources of the Health Science Center Libraries to the teaching of Evidence Based Medicine (EBM) at Shands Hospital.

In 2001, Department of Internal Medicine faculty approached Butson and Sherwill to collaborate in the training of internal medicine residents. The librarians began by working with first and third year residents once a month to show them the Health Science Center Libraries' online resources. In 2002, two chiefs of residents approached them to take it a step further by participating directly in the Division's morning report at Shands Hospital.

One resident is assigned to sit with the librarian at a laptop connected to the network and search the databases for information relating to the issues that arise during the meeting. Residents do the actual searching themselves. The librarians then learn more about specific research needs of residents.

The response from the medical faculty and chiefs of residents has been very positive. Butson and Sherwill have trained other reference librarians at the Health Science Center Libraries in EBM reference work. They have worked with one generation of chiefs and are scheduling librarians to work with the next generation of morning report teams beginning in July. Residents agree that this collaboration has been a very productive part of their education.

*Tatiana Barr
Resource Services*

Paul Wartenberg Named Information Technology Coordinator

Library West has a new Information Technology Coordinator for Humanities and Social Sciences Services. Paul



Paul Wartenberg

Wartenberg, a UF graduate in journalism with a master's degree in Library and Information Sciences from the University of South Florida, is now part of the Library West team that assists patrons and staff with computer use and technology issues. He will also work at the reference desk.

Prior to coming to UF, Paul was a librarian with the Broward County Library System, responsible for a computer lab and training. He is an active member of the American Library Association and is on the bibliographies and indexes committee, history division, of the Reference and User Services Association. He published a humorous article on "Squelching Library Theft" in *American Libraries*.

His interests include science fiction and history. He has won several awards for his short stories from a southern Florida writers' group and is an avid Tampa Bay Buccaneers fan.

*Shelley Arlen
Collection Management*



Joe Aufmuth, GIS librarian in the Government Documents Department, was recently elected mayor of Micanopy.



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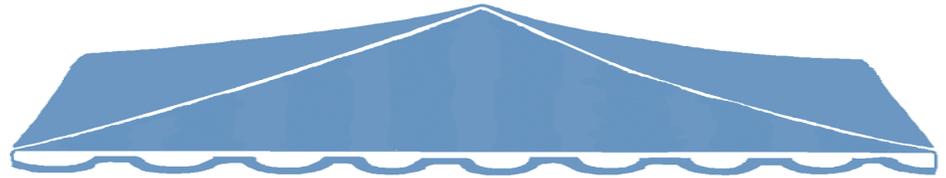
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Libraries Feature "150 Readers" for National Library Week

Celebrate National Library Week April 7-11 by enjoying a few good stories! Since UF is also celebrating its 150th birthday, the libraries will feature "150 Readers" during National Library Week. Each day from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., under a canopy in front of Library West, faculty, staff, and students will read excerpts from their favorite books in five to 30 minute segments. It will all be very informal, so stop by when you can, leave when you need to, and enjoy a variety of literature read in not only inEnglish but also other languages.

Each days' readers will be posted by the canopy, inside Library West, and on a web site: <http://www.uflib.ufl.edu/jour/150index.htm>

*Alice Primack
Marston Science Library*

Libraries Participate in Interlibrary Loan Performance Study

The University of Florida Smathers Libraries is a participant in the Association of Research Libraries (ARL) Interlibrary Loan/Document Delivery Performance Measures Study. The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation-sponsored study is part of ARL's New Measures Initiative. The study seeks to examine current data on inter-library loan/document delivery operations in research and academic libraries. Elements of the study include tracking unit costs, fill rates, turnaround time, staff cost, networking cost, etc. It also focuses on mediated and unmediated (user-initiated) interlibrary loan services. The results of the study will be used to identify the characteristics of an effective borrowing and lending interlibrary loan operation. The Smathers Libraries also participated in the 1995 study.

*David Fuller
Interlibrary Loan*



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