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May 19, 1995

Gossip fit to print:

Congratulations are in order. Tina Neville has been promoted from Assistant Librarian to Associate Librarian. Well deserved and well done, Tina!

Announcement from the USF, School of Library and Information Science:

A very special event in honor of the retirement of Dr. John A. Mccrossan will take place:

Date: October 27, 1995
Place: Sheraton Grand Ballroom
Kennedy and Westshore Blvds
Tampa
Time: Cash bar 6-7 p.m. Dinner 7:00 p.m.

Details regarding menu, tariff, program and reservation will be provided soon. For any questions, please e-mail or call :

Bahaa EL-Hadidy Mail Elhadidy@cis01.cis.usf.edu
Tel (813)974-6844

See the Appendix 1. for a description of a House bill affecting libraries. This was shared by Virginia Champion.

Administrative News:

Library meetings:

Librarians - May 22, 2 PM
All staff - May 23, 2 PM

Lanny Greaves shares some information gathered at the latest Solinet meeting in Atlanta:

Solinet is looking toward an active role in the National Information Infostructure. The keynote speaker, Jane Smith Patterson of North Carolina, presented a North Carolina model of how that state is attempting to move toward a statewide system of information sharing via a pretty sophisticated network. The afternoon session was an overview of the Monticello Project, a Solinet coordinated project. Monticello will attempt to network information from several diverse areas: access to Special Collections in the Southeast Region; access to public information; access to scholarly publishing; access to theses and dissertations. Some planning and thinking has gone into these areas, and those involved are actively working on grant proposals to bring funding to those projects.

Solinet seems to be enjoying a stable situation in terms of funding, leadership, etc... Kate Nevins, Ex. Dir, is finishing her first year at Solinet, and is providing excellent leadership. Her experience at OCLC seems to stand her in good stead as she leads Solinet.

Poynter Library now owns a shredder.

Disaster preparedness

The telephone number to call for information about closing campus and/or cancelling classes DUE TO EMERGENCY such as flood, hurricane, toxic materials, etc. is 893-9510. Take this number home with you so you will know where to call in case you need to call from home.

The EMERGENCY telephone is housed in the shelf below the checkout terminal at circulation. It is an old analog telephone, and the outlet is under Susan's desk (Julius will put a red sticker on the outlet) This telephone only operates when there is total power failure. PLEASE do not dispose of this telephone.

Public Services News:

Jackie Shewmaker submitted this information/reminders:

ERIC and Hook-to-Holdings (fwd)

It appears that ISSN's are not included in most ERIC (CIJE) records until the year 1990. It seems that sometime during that year a decision must have been made to include ISSN's routinely. While there are some records with ISSN's before that year, there don't appear to be many. What this means, of course, is that "hook-to-holdings" will work with some records included in a journal title indexed in ERIC - while not working with others for the same journal title. When there is no ISSN in the index record (making a link impossible), the following message appears:

No direct link available. Search library catalog by journal or book title.

NOTE: For those who may not be aware, the ISSN displays in the Long view of index records - at (or near) the end of the record.

IAC Indexes

This is a little problem with IAC indexes. IAC is in California and they have a definite west coast bias. Their records sport the ISSN for the west coast edition of things that come in multiple editions; and the page numbers cited will also refer to the west coast edition. Occasionally the same article will appear on a different page or section in the east coast version of the same pub. If and only if the article indexed appears only in the east coast edition will they use the ISSN for the east coast edition.

This reminder comes from the Tampa Campus Library, Reference Department:

FirstSearch is available on USF's LUIS menu under item #19, "Gateways to Additional Databases." Online access to nearly one million full-text articles through FirstSearch is free of charge to faculty, staff, and currently enrolled USF students.

These full-text periodical databases are:

1. Periodical Abstracts, which covers over 1500 popular and academic periodicals. Approximately one third of the periodical articles in this database are available online in ASCII full-text (text only). Search results in Periodical Abstracts can be limited to online full-text retrieval by using the "limit" command.

2. Business Dateline, which contains articles from more than 450 newspapers, business magazines, and wire services in the U.S. and Canada. Business Dateline is an essential tool for regional business information with most of the periodical and newspaper articles available online. The database is updated weekly.

3. FastDoc, a database that offers a selection of over 900 full-text titles from two databases: 1) ABI/Inform, the leading index of current business and management publications, and 2) Periodical Abstracts. Of these 900 titles, 70 titles are not available for online full-text document delivery.

After selecting an article using the "T" for Text command in FirstSearch, users can immediately view the text online, send it to an Internet e-mail address, or send it to a local printer. The ASCII full-text complements other document delivery options on FirstSearch. These include an electronic interlibrary loan link and fee-based services such as overnight and U.S. mail, fax, and rush fax, a full-image service that provides automated delivery of articles from scanned collections within an hour.

The limit feature is, at the moment, only available in Periodical Abstracts. Before you do your search, type in L for Limit and FirstSearch will prompt you the rest of the way.

Technical Services News:

From Renee:

New Recreational Reading:

The Distinguished Guest	Sue Miller
Floating City	Eric Lustbader
Ladder of Years	Anne Tyler
Of Love and Other Demons	Gabriel Garcia Marquez
Pelican Brief (c.2)	John Grisham
A River Town	Thomas Keneally
Scorpio Illusion	Robert Ludlum

Internet & other techie stuff:

Access to SUNLINE (TBLC members catalog) is available via the Internet. Telnet to sunline.tbtc.lib.fl.us then login as sunline. Or you may dial in: Pinellas County 813-398-0531. the suggestion configuration is 8 data bits, 1 stop bit, no parity, full duplex and VT-100 emulation.

Susan Beldad, Systems Manager from the Tampa Library, shares this news: a group is working on USF's customized LUIS menus in order to offer Gopher/Lynx access from the LUIS terminals.

Infofilter - librarians reviewing WEB sites. See Appendix 2.
Contributed by Virginia.

The St Petersburg Campus home page has moved. The new home page

address is <http://www.stpt.usf.edu>. Please make a note of this change.
This page is also linked to the Tampa Campus home page now.

Check out the following articles:

AL, May 1995, p. 387 "Virtual patrons flock into the Internet
Public Library."

Internet World, June 1995, p.26 "The Virtual Library" by Cynthis
N. James-Catalano.

Humor - Virginia passed on this goodie.

The Reference Librarian

At times behind a desk he sits,
At times about the room he flits--
Folks interrupt his perfect ease
By asking questions such as these:
"How tall was prehistoric man?"
"How old, I pray, was Sister Ann"
"What should one do if cats have fits?"
"What woman first invented mitts?"
"Who said 'To labor is to pray'?"
"How much did Daniel Lambert weigh?"
"Don't you admire E. P. Roe?"
"What is the fare to Kokomo?"
"Have you a life of Sairy Gamp?"
"Can you lend me a postage-stamp?"
"Have you the rimes of Edward Lear?"
"What wages do they give you here?"
"What dictionary is the best?"
"Did Brummell wear a satin vest?"
"How do you spell 'anemic,' please?"
"What is a Gorgonzola cheese?"
"Who ferried souls across the Styx?"
"What is the square of 96?"
"Are oysters good to eat in March?"
"Are green bananas full of starch?"
"Where is that book I used to see?"
"I guess you don't remember me?"
"Haf you Der Hohenzollernspiel?"
"Where shall I put this apple peel?"
"Ou est, m'sie, la grand Larousse?"
"Do you say, 'two-spot,' or 'the deuce'?"
"Come, find my book--why make a row?"
"A *red* one--can't you find it *now*?"
"Please, which is right? to 'lend' or 'loan'?"
"Say, mister, where's the telephone?"
"How *do* you use this catalog?"
"Oh, hear that noise! Is that my dog?"
"Have you a book called 'Shapes of Fear'?"
"You mind if I leave baby here?"

--Edmund Lester Pearson

Administrative News:

Next librarians meeting, Monday, May ²²17, 2 PM.
Next staff meeting, Tuesday, May ²³18, 2 PM

Lanny Greaves will be attending Solinet next week, May 3-5, 1995.

Collection Development News:

Kathy would like to remind staff to please encourage people providing book donations to fill out one of our gift forms. Susan has them at the circulation desk and Kathy has them on file also. Failing the gift form, please try to get a name and address so that Kathy can thank the person properly.

Public Services News:

Circulation

Books checked out to Eckerd students are due back May 4, 1995. The charge date must be set back April 13 in order to get this due date. Please remember to do this. This does not apply to PEL students..

Interlibrary Loan

Tina Neville shares this very important message:

"A patron asked me if the ILL that he had requested two days ago had arrived. When I checked on it I found that the article was coming from outside the USF system. The patron claimed that he had been told that materials would be here in 3 days even if they were not available at USF.

This indicates to me that there is a misunderstanding among the library staff regarding time delays for ILL. In our time delay study we found that materials from outside the USF system take an average of ten days to reach the library. In some cases we can get an article more quickly (usually within 48 hours) if the patron is willing to accept a fax copy from CARL. If you feel that the patron has a legitimate need for a rush request, PLEASE either notify an ILL staff member or mark in large letters on the request that the item is a rush and we will do our best to get the material quickly. If we do not have an indication that the request is a rush it will be processed in the usual manner.

On a similar topic, materials from other USF campuses usually take 3-5 days to arrive. During the busiest part of the semester it may take longer."

Reference

GDCS/DocsFinder CDROM (GPO catalog) has been mounted on CDROM workstation #5 (486). Although it is not a Windows application it does require a 386 or better. It is located in drive H (5th drive) of the

pioneer disk changer. To start the program you may click on the icon from program manager screen. You may also start from the C:, directions are on the jewel case in the reference drawer. At C:> type \gdcs\lungdcs

The holdings message shown refers to the Tampa campus library depository. Other area depositories are also listed; e.g. Stetson, St. Petersburg Public, University of Tampa and others.

Technical Services News:

Renee listed new Recreational Reading:

1. Moo: A Novel by Jane Smiley
2. The Rainmaker by John Grisham (Tina's)

From Signe:

OPAC: Enhanced copy record display

In order to alleviate some user confusion, we have made a slight change to the LUIS copy display for copies with more than 1 volume. This primarily affects bibliographic records that also have more than one copy. The copy display number (which was in the far left column) has been moved to the right side of the screen, beside "Enter HO". The first copy listed will have "Enter HO for holdings"; second will have "Enter HO 2 for holdings", and so on. If a number is used after the HO command, it causes the display to go to the screen on which the desired copy is located, although the requested copy may not necessarily be displayed at the top of the display. (This is hard to explain - you'll understand when you see it...) The number after HO has always worked this way, though many of us (including me) had forgotten this feature. Only the display has changed, not the function.

This change is in NERCICST, and will be moving to the live system early next week with some minor bug fixes. You may wish to look at the display in NERCICST.

Using SAME in LUIS

While some of you may know this, some of you may not be aware of this feature. The SAME command will find two words that are in the SAME field. (Not next to, but in the field). Videorecording as a form designation is in the title field. To find a video when you know the title OR A WORD IN the title, you can use this feature. It works much like using the keyword screen but can be done on one line. The following were examples given to demonstrate this function. The original message was too long to duplicate for the newsletter.

Search Request: K=APE MAN SAME VIDEORECORDING

Search Request: K=PUPPETS SAME VIDEORECORDING

Search Request: K=ENGLAND SAME VIDEORECORDING

Search Request: K=ENGLAND SAME VIDEORECORDING

Search Request: KS=ENGLAND AND KT=VIDEORECORDING

Search Request: KS=ENGLAND AND KT=VIDEORECORDING

Search Request: KS=ENGLAND AND KT=VIDEORECORDING

Search Request: KS=ENGLAND AND KT=VIDEORECORDING

Internet & other techie stuff:

Anyone needing the directions for creating and FTP profile at their Windows PC and using that application to transfer documents for printing and other purposes, please let Deb know.

New WEB sites:

In the May Internet World issue on page 90, some interesting music home pages are listed including one for Elvis , Sinatra and the Rolling Stones.

WWW Virtual Library is a neat WEB site which organizes other WEB sites by subject. I have looked at listings for oceanography, geography, library and others and found it very convenient to use. Check it out at:

<http://info.cern.ch/hypertext/DataSources/bySubject/Overview.html>
