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Director of Library Services named

Michele Cash Russo has been appointed Director of Library Services for the Schurz Library. Michele has been Acting Director since August of 1996, and has served the IUSB Library since she was hired in 1982 as Coordinator of Library Instruction. During that time, her duties expanded to include being named Head of Reference Services in 1985 and then Head of Public Services in 1995. Special accomplishments include keeping the library current in the area of electronic collections and services, developing and implementing a customer service plan for the library and focusing on library user's needs. Michele has numerous publications and presentations to her credit, and received the 1990 Reference Service Press Award for her article "Labor Education and Libraries: a Survey of Current Practices", RQ 27 (Fall 1987): 112-126 (co-authored with Jerry Paar). This award is given for the best article in RQ (a peer-reviewed library journal) during a two year period. Michele is also a member of FACET, having been selected for the first FACET class in 1989. Michele has a Master of Library Science degree from Indiana University, a Master of Arts in Music Education degree from Ball State University, and the Bachelor of Music degree from Ohio University. Her pre-library experience is as an instrumental music teacher. Michele is married to John Russo, a professor in the Math/Computer Science department, and has one cat, Nakita. We welcome Michele's continued leadership.

Please contact her with any suggestions at 237-4448 or mrusso@iusb.edu.

Quilting Event to honor Alice Barkley

On April 19th at 3:00 p.m., a public lecture and reception will highlight the Alice Barkley family's recent gift to the library of books and a memorial quilt. The quilt is framed and hangs on the 5th floor. Books in the collection include some about the history of quilting, quilting as art, quilting's role in the lives of women, and the use of guilts in teaching. Alice Barkley was a member of the Alumni Affairs staff from 1970-1990, serving as Acting Director from 1988-1990. Rebecca Haarer of Shipshewana will be the guest speaker for the event. The title of her lecture is "A Celebration of Quilts and Quiltmakers: Honoring the Quiltmaker and her Art Form as we approach the Millenium." The lobby display cases will feature guilts and books from the collection during the month of April in honor of Alice Barkley and this event.



Renew by phone

Recent software developments have made an often requested service available. Materials charged from the Schurz Library and the Learning Resource Center (LRC) may now be renewed over the phone. Patrons must provide Library staff with their ID number (social security or patron number) and titles of materials that they wish to renew. Only five items may be renewed at one time, and most items are renewable for two additional loan periods. There will be no message-taking capacity for this service; patrons must speak to a staff member to get assistance. Please contact the Circulation desk at 237-4440 or the LRC at 237-4120 for more information.



We're INSPIRED

Since January, we've taken advantage of the statewide INSPIRE project that offers Ebscohost databases to all Indiana libraries free of charge. These replace the IAC databases (the Expanded Academic Index, Business and National Newspaper Indexes) that were available prior to the new year. The databases include Academic Search FullTEXT Elite, Business Source Elite, and Newspaper Source, all of which include some full-text access to articles. For more information on these databases and others included in the INSPIRE project, see the enclosed pull-out section. These databases are available via telnet on Information Online and on the web at http://www.epnet.com/cgibin/ebscologin.

Ruth Meuninck retires

Ruth Meuninck retired in December, after serving the University for forty years. Ruth began her work in 1956 at the old Central High School as secretary to the Counselor. From 1962 to 1995, she served as the Chancellor's secretary, under Chancellors Detzler, Wolfson, and Cohen. From 1991 through 1997, she served in the Schurz Library archives as an archives assistant. Ruth's sense of humor and dedication to her job were exemplary. In 1996, she received the "Unsung Hero" award from the Biweekly Staff Council for her outstanding, dedicated service to the University. In her retirement, Ruth is in cardiac rehabilitation, learning to "get healthy" so that she may live to see her granddaughter's wedding. She is also spending time with her family, which includes her husband Ernie, son and daughter-in-law Michael and Karen, and granddaughter Lindsey. We salute Ruth Meuninck for her long and generous commitment to the IUSB campus.

Additional book money received

The Library has received an additional sum of money from campus supplemental funds to be used for materials purchases. These additional monies will allow us to gain some ground in the ongoing battle to improve the library collection. \$39,000 will be spent on academic library materials that were chosen as "Outstanding Academic Books" for the last five years by CHOICE, the journal published by the Association of College and Research Libraries that is devoted to comparative reviews of academic books for undergraduate library collections. \$10,000 will be devoted to purchasing materials in modern literature.

sponsored by the INSPIRE project

Academic Search FullTEXT Elite is an interdisciplinary database which contains references to articles in more than 3,000 popular magazines and scholarly journals. It is designed for research in a broad variety of subjects including the humanities, social sciences, general science, education, and multiculturalism. Full-text of articles from more than 1,000 journals is also included. Coverage is from 1990 - present.

Business Source Elite contains references from 1500 regional, national and international business, financial, banking and industry publications, plus searchable full-text of articles for more than 700 journals.

Comprehensive MEDLINE provides full coverage of the National Library of Medicine's (NLM) Medline database. Medline indexes 3,800 U.S. and international journal titles. Coverage is from 1966 - present.

ERIC (Educational Resource Information Center) is an online indexing and abstracting service that covers more than 750 education journals and thousands of research and technical reports. Full-text coverage is available for some items.

Health Source Plus contains references from 500 consumer health, nutrition and professional titles. 210 of those titles include full text coverage. 1,000 health pamphlets (in full-text) are also included.

Newspaper Source includes *The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, The Christian Science Monitor (includes full-text articles), The Washington Post, The Los Angeles Times and USA Today.* Coverage is for 1995 - present. (Note: IUSB owns microfilm of *The New York Times* [1857-], *The Wall Street Journal* [1889 -], *The Los Angeles Times* [1996-], and *The Washington Post* [1974-79 and 1992-]. We keep the paper copies of the last twelve months of *The Christian Science Monitor.*)

Also available as part of the INSPIRE project are several databases that are designed primarily for school and public libraries, but might be useful to our students and their families as well. These are:

Collier's Encyclopedia includes the full text of the 24-volume printed edition consisting of over 23,000 articles and 400,000 hypertext links to related articles. Full text for each topic is easily accessed through the Brief or Full Record. Some image links are available, as are hypertext links to cross references.

EBSCO's **Encyclopedia of Animals** offers in-depth information on a variety of topics relating to animals. The database consists of indexing, abstracts, and full text records describing the nature and habitat of familiar animals. Within some of the full text, image links are available for the Windows client. Images are accessed by double-clicking any image graphic.

The **Funk & Wagnalls New World Encyclopedia** database indexes over 25,000 records, providing users with abstract information and some full text access. Some image links are available for the Windows product. By double clicking on any image graphic, the image will appear.

Middle Search Plus offers indexing and abstracting for over 169 magazines, searchable full text for 36 of the most frequently used magazines in middle school libraries, and access to over 115 pamphlets. This database is specially designed for middle schools, K-8 and large elementary schools, and covers the majority of a middle school library's periodical collection.

Primary Search is the premier reference product designed specifically for elementary school libraries and public library children's rooms. Updated monthly, this database is comprised of 116 of the most exciting indexed and abstracted publications geared for young children and adolescents with information for parents, teachers, and librarians as well. Also included are 109 full text pamphlets, plus full text articles from 33 popular magazines. Primary Search also includes three Funk & Wagnalls publications: the New World Encyclopedia, the World Almanac for Kids and the World Almanac of the USA.

These databases are available via telnet on Information Online and on the web at http://www.epnet.com/cgi-bin/ebscologin. Access is subscription-based and thus available only to those users entering the site from an IUSB-connected computer. The INSPIRE project (Indiana Spectrum of Information Resources) allows any Indiana resident with Internet access to search these databases, from the INSPIRE website at: http://www.inspire-indiana.net.

Fix for Ebscohost

The Telnet version of Ebscohost needs certain settings on the computer to look it's best. If you're having trouble using this software, here are some pointers:

Adjusting Preferences / Settings in Microsoft Windows Telnet and Host Presenter Telnet to Support the EBSCOhost Telnet Client Software

Currently, two telnet programs are commonly used on campus to connect to online services such as IO (a third, TCP3270, is used exclusively in the library):

- 1. The Microsoft Windows telnet application (ver. 1.0) that comes with Windows95 is currently the default telnet program for Netscape Communicator in the computer labs (it is run when the user clicks on a telnet link from a web page). To adjust the preferences to support EBSCOhost on IO:
 - A. Once the telnet application is open, select Preferences from the Terminal menu.
 - B. Make sure VT100 Arrows is checked under Terminal Options.
 - C. The EBSCOhost display looks best when the Terminal font is selected.
- 2. Host Presenter is the default telnet program for LAN Workplace Applications (a selection from the Windows95 Start menu; IO is one of the LAN Workplace choices).
 - A. Click once on Setup from the Host Presenter menu.
 - B. Select Keyboard under Emulator on the Setup menu.
 - C. Make sure Standard is checked under Cursor Keys. Click OK.
 - D. Select Fonts from the Setup menu to change the font to Terminal. Once all changes are made, be sure to save the Profile as shown below.
 - E. Click on Profile, select Save.

New Staff at Schurz

Elizabeth Bell is now acquisitions assistant. She previously worked in the Acquisitions department part-time. Liz is primarily responsible for ordering monographic materials. Liz has a BA and MA in English, both from the University of Toledo. Liz's family includes her husband, Wayne, and her children Peter, 17, and Michael, 13. In her spare time, she likes to quilt or read. She also collects all kinds of junk: old tins, old postcards of Reading, PA, anything piggy, and Santas and snowmen. Liz's phone number is 237-4443, her email is ebell@iusb.edu.

Rebecca Neiswender is the new Library Business Operations Manager. She coordinates the administrative functions of the library. Rebecca is a graduate of IUSB with a B.S. in Business, and was previously employed in the Education Department. Rebecca's husband Larry is currently pursuing a Master of Liberal Studies degree at IUSB. Their daughter, Audrey, will attend middle school next year. In her spare time, Rebecca is active in her church, and is a co-leader for Audrey's Junior Girl Scout troop. Rebecca also reads, walks, and enjoys classical music and travel. You may reach Becky at 237-4404 or at rneiswen@iusb.edu.

Jim Yeagley is employed as Technical Services Assistant (part-time) in the afternoons. His primary duty is cataloging the library's monographic acquisitions. Jim received his undergraduate degree in German from Indiana University in 1983, and his M.L.S. from Indiana University in 1984. He has ten years of cataloging experience, with his most recent prior appointment being that of Senior Cataloger at St. Louis University Law Library from 1989-1996. Jim's phone number is 237-4416, his e-mail is jyeagley@iusb.edu.

Cassandra Toth is the receptionist for Chancellor Emeritus Wolfson in the Library Administrative Offices in the mornings. Cassandra received her B.F. A. in May of 1997 from IUSB. During the afternoons, Cassandra spends time on her art, painting and teaching classes in Calligraphy/Letter Arts at various venues in the Michiana area. You may contact Cassandra at 237-4449 or ctoth1@iusb.edu.

Rebecca Bencsics is the new part-time Serials Assistant. Her duties include maintaining accounting records for serials and assisting in the Acquisitions department. Rebecca has B.A. in Communications from University of Notre Dame, 1991, with a concentration in film. Rebecca's family includes her husband Steve, son Andrew (born 6/97), and beloved Great Dane, April. Personal interests are Tae Kwon Do, international correspondence, and animals. Her professional interests include the relationship between media and culture. Rebecca may be reached at 237- 4443, her email address is rbencsic@iusb.edu.

"Censorship, like charity, should begin at home; but unlike charity, it should end there."

Clare Booth Luce, Congresswoman, Diplomat, 1903-1987.

Reference reassignments

Since Michele Russo has been named director, there are several internal changes in the duties of reference librarians.

Rosanne Cordell will be our new Head of Reference.

Brian Schuck will be Reference Librarian and Head of Electronic Services. He will be responsible for electronic collection development, our webpage, database searching, etc. He will also be the liaison to the Interlibrary Loan Department.

Nancy Colborn will be Reference Librarian and Coordinator of Staff Development and Public Relations. She also will serve as liaison to the Circulation Department.

Feng Shan will remain as Head of Library Computer Applications. He is responsible for library systems (e.g. Compass), library applications (developing databases, etc), and related hardware. He will continue to work as Reference Librarian.

A search has begun for a full time Reference Librarian, Coordinator of Library Instruction.

"The library connects us with the insight and knowledge, painfully extracted from Nature, of the greatest minds that ever were, with the best teachers, drawn from the entire planet and from all our history, to instruct us without tiring, and to inspire us to make our own contribution to the collective knowledge of the human species. I think the health of our civilization, the depth of our awareness about the underpinnings of our culture and our concern for the future can all be tested by how well we support our libraries". Carl Sagan, 1934-1997.

Internet Addresses of Interest

The World's Largest Newspaper Index, at http://www.concentric.net/~stevewt/ has links to over 3,000 newspapers from the U.S. and more than 80 countries. Newspapers are arranged by type (K-12, College) and by state for easy reference.

700+ Great Sites: Amazing, Spectacular, Mysterious, Colorful Web Sites for Kids and the Adults Who Care about Them, is at: http://www.ala.org/parentspage/greatsites/amazing.html. Compiled by the Children & Technology Committee of the Association for Library Services to Children, a division of the American Library Association.

POTUS, or Presidents of the United States, is at: http://www.ipl.org/ref/POTUS/. Sponsored by the Internet Public Library, POTUS has extensive information about the Presidents and their presidencies. When available, there are links to inaugural addresses and speeches in text or audio format.

First Lines is a "sort of literacy test". At http://pc159.lns.cornell.edu/firsts/, you can try to guess the title of a book from reading the first line. There are categories to choose from such as "I saw the Movie" and "I Spy", and if the book is available online, you'll see a link when you click on the answer button. My favorites are the warm up exercises: can you guess the title that goes with this first line: "We called him Old Yeller."?

The search engine Magellan has a feature called "Search Voyeur" that allows you to observe real-time searches that live Internet users are trying on their site. The screen refreshes every 15 seconds, and you an click on a search to see the results screen. Hide and watch at:

http://voyeur.mckinley.com/cgi-bin/voyeur.cgi.