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Regents Universities Library News

University of Iowa Libraries

The University of Iowa Libraries celebrated the annual International Edible Books Festival April 1st by asking UI faculty, staff, students and the community to craft a delicious book to share and eat.

• http://www.books2eat.com/

The University of Iowa Libraries receives Carver grant to renovate exhibition space.

• http://blog.lib.uiowa.edu/preservation/2014/05/07/ui-libraries-receives-carver-grant-to-renovate-exhibition-space/

The Mast Brothers, Michael and Rick, were featured guests at the Friends of the University Libraries 50thanniversary gala on April 10, 2014.

Personnel News

- Elizabeth (Liz) Kiscaden is the new Head, Hardin Library Services. Her first day was April 1, 2014. Previously, Liz was director of the library at Waldorf College in Forest City, Iowa, and before that was the librarian at Mercy Hospital in Mason City.
- Dave Martin, Interim Assistant University Librarian for Main Library Services, Administration, retired on March 5, 2014.

The UI Libraries has received a National Endowment of Humanities (NEH) \$300,000 grant award for a three-year preservation and access project to provide conservation treatment and to digitize 150 oversize scrapbooks in the Keith/Albee Vaudeville Theater Collection.

• http://blog.lib.uiowa.edu/preservation/2014/03/28/ui-libraries-receives-neh-300000-three-year-grant/

The University of Iowa Libraries named "Library of the Year".

• http://now.uiowa.edu/2014/04/university-iowa-libraries-named-library-year

The University of Iowa's Conservation Lab celebrates 30 years!

- http://thegazette.com/subject/news/education/higher-education/university-of-iowas-conservation-lab-celebrates-30-years-of-saving-books-20140430
- http://www.lib.uiowa.edu/preservation/30vears/

During Finals Week, we offered the following activities for the students:

- Pet a dog, 4-7PM, May 13 Therapy Dogs of Johnson County.
- May 11-13, each night from 10PM until it runs out, there will be free coffee at Food for Thought Cafe.
- Eat some free popcorn at midnight, May 12, in the Learning Commons. We will also have a Confess Your Stress photobooth confessional at that time.
- Post a secret anytime from May 9-May 20 in the Learning Commons.
- Send a postcard home anytime from May 9-May 20 in the Learning Commons, Hardin, and the Business Library. Postage will be paid by the University of Iowa Alumni Association and Students Today, Alumni Tomorrow.
- Finally, make a button or do some coloring from 8-10PM on May 14 at the craft table in the Learning Commons.
- Over at the Sciences Library, you can also find free coffee and treats, de-stress with Legos, and challenge your study partner to a game on the Wii.
- At the Business Library, you can get treats and take a few minutes to refocus your mind with some puzzles.

Our Special Collections has so much to offer, it cannot be contained! Please visit their various sites to learn more:

- http://blog.lib.uiowa.edu/speccoll/
- http://www.lib.uiowa.edu/azsearch/social/

Private Academic Library News

Bishop Mueller Library

It has been a busy semester at Briar Cliff University. Julius Fleschner, after serving as Interim Director has been appointed Director of Library and Information Services. Over the summer, we will be implementing a new discovery layer — Summon from ProQuest. You can search it here: http://briarcliff.summon.serialssolutions.com. We have also successfully migrated Interlibrary Loan to the new OCLC WorldShare.

Buena Vista University Library

Margaret Stangohr, our Systems and Technical Services Librarian, retired on June 30. Margaret served at BVU for 18 years and before that worked at Medical Library of East Carolina University in Greenville, North Carolina.

University of Dubuque Library

The Charles C. Myers Library has signed a contract with WorldShare and plans to implement in June 2015. We continue to develop our digital repository, Digital UD, using Islandora software. John Helmke, Assistant Director of Library Systems, has been appointed to the Iowa Library Services Advisory Panel.