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Staff News

The IU Southeast Library is pleased to announce that Hong Cheng has accepted the position Assistant Librarian, Instruction and Reference. Hong Cheng earned her M.L.S. at the IUB School of Library and Information Science in May 2010 and holds a B.A. in English Education from Dalian University, in China. Prior to joining the IU Southeast faculty, she served as Reference Assistant, Instruction Assistant, and East Asian Serials Assistant at the Herman B. Wells Library, and was an intern in Scholarly Communications and Technical Services at Illinois Wesleyan University's Ames Library.

Submitted by: *Marty Rosen, Director of Library Services, IU Southeast*

Effective September 6, Ryan Cobine accepted the VIVO Pilot Coordinator position in Library Technologies and Digital Libraries. Ryan currently works for the university's Office of Admissions as the Senior Assistant Director, Systems &

Decision Support. In this role, he manages their information systems and IT infrastructure, and IT support. Prior to his current position, he held positions with University Information Technology Services as an Online Training Coordinator/Education Specialist and a Technical Coordinator. Ryan earned his bachelor's degree in sociology from IU, with a minors in history & philosophy of Science and psychology.

Submitted by: *Jennifer Chaffin, Director of Library Human Resources, IUB*

Caroline Pynes accepted the Sr. Collections Reference Assistant position in Area Studies – Latin American Studies, effective September 1, 2010. Caroline's library experience ranges from cataloging and reference to managing the Willkie Residence Hall Library. Welcome Caroline!

Submitted by: *Susie Trisler, Library Human Resources*

Library News and Events

Reminder: IU Health Engagement Program Deadlines

No later than November 12, 2010

Online Personal Health Assessment (PHA) ([Click here to complete this now.](#) It will take about 20 minutes.)

Non-tobacco Affidavit*

No later than February 28, 2011

Biometric Screening ([Click here to schedule an appointment](#))

*If you use tobacco, you can still receive the premium reduction after you complete five coaching calls in the Quit For Life Program.

Submitted by: *Jennifer Chaffin, Director of Library Human Resources, IUB*

Changing the Face of Medicine, Celebrating America's Women Physicians

Discover the many ways that women have influenced and enhanced the practice of medicine. The American Library Association and the National Library of Medicine are sponsoring the traveling exhibit, Changing the Face of Medicine, Celebrating America's Women Physicians, in Indianapolis at the Ruth Lilly Medical Library. Public and special events feature Indiana's local legends now through September 9, 2010.

Visit the national website <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/changingthefaceofmedicine/> to learn about the woman physicians featured in the national exhibit, find resources for students and classroom lesson plans for school teachers, explore interactive activities, and post a story of a woman physician who you think should be part of this project.

For more information, please contact medical librarian Carole Gall (317.274.1411 or email cfgall@iupui.edu).

Submitted by: *Carole Gall, Gift Officer & Medical Resources Consultant IU School of Medicine Libraries*

"Still a Taboo: The Aesthetics of Childbirth"

"Still a Taboo: The Aesthetics of Childbirth" is a program of images and discussion by Peg Brand, Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, Women's studies, who will teach this fall's medical humanities class. She will include an illustration of a Renaissance scene of a "confinement room" with women surrounding the pregnant woman. (Men are rarely present and the women, after birth, are always shown celebrating.) The painted wooden chests and various objects indicate higher class and status. These scenes were often commemorated on double-sided, painted wooden childbirth trays, platters, or bowls as forms of domestic art. The trays were given as gifts to the woman for good luck. This Italian version of her image dates back to 1580.

Peg's new research will be part of a soon-to-be-published book entitled, *Maternal Subjects: Philosophical Essays on Pregnancy, Birth, and Mothering*. Brand's presentation is part of the events surrounding the Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating America's Women Physicians exhibit at the IUSM Library.

Date: August 31, 2010,

Time: noon to 1:00 PM

Location: Indiana University School of Medicine Library room 226-227.

Submitted by: *Carole Gall, Gift Officer & Medical Resources Consultant IU School of Medicine Libraries*

September Metadata Discussion Group Meeting Date Change

We have moved the date for the September Metadata Discussion Group to accommodate an open meeting for someone interviewing for a position within the IU Libraries. The session will now be held Tuesday, September 7, from 9:30-10:30 AM.

Submitted by: *Jenn Riley, Metadata Librarian, Digital Library Program, IUB*

Xpatents found in Robert Fulton book via Hathi Trust

Hathi Trust to the Rescue! Two Robert Fulton X-patents (<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/X-Patent>) which were lost in the 1836 Patent and Trademark Office fire were found in the Hathi Trust. Here is a link to the record: <http://mirlyn.lib.umich.edu/Record/001623746>.

Everything in the Patent Office was lost to the Great Fire, all 10,000 or so patent records and several thousand patent models. While in the process of building a new fire proof building, the US patent office shared a building with the Post Office. At 3:00 in the morning on December 15, 1836, a messenger who was quartered in that building awoke to smoke. He roused others in the building who found the smoke coming from the cellar. Unfortunately, they could not reach the Patent Office portion of the building to rescue any documents. By the time a fire engine arrived, it was too late. The entire building was lost.

After the fire, the Patent Office was faced with the mammoth task of restoring records and patent models. There were no patent records at hand save those in the mind of their single patent examiner and a book that a draftsman named William Steiger had borrowed from the Patent Office despite official rules that prohibited their removal from the Office. Thanks to the Hathi Trust, they have found two more missing patents. So far, about 2,800 patents have been recovered from various sources.