

LIBRATIONS

Newsletter of the Mona Library



Open Week 2018

The UWI Mona Library held its annual Open Week from October 7-12 during which several events were held to celebrate and showcase the scholarship of UWI staff, highlight the value of the Library's resources and services including its special collections, and engage with students and faculty regarding the Library's role in enhancing their teaching, learning and research experience. This was indeed a special year in that The UWI celebrated its 70th anniversary.

Church Service October 7

Open Week was launched by a church service at The UWI Chapel which was attended by the Campus Librarian and some members of staff.



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Celebration of Books: 1948-2018

October 8

Celebration of Books is a joyous occasion. At this annual event, now in its third year, The University of the West Indies Mona Library showcases the Mona campus's rich book publishing legacy. *Celebration of Books* honours UWI Mona staff who have published a book in the previous academic year. Writers are honoured at a reception hosted by The Library and have their publications showcased in an exhibition which opens at the reception and continues in the Mona Library for another eight weeks. Two thousand and eighteen being the University of the West Indies' 70th anniversary, *Celebration of Books* took on an added dimension by highlighting books published over the 70 years of the University's existence.



Celebration of Books 1948-2018 attempted to showcase the diversity and history of book publishing on the Mona Campus, by featuring 70 books, one for each year of The UWI's existence. However, there were a few years when no books were published. The earliest reference to a book published by staff was found in 1949 when John Parry, the new Chair of the new History Department published *Europe and a Wider World 1415-1715*. By 1954 the publication of Caribbean related books began to appear with George Coulthard's *La Literatura de las Antillas Inglesas (The Literature of the West Indies)*, soon Elsa Goveia's *Historiography of the British West Indies* was published. Featured books were selected based on several factors:

1. Books published by librarians
2. Books with Caribbean related content
3. Books with The UWI as the main subject
4. Books that have had an impact (regionally or globally)
5. Books that have continuous impact on the discipline (core text in the field)

Celebration of Books recognises and celebrates books published by Mona staff as a way of encouraging others to carry on the tradition of writing books.

Data Visualisation Workshop

October 9 & 10

The Data Visualisation Workshop was held in the Overnight Reading Room at The UWI Mona Library on October 9 and 10, 2018. The facilitator, Mrs. Peace Ossom Williamson, is currently the Director for Research Data Services, University of Texas Arlington Libraries. During her presentation she displayed a high level of enthusiasm and passion as she introduced participants to software such as R, RStudio, Git/Github, OpenRefine and Tableau Public.

Mrs. Ossom Williamson also emphasised the critical of librarians through the offering of research data services. Some of the areas covered in the workshop could be offered through the Library's Information Literacy programme.



Mrs. Peace Ossom Williamson conducting the Data Visualisation Workshop



Mrs. Peace Ossom Williamson and workshop participants

Areas covered included:

Developing the Research Question - What questions can we ask of data?

Data Fundamentals - Data description, sharing, and reuse, including copyright and data publishing.

Working with Data in OpenRefine - Editing and managing datasets, practicing version control

Data Services - Discussing RDM with faculty, current UTA projects, etc.

About Data Science - The definition and examples of data science in practice

Data Wrangling in R - Restructuring and cleaning data for visualization

Data Visualization Best Practice - Guidelines for effective visualizations

Data Visualization in Tableau - Creating charts and dashboards in Tableau Public

Saving files - Git and GitHub - Using Git to push files and notes in local repo to GitHub

Twenty-seven librarians participated in the workshop, 15 of whom were drawn from the Mona Library and the remaining 12 from other libraries in the Corporate Area and rural Jamaica. Dr. Shamin Renwick and her team from the Alma Jordan Library at The UWI St. Augustine Campus joined the workshop on the second day via Zoom.

Contributed: Audrey Saddler

E-RESOURCES FAIR OCTOBER 11

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The 2018 staging of E-Resources Fair took place in the Multifunctional Room at the Main Library. The focus was on all the electronic resources accessible through the Mona Library.

Proceedings began shortly after 12:00pm with welcome by Dr. Paulette Kerr, Campus Librarian. An exhibition showcasing resources such as the Library's databases and other e-resources was on display. Facts related to the annual costs and use of the different e-platforms were highlighted.

Highlights of the programme were the lunch time talks about EBSCO Research Databases, EndNote (citation manager) and UWILinC. Gary Samuels (former Library staff member and currently of The UWI Maintenance Department) served as MC for the event.

The grand prize of a 10-inch Apple iPad was donated by EBSCO Information Services. Many attendees won spot prizes throughout the programme. An attendee commented that "It wasn't just them standing in front of you giving a bunch of information. It was interactive..."

Contributed: Tanya Manassi & Faith McKoy-Johnson

Customer Appreciation Day October 11



This event marked the second staging of Customer Appreciation Day. Staff wore red t-shirts and “We Love Our Customers” name tags.

Main features of the day were library fines amnesty, extended loans, giveaways, refreshments and so on throughout the Main and Branch Libraries.

Contributed: Sasekea Harris



Library Connect October 12



(L to R) Dr. Paulette Kerr, Campus Librarian; Mr. Devron Johnson, Entrepreneur; Dr. Benjamin Branch, Deputy Librarian: Public, Outreach Services, and Special Projects; Mrs. Chenielle McKenzie, PhD Student and Entrepreneur

Library Connect is a series of short meetings to ignite, start and further develop Library on campus partnerships. It is also an opportunity for liaison librarians to have time to engage with faculty from their various disciplines. This year's areas of focus were Digital Humanities, Library Research to Market, Social Outreach, Post Graduate Students and Grant Funding. The following represents some of the discussions and presentations that took place.

Triple A Strategic Plan Compliance and Research Based Service Support for Potential New Services Engagement.

Mr. Devron Johnson, a member of the public, presented on the topic of Conquest Game – Numeracy a +t Play. He spoke on how his research on board games materialized into his own innovation and product development of the Conquest Game. The possibility of developing product further, in digital format, attract funding and bring the product to market in partnership with the UWI was explored. Members of the Library took the opportunity to interact with Mr. Johnson and enjoyed playing the board game.

Mrs. Chenielle McKenzie, PhD Student in the Faculty of Science and Technology, delivered stimulating presentation on how her PhD research at the UWI Mona Campus informed her innovation of essential oil products marketed and monetized under her company Delaenzie Essentials. Her products were on display in the Main Library and later on in the Law Branch Library during the 2019 Research Days.

Library Connect October 12 (Cont'd.)



(L to R) Ms. Rosemarie Runcie, Head, Cataloguing;
Ms. Myrna Douglas, Head, Law Branch Library

Postgrad Connect Panel Discussion

This event involved a collaborative team of selected Mona Library colleagues. Attendees included postgraduate students, librarians, and academics with responsibility for postgraduate programmes and supervision of research work. Colleagues delivered on various topics and fielded numerous questions from the audience. The discussions were vibrant and surrounded research support, thesis scrutiny and deposit procedures, and ETD virtualization activities in support of postgraduates' work as follows:

Mrs. Jacqueline Howell Nash
The Case for Electronic Theses & Dissertations

Ms. Cherry-Ann Smart
Thesis Scrutiny Process: ETDs Challenges and Best Practices

Ms. Rosemarie Runcie
ETDs Deposit: Cataloguing Challenges

Mrs. Kerr-Campbell
Virtualisation and Accessibility of ETDs

Ms. Myrna Douglas
ETDs Diversity, Copyright, Delayed Release and Embargo Considerations

Professor Silvia Kouwenberg, Deputy Dean, Undergraduate Studies and Dr. Julie Grant, Grant Development Coordinator, MORI presented on *Digital Humanities* and *Grant Funding* respectively. Under the topic of Social Outreach, Dr. Olivene Burke presented on the topic *August Town: UWI's Past Efforts and Present Needs*.

Contributed: Myrna Douglas

EBSCO Solar Energy Grant

The University of the West Indies (UWI), Mona Library was awarded an EBSCO Solar Grant of US\$100,000 to implement a 46.86kWdc Solar Photovoltaic System on the roofs of the Science & Engineering Branch Library (SEBL) and the Physics Lab. **The UWI, Mona is the first university outside the U.S. to win the EBSCO Solar Grant.**



(L to R) Mr Stanley Smellie, of the Energy Management Unit, Mona School of Engineering; Dr Paulette Kerr, Campus Librarian, The UWI, Mona Library; Professor Ishenkumba Kahwa, Deputy Principal, The UWI, Mona; Professor Paul Reece, Dean, Faculty of Science and Technology, The UWI Mona; Mr Damien Satterthwaite, Regional Sales Manager, Caribbean EBSCO Information Services; Dr. Sasekea Harris, Head: Science & Engineering Branch Library; Mr Kevin Atkinson, Supervisor-Buildings

The proposal was developed and submitted as a collaborative project of The UWI:

Mona Library – SEBL

Energy Management Unit, Faculty of Engineering

Department of Physics, Faculty of Science & Technology -- with particular emphasis on curriculum development, which formed part of the grant application and the terms of the grant agreement.

Solar Buzz Jamaica was contracted to do the installation which was completed in January 2019.

EBSCO Solar Energy Grant (Cont'd.)

As at February 8, 2019, the SEBL has been using power generated by the solar arrays. The system does not use batteries; it feeds directly into the power distribution system of the library. The energy consumption of the library is expected to be reduced by 33%. The University will therefore begin to see savings of approximately \$2m annually.

Additionally, the EBSCO Solar Energy Grant enables the library to –

Advance the university's energy management programme, one of the Agility goals of The UWI Triple A Strategy for 2017-2022

Enhance research and practicum opportunities for our students by supporting the development of an in-house lab to allow for continuous training in solar PV.

Celebrate being the 1st Jamaican academic library to implement the green library building concept

Enhance the awareness of greening Jamaica

Become a model for efficient use of resources in a sustainable manner

Increase collaborative engagements with other departments on campus.

Contributed: Sasekea Harris



Dudley Williams, Postgraduate Physics Student, Faculty of Science & Technology, The UWI, Mona, assisting with the installation of the racking system and clamping of the electrical wires on the roof of the Physics Building



Solar Arrays Installed on the Roof of the SEBL, January 2019



Solar Arrays Installed on the Roof of the Physics Lab, February 2019



Leaford Henderson, Postgraduate Physics Student, Faculty of Science & Technology, The UWI, Mona, on the roof of the Physics Lab, preparing and using the impactor drill to screw the clamp which holds down the PVC pipe for the electrical cables

The UWI Research Days 2019

The UWI, Mona Library was an exhibitor at the twentieth staging of Research Days, held February 6-8, 2019, at the Mona Campus, under the theme: "UWI Mona: Driving Research for Social and Economic Development". Dr. Sasekea Harris along with a team comprising: Mr. Dunstan Newman, Ms. Myrna Douglas, Mrs. Cheryl Cato Folkes, Ms. Jessica Lewis, Ms. Audrey Saddler, Mrs. Sonia Stewart, Mrs. Karlene Robinson and Mrs. Faith McKay Johnson led the 2019 Research Days' activities for the Library. Using the concept of a transportation centre, the Mona Library booth was themed: "The UWI Mona Library, Research Transport Centre" and was set-up accordingly.



Entrance to the Mona Library booth



Student visitors to the booth being guided by Ms. Elaine Saunches, Library Assistant



Hon. Fayval Shirley Williams, M.P. St. Andrew Eastern (centre)



Mrs. June Mitchelmore, Jamaican author of "Exploring Science" and other popular science books for primary schools.

The UWI, Mona Library served as a metaphor for the bus, which is a feature of a transportation centre; however, the bus was named the "research bus", which takes passengers (UWI students and faculty) to their ultimate destination, being, learning / growth, completion of research work for a UWI Degree, an agile or excellent UWI Graduate. The UWI, Mona Library staff represented the drivers, and in this instance, "research drivers". Additionally, the booth had a physical 3D drawing of a bus, and on the inside, were seats for persons interested in participating in the various library research workshops, which were on offer.

Contributed: Sasekea Harris

Predatory Journals



These fees attract some individuals because they are usually lower than the article processing fee that is charged by legitimate open access publishers. In other instances the information on fees is hidden (Cobey et al., 2018).

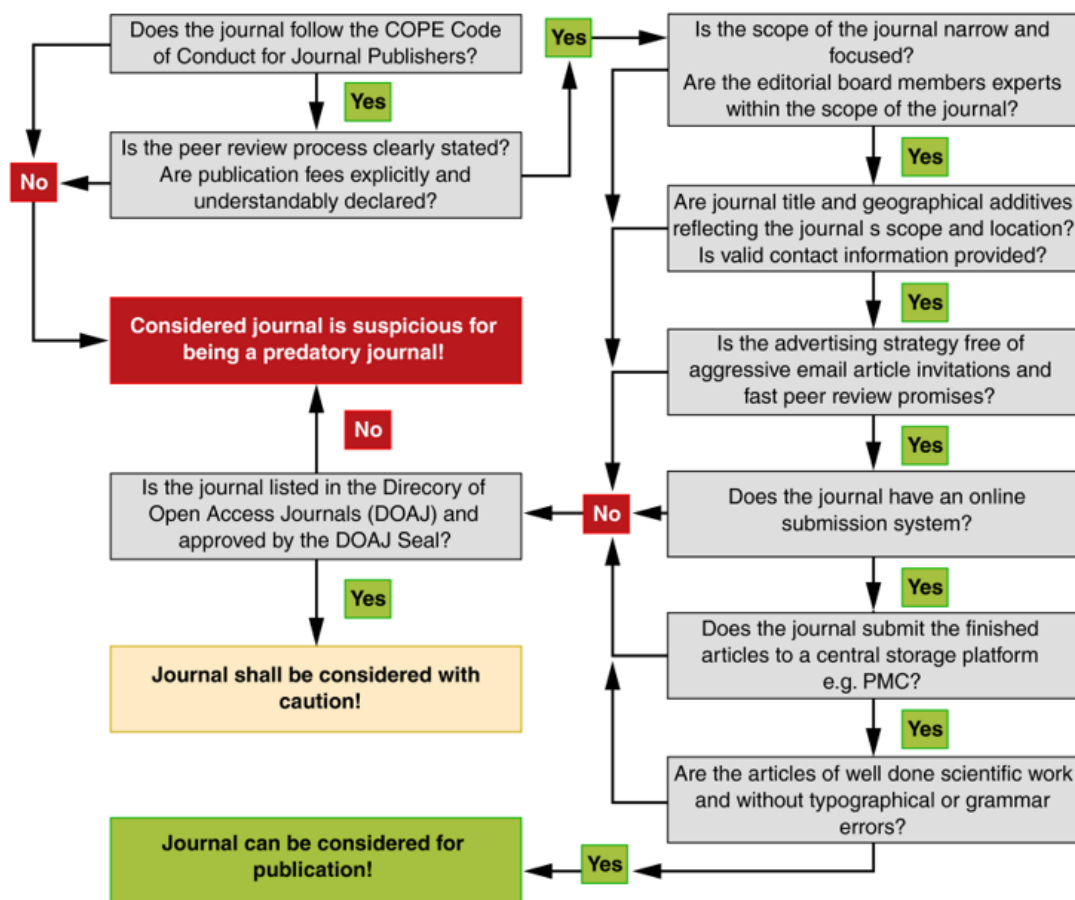
Authors need to beware of predatory journals because once published, articles cannot be submitted or published in another journal. Authors may also have their reputation besmirched by having their publications appearing in questionable journals.

The Mona Library provides consultation on assessing journal legitimacy. Seminars are also conducted by the Library on the topic of predatory journals and conferences.

Predatory journals (not to be confused with legitimate open access journals) exist solely to collect fees from authors. They are produced by publishers with questionable practices and typically do little or no peer-review. They also attract unsuspecting authors by offering short turn-around times and, in some cases, low publishing fees.

Contributed: Faith McKoy-Johnson

Decision tree that can be used by authors to discriminate between OA journals that are potentially suitable for article submission and predatory journals



SOURCE: Richtig, G., Berger, M., Lange-Asschenfeldt, B., Aberer, W., & Richtig, E. (2018). Problems and challenges of predatory journals. *Journal of the European Academy of Dermatology and Venereology : JEADV*, 32(9), 1441-1449.

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