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FEDERAL DOCUMENTS AT PFAU LIBRARY

By Jill Vassilakos-Long

"Secrecy and a free, democratic government don't mix"¹ – Harry S. Truman

History of the Depository Library System:

Within the first year of the existence of the United States Congress, the House of Representatives appropriated funds for printing the Congressional Proceedings. Those representatives understood that if their government's activities were shrouded in secrecy, citizens could have no meaningful voice in the policies of their country.

These publications had to be distributed so that citizens could have access to them. By 1813 Congress had created a system for distributing government publications to state libraries, selected university libraries, and selected historical institutions so that all the citizens of the country would have access to this vital information. That system was the forerunner of the Federal Depository Library Program in which the United States Government Printing Office disseminates public documents to depository libraries across the country.

Principles of the Depository Library System:

In the early 1990s a study was conducted to prepare for electronic (Internet) dissemination of public documents. In preparation, the study defined the essential functions of the depository program. The report, "Government Printing Office's Study to Identify Measures Necessary for a Successful Transition to a More Electronic Federal Depository Library Program," explicitly listed these principles:

- The public has the right of access to government information;
- The government has an obligation to disseminate and provide broad public access to its information;
- The government has an obligation to guarantee the authenticity and integrity of its information;
- The government has an obligation to preserve its information;
- Government information created or compiled by government employees or at government expense should remain in the public domain.

In 2002 the Government Printing Office disseminated 34,900 items, 20,585 over the World Wide Web, 14,315 in tangible formats (paper, microfiche, CD, and DVD) to depository libraries.

Using Government Documents at the Pfau Library

Every United States congressional district may have two federal depositories. In 1999, Rep. Jerry Lewis assisted the Pfau Library in gaining a depository designation. The Pfau Library is a selective depository — we select only those documents that we deem most useful to our constituencies. We collect approximately one third of the materials offered by the Government Printing Office. Our collection profile is based on the curriculum offered at California State University, San Bernardino and on subjects of interest to the citizens of our congressional district.

The traditional organization of a depository collection is by agency, and within each agency's section by publication type and year. That traditional organization makes research by subject difficult. Since, at the outset, we determined that our students and community members were more likely to search for documents by subject than by agency, we organized the Pfau Library depository collection by subject, integrating it into the book collection. Documents produced in microfiche are in the traditional agency order in the microfiche drawers.

All titles received, whether microfiche, electronic, or paper, can be found through the Pfau Library's catalog. The catalog will provide information about our paper holdings, as well as a link in the URL field to any electronic issues. Publications that have never had a paper counterpart — that are electronic only — can be found by adding the word "marcive" to a general keyword search. For example, searching for "africa and marcive" in the Pfau Library Catalog finds 27 electronic-only government publications on Africa.

Who would find Pfau Library's government documents collection useful?

The strengths of our government documents collection are in the areas of public policy, sociology, criminal justice, education, health, and business. The integrated approach we have taken ensures that what is available will be found by researchers in any discipline, whether through using the catalog or by browsing the shelves.

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¹ Miller, Merle. Plain Speaking: An Oral Biography of Harry S. Truman (New York: Berkley Pub. Corp., 1974) 392.



Phone Numbers

Add 880 to extensions below for off campus.

Public Services

Library Information	5084
Circulation	5090
Reference	5091
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Other	
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The Music Listening Facility is back in the Library!

by Lisa Bartle

Since Oct. 21, the Info Den (PL-5005) has included the Music Listening Facility. The music compact disc collection has been relocated from Media Services to the Info Den. Selected LPs are housed at this location, while other LPs will be available for paging by faculty, staff and students with a 24-hour turnaround.

In conformance with past policies, current CSUSB students may listen to CDs and records in the library. CSUSB faculty and staff have borrowing privileges of these materials.

Further details regarding the Music Listening Facility will also be posted on the library's Web site.

Music Listening Facility Hours

Mondays	8 a.m.- noon; 1 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Tuesdays	1 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Wednesdays	8 a.m. - noon; 1 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Thursdays	1 p.m.- 10 p.m.
Fridays	1 p.m. - 5p.m.
Saturdays	CLOSED
Sundays	2 p.m. - 6 p.m.

(Holiday, summer and quarter break hours vary.)



Library Instruction Goes Online!!

By Barbara Quarton


In response to recent increases in student enrollment, and with grant funding from the Teaching Resource Center, librarians in the Pfau Library are developing an online, interactive tutorial series that teaches students basic library skills.

The online tutorial is modular. Each three-minute module introduces a different aspect of basic library research, such as how to recognize a scholarly journal article or how to construct a simple search in a database. Modules are self-contained, allowing students to do one, a few or all of the modules at their convenience and according to their needs. The modules include several features: interactive quizzes that give students immediate feedback on their knowledge gaps; text and graphics outlining background information; audio files to narrate different search and retrieval processes; and flash "viewlets" giving students animated demonstrations of database searches.

By using a variety of media formats, the tutorial holds student interest and also appeals to a variety of learning styles. The tutorial can be used by individual students or by professors as a required assignment in their classes, as usage data can be sent to faculty who request this service. The modular format and reporting function also make it convenient for CSUSB instructors to integrate one or all modules into online courses.

The tutorial design will adhere to Web Accessibility Initiative guidelines. All elements will have an audio and/or text equivalent to reach visually impaired students. A main menu page will provide access to all the modules and give users an introduction to the tutorial's structure and purpose. In subsequent phases of development, the librarians plan to research the possibility of translating the tutorial for students whose primary language is not English.

This project represents the first phase in the development of online, interactive library instruction in the Pfau Library. Students' participation in this basic library experience will lay the groundwork for the acquisition of the higher order cognitive skills of analysis, synthesis and evaluation of information. The online library instruction experience is thus the first step in students' progress toward information literacy. Students who complete the online components will be prepared to conduct research at the university level and to assimilate important advanced instruction in traditional library instruction sessions.

Librarians expect beta testing on the online library instruction tutorial to begin this summer. Faculty and departments interested in learning more about this project may call Barbara Quarton, Library Instruction Coordinator, at extension 7553. 

CSUSB Library Trivia

During the academic year for 2001/2002:

- the circulation desk recorded 101,255 circulation transactions;
- during a typical week, 30,875 individuals entered the library;
- the reference desk answered 28,377 questions;
- the Interlibrary Loan department filled 6,294 requests for patrons;
- the Interlibrary Loan department processed and filled 7,323 requests for other libraries;
- 272 library instruction sessions were given to 5,343 students;



Library Goings On

The Cataloging Department in Technical Services has been reorganized as of Feb 10.

- Denise Gibson-Perry, head cataloger, now has primary responsibility for SFX implementation, plus the planning, training and scheduling of major functions and special tasks related to cataloging.
- Maisie Conceicao is head of the new Monograph Cataloging Department.
- Kris Sanders is head of the new Special Cataloging Department.

David Bourquin, serials librarian, has published several book reviews recently:

- "The Miracles of Exodus: A Scientist's Discovery of the Extraordinary Natural Causes of the Biblical Stories." *Library Journal* 128.3 (Feb. 15, 2003): 143.
- "To Kill and Take Possession : Law, Morality, and Society in Biblical Stories." *Library Journal* 128.1 (January 2003): 118.
- "The Meaning of the Dead Sea Scrolls : Their Significance for Understanding the Bible, Judaism, Jesus, and Christianity" *Library Journal* 127.20 (December 2002): 137.
- "Encountering the Book of Hebrews : An Exposition" *Library Journal* 127.19 (November 2002): 76.

Michael Burgess, head of technical services and collection development, published the short story "Occam's Treasure" in *Crusade of Fire: Mystical Tales of the Knights Templar* edited by Katherine Kurtz. New York : Warner, 2002.

Michael Burgess and Lisa Bartle's book, the *Reference Guide to Science Fiction, Fantasy and Horror*, 2nd edition, appeared in December. Westport, CO : Libraries Unlimited, 2002.

Brent Singleton, reference librarian, published the article "Entering Academic Librarianship : Tips for Library School Students." *College & Research Library News*, 64.2 (February, 2003): 84-86.

Brent Singleton published the article "The *Ummah* Slowly Bled: A Select Bibliography of African Muslims Enslaved in the Americas and the Caribbean." *Journal of Muslim Minority Affairs* 22.2 (October, 2002): 401-412.

Xiwen Zhang, reference librarian, has had several publications recently:

- "Rethinking Reference Service in the Networked Environment: The California State University Experience." In *Knowledge Navigation and Library Services. The Proceedings of the First Shanghai International Library Forum* edited by Yongli Zhou. Shanghai, China: Shanghai Scientific and Technological Literature Publishing House, 2002.
- "Scholarly Journal Crisis and Library Collaboration: California's Response." In *Proceedings of the International Conference on Academic Librarianship in the New Millennium: Roles, Trends, and Global Collaboration* edited by Yong Yang & Haipen Li. 2002.
- "Collective Collection Development in the Networked Environment." China Society for Library Science Annual Conference July, 26-28, 2002, Xian, China.

Carrie Lowe has been reclassified as a library assistant II.

Kris Sanders, Head of Special Cataloging, 30 years service.

Sheryl Beasley, Head of Acquisitions, 25 years service.

Juette McNew, Serials, five years service.

Kris Sanders and Lisa Bartle's display, "Pop Into the Pfau Library and Unfold the Magic of Pop-Up Books," is in the large case across from the circulation desk from Jan. 15 - Feb. 28.



Library Hours

Library

Monday-Thursday

8am-11pm

Friday

8am-5pm

Saturday

9am-5pm

Sunday

2pm-11pm

Reference Desk (First Floor)

Monday-Thursday

9am-9pm

Friday

9am-5pm

Saturday

9am-5pm

Sunday

2pm-6pm

Info Den/Music Listening (Fifth Floor)

Monday & Wednesday

8 am - noon

1pm-10 pm

Tuesdays & Thursday

1 pm - 10 pm

Friday

1pm-5pm

Saturday

Closed

Sunday

2 pm - 6 pm

Periodicals Service Desk (Third Floor)

Monday-Thursday

1pm-9pm

Friday

1pm-5pm

Saturday

1pm-5pm

Sunday

2pm-6pm

Calendar of Events

**Wyatt Earp: The Earp Clan in San Bernardino County
8th Annual Rheubottom-Webster Local History Lecture.**

**May 3, 2002, PL 2000
6:30-7:30 PM Desserts
7:30-8:30 PM Lecture
No Admission Fee**

Guest Lecturer:
Nick Cataldo, Local Historian

Nick Cataldo has made San Bernardino his home since turning 12 in 1966. He holds a B.A. in psychology and social science and an M.A. in education from Cal State San Bernardino. Past president and long-time board member of the San Bernardino Historical and Pioneer Society, Nick currently writes a bi-weekly local history column for the The Sun. He has written local history articles for several publications and in 2002 Arcadia published his book, San Bernardino: Images of America, a collection of 200 vintage photographs with text. Nick has become one of the foremost researchers of Wyatt Earp and his family. Please join us for fascinating insights into the colorful legend of the West and learn about his family's roots in San Bernardino.



John M. Pfau Library Associates

The Library Associates was founded to promote the relationship between the University, its library, and the community, increase public awareness of the resources and services of the John M. Pfau Library, and sponsor cultural programs such as exhibits, lectures and other events. Members of the Library Associates make full use of the library, including borrowing library materials on the same basis as CSUSB students, reference assistance, and low cost interlibrary loan service.

Categories of membership:

Single/Family	\$20.00 per year
Business	\$50.00 per year
Life Member	\$100

Membership applications are available at the Pfau Library Circulation Desk, or call (909) 880-5090.



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