

MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Theresa Byrd, Director of Libraries
cc: Public Services Staff

From: Tom Green, Associate Director of Libraries and Head of Public Services

Date: January 5, 2005

Re: **FALL 2004 PUBLIC SERVICES HIGHLIGHTS**

Ohio Wesleyan University became a charter member of ARTstor, a non-profit initiative founded by The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. The ARTstor Digital Library has 300,000 digital images that document artistic traditions across many time periods and cultures. This resource embraces architecture, painting, sculpture, photography, decorative arts, and design as well as many other forms of visual culture. It includes the tools to support a range of teaching needs such as searching and browsing for images; viewing images and related data; creating, saving, and sharing image groups for uses such as course reserves/image study or research; presenting lectures both online and offline; adding local images to presentations; and printing and downloading reference images for student presentations and papers. Tom Green instructed invited faculty members in how to search this database, create image groups, and register for access to course folders.

A part-time public services librarian, Jennifer Friedman, was hired near the end of the semester. Her undergraduate work was at Trinity College where she majored in art history and minored in Medieval and Renaissance Studies. She recently completed her M.L.I.S. from Kent State University. Her librarian liaison responsibilities include Fine Arts, Black World Studies, and Ancient, Medieval, and Renaissance Studies.

This fall the library became responsible for collecting course syllabi. Once collected and bound, they help alumni in graduate school receive credit for work already completed. Eventually, for historical reasons, they become part of the Ohio Wesleyan University Historical Collection. Jen Spillman, Assistant Chief of Circulation (Weekend Supervisor), is responsible for collecting and organizing syllabi.

All 734 of the master's theses and honors papers in the OWU Historical Collection dating back to 1900 have been reclassified in LC and/or cataloged if not done before. Because these papers are now available on CONSORT by author, title, and department, they are now much more accessible. This collection provides examples of honors papers for current students.

Five faculty workshops were offered this semester. Patty Bisker demonstrated "Accessing E-mail from Multiple Locations" and "Creating a Basic Web Site." Bernard Derr provided "ERes Fundamentals." Paul Burnam explored "Strategies for Exposing Plagiarists." Chuck Della Lana gave a hands-on demonstration of "Videoconferencing."

Three student workshop topics were offered during the semester. At the beginning of the

semester Tom Green and Jason LaMar held three noon sessions where students could register notebook computers for wireless access to the Internet from the two access points in Beeghly Library or the access point in the Hobson Science Library. Paul Burnam conducted a workshop on “Elections 2004: How to Be a Participant.” Ülle Lewis, Director of the Writing Resource Center, and Danielle Clarke taught “Power-Searching, Citations, and Avoiding Plagiarism.”

Library staff members provided tours for area schools. Danielle Clarke provided an orientation session for AP students from Big Walnut High School. She also instructed English AP students from Fairbanks High School in how to use an academic library. Danielle Clarke and Marsha Zavar led library tours for gifted 6th graders from Willis Intermediate School. Tom Green led an architectural tour of the library for 7th grade students from Olentangy’s Shanahan Middle School.

Public services library staff members are involved in many professional activities. Some activities within the University community included:

- Dr. Theresa Byrd, Tom Green, and Carol Holliger attended the semi-annual meeting of the Joint Archives of Ohio United Methodism.
- Dr. Theresa Byrd and Tom Green met with other campus administrators and representatives of the Class of 2004 to plan for their class gift of a café in Beeghly Library.
- Danielle Clarke served as library liaison to this year’s National Colloquium. She is also serving on a Journalism Department search committee.
- Chuck Della Lana served on the search committee to hire an Upward Bound Student Services Assistant and co-taught the Visual Anthropology course.
- Tom Green served as chair of the Executive Committee of the Faculty and continued as co-advisor of the Bishops Chess Club. He provided a tour of Beeghly Library for Office of Admission staff members.
- Tom Green and Carol Holliger participated in the United Methodist Luncheon sponsored by the United Methodist Student Movement and the Chaplain’s Office.
- Tom Green and Marsha Zavar served on the OWU Computer Use Policy Task Force.
- Joy He taught a Chinese language course.
- Carol Holliger guided a visit by a representative from Munters to evaluate our disaster preparedness.
- Peter Szabo taught two sections of Music Appreciation.

Consortia activities included:

- Paul Burnam attended OhioLINK Lead Implementors meetings and completed his three year term on the OhioLINK Users Services Committee.
- Theresa Byrd, Chuck Della Lana, Bernard Derr, and Marsha Zavar attended an Ohio5 Access Services Subcommittee meeting.
- Chuck Della Lana was involved with the francophone project funded by a MITC grant.
- Tom Green and Xudong Jin attended Ohio5 Collection Development & Management Subcommittee meetings.
- Joy He attended OH5 CONSORT Cataloging and Ohio5 Government Documents

Subcommittee meetings.

- Carol Holliger completed service on the Ohio5 Emergency Preparedness Task Force.
- Deb Peoples attended the annual meeting of the OhioLINK Chemistry Librarians.

Professional meetings and workshops included:

- Paul Burnam attended an OHIONET the workshop “Web Triage: Frontline Reference Strategies for the Web-Overwhelmed” and participated in OHIONET’s Fall Digital Projects Symposia. He also assisted a session of OhioLINK’s Dataware training.
- Paul Burnam moderated a breakout session and Danielle Clarke and Joy He attended OhioLINK’s “Reference Roundup.”
- Danielle Clarke, Joy He, and Deb Peoples attended the ALAO Annual Conference “Positioning Our Libraries, Positioning Ourselves.”
- Tom Green and Xudong Jin attended a workshop on “Best Practices in OhioLINK Cooperative Collection Development.”
- Joy He attended the Ohio GODORT meeting held at the University of Cincinnati.
- Carol Holliger attended the United Methodist Historical Society meeting and a meeting of the West Ohio Commission on Archives and History. She also attended “Building Connections,” sponsored by the Ohio Historical Society. She made a site visit to DePauw University and met with Wes Wilson, Coordinator of Archives and Special Collections.
- Deb Peoples served on the ALAO Annual Conference Planning Board, the Chemical Abstract Services Academic Advisory Committee, and the Central Ohio Special Libraries Association Board.
- Marsha Zavar participated in an American Libraries Association National teleconference on “Making Copyright Work for Your Library” and an OCLC workshop on “Copyright and Today’s Library. She also attended an ILLiad Odyssey training session and an OHIONET workshop on “ILL Basics Using WorldCat Resource Sharing.”