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### **Library News and Events**

#### **The Book Thief, Book Discussion**

The Lilly Library will host a book discussion for the One Book One Bloomington choice, *The Book Thief*. It will be led by Breon Mitchell, Director of the Lilly Library, and will take place on Wednesday, March 25, 4pm, in the Lilly Library Slocum room.

Submitted by: *Susan Yoon, Executive Director of Development & External Relations, IUB*

#### **Call for Applications for the Herbert S. and Virginia White Professional Development Award**

Employees of the IU Libraries systemwide who hold the MLS degree or have equivalent experience are invited to submit applications for the Herbert F. and Virginia White Professional Development Award. All IU Libraries staff on all campuses in clerical, technical, and PA positions, and all individuals with librarian appointments are eligible to apply for this award. The White Award has been established to support the career growth of individuals who have chosen librarianship as a profession. Further

information about the award, the process, eligibility, criteria, and the application form are available on the web

at: <http://www.libraries.iub.edu/intranet/materials.php?materialsId=262&mate...>

The deadline for applications is March 23, 2009. Please send your information to Libraries Human Resources, Herman B Wells Library 201A, Bloomington.

The Committee will make the award decision and complete notification letters during the month of April. Dean Steele will publicly announce the award recipient's name at the annual Librarians' Day, scheduled for May.

Please note that because the White Collaborative Award has been discontinued, two \$2500 professional awards will be given this year.

Submitted by: *Susan Yoon, Executive Director of Development & External Relations, IUB*

### **Digital Library Brown Bag, Isaac Newton's Alchemical Symbols**

Greetings! Please join us this coming Wednesday, March 25th for a digital library brown bag presentation by Wally Hooper and Tim Bowman. The presentation will be held at the Herman B Wells Library, room E174, from 12:00-1:00.

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Isaac Newton's Alchemical Symbols

Wally Hooper, Programmer/Analyst, Digital Library Program

Tim Bowman, Research Assistant, School of Library and Information Science

Isaac Newton is an iconic figure in the history of science but he had a mysterious side that remained hidden and unknown until the 1930s---he wrote more than 125 manuscripts on alchemy, comprising over 2300 pages and a million words. Alchemy was equated with sorcery and charlatanism over many centuries, so the academic world was surprised to learn of Newton\'s consuming interest and tended to ignore it until very recently. Our project is creating a scholarly online edition of Newton's alchemical manuscripts. The goal is to provide accurate transcriptions of the originals in TEI/XML documents with Unicode encodings.

Alchemists used large numbers of special symbols in their cryptic literature to stand for substances, principles, processes, and devices. Newton\'s use of those symbols presented us with many unexpected challenges. We\'ll discuss those challenges and describe our use of font editors and symbol generators and XSL to create and serve the symbols, our use of XTF to make them searchable, and our work with the Unicode Consortium to create a new block of code points devoted to these historical alchemical symbols.

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Presentation slides and audio will be available via the Connect Meeting Service (formerly known as \"Breeze\"). Go to to view and listen to the presentation. If you are not a registered user for Connect Meeting/Breeze, select the \"Enter as a Guest\" option.

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The Digital Library Brown Bag series is held most Wednesdays this Fall semester. All presentations are in the Herman B Wells Library, room E174, from 12:00-1:00 pm unless otherwise noted. The complete schedule, including abstracts, is available on the Digital Library Program web site: .

To receive a reminder and an abstract of each presentation, send an email to [listserv@indiana.edu](mailto:listserv@indiana.edu) with the message body:

sub dl-brownbag-I Your Full Name

Submitted by: *Michelle Dalmau, Digital Projects & Usability Librarian, IUB*

### **Special Opportunity for EndNote Training**

Donna Kirking, Senior Product Trainer, Thomson Reuters, will be visiting us in Bloomington on Wednesday, March 25th. She will lead two hands-on classes on EndNote Web and EndNote, and we invite all interested librarians and library staff to take advantage of her expertise. If you are already using EndNote this is your chance to ask questions and deepen your knowledge; if you have not used EndNote before, this is your chance to learn these powerful bibliographic tools.

EndNote Web for EndNote Users

March 25th 12:30 – 2:30

Wells Library W302

EndNote: A Basic Overview

March 25th 3:00 -- 6:00

Wells Library W302

For full details and to register, go to the ItTraining site

at [http://ittraining.iu.edu/workshops/schedule\\_by\\_group.aspx?group=9](http://ittraining.iu.edu/workshops/schedule_by_group.aspx?group=9).

Submitted by: *Moira Smith, Librarian for Anthropology, Sociology, Folklore, and Social Work, IUB*

**Advanced EndNote Q & A**

We've arranged for an EndNote trainer to be in Chemistry 006 on March 25th from 10 to 11:30am for an Advanced EndNote Q & A. The room only holds a dozen or so people, so if you know students or faculty who regularly use EndNote and who might be interested, please have them RSVP to me ASAP if they can attend.

To be clear, this is not a demo or class, rather it is Q & A session for experienced EndNote users.

Submitted by: *Brian Winterman* , Assistant Librarian, Life Sciences Library & Chemistry Library; Head, Geography and Map Library, IUB

### **Metadata Discussion Group Meeting**

The Metadata Discussion Group is an informal meet-up for individuals interested in metadata issues. The group meets monthly to discuss an article relating to a current metadata topic. The group has no formal "membership" -- discussions are open to anyone from the Libraries, SLIS, or elsewhere on campus who is interested in the topic under discussion. Here are the details for our next meeting:

Date: Thursday March 26, 2009

Time: 9:30-10:30 AM

Place: Wells Library Staff Lounge, 3rd floor East tower

Article to discuss: Allinson, Julie, Pete Johnston and Andy Powell. (January 2007) "A Dublin Core Application Profile for Scholarly Works." *Ariadne* 50. <http://www.ariadne.ac.uk/issue50/allinson-et-al/>

Hope to see you there!

Submitted by: *Jenn Riley*, Metadata Librarian, IUB

## **2009 IU Circle of Life Mini Marathon**

The IU Circle of Life Mini Marathon and 5K races are set for April 4th 2009. These 13.1 mile and 5K races raise funds for scholarships for cancer survivors. Pre race ceremonies will start at 7:30 am in the IU Athletics complex parking lot at 17th St. and Fee Lane. The Mini Marathon starts at 8am and the 5K at 8:10 am.

Race Participants can register, pick up packets, and visit an expo in the Harry Gladstein Fieldhouse from 4p.m. to 8 p.m. on April 3rd and from 6:15 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. on April 4th. Check out [www.iumini.com](http://www.iumini.com) to register or for more information.

Submitted by: *Health, Wellness, and Ergonomics Group*