

Schurz Library Speaker Series: "Revolutions in Thought: Individuals Making Things Better"

Please join the faculty and staff of the Franklin D. Schurz Library and Media Services **Wednesday, October 8 at 6 p.m. at The Grille (located in the Administration Building)** for the panel presentation "Revolutions in Thought: Individuals Making Things Better." This event is part of the Schurz Library Speaker Series, which is free and open to the public.

The event will feature four members of the community who have made a major impact in Michiana and beyond: Dr. Roland Chamblee, Sr., Health Officer of St. Joseph County; local businessmen Jerry Hammes and LeRoy Troyer, and IU South Bend student Aleah Wilburn. The panelists will share what motivated them to give back to the community.

Each of the panelists has had an impact in Michiana, each in their own unique way. Dr. Chamblee is very well known for his tenure as volunteer Medical Director of the St. Joseph Chapin Street Clinic and for his work in the civil rights movement. Mr. Hammes' volunteer activities include: former president of the Chamber of Commerce of St. Joseph County; former president of the South Bend Economic Redevelopment Commission; and founding president of WNIT-TV. Mr. Troyer has been active in Habitat for Humanity, having served as an international board member, as well as director for the Coalition for Educational Success of South Bend. Ms. Wilburn, an IU South Bend nursing student, has been volunteering in the community since she was in junior high school. She worked diligently for the American Cancer Society, Elkhart General Hospital's Tuck-In program, and served this past year as the executive chair for the first annual "Dance for the Homeless," at IU South Bend.

The Schurz Library Speaker series provides speakers of intellectual interest to the university and the community. For more information, call 520-4410.



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Electronic Resources News

The Schurz Library now subscribes to **IEEE@Computer Society** with full-text access to the 5 journals: *Computers; Knowledge Data Engineering; Parallel & Distributed Systems; Software Engineering; and Visualization & Computer Graphics*.

We now subscribe to the **Science Direct College Edition for Social and Behavioral Sciences** which provides full-text access to 350 journals including: *The American Journal of Human Genetics, Journal of Biotechnology, and Nano Today*.

The Library now also subscribes to **Value Line Research Center**, which provides full text access to *The Value Line Investment Survey; The Value Line Investment Survey Small and Mid-Cap Edition; The Value Line Mutual Fund Survey; The Value Line Daily Options Survey; The Value Line Special Situations Service; and The Value Line Convertibles Survey*.

Thanks to a special licensing agreement with Indiana University Libraries, the Franklin D. Schurz Library now has access to the following newspaper archives from Gale: **Nineteenth Century U.S. Newspapers Digital Archive, Seventeenth and Eighteenth Century Burney Collection Newspapers Digital Archive, British Newspapers 1600-1900, Nineteenth Century British Library Newspapers, the Times of London Digital Archive (1785-1985), and Economist Historical Archive 1843-2003**.

New EbscoHost Database Covers Sustainability

GreenFILE is a new EbscoHost database covering all aspects of human impact on the environment. Its collection of scholarly, government and general-interest titles includes content on the environmental effects of individuals, corporations and local/national governments, and what can be done on each level to minimize negative impact. Topics covered include green building, pollution, sustainable agriculture, recycling, and more. **GreenFILE** is multidisciplinary by nature and draws on the connections between the environment and a variety of disciplines such as agriculture, education, law, health and technology.

All of the IU South Bend databases can be found in the library's A to Z database list at: <http://www.iusb.edu/~libg/ref/az.php?id=all>.

Hammes Information Commons Receiving Positive Reviews from Students and Visitors

A recent survey about the Hammes Information Commons shows that it has been a huge hit with our students, becoming the place that students choose to spend their unscheduled time. More than 80% of the respondents said that the Hammes Information Commons was their preferred study spot on campus. More telling is that there is seldom an empty seat anywhere. We receive nothing but positive comments about the space such as:

"The new improvements are wonderful. I love the thought-out variety of workspaces."

"Great place to work and do homework. Comfortable, convenient, helpful."

"Looks great. Makes me feel welcome."

"Great help; I now have all that I need to get my assignments done in one place. Thank you."

The Hammes Information Commons also recently received a rave review in the American Library Association's TechSource blog, which can be read at: <http://www.alatechsource.org/blog/2008/08/the-space-had-to-say-wow-the-hammes-information-commons-at-iusb.html>.

Michael Stephens interviewed Dean of Library and Media Services Michele Russo about the space, and noted that the transformation from the old reference room he remembered as a SLIS student to the busy, vibrant information commons is impressive.

Reference Help Now Available Via Text-Messaging

The Schurz Library now offers reference service via text-messaging. Users can contact the library by sending a message to 265010. Start your text message with iusb librarian: your message

Remember that standard text charges from your provider may apply.



The Schurz Report: Staff News

Welcome Joel Langston our new **Multimedia Consultant in IMS**. Langston has a BA in Media Studies from the University of Southern Maine and has had six years of experience in the film industry in Hollywood, working with the technical/electrical crews where he gained expertise in cinematic lighting.

Alison Stankrauff presented at the **Society of American Archivists** annual conference on August 29th on management skills in a "lone arranger" archive – (only one archivist). She was also recently elected Co-Chair of the **Lone Arrangers Roundtable of the Society of American Archivists**. Stankrauff is also serving as the Co-Chair for the **Midwest Archives Conference's upcoming Fall 2008 Symposium**. She also recently took over as Chair of **Indiana Library Federation's Reference Division**. On the local front, she has also recently been named to the University Support Committee for the **Civil Rights Heritage Center**.

Julie Elliott was part of the panel presentation "Book Group Therapy: How to Repair, Revamp, and Revitalize Your Book Group" at the **American Library Association's annual conference**.

Michele Russo was recently elected to the Board of Directors of the **Academic Libraries of Indiana**.

Congratulations to the Circulation Staff, who recently completed a time-consuming, but very important, inventory of the materials on the 3rd and 4th floors of the Library.

Staff Members Reflect on 20 Years at the Schurz Library

Congratulations to Josephine Johnson and Shabaun Flanagan who are both celebrating their 20th anniversaries as Schurz Library full-time employees. **Flanagan**, who was initially hired as a student worker in 1983 (she has a degree in History from IU South Bend), was hired full-time in Government Publications in 1988. Flanagan notes that she was hired by current supervisor, Head of Government Publications, Linda Fisher, both times. "I've watched her get married, have children," Flanagan said. In addition to their family lives, much has changed in government publications in the 25 years Flanagan has been here, especially the technology.

Flanagan remembers the early computer program used to run reports in Government Publications, a program called Fortran, which would produce over 1,000 pages of nothing but call numbers. "The technology is so much better now," she said. "We used to have to rely on and use so much paper."

Flanagan enjoys her work at the Schurz Library, noting that she loves libraries and books, her favorites being biographies, mysteries, and children's literature.

Johnson also started as a student worker in 1978 (she has a degree in General Studies from IU South Bend) and was hired full-time in Serials in 1988. She also notes that the technology was one of the major changes for the Library. When she started in 1978, serials were checked in by hand. After the move to the new Library in 1989, the library began using an automated serials check-in system called Mlinx, and eventually transitioned to the IU-systemwide workflows system that is used today.

Johnson enjoys reading, especially African American Christian fiction and she loves her work in the library, especially the technical side. "Things such as working with a title change in serials, I see it as a mystery," she said.

Johnson has taken masters' classes in library science in order to have a better understanding of all the areas of the Library, and she especially appreciates the open door policies of her colleagues. "I enjoy working in the Library because while there is a hierarchy, a student can come to anyone, the Dean, a librarian, a staff member, and ask a question, and it is welcomed."

Archives Alive! IU South Bend Archives Celebrates Archives Month with Area Libraries

The IU South Bend Archives is taking part in a community-wide celebration of American Archives Month. The kick-off event will be held at **IU South Bend's Wiekamp Hall room 1001 on Saturday, October 11th from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.** There will be subsequent tours of area repositories, including the Studebaker Museum, the Northern Indiana Center for History, The University of Notre Dame, the Local History Room of the St. Joseph County Public Library, St. Mary's College, Mishawaka Public Library, and Holy Cross College. The tours will run through the end of October and continue into the beginning of November.

The kick-off event will feature multimedia presentations from the following archive departments: IU South Bend, Studebaker Archives, Northern Indiana Center for History, St. Joseph County Public Library Local History and Genealogy, Mishawaka-Penn-Harris Public Library Local History and Genealogy, The University of Notre Dame University Archives, St. Joseph County Archives and Records Center, and Holy Cross College Brotherhood Archives.

The Franklin D. Schurz Library Archives open house will be held on **Thursday, October 30 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on the second floor of the Schurz Library.** Materials on display will include items from the James Lewis Casaday Theatre Collection, including original programs from many local and national theater, dance, and music performances from the 1920s to 1990; early IU South Bend materials, including original class schedules; suffragette materials from the Annie Belle Boss Collection; and early Harpers Bazaar volumes.

Questions? Contact Alison Stankrauff at astankra@iusb.edu or 520-4392.

Film Examining Women Running for Office Provides Online Forum for Students

The makers of *Running in High Heels*, a 2005 documentary about women running for political office have created an online forum for students to post questions to the film's director, Maryann Breschard. The film is in the Library's DVD collection (call number HQ1236.5.U6 R85 2005). The url for the online forum is: <http://forum.maryannbreschard.com/>.

Book Donations Needed

The Library is in need of current popular fiction, cookbooks, and health and wellness titles. The Schurz Library also accepts and greatly appreciates donations of current textbooks (2003-present).

Please Contact Susan E. Thomas for more information about donating books at suethoma@iusb.edu or 574-520-5500.

Interlibrary Loan News

The Schurz Library Interlibrary Loan department was very busy in 2007-2008, loaning out over 9,000 items to libraries in the United States and abroad, including items sent to Denmark, Turkey, South Africa, and Italy. "The Interlibrary Loan department continues to serve the needs of the IU South Bend patrons, while extending our collection to the world," notes Maureen Kennedy, Interlibrary Loan Supervisor. In addition to loaning out materials, the Interlibrary Loan department obtained over 10,000 items for IU South Bend students, faculty, and staff.

Instructional Media Services Working with Faculty on Instructional "Vodcasts"

Instructional Media Services is working with Dr. Gretchen Anderson to produce "vodcasts" (video podcasts) that students will use to perform step-by-step procedures in the biochemistry labs. The videos are viewed on iPods received as part of a grant from the Indiana University Faculty Podcasting Initiative. Dr. Anderson and Jim Yocom, Director of Instructional Media Services, reported the results of the pilot study at the Biennial Conference on Chemical Education in July.

Celebrate Banned Books Week

Banned Books Week is being celebrated September 27 through October 4 nationwide. The Schurz Library is participating with a month-long display of banned books and by organizing banned book readings on Constitution Day which was celebrated on September 17. Interested in reading a banned book? Banned books held at the Schurz Library include (call numbers in parenthesis): *A Wrinkle in Time* (PZ7.L5385 W7 1973) and *Candide* (PQ2082.C3 E5 1966).