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Announcements & Gossip fit to print:

WELCOME to Zhe Chen, LTA, Automation and Collection Development.

Staff Training:

Web of Science, Monday, February 2, 2 p.m.

Lexis/Nexis Universe and Congressional Compass, Tuesday, February 17,
10 a.m.

The Florida Distance Learning Library Initiative Reference & Referral Center component opened December 15, 1997. The Initiative funds remote access to reference services through June 30, 1998.

The Reference & Referral Center (RRC) provides distance learners enrolled in Florida's public universities and community colleges access to reference assistance. The Centers services are designed to complement the primary services provided by the distance learners local library.

Services will be provided via:

Toll-free telephone: 888-RRC-8033
888-772-8033

Telephone: 813-974-2009

Fax: 813-974-9875 (will change 1/15/98)

Email: rrc@lib.usf.edu

WWW: <http://www.lib.usf.edu/distance/>

Postal Service: 4202 E. Fowler Avenue, LIB 122
Tampa, FL 33620

For additional information, contact the Florida Distance Learning Reference & Referral Center at 813-974-2009, rrc@lib.usf.edu, or www.lib.usf.edu/distance.

Administrative News:

Librarian Meeting, Wednesday, February 18, at 2 PM

Staff Meeting, Wednesday, February 25, at 2 PM

Poynter Library will host a faculty reception, Friday, February 13, 1998. New resources on the Virtual Library will be demonstrated.

The Building Directory has been installed. (Shout Hallelujah!!) It has a layout of each of the three floors, a listing of locations, and a listing of staff names. Recent additions to the staff will be added.

The **26th Annual Florida Suncoast Writers' Conference** will be held at the University of South Florida's St. Petersburg campus, February 5-7, 1998. Celebrated author John Updike is the keynote speaker. Other nationally-recognized speakers include novelist and short-story writer Francine Prose, whose most recent work is "Guided Tours of Hell," and Redbook Magazine's Books and Fiction Editor Dawn Raffel, whose collection of short stories, "In the Year of Long Division" is widely praised.

To register or for information, call 813/974-2403. The conference is sponsored by the Florida Center for Writers, a joint effort of the USF Department of English and the Division of Lifelong Learning.

Please be aware that the elevator doors have been programmed to accommodate ADA guidelines and will always be slow. The delay in the door's closing is 20 seconds. Please pass this on to any patrons who complain about the elevators taking so long. Press the "Close Door" button to get there faster.

From the Staff Development Committee, Tampa Campus Library:

The committee has put together a plan to allow library staff members to purchase either a Polo Shirt or a T-shirt with a logo, "University Libraries" embroidered on it. The shirts are hunter green and the logo is gold. The costs of the shirts are; Polo @\$16 and T-shirt @\$9. There is a fairly short time line to respond to Florence Jandreau (Feb. 16th). Information is in the Lounge. If you are interested in purchasing a shirt/shirts, Lanny will "batch" the requests to Florence.

Automation News:

The new modem pool telephone number for St. Petersburg is 550-0260.

AV News:

New Media Received

VIDEOS

- 1776 -
- Alberta Hunter: My Castle's Rockin? -
- Allegra's Window: Allegra's Christmas -
- Anne Frank Remembered -
- Booker -
- Bubbe Meises: Bubbe Stories -
- Death of a Prophet: Last Days of Malcolm X -
- George Gershwin Remembered -
- Gulliver's Travels '95 -

In the Shadow of the Stars -
 Ivanhoe '97 -
 Jay O'Callahan Storytelling Collection -
 La Cenerentola (Cinderella)
 Les Miserables: The Musical That Swept the World -
 Madam Butterfly -
 Medea -
 Musical Classics for Children Series
 Peter Cottontail -
 Carnival of the Animals -
 The Adventures of Peer Gynt -
 The Nutcracker -
 News Writing (Series) -
 Nostromo -
 The Nutcracker -
 People -
 Rubinstein Remembered -
 Schlessinger Teen Health for Children Series
 Puberty -
 Peer Pressure -
 Nutrition and Diet -
 Shelly Duval Presents Mrs. Piggie-Wiggle Video Series
 The Answer-Backer Cure -
 The Not Truthful Cure -
 The Pet Forgetters Cure -
 Signature Contemporary Southern Writers -
 Slim Hopes: Advertising & the obsession with thinness -
 The Songhai Princess -
 Windows 95 - A First Look -
 Windows 95 - Learning the Transition -
 Windows 95 - Mastering the Transition -
 World Clue Adventure: let's Climb Higher -

CDs

Age of Innocence - Kate MacKenzie -
 collector's Gems From MGM Films - Judy Garland -
 Fanning the Flames - Marie Muldaur -
 Five Leaves Left - Nick Drake -
 Kind Hearted Woman - Michelle Shocked -
 Perfect World - Judeth Edelman -
 Secada - John Secada -
 The Secret Life - Gretchen Peters -

Circulation / Reserve News:

The termination date for the IB (high school) student program was January 15, 1998. The program may be renewed sometime in the future.

Collection Development & Special Collections

The SAPL Book Sale will be held Friday, March 13, through Sunday, March 15, from 10-3 each day. It will be in the Williams House. The Goodwill sale will be held on the same days in the CAC and the Antiquarian Book Fair will be the same days in the Coliseum.

Dr. Gerald Rizzo, a St. Petersburg physician, will be exhibiting his notable collection of historic maps of Africa in the Special Collections area on Sunday, Feb. 1, 1998, from 1-5. The maps will eventually be transferred to a permanent home in the Boston area.

Reference Services News:

Virtual Library news:

Two new resources in the "What's New" page of the Virtual Library are LION and Current Contents Connect

Mental Measurements Yearbook has been added to the ERL server.

eHRAF (ethnography), Web of Science (web version of Science Citation, Social Sciences Citation, and Arts and Humanities Citation Index), Lexis-Nexis Universe and Congressional Compass are now available.

Check out Poem Finder and EBSCO under What's New; Databases Under Consideration for Purchase.

Other notes:

There is a blue tip sheet at the reference desk entitled "Connecting to the Web." It contains the web address for proxy configuration instructions.

"Classic" LEXIS/NEXIS will be available until August 1998 when that contract expires.

Enhancement to marking records: You can mark individual records or ranges of records with one command. For example, in the command box type: mark 1,3,5-7,10

From FCLA:

At the request of the ILL committee, the "ILL" command is active in the OPAC (both 3270 LUIS and WebLUIS). When a patron is viewing a bibliographic record, s/he may enter (or click on) "ILL Request". S/he will be presented with a challenge for a patron ID and, if viewing a journal article, presented with copyright compliance. The system then gives the patron a chance to modify their address information, etc. (for this request only) and answer a few simple questions. The patron is then offered a list of ILL delivery locations to choose and is then returned to the bibliographic record. The ILL department receives an email with the information and a copy is placed in a LUIS ILL request file.

Technical Services News:

New recreational reading books

The Wonder Worker - Susan Howatch
Plays Well With Others - Alan Garganus
The Ghost - Danielle Steel
Deja Dead - Kathy Reichs
Cat and Mouse - James Patterson
Jackie Robinson - Arnold Rampersad
A Certain Justice - P. D. James
Lucky You - Carl Hiaasen
10 lb. Penalty - Dick Francis
Lost Man's River - Peter Matthiessen
The Silent Cry - Anne Perry
Violin - Anne Rice

Change in the U.S. mail delivery schedule affects the arrival of many periodicals and is beyond the library's control. Check the USF catalog before assuming we have an issue on the shelf. If it has not been checked in yet, please inform the library user that the resource is not yet available. The staff is processing these items as quickly as they can.

Internet & other techie stuff:

Virginia passed along the following sites:

The Seven Wonders of the Ancient World <http://pharos.bu.edu/Egypt/Wonders/>

This site offers some background to the Wonders, an artist's rendering (with the exception of the Great Pyramid of Giza, the sole surviving Wonder) of each, their location, history, and a description. Each entry contains several links to other resources related to the geographic area or time period of the Wonder.

Statistical Abstract of the United States 1997
<http://www.census.gov/prod/www/abs/cc97stab.html>

Adobe Acrobat Reader
<http://www.adobe.com/prodindex/acrobat/readstep.html>

Making of America site <http://www.umdl.umich.edu/moa/>

The University of Michigan Digital Library Initiative announced the completion of the first phase of its Making of America project, now including approximately 650,000 pages of books and journals from the latter part of the 19th century.

Many thanks to all the newsletter contributors!

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