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Staff News

Effective October 6, Jeff Ray accepted the position of Library Services Associate II (Circulation Supervisor) in Customer and Access Services. Jeff was a non-appointed employee with the Libraries.

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Submitted by: Jennifer Chaffin, Libraries Human Resources and Staff Development Coordinator, IUB.

APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE ASSOCIATE DEAN

I am pleased to announce that effective today Carolyn Walters will be our Executive Associate Dean. After reviewing our past practice with regard to appointing librarians to this position, consulting with the Bloomington Library Faculty Council, the PA Council, and CWA representation, and receiving their approval of the process, I decided to remove "Interim" from Carolyn's title. This will provide some added stability in this time of transition and in anticipation of national searches for positions, including Carolyn Walters' former assignment as Director of Public Services.

Dean Thorin's appointment of Carolyn Walters recognized the experience, campus relationships, and vision that Carolyn brings to her work. I particularly value her counsel, creativity, and service ethic. I thank Carolyn for her willingness to take on this role and also thank those with whom I consulted.

Submitted by: Patricia A. Steele, Ruth Lilly Interim Dean of University Libraries, IUB.

Libraries News and Events

BETA PHI MU-CHI INVITATION AND PANELIST SPEAKERS

Colleagues, this is an invitation for a pleasant and rewarding interlude on the afternoon of Friday, October 28. The Chi Chapter of Beta Phi Mu invites you to join us at 3:00 for refreshments in the SLIS Library after the annual Career Forum. Your presence there will give SLIS students an opportunity to visit with you and learn more about career opportunities in an academic environment. No matter what your role, whether stronger in Library Science or stronger in Information Science, sharing your expertise and your experiences will be a welcome addition to the afternoon.

You are also more than welcome to join us in the SLIS Auditorium at 2:00 to hear what our panelists have to offer:

? Ned Heeger-Brehm, Branch Manager, The Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County

? Susan Mannan, Director, Ivy Tech Community College-Indianapolis

? Catherine Trinkle, Media Specialist, Hickory Elementary, Avon, Indiana

? Suzanne Mudge, Assistant Librarian/Cataloger, Archives of Traditional Music, IU-Bloomington

We hope to see you on Friday, October 28, in the SLIS Auditorium and/or in the SLIS Library.

For Beta Phi Mu-Chi Chapter,

? Rita Barsun

Submitted by: Rita Barsun, Walden University Librarian, IUB.

SOCIETY OF INDIANA ARCHIVIST ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION

Just a reminder that if you plan on registering for the Society of Indiana Archivists annual meeting, your registration should be postmarked by this Saturday, Oct. 15th, to be included in the Friday luncheon!

Registration is \$20 for SIA members, \$25 for non-members and includes 2 workshops, 5 speakers, lunch, and a tour of Purdue University's Amelia Earhart Collection!

Further information can be found at <http://www.inarchivists.org>.

Submitted by: Dina Kellams, Assistant Archivist, IUB.

INTEGRATION OF INFORMATION AND DIGITAL SERVICES

The IU Libraries are fortunate to have both an outstanding Digital Library Program and Information Technology unit. Each is highly ranked nationally. In turn, the Libraries have gained from the quality of leadership and services provided by UITS and from partnerships between UITS and Library Information Technology, the Digital Library Program, Sakai, and the Information Commons, among others.

The Digital Library Program began in 1996 as a laboratory for creating digital collections and services. One of Dean Thorin's and Vice President McRobbie's accomplishments was to provide base funding for the important initiatives already underway, such as Variations and Dido, to solidify these programs, under Kris Brancolini's leadership and with excellent technology support from Jon Dunn and others, the DLP grew in stature nationally and has been extraordinarily successful in achieving grant support. Likewise, LIT has led the Libraries in development of an outstanding Web environment, an intranet, experimentation in Sakai, and in implementing features such as content management and single search, under the leadership of Phyllis Davidson with able assistance from Ralph Quarles, Doug Ryner, and others.

In fact, technology has become a critical component of most library services. The integration of staff for sharing ideas, developing effective planning mechanism, reducing duplication, and for maintaining IU's tradition of strong technology support is critical. Therefore, I have decided to move both units, LIT and DLP, in one organization to be call Digital and Information Technology Services and to be headed by Phyllis Davidson. Her title will be interim Assistant Dean of Digital and Information Technology Services. Phyllis' broad knowledge and experience within both the Libraries and UITS will serve both UITS and the Libraries well. She has been charged with fleshing out a new

organization that brings together all technical infrastructure support under one roof as it were. As of today, both units and all staff will report to Phyllis, and she will work with me, DLP/LIT staff, and UITS to create the internal organization of the new unit. I expect that she will accomplish this endeavor by next spring and will engage an outside consultant as part of the process.

Thanks to all of you for taking the necessary steps toward creating an integrated technology infrastructure. We warmly welcome Phyllis to her new responsibilities.

Submitted by: Patricia A. Steele, Ruth Lilly Interim Dean of University Libraries, IUB.

ASIS&T INDIANA CHAPTER MEETS IN BLOOMINGTON

You are invited to a special talk and social activity at the School of Library and Information Science (SLIS) at Indiana University Bloomington:

Friday, October 14, 2005

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Indiana University Bloomington

Wells Library 011

Bring interested friends and colleagues with you! ASIS&T Indiana will be co-sponsoring a talk by Paul Dourish with the Rob Kling Center for Social Informatics, followed by food and drink! This is your opportunity to:

- learn about ubiquitous computing and the consequences of the model of information as commodity;
- meet other ASIS&T members and colleagues with like interests;
- get hints about attending the upcoming ASIS&T Annual Meeting
- socialize with students who have an interest in pursuing careers in your field;
- take a peek at some unique historical documents from the archives of the Indiana Chapter of ASIS&T (including some actual photos from the 1984 ASIS&T Mid-Year Meeting held in Bloomington);
- and perhaps best of all, we'll eat and drink (I'll make sure some chocolate is in the plan)!

All are invited for a fun time mixing veteran ASIS&T members with colleagues and students interested in information science and technology!

The full description of the presentation by Paul Dourish is below. Hope to see you there!

Best regards,

Merri Beth

Merri Beth Lavagnino

Deputy Information Technology Policy Officer Indiana University

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The Culture of Information: Ubiquitous Computing and Representations of Reality

Paul Dourish

Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Science University of California, Irvine

ABSTRACT

In the late 1980s, Weiser suggested that the ages of mainframe and personal computing would give way to a third wave of "ubiquitous computing," a confluence of embedded physical computing and pervasive wireless networking. Indeed, ubiquitous computing has become a dominant paradigm for computing research and an increasingly prevalent form for the delivery of information services. Ubiquitous computing reconfigures the relationship between people and the world around them. It does this by interpreting that world in terms of information. This is not a new phenomenon.

Information systems research has, since its inception, been built upon a model of information as commodity, to be extracted, exchanged, moved, stored, and processed. The idea that the world is populated with information objects and artifacts is at the heart of the technological enterprise. However, in the context of ubiquitous computing, this model privileges certain models of spatial and environmental knowing while obscuring or devaluing others. In this talk, I will use ubiquitous computing as a lens through which to examine these concerns, and explore the consequences of the model of information as commodity.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Paul Dourish is an Associate Professor in the Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Sciences at the University of California, Irvine and Associate Director of the Irvine Division of the California Institute for Telecommunications and Information Technology. His primary research interests are in the areas of Ubiquitous Computing, Computer-Supported Cooperative Work, and Human-Computer Interaction. He is especially interested in the foundational relationships between social scientific analysis and technological design. His 2001 book "Where the Action Is: The Foundations of Embodied Interaction" (MIT Press) explores how phenomenological accounts of action can provide an alternative to traditional cognitive analysis for understanding the embodied experience of interactive and computational systems. Before coming to UCI, he was a Senior Member of Research Staff in the Computer Science Laboratory of Xerox PARC. He has also held research positions at Apple Computer and at Rank Xerox EuroPARC. He holds a Ph.D. in Computer Science from University College, London, and a B.Sc.(Hons) in Artificial Intelligence and Computer Science from the University of Edinburgh. For more information about his research interests, publications, and teaching, see: <http://www.ics.uci.edu/~jpd/>

Submitted by: Debora Shaw, Executive Associate Dean at the School of Library and Information Science, IUB.

NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR 2006 SAGE LIBRARY SUPPORT STAFF TRAVEL GRANTS

The Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) is pleased to announce that nominations are being accepted for the 2006 Sage Library Support Staff Travel Grants. Underwritten by a generous contribution from Sage Publications, the Library Support Staff Travel Grants (six to be awarded) make it possible for library support staff to attend the American Library Association (ALA) Annual Conference to be held in the summer of 2006.

The travel grants cover the expense of attending the conference, including airfare, three nights lodging, and conference registration, up to \$1,000 for each recipient. Library Support Staff who currently are employed in a full time support staff position, have a minimum of three years of experience in an area of technical services (acquisitions, cataloging, collection development/management, preservation of library materials, serials), and have not previously attended an ALA annual conference are eligible for the grants.

Successful candidates will be required to submit a brief report describing their experiences at the annual conference. This report will be published in the post-conference issue of the ALCTS Newsletter Online and also will be shared with the sponsor. The ALCTS Membership Committee will provide mentoring for each recipient.

To apply, send a letter, brief resume and a short statement (ca. 250 words) outlining why attending the 2006 ALA Annual Conference would be beneficial. A letter of support from the applicant's supervisor, indicating the employer's support for the application also is required. Applications and the supervisor's letter must be submitted in electronic format, with all parts emailed as Word attachments. Please send all documents to: Dale Swensen, Sage Jury, dale_swensen@byu.edu . For questions, please contact Harriet Lightman, Chair, Sage Jury, h-lightman@northwestern.edu.

The deadline for nominations and supporting materials is December 1, 2005. Successful candidates will be announced on the ALCTS Web site beginning February 1, 2006. The ALCTS office will coordinate travel arrangements and registration. For additional information on the grants, visit the ALCTS Web site at <http://www.ala.org/alcts>.

Submitted by: Virginia Sojdehei, Personnel Librarian, IUB.

WHITE COLLABORATIVE AWARD

The White Collaborative Award was revised in 2004 to fund collaborative research efforts developed by one or more tenured or tenure track IU Bloomington Librarians and one or more tenured or tenure track IU (any campus) faculty members. The research efforts should result in a published book or journal article.

Applications for the \$2500 award are being accepted now through November 1. The applications will be reviewed by the White Collaborative Award Committee. The committee will evaluate the applications based upon the following factors:

Qualifications of the applicants ? their educational and research background

The project's contribution to the subject area of the research

Research methodology

Timeline

Role of each collaborator in the project

Total budget for the project and how the Collaborative Award funding fits with other funding requested or received

Potential targeted venues for published work

The types of expenditures for which the award may be used include: research-related travel and lodging for applicants and collaborators, funding for research assistants, purchasing and/or renting equipment, and photocopying/scanning research materials. The purchase of general office supplies (pens, paper, staples) is excluded.

Applications should be submitted to Virginia Sojdehei, Personnel Librarian, Herman B Wells Library, Room 201A.

Please call Susan Yoon, Executive Director of Development, in the Libraries Office of Development, at 5-4182 with any questions.

Submitted by: Jennifer Rigsby, Development and External Relations, IUB.

WELLS LIBRARY MEDIA LITERACY FILM SERIES & BROWN BAG, FALL 2005

Mark your calendar to attend the Wells Library Media Literacy Film Series. Bring a brown bag as we explore issues related to education, civil liberties, and social justice. All screenings will be shown in the Wells Library Media Showing Room (E174).

Starring:

Bush's Brain: How Karl Rove Made George W. Bush Presidential (2004, 80 min)

Thursday, November 3, 2005

Noon - 1:30 p.m.

Host: Robert Goehlert, Librarian for Economics, Criminal Justice, Political Science and Global Studies

Produced by IUB Libraries Media Services. For more information contact Monique Threatt at 855-9857.

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