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Inaugural Preservation Awareness Week

The inaugural PAW at UWI, Mona Campus Library was launched on April 7th – 11th 2014. The theme for the week was “Be Informed! Come Listen and Learn”. PAW was the first of its kind at the Mona Library, and any of the campuses of the UWI. The aim was to introduce, discuss, demonstrate, and advance the Library’s preservation programme by focusing on select areas of preservation, to an audience consisting of library personnel; faculty and students from the Department of Library and Information Studies UWI, Mona (DLIS); staff and students from the Mona Campus community; library technician students from Excelsior Community College (EXED); librarians from other institutions with responsibility for preservation of their collections and staff responsible for performing basic book repair.

The Launch

At the launch, the then Campus Librarian (L. Bobb-Semple), charged the audience to continue to develop good policies and practices of preservation management at the Mona Library, within the wider UWI community and at the other institutions represented, as well as to consider pursuing training in PM to put libraries in a good position to effect good practices and to

ensure preservation of the institutions’ collections.

The Senior Assistant Registrar for Employee Relations, Compensation, Environment, Health and Safety, UWI Mona Campus gave the keynote presentation in which he spoke of the importance of occupational safety and health in the context of preservation management, addressing the need for carrying out work in the proper work environment; disaster preparedness; good policy and practice; prudent use of institutional resources; and the importance of developing effective partnerships between the Library and other entities on the Campus.

The Preservation & Conservation Librarian’s presentation “Preservation Management at a glance” provided an overview of the history of preservation management.

This was followed by a panel discussion. The panelists were the Preservation Librarian, the Head of the West Indies and Special Collections; the Systems Librarian with responsibility for digitization and digital preservation; the Chief Binder and the Binder with responsibilities for binding, preservation and basic conservation treatment; and campus officers with responsibility for

workplace and environmental safety and compliance.



Panel of presenters at the launch

The Exhibition - an exhibition was mounted for the entire week and consisted of a poster entitled Preservation Assessment Model which highlighted six areas that can be used in the assessment of preservation initiatives. The areas are physical environment, facilities improvement, individual treatment, education and control, human environment and characteristics of the material and the second poster Care and Handling Tips which highlighted proper retrieval of items from shelves; using appropriate book marks; protecting books from liquid damage; not attempting self-repairing of damaged items; the possible damage that can result in using book drops; and respecting Library property.



Staff of the Bindery engage with visitors to the exhibition

The Demonstration – For the widest impact on the Campus, demonstrations of salvaging water damaged items were held at the Main and Branch libraries. The demonstration was aimed at advising and demonstrating to the lay-person simple techniques of salvaging wet printed material. Brochures were designed to highlight key points of the salvaging process and were distributed to attendees.



Staff of the Bindery demonstrate preservation techniques

Displays - Three displays were mounted highlighting items from West Indies and Special Collections that had received preservation treatment; preservation enclosures and basic conservation treatment; tools, equipment and material used in the book binding and conservation processes; and the workflow process of damaged books and pamphlets from the stage of being damaged by users to being rebound in the Bindery

Book Repair Workshop - The purpose of the workshop was to expose participants to some of the basic techniques in book repair. In selecting the techniques the level of the participants as well as the type of book repair that they could perform in their environment were considered.



Preservation Librarian Dunstan Newman conducting the Book Repair Workshop

Research Days 2014

The UWI Mona Library was a proud participant in the activities for Research Day 2014 "Fostering Growth and Development in Small Island Developing States (SIDS) through Research" and will be participating again at Research Day 2015 "Innovating for Development through Science, Creativity, Productivity and Governance"

See you there!



The Library's Display at Research Day 2014



Members of the Library Team at Research Day 2014

E-Resources Fair at the Medical Library



The Medical Library's E-Resources Fair was held March 20, 2014 in the Seminar Room. It was organized by F. McKoy-Johnson with assistance from the Librarian-in-Charge and staff members in the preparation and staging of the event.



The fair included a display of electronic resources including UWILinC and Questionpoint, as well as interactive presentations on ProQuest, Web of Science and EndNote X7 by F. McKoy-Johnson, B. Lashley, Deputy Librarian and J. Lewis, MILU Librarian respectively. Students and lecturers in attendance gave positive feedback on the Fair.

Northwest Interlibrary Loan & Resource Sharing Conference

In this age of shrinking budgets, Interlibrary Loan (ILL) and Resource Sharing are essential especially for Developing Countries such as ours. Librarian Yolanda Tugwell journeyed to Portland, Oregon, to attend the 13th Northwest Interlibrary Loan and Resource Sharing Conference (NWILL) in September 2014. NWILL is an intimate premier conference for librarians and practitioners in the Pacific Northwestern region of the United States working in ILL.



Yolanda Tugwell (Librarian, UWI Mona) and other conference participants.

The keynote speaker, Lori Reed laid the foundation and relayed how libraries impacted her attaining a college education as she relied heavily on Interlibrary Loan resources. Her talk focused on the need for change and embracing informal learning among other points. She reiterated the need for libraries to look at low budget tools such as Google hangouts, Skype, information blogs among other tools that can be used by libraries to boost recruitment and inform users of new technologies.

A few vendors exhibited their products but of note is the Reprints Desk, the "Content Workflow Company." Their services are geared to providing access to articles etc. to faculty outside of ILL hours in a matter of hours. They have inexpensive copyright fees, a quick turnaround time and there are no sign up fee or contracts. In these instances, users will have the option of independently accessing their content that is not available in the Library at a nominal fee in their own time.

Sessions were very participatory and included practitioners sharing their ideas in relation to standards on ILL protocols and E-book policies in academic libraries, and best practices for lending and borrowing items through ILL among other topics. New practitioners were encouraged to make use of Wikis such as <http://www.share.ill.org> and ILL discussion boards for support. Full-length presentations and lightning rounds also showcased various projects which have been carried out by ILL personnel in universities including Occam Reader an E-book project at Texas Tech University.

No trip to Portland, Oregon is complete without experiencing the book lover's paradise, Powell's City of Books, one of the largest independent used-book stores in the US spanning a whole block.

Library on Facebook

In an effort to improve its presence on social media, the Library launched its Facebook page in March 2014. The page is used not only as a tool to disseminate information but is also a medium to market the services of the Library by widening our network and reaching out to clients and prospective clients beyond our walls. This is viewed as an effective means of connecting with "digital natives" many of whom, spend long hours on social media. Posts on the page range from new resources added to the Library's collection, how to access the databases, library opening hours and other policy-related information. The page presently has over 700 likes as its reach increases on a daily basis.



Launch of the Library's Facebook Page

TEDMED Live at UWI

The Medical Branch Library hosted for the first time at UWI, Mona, TEDMED 2014 on Friday September 12th via live streaming simulcast. TEDMED is an annual three-day gathering that brings together inspiring speakers, influential delegates and innovative start-ups representing a global community of leading doers and thinkers from every walk of life whose goal is to seed the innovations in health and medicine of today, making the breakthroughs of tomorrow possible.



TEDMED offers a unique and provocative program featuring brilliant short talks and stunning artistic performances that reframe thinking and inspire critical new possibilities for the future of health and medicine. It challenges on-site and off-site participants alike in an immersive experience to recharge their brains, ignite new thinking, energize their work, enlarge their worldview and imagine fresh possibilities and solutions for the future of health and medicine. TEDMED Live is available for free to thousands of medical organizations, academic institutions, teaching hospitals, non-profit organizations, government facilities worldwide via live and on-demand streaming.

Join us for TEDMED Live 2015!

Law Branch Library hosts Westlaw Database Training for Library Staff and Law Students

Librarian at the Law Branch Library Rochelle Davis organized a training session in the use of Westlaw Database for Library staff and law students on September 23rd and 24th 2014 respectively. The training targeted librarians and paraprofessionals of the Law Branch Library as well as from other branches and focused on how to manipulate the Westlaw interface as well as various features to locate judgments, statutes and legal journals. Also covered in the session was the personalization of each Westlaw account to suit specific information needs as well as facilitate easier information access and retrieval.

The session for law students was held in the Law Library Seminar Room and focused on highlighting the features of Westlaw and the various ways in which to locate judgments, statutes and legal journals with particular attention to the need for law students to be able to manipulate the Westlaw TWEN (The West Education Network), which is a feature that allows communication and submission of assignments between lecturers and students.



Library staff at Westlaw Database Training



Law Librarians create In-house Legal Databases

The Law Branch Library has created several in-house databases to aid in legal research by students and faculty. These are on-going projects and include :

1. Legal notices from the Jamaica Gazette Extraordinary
2. Orders, Rules and Regulations from the Jamaica Gazette Supplement (Proclamations, Rules and Regulations)
3. Subject headings from the Jamaica Law Reports (published reports)
4. Subject headings from unreported cases of the Supreme Court and Court of Appeal of Jamaica.
5. Law Faculty staff publications

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Reflections on IFLA 2014, Lyon, France

Librarians from around the world gathered at the 80th IFLA General Conference and Assembly held August 16 – 22, 2014 in Lyon, France under the theme : Libraries, Citizens, Societies: Confluence for Knowledge, and five librarians from UWI, Mona participated.



Librarians from UWI, Mona (T. Richards and R. Runcie) at Opening Session IFLA 2014

REPORTS ON THE CONFERENCE

The IFLA Satellite Meeting on RDA – Rosemarie Runcie

The 80th IFLA General Conference and Assembly began with several pre-conference satellite meetings, one of which was held in Frankfurt, Germany, at the Deutsche National Bibliothek on August 13, 2014. The theme of this one day seminar was RDA (Resource Description Access) - Status and Perspectives. Cataloguers & metadata librarians from a number of mainly European and North American libraries gathered to report on, and or, participate in discussions on the new RDA standard; its status, implementation or considerations to implement, formats and future scenarios as applied to each country.

RDA was built on structures from AACR (Anglo American Cataloguing Rules) and AACR2 and is a response to the development of new environments and new products. The general consensus is that while many libraries are engaged in using RDA most are still operating in a hybrid environment. The IFLA Cataloguing Committee therefore, has 4 strategic priorities for 2015-2020:

- Make RDA an internationally recognised standard
- Increase the adoption of RDA internationally

- Develop a sustainable business model
- Develop a relevant governance structure

This, in an effort to realize the vision of RDA as the global standard enabling discovery of content.



Report on attendance at IFLA 2014 – Maureen Kerr-Campbell

The IFLA General Conference is considered one of the most prestigious Library and Information Science conferences held yearly in different parts of the world. The 2014 conference was held in Lyon, France, where participants from 132 countries from all continents attended. The official languages of the conference were English, Spanish, French, German, Chinese, Arabic and Russian, but most presentations were done in English and to a lesser degree in French with translations being provided.

The conference covered a wide range of subjects of topical interest on different aspects of library and information science functions and services in public, special and academic libraries, as well as museums and archives. The conference programme included, opening and closing sessions, parallel sessions, a large exhibition, poster presentations, library visits, cultural night and social events with library suppliers such as IEEE where we not only met informally with agents but were also brought up to date with their latest developments.

I chose to attend the sessions that were directly related to my job functions, and others that would enhance my professional development. The draw back was that many sessions that were of interest ran concurrently and those that were missed were not recorded for access at a later date.

Getting around Lyon was enhanced by an impressive well integrated networked transportation system, with the buses, trams, trains and funiculars running on time and for which we were provided tickets for unlimited access for the duration of the conference. It was good to see that access was available for persons in wheelchairs who could easily wheel themselves onto and off the buses without assistance. The French appear to be health conscious, so in addition to the mass transit system there are "unmanned bicycle booths" all over the city where one could conveniently rent a bicycle for specific periods to use the cycling paths.



Built over 2000 years ago between the Rivers Rhône and Saône, Lyon is known for its historical and architectural landmarks, is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the birthplace of cinema. There are many interesting places to see, historic districts e.g. the Lyonnais silk industry and Renaissance districts; parks, such as the Parc de la Tête d'Or which at 117 hectares is the largest park in France within a city and situated across from the Lyon Convention

Centre; museums, and many historic buildings and monuments.

Visiting France requires a Schengen visa, which allows you to visit any of the countries in the Schengen Area. This was useful as some of the library visits and pre-conference satellite sessions were held in other countries in the Schengen Area.



Medical Library Association Annual Meeting and Exhibition



The rapid growth of Health Science Information, while a positive development, has increased the challenge of making accurate, credible and relevant information available to healthcare professionals and consumers. Health Science Librarians therefore need to be ahead of the game in order to assist their clients in locating and evaluating resources from the vast ocean of available biomedical and health science information. With this in view, Librarian Faith McKoy-Johnson attended the Medical Library Association Meeting (MLA '14) held May 16-21, 2014 Hyatt Regency Chicago in

the USA. The theme of the meeting was "Building our Information Future".

Top technology trends were highlighted with emphasis on SharePoint, infographics, VIVO for business intelligence, citizen science, wearable technology and 3D printing.

Managing research data and the sharing of data with other researchers have become increasingly important as evidenced by the number of workshops and sessions held on these topics. Librarians from different parts of the world showcased their involvement in this very important aspect of the research process and provided tips on the crucial role that Libraries are playing and can play in this area.

The NLM Theater Presentations added another exciting dimension to the conference as attendees were provided with updates on products and services in an entertaining manner. Products on display included *NLM Resources Used in Disasters*, *MedlinePlus: Usability, Mobile & Responsive Design* and *PubMed Commons*.

A common theme throughout MLA '14 was the emphasis on building and sustaining a connection between users and information through uses of various modern technologies.

New Research Collections

The Trevor Rhone Collection

The family of the late Trevor Rhone has donated items from his collection including manuscripts to the UWI Mona Library which were formally handed over by his wife Dr. Camella Rhone at a ceremony held on Monday November 17th 2014. Trevor D. Rhone, CD (March 24, 1940 – September 15, 2009), has often been referred to as Jamaica's most celebrated playwright, both at home in Jamaica and internationally. He has authored works in several genres - 17 works for the stage, co-authored the classic films *The Harder They Come* (1969) and *Milk & Honey* (1988); and authored three other screenplays – *Smile Orange* (1974), *Top Rankin'* (1986) and *One Love* (2005).



Symbolic Handover of the Trevor Rhone Collection (R-L) Prof. Ishenkumba Kahwa, Deputy Principal, UWI Mona, Dr. Camella Rhone (wife) and Trevor David Rhone (son)

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Did You Know?

There is a Courtyard@ The Library

The Library has renovated a delightful enclosed area 'The Courtyard' located between the Overnight Reading Room and the West Indies and Special Collections Reading Room, specifically for relaxation, study, small group discussion and quiet cell phone conversation and with WiFi access. This space is available to patrons Mondays to Fridays 9am to 6pm.



Students studying and relaxing in the Courtyard



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