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September 27, 1996

Announcements & Gossip fit to print:

This is our first newsletter since the 'great move'!
 Congratulations and thanks to all the staff who worked so hard.

Administrative News:

Librarian Meeting, Monday, October 21, at 2 PM
 Staff Meeting, Tuesday, October 8, at 2 PM

Automation News:

Our new addresses @nelson.usf.edu should be working now. If you
 have any questions or have problems with this let Ed know.

Ed has been working very hard on the LAN and getting the CD-ROM
 products mounted and working. Please pay attention to e-mail messages and
 announcements posted at the service desks. These will help to keep
 everyone in the know about what is available and tips on using the system
 and problem solving.

AV News:

Joe Hamilton is a new student assistant in AV.

>From Jerry: IMC materials

The AV Department is beginning the task of stamping and stripping
 the IMC materials that were moved into the Media Center. In the future,
 all these items will be fully cataloged, classified, and processed. Some
 already are. If a student brings one of these items down to be circulated,
 please barcode the item and create an unlinked item record so that it can
 be circulated. These items will not be in LUIS until all of them are
 processed.

Subject: Tapes on Reserve

The Open University tapes that are on reserve in circulation are those which are being offered on this campus as sections. Those are Enjoyment of Music and Professional Ethics. The others that we own are in the media center and may be retrieved and viewed there. They are on Media Hold. If you look the titles up in LUIS it will give you that information. If there is a problem with locating a Sincich or Hevner tapes, please let us know. Do not send them up to the media center on weekends or nights as they then become unavailable for the students.

Circulation / Reserve News:

Rana Wilson will be working about 15-18 hours per week, including some time on Saturdays at Circulation.

Collection Development Reminder:

Please remember to close the door to the CD workroom. There are unprocessed materials on the shelves that we want to keep secure. It is a convenient passageway to the circulation area, but should not be left open to the public.

Reference Services News:

Group Study Room reservations

We are already beginning to receive requests for group study rooms. We would like to keep the group study rooms available for group study -- not for individual use.

Please follow this policy for use of the group study rooms until further notice:

1. Group study rooms may be scheduled in advance by USF-affiliated patrons only. We will not schedule rooms for non-affiliated users. There is a calendar at the reference desk in the top drawer on the northeast side of the desk. Please record the times requested for USF group study reservations on the appropriate day in the calendar.

NOTE: We currently have two rooms available. Each room will hold 5-6 people.

2. When a group comes in to use the room, ask for their USF ID card and then unlock the room for them. Ask them to return to the reference desk when they are finished with the room so that we may lock the room again while it is not in use.

3. Non-affiliated patrons may use a group study room only if it is not in use by a USF group. USF patrons will always have priority for use of any of the rooms.

Lexis/Nexis change

Lexis/Nexis now has a 1000 document retrieval limit for searches conducted using the educational subscription service. If a student enters a search which will retrieve more than 1000 hits, L/N will send them a notice indicating that their search is too large. They are then asked to edit the search so that it will retrieve fewer documents.

Karilyn has prepared a Lexis/Nexis tip sheet which indicates common limits and segment searches that may help the students reduce their retrieval rates. A copy of the tip sheet is in the top drawer of the reference desk (on the east side of the desk).

New LUIS hours:

FCLA is pleased to announce that we have AGAIN extended the hours of LUIS operations in the NERLUIS region. The new hours are:

Sunday 10 am - Tuesday 3 am
Tuesday 7 am - Saturday 3 am

The two scheduled periods of downtime are needed for FCLA software changes and NERDC software maintenance.

CAVEATS:

Some files may be unavailable briefly (i.e., 10-20 minutes) for updates between 1-7am any night as needed.

The whole NERLUIS region may be down for undetermined amounts of time between 1-7am for urgent software maintenance -- this would be for emergency work that can't wait for the routine Tuesday scheduled time. We will keep this to a minimum.

>From Tina: Sept.12 PS-LAG meeting:

1. FirstSearch update:

Coming this Fall:

* New York Times: full-text for the most recent 90 days. This will probably not be archived but the information should be available on the day of publication. This file should also have indexing back to Jan.94. It is the late city ed. which matches the microfilm

* Business & Industry: this is supposed to be the same as PTS Prompt. Begins in mid-94, updated daily. Has indexing, abstracting and (I think) at least some full-text

* World Almanac: full-text but no tables or graphs on the LUIS version

Other news:

* DataTimes full-text has been moved up to at least mid-Feb

* supposedly the undergraduate version of Chemical Abstracts will be coming up at some point

3. FCLA news:

for those of you that haven't seen it, there is a lot of documentation for the OPAC on the FCLA home page:
<http://www.fcla.ufl.edu/>

Technical Services News:

>From Regina: New titles

These are some new titles that have come in since the move!

Communications and the Law
Diagnostic (education)
Education and the treatment of children

A title change:
Journal of Sea Research (formerly Netherlands Journal of Sea Research)

>From Jan: New Rec Reading books

Child's Anthology of Poetry - Elizabeth Hauge Sword
Decline and Fall of the House of Windsor - Donald Spoto

In Contempt - Christopher Darden
In the Presence of the Enemy - Elizabeth George
Torrid Zone - Jonathan Maslow

The mailboxes has been relocated to the mailroom. Any outgoing mail should be placed on the table facing the mailboxes.

Internet & other techie stuff:

Some interesting articles in Internet World September 1996 issue:

An article on "corporate censors" on p. 60 strikes a bell..
Companies have problems with employees spending inappropriate amounts of time surfing as well as the kinds of sites visited.

Distance learning on the graduate level is discussed on p.87.

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