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LIBRARY DEVELOPMENTS

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ALEPH – A New Integrated System for the Library

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The Library at Mona and the other campus libraries at St. Augustine and Cave Hill have now implemented their new integrated library system. The system will be used to co-ordinate all aspects of the library's services acquisitions, cataloguing, serials management

and circulation.

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New look of the Library's OPAC

ALEPH will offer library patrons additional features which will be introduced on a phased basis. For example, patrons will be able to log on to the Online Public Access Catalog (OPAC) and access their own information to see the number of items they have on loan or fines accrued. Features such as My e-shelf will allow patrons to save their search results.

The Course Reserves feature, scheduled to be operational soon, will allow faculty to submit their RBC lists electronically.

The Library's staff will also benefit from ALEPH in that some previously manual processes will be automated and streamlined. Future developments include the participation of other libraries on the Mona Campus and the implementation of other products for the management of electronic resources. JM

UWI Library Collaborates with IIWIDEE

The Library now collaborates with the UWI Development and Endowment Fund (UWIDEF) to assist in developing its information services. Since September of 2006, the Library has been providing access, through its catalogue, to the UWIDEF's collection housed at UWI Endowment Fund/Alumni Affairs Office.

UWIDEF's holdings can be accessed by doing a personal author, title or subject search. The author search is done using the term "University of the West Indies Development and Endowment Fund". You may also do a search by changing the search base from its default "Mona Catalogue" to "UWI Development Fund."

Among the topics covered in the collection are philanthropy, grant proposal writing, strategic planning, non-profit organizations, planned giving, trusts and foundations, and fund raising.

For further information you may contact Ms. Heatha Miller at Ext. 3002

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THE EDITOR'S NOTE

LIBRATIONS, the bimonthly, newsletter of the Mona Library is now online. LIBRATIONS had its genesis in April 1998 at which time a print copy was published.

We hope to keep you updated on new and exciting developments in the Library and the profession.

ALEPH, the Library's new integrated online system is the

focus of this issue. All indications are that staff, faculty and students are benefiting greatly from this new system. We look forward to more enhanced services as other features are added.

The Editor welcomes your comments on the content and any suggestions you may have for coverage.

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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

When we read for information we acquire facts. When we read to understand we learn not only facts but their significance. Mortimer J. Alder

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CONGRATULATIONS!!

Long Service Awardees

Congratulations to the members of the Library staff who were recently recognized by the University of the West Indies Mona Campus for their long and sterling contributions to the University.



Front Row (Awardees) l-r Evadne McLean, Victor Smith, Annett Allison-Beckford, Tereza Richards, Joan Vacianna, Francis Salmon, Marion Hyman Missing Verna George, Enid Brown, Donna Gentles and Carolyn Mitchell

Back row l-r Norma Amenu-Kpodo (Campus Librarian), Rosemarie Runcie, Leona Bobb-Semple (Deputy Campus Librarian), Derrick Garrick

Library Receives Donation



On March 15, 2007, Dr Knox Hagley, a member of the 1948 Society of the Medical Alumnae Association, donated a cheque to the Medical Library on behalf of the Association. The cheque was presented to the Campus Librarian, Mrs. Norma Amenu-Kpodo.

On hand for the occasion were Mrs. Zelma Richards of the Medical Alumni Office, members of staff of the Medical Library (Mrs. Swarna Bandara and Mrs. Karlene Robinson) and students.

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FEATURED UNIT

Mona Information Literacy Unit (MILU)

Through MILU the Library assists in developing competencies needed to be information literate in a knowledge society. The unit's objective is to promote and support the development of information literacy within the UWI community both for lifelong learning and professional development.

SIXTH FORM & PRE-UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

MILU PRESENTS

"Learning for Life: **Information Literacy Skills** for Today and Tomorrow"

When? July 2-6, 2007 9:00 am - 3:00 pm daily

How?

Hands on sessions on searching the Web, citing sources, exploring databases, plagiarism and more

Cost?

No Charge!!! Tea & lunch provided daily

Limited to 30 participants

FACULTY

MILU offers customized sessions to assist students with research needs specific to your course. Students will be exposed to:

- Searching the Library's OPAC
 - Online search strategies (databases and WWW) ...and more

Make your requests for sessions

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Cataloguing - Ms. R. Runcie - Ext. 3575

Government Serials - Mrs. O. Lewis - Ext. 3382

Loans and Reference - Mrs. M. Pearce - Ext. 3577

Periodicals - Mrs. J. Rao - Ext. 3392

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Towards an Electronic Journal Collection

The changing scene of journals requires that, not withstanding increasing prices and diminishing resources, the Library should examine its journal acquisition policy with a view to moving from an essentially print to a predominately electronic collection.

The electronic version of a journal has a number of advantages over its print format. For the user it: provides access 24 x 7, can be

accessed by several users simultaneously, allows for more effective and efficient information retrieval and often it is available earlier than the print version.

Advantages for the library include: issues can't be hidden, vandalized, lost or stolen, cost savings not only in the price of the journal but also in reduced processing, shelving and binding costs, and more accurate

There are some members of the

usage statistics.

university community who already prefer e-journals while there are others who are perhaps more reluctant to join us in the electronic age. The Library feels it has a responsibility to develop a policy which will enable us to move forward fast enough to satisfy the former while ensuring that we carry the latter with us. **JR**



The library takes bookings for the use of its Multifunctional Room

For further information contact: Mrs Sonia Stewart Ext 3569 or Ms. Carlene Jacobs Ext. 3568

The following journals can now be accessed electronically:

- Social and Economic Studies on Proquest database
- West Indian Medical Journal on SCIELO database

NEW DATABASE

The library is now providing access to PROJECT MUSE at http://muse.jhu.edu/

> For further information contact: Mrs. Judith Rao Ext. 3392

FEATURED ARTICLE

Microsoft Debut Book Search Tool

Microsoft has released its 'Live Search Books', a rival to Google's Book Search. The digital archive includes books from the collections of the British Library, the University of California and the University of Toronto

All the books currently included in the project will be non-copyrighted but later Microsoft will add copyrighted works that publishers have given permission to include in the project. The database of available books is searchable from the book search engine's home page or as a category on the main Windows Live Search page. Check out the user experience at Live

Search Books (http://books.live.com). The system has a feature called "search inside a book" which will allow users to search the full text of books

At the same time Microsoft announced an update to the beta of Live Search Academic (http://academic.live.com). Millions of new articles - primarily bio-medical content have been added. Live Search Academic indexes thousands of academic journals in the computer science, engineering, physics, and bio-medical fields. Microsoft is also indexing theses, dissertations, and books within these disciplines. GS



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