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Staff News

Effective March 31, Jennifer Rigsby resigned her position as Senior Office Services Assistant for the External Relations and Development Office. Jennifer has accepted another position at the university.

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

HEAD OF INFORMATION COMMONS/UNDERGRADUATE SERVICES

I am pleased to announce that Diane Dallis has been appointed as Head of Information Commons/Undergraduate Library Services beginning April 1, 2006. Diane has served as the Interim Head of IC/UGLS since August 2004. Prior to serving as Interim Head, Diane was the Instructional Services Librarian in IC/UGLS. Diane began her career at Indiana University in 1990 as student employee in the Fine Arts Library. She held staff positions in the Education Library and Wells before beginning work in 1998 as the Visiting Librarian for Electronic Instructional Services in what was then Undergraduate Library Services. In this role, she developed one of the first online, interactive library instruction tutorials.

Diane has been a member of the Web Team since its inception taking a leadership role in the development of the Libraries' web content-based management system. She is the co-author of several publications and a co-presenter at national and international conferences on development of our web site. Diane is active in organizations at the state and national level serving on Management of Instruction Services Committee of the Instruction Section of ACRL, the Steering Committee of the Bibliographic Instruction/User Education Committee of the Indiana Library Federation, and on numerous committees both within the Libraries and on campus.

As Head of Information Commons/Undergraduate Services Diane's principal duties will include planning, managing, supervising, and evaluating the department's services and collections, identifying ways to continue to integrate UITS and Library services in a shared environment, promoting the services and collection of IC/UGLS, serving as a convener of the Information Commons Governance Group, and providing leadership in further developing Library/Campus partnerships.

Please join me in congratulating Diane on her new appointment.

I would like to thank the Search and Screen Committee for their work under the leadership of Gwen Pershing, Chair, with members Mary Popp, Elinor Okada, Monique Threath, Vern Wilkins, Doug Grover (UITS) and Virginia Sojdehei (ex-officio). Thank you also to Betty Davis for her support of the committee's work.

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

Libraries News & Events

AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY AND YOU: A PUBLIC TALK BY LEE HAMILTON

The Honorable Lee H. Hamilton will give a free public talk entitled "American Foreign Policy and You" at the Monroe County Public Library on Monday, March 27, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Lee Hamilton, U.S. Representative of Indiana's Ninth District from 1965-1998, will explore current topics in American foreign policy and answer audience questions.

Widely recognized for his expertise in foreign affairs, Hamilton served on the House Committee on Foreign Affairs for nearly his entire legislative career. He was also vice-chairman of the 9/11 Commission. As director of the Center on Congress at Indiana University, he is committed to improving broad public understanding of the U.S. Congress.

The free public event coincides with an exhibition of Hamilton's congressional papers on display at the Lilly Library.

Date: Monday, March 27 Time: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Location: Monroe County Public Library Auditorium, 303 E. Kirkwood Avenue

Sponsored by the IUB Libraries, Monroe County Public Library, and The Center on Congress at Indiana University.

This event is free and open to the public.

Submitted by: Eric Bartheld, Associate Director of Development and External Relations, IUB.

LITTLE BOOKS MAKE BIG NEWS

First the Wall Street Journal. Now CBS Sunday Morning. Becky's everywhere!

If you missed the story about miniature books featured on the front page of the Wall Street Journal ("Keeping Track Of Miniature Books Is No Small Feat" March 7, 2006), be sure to watch for a feature slated to be broadcast nationally this Sunday. Charles Osgood will take a close look at miniature books (is there any other way?) as part of his brief and lighthearted commentary, The Osgood File. The segment is scheduled to air on WISH-TV, beginning at 9 a.m.

CBS cameras taped items from the Lilly Library and talked to Becky Cape, Head of Public Services, fresh from her interview with the Wall Street Journal. When the Lilly Library inherited 16,000 miniature books from Ohio collector Ruth Adomeit in 1996, Becky told the Journal, "we immediately went out and bought some magnifying glasses."

Miniature books, most of which are less than three inches tall and some of which are smaller than a penny, have delighted readers for centuries. Popular because they were easily carried or concealed, these historic books range from tiny "Thumb Bibles" to illustrated nursery rhymes.

View the Lilly Library's online exhibition of miniature books, and tune in on Sunday.

Submitted by: Eric Bartheld, Associate Director of Development and External Relations, IUB.

WELLS LIBRARY DISPLAYS UN EXHIBITION

An exhibition at the Herman B Wells Library featuring Nobel Prize Laureates will be on display until May 2006 before traveling to the United Nations in New York. A complementary exhibition is currently on display at the United Nations Office in Geneva, Switzerland.

Created jointly by the Center for the Study of Global Change at Indiana University and the United Nations Office in Geneva, Switzerland, the exhibition celebrates the 100th anniversary of the Nobel Peace Prize being awarded to Bertha von Suttner, who in 1905 became the first woman to receive the prize.

Among the laureates featured are U.S. President Woodrow Wilson, who led the United States delegation to the 1919 Versailles Peace Conference; Norwegian explorer Fridtjof Nansen, who won the peace prize in 1922 for his humanitarian work with refugees; and current Secretary-General of the United Nations Kofi Annan, who was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2001.

Arranged on 45 free-standing panels each six feet tall, the display is located in the lobby and the first floor of the east tower of the Wells Library. Each panel celebrating a laureate includes a photo, quote, and short biographical sketch.

"Because the Wells Library is a popular student destination—especially at the end of the semester—we know this exhibit will attract a lot of attention," says Patricia Steele, Ruth Lilly Interim Dean of University Libraries. "We're happy to partner with the Center to promote their teaching goals."

The exhibition highlights an ongoing partnership between IU and the League of Nations Archives in Geneva, Switzerland. Since 2000, a team from IU has digitized 1,600 images and 6,000 primary documents from the League of Nations Archives and United Nations Archive to be made available to scholars via the World Wide Web.

For a related Web site featuring Nobel prize winners, go to www.indiana.edu/~nobel.

Submitted by: Eric Bartheld, Associate Director of Development and External Relations, IUB.

ONE BOOK ONE BLOOMINGTON AND BEYOND SELECTION

For 2006, One Book One Bloomington and beyond has selected *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald.

On Wednesday, April 12, 2006, 4:30-5:30 pm, there will be a book discussion at the Lilly Library. Judith C. Brown, Assistant Professor of English, and Eugene R. Kintgen, Professor and Associate Dean, IU Graduate School, will lead the discussion. The Lilly Library will display various materials related to the book and author.

Submitted by: Susan Yoon, Executive Director of Development and External Relations, IUB.

AND THE LIBRARY ANGEL AWARD GOES TO...

Colleen Talty was been awarded the Library Angel Award. The Angel Award is a \$500 award that recognizes a library employee for outstanding service to graduate students and faculty that use the Wells Library. The Award is provided by an anonymous donor that wishes to acknowledge the high-quality services of the Wells Library employees, and the winner is decided by an anonymous group of library patrons. Colleen has been an outstanding liaison between the Film Studies faculty and the library. As a faculty member stated, "I simply wouldn't be able to do my job without her brilliant support. From my perspective, she is absolutely indispensable. She is cheerful, knowledgeable, and thorough when it really counts – when I need her help in improving my classes."

Submitted by: Susan Yoon, Executive Director of Development and External Relations, IUB.