Spring 2015

Between the Columns Newsletter: Spring 2015

Eastern Kentucky University Libraries

Follow this and additional works at: http://encompass.eku.edu/betweenthecolumns

Part of the Library and Information Science Commons

Recommended Citation
http://encompass.eku.edu/betweenthecolumns/10

This Newsletter is brought to you for free and open access by the EKU Libraries at Encompass. It has been accepted for inclusion in Between the Columns Newsletter by an authorized administrator of Encompass. For more information, please contact Linda.Sizemore@eku.edu.
I am composing this note on the first day of Spring, and despite the impetuous Kentucky weather, midterm always comes to the University—no act can delay it. I know midterm has arrived, not by the weather or even by the calendar, but by the number of times I see students out my window pause as they walk past the famous statue of Daniel Boone. Just days ago, I watched student after student rub Boone’s lucky left boot on their way to turn in midterm papers or to take exams. I will admit to rubbing that boot a few times myself as we planned and eagerly awaited the start of construction on our Reading Porch and the installation of ten study rooms on our first floor. I am ecstatic to report that Reading Porch construction is underway and the study rooms have been installed.

Neither of these projects would be possible without the philanthropy of a core group of EKU Libraries supporters, our Friends. In addition to their financial support, this group believes in the Libraries and the role we play in helping our students succeed. Sometimes we push boundaries and let ideas emerge that may seem a bit non-traditional. We do this to stay relevant and meaningful to our core group of users: faculty and students. I appreciate that our Friends are willing to ride the waves of inspiration, experimentation, and creativity alongside us.

In this issue of Between the Columns, you will discover some interesting and creative ways your Libraries are working to serve our community in this modern age. Check out how EKU Libraries are streamlining the way you search for books, articles, and more. Learn more about 3D printing. Read about the Special Collections & Archives project that will get all Colonel Football fans excited. Most importantly, make note that all of our efforts converge to strengthen and support our community of patrons, whether they are near or far.

As the trees in the Ravine leaf out and spring flowers emerge, all of us here at EKU Libraries will venture out to rub the toe of Daniel Boone. Much like our students, we will perform this ritual because it is an EKU tradition. However, my colleagues and I know that we cannot rest on the capriciousness of luck, but with our hard work and the support of our Friends, we can make a difference in the lives of students and continue to support and promote Eastern Kentucky University.

Betina Gardner, Dean of Libraries

-from the Dean-

library.eku.edu/readingporch
Inspiring Future Colonels

EKU Libraries welcomed nearly 300 Jackson County Future Colonels to campus during the fall 2014 semester so that they might envision themselves attending college one day. In collaboration with Promise Neighborhood at Berea College, the Libraries invited these elementary school students to “Colonel Up” with visits to the Daniel Boone statue, a residence hall, Powell Fresh Food Company, Hummel Planetarium, the Noel Studio for Academic Creativity, and the Main Library. Through the generosity of Friends of EKU Libraries Bob and Gayle McCroskey, EKU Libraries hope to continue inspiring our youngest students, showing them they can “get there from here.”

Honoring Women’s History Month

In March, EKU Libraries and Special Collections and Archives hosted the Kentucky’s Women: Leadership and Legacy series featuring presentations by EKU student Damir Siahkoohi, “The Life and Impact of Mary Roark,” and EKU adjunct faculty and Project Archivist Neil Kasiak, “Katherine Phelps Caperton: Preserving a Legacy.”

Celebrating Student Research

Brooke King won the first place 2015 Library Research Award for Undergraduates, presented at the University Scholars Assembly during Scholarship Week, April 12-19. King was awarded $800 for her submission, “Mothers’ Decisions to Leave Abusive Intimate Partners: A Qualitative Meta-Summary.” Dr. Jennifer Wies, Associate Professor of Anthropology and Anthropology Program Coordinator, served as King’s mentor. Catherine Gerteisen won second place and $500 for her research submission, “Speech-Language Pathologist Awareness and Integration of Disability Rights Issues.” Gerteisen was mentored by Dr. Dusty Columbia Embury, Associate Professor of Special Education and Learning and Behavior Disorders Program Coordinator. The LRAU Award is funded by the Friends of EKU Libraries.

Highlighting Fashions from the Collections of Eastern Kentucky University, 1860-1960

Dresses and other fashions from days gone by will be on display in the John Grant Crabbe Main Library’s Grand Reading Room this summer, allowing the EKU community an up-close look at local artifacts. The exhibit, featuring selections from the Watts Family of the Elmwood estate and other families, will be open to the public during the Main Library’s regular hours May 20-June 5. Learn more at library.eku.edu/historicalfashions.

Visit library.eku.edu or facebook.com/ekulibraries/events to stay updated about library events and happenings.

Save Money. Save the Earth.

Sign up now to receive Between the Columns electronically. library.eku.edu/gogreen. To view and share this newsletter electronically, visit issuu.com/ekulibraries/docs/btcsp2015.
New, innovative technologies with classroom and research potential are quickly emerging and evolving. In order to support classroom applications and to inspire creativity and innovation, EKU Libraries provide students and faculty with access to emerging technologies for both study and play.

Throughout the year, students and faculty have taken advantage of our 3D printer, including students from CRE 201, a class in the Applied Creative Thinking minor, who used the printer to complete projects during the spring semester.

In addition to the very popular 3D printer, the Libraries have added a 3D pen, a portable interactive whiteboard, writing tablets, Google cardboard, Raspberry Pi, Swivl robotic platform for video, laser projection virtual keyboard, and more. These innovative technologies were made available for students and faculty to try during the University’s Scholarship Week in April.

EKU Libraries hope that putting technology directly in the hands of students and faculty will stir their creative minds and inspire ideas that will impact EKU and the world beyond.

Photos: 3D creations from EKU students, including Fire & Safety major Will Holbrook and his bust of Teddy Roosevelt
The increasing popularity of the John Grant Crabbe Main Library as a place for studying, researching, and collaborating often results in our most desirable Library spaces being at capacity—average weekly visitors exceed 15,000. This dilemma necessitated a creative re-visioning of the first floor periodicals space. The bound journals were relocated to the third floor and the compact shelving was removed to make 11,000 square feet, perfectly suited for collaborative spaces, accessible to our community of users.

When completed, the renovated first floor will feature several study rooms; modern moveable furniture offering ultimate flexibility; the latest student learning technologies; and other high-demand tools like mobile whiteboards. With a fresh coat of paint, new carpet, and ten newly constructed study rooms, the space has already proven popular among students preparing for the busy final exam season. Now that the study rooms have been installed, the first floor is ready for phase two of the plan.

EKU SGA student senator Bailey Cox says, “This project just goes to show how EKU Libraries can maintain a modern student-centric feel. This improvement will enhance our studying experience and I am excited to see the face lift.”

Designing library spaces and furnishings to accommodate students’ needs is a high priority goal made possible by seeking regular feedback from students. Since students’ needs vary and change, the Main Library’s four floors are carefully developed to provide an array of spaces, from collaborative to quiet. Opening the highly popular Silent Study Zone on the fourth floor last year gave students a quiet place to concentrate without distraction; the completed first floor will give students a much-needed creative space for successful collaboration.

Photo: Students collaborate in one of the new first floor study rooms
It might surprise you to learn that faculty requests for videos are increasing more rapidly than any other content type. EKU Libraries prioritize resources requested by faculty and students for purchase, so our purchasing habits reflect our community’s changing needs: since 2012, annual book expenditures have fallen about 29% while streaming video expenditures have risen by 34%.

When faculty request videos, we endeavor to acquire streaming formats. We give preference to publishers experienced in meeting the needs of libraries and academic communities for quick service, cost-effectiveness, usability, and ADA compliance. Unfortunately, smaller independent producers often have neither the ability nor the inclination to serve the needs of the educational environment—in such cases, we can work with you to find similar content that is available for institutional licensing.

Need streaming videos for your classes?
Here are our top five tips for faculty:

1. **Use videos we already own.**
Check our streaming video collections, including our newest collection, Alexander Street Press’ PBS Videos Collection, before you request something new.

2. **Plan ahead.**
If you need a specific video for classroom use, keep in mind that it can sometimes take weeks or months to secure licensing rights. We also may be unable to purchase or provide access due to producer limitations or exorbitant cost. For these reasons, we recommend you submit video requests two months in advance.

3. **Use stable URL links.**
Incorrect or unstable links can create frustration for your students and extra work for you. Look for permalinks, or persistent links, for EKU Libraries resources. Ask your liaison to help you started. Libguides.eku.edu/onlineresources/linking

4. **Confirm URL links used in previous syllabi.**
If you are using the same video from one semester to the next, verify it is still available before your course starts. Sometimes videos drop out of packages, and occasionally the vendors change the stable links (see #3). It is always a good idea to check those links a few weeks before the students need to access them.

5. **Use YouTube, but with a healthy dose of caution.**
It is okay to use freely available online video content, but do not blindly rely on its continued availability: YouTube videos can be ephemeral, and are often removed due to copyright violations.
Encompass Digital Repository

BY THE NUMBERS

What is in Encompass?

over 5,700 items

Top Undergraduate Student Publication
1,400 downloads
Jessica Jobe ’14
Transgender Representation in the Media
encompass.eku.edu/honors_theses/132

Top Graduate Student Publication
12,565 downloads
Ayarza Manwaring ’11
Reality Television and Its Impact on Women’s Body Image
encompass.eku.edu/etd/50

Top Faculty Publication
4,994 downloads
Cristina Tofan , EKU Libraries Technology & Data Services Team Leader
The Application of Drupal to Website Development in Academic Libraries
encompass.eku.edu/faculty_staff/2

5 peer-reviewed journals

658,000+ total downloads

114 average downloads per publication

WHAT IS VIEWED THE MOST?

65% University Publications
12% Student Scholarship
8% Journals and Series
8% EKU Faculty and Staff Scholarship
7% Special Collections and Archives

105 new open access items per month

journal downloads

16,872 Kentucky Journal of Excellence in College Teaching
16,283 The Journal of Military Experience
7,996 ninepatch
6,642 Journal of Retracing Africa
5,974 PRISM: A Journal of Regional Engagement

Visit encompass.eku.edu to learn more about how Encompass can make your scholarship globally discoverable and accessible.

Numbers are as of March 2015
During Women’s History Month, Eastern celebrated the recognition of Mary Roark as not only the University’s second official president, but also as the first female university president in the state of Kentucky. This monumental decision would not have been possible without documentation from Mary Roark’s time at Eastern. Items such as alumnus Leslie Anderson’s student accounts and diploma, beautifully depicting Mary’s signature as the president, inspired and helped support the argument for Mary’s rightful place in EKU and Kentucky history.

The Leslie Anderson Papers, along with many historical materials donated to EKU’s Special Collections and Archives (SC&A), await the next great researcher to unveil their personal snapshots of Eastern’s collective past. Collections such as the Caperton/Burnam Family, Anna Kadlec, and Katherine Head Papers highlight women’s history during the 19th and 20th centuries. The Kentucky Citizens for Sports Equity (CSE) and Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (AIAW) collections provide researchers with the distinctive trials of women in sports from the 20th century Civil Rights era to the late 1980s. Whether revisiting Kentucky history or gaining new perspectives on past events, EKU’s SC&A houses uniquely useful documents, records, photographs, and books.

Photo: Mary Roark, EKU’s Second President
get to know

YOUR LIBRARIANS

Special Collections & Archives Team Leader

Jackie Couture

From the time she volunteered to organize her junior high school library just to find the books she wanted to read, Jackie Couture has loved libraries. Her EKU B.S. in Farm Management might seem unusual in the libraries and archives field, but Jackie explains her career choice: “I remember reading an article in The Eastern Progress about the Archives and thinking about how cool that sounded, but never visited until I started working here. Now I can’t imagine working anywhere else.”

Jackie’s long history at the University, including her roots as an EKU undergraduate, gives her a unique perspective as she shapes the future of EKU’s Special Collections and Archives (SC&A). Her vision is extensive and involves future plans for a completely revamped physical space to address the challenge of offering quality research materials with limited space. As Jackie explains, “We are quickly running out of collection storage and work space, so we need to get creative.”

SC&A’s ever-growing collections are no surprise considering Jackie’s established community connections and innovative approach to archives work. Recently, she led a collaboration with Madison County Public Library that used crowdsourcing to identify individuals in historical photographs. She also worked with students in ADM 210: Dress, Appearance, and Culture to incorporate photographs from SC&A collections into oral histories for presentation on a Tumblr site.

Jackie’s journey to EKU SC&A Team Leader has spanned more than two decades. Completing a Master’s degree in Library and Information Science and helping revitalize the William H. Berge Oral History Center are just two recent examples of her dedication and drive. Researchers and fans can be confident that Jackie’s leadership of SC&A will continue to have a significant impact on student learning and the preservation of local history.

Preserving 1,000 Reels of Colonel Football Memories

Rain or shine, EKU football has been a fall tradition for the Madison County community for over 100 years. EKU Special Collections and Archives has nearly 1,000 reels of Colonel football games, beginning with the 1938 season and spanning 50 years. These treasured memories are in an obsolete and fragile 16mm film format and are in great danger of being lost if they are not digitized. Your gift of $100 will help preserve and make one reel of game film electronically available to Alumni and Colonel fans around the world. To learn more, visit library.eku.edu/giving-football.

Jackie’s FAVORITE HOBBIES

Knitting
Reading
Gardening
Building
The Hobbit Game
Since opening in 2010, the Noel Studio for Academic Creativity has guided students in all disciplines at Eastern Kentucky University, supporting thousands of EKU students annually to develop effective communication practices through consultations, workshops, and other student-focused activities. During April’s Scholarship Week, with the inaugural presentation of three new student awards, the Noel Studio honored individuals whose generosity, vision, and dedication to the Noel Studio’s mission were exemplary. Each of these awards of $250, to be conferred annually, celebrate the outstanding work of student staff.

The 2015 award recipients are:

**Ron and Sherrie Lou Noel Award for Excellence in Service to Noel Studio Success:** awarded to Emily Hensley (graduate student, M.A. English) for her commitment to student success through Noel Studio training, events, and public service, in honor of the continuing support and generosity of Ron and Sherrie Lou Noel.

**Cooper-Robinson Award for Leadership:** awarded to Tori Johnson (B.A. Communication Studies and English and Technical & Professional Writing, 2014) for her commitment to serving as a leader for both peers and visitors in the Noel Studio, in honor of the leadership and vision of Carrie Cooper and Dr. Sherry Robinson.

**LeAnn Stokes Award for Commitment to Student Success through Excellence in Consulting:** awarded to Rachel Winter (graduate student, M.A. English) for her exemplary service in consulting students, mentoring junior consultants, and integrating studio pedagogy into her academic work, in honor of the dedication and leadership of former Noel Studio consultant LeAnn Stokes.
Thank You!
Friends of Eastern Kentucky University Libraries
Fiscal Years 2014 & 2015: July 1, 2013-March 1, 2015

Friends of EKU Libraries are donors who believe in the significant difference libraries make in the lives of students and who choose to support EKU Libraries with annual gifts, endowments, and legacy gifts.

Mr. & Mrs. Scott Draudt
Katherine Dunn
EKU School of Justice Studies
Dr. Jo Ann Ellington
Dr. & Mrs. William Ellis
Nancy Enzie
Mr. & Mrs. David Erb
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Estes
Mr. & Mrs. Preston Everdell
Dr. & Mrs. Hanik Everman
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Fagan
Dr. Jennifer Fairchild
Dr. & Mrs. Steve Fardo
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Feltner
Mr. & Mrs. Lowell Flanary
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Fleming
Kathy Flood
Mr. Ervin & Dr. Margaret Foote
Marsha Frazier
Dr. Benjamin Freed
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Freer
Betty French
Dr. Malcolm & Molly Frisbie
Mr. & Mrs. Steven Frommeyer
Mr. & Mrs. Timothy Frommeyer
Mr. & Mrs. Keith Gabbard
Martha Gabbard
Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Gardner
Richard Garland
Nancy Garriott
Dr. Ted George
Dr. & Mrs. Charles Gibson
Mary Jean Gillner
Dr. Bonnie Gray
Dr. & Mrs. Donald Greenwell
Mr. & Mrs. Gregory Gruenwald
Drs. John & Phyllis Gump
Clarence Hamilton
Mr. & Mrs. Darrell Hamilton
Dr. & Mrs. Dominick Hart
Dr. & Mrs. Todd Hastings
Mr. Charles & Dr. Melba Hay
Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Hecht
Mr. & Mrs. Edward Herzog, Jr.
Drs. Ordelle Hill & Helen Bennett
Dr. & Mrs. Hal Holmes, Jr.
Dr. Ronald Huch
Martha Hungarian
Nancy Jerkes
Josephine Jones
Dr. Kevin Jones
Dr. & Mrs. Sanford Jones
Jean Ann Kalscheur
Mr. Michael Karpathakis & Mrs. Melinda Murphy
Mr. & Mrs. Shirley Kearns
Kentucky Association of Psychology in the Schools
Krista Kimmel
Dr. Dot Kirkpatrick
Mr. & Mrs. James Klotter
Drs. C.E. & Mary Laird
Doris Lash
Connie Lawson
Mr. & Mrs. R.S. Lawson
Mr. & Mrs. Carl Little
Mr. Howard & Judge Jeanine Logue
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Luxon
Marcia Luy
Madison County Retired Teachers
Dr. Augustine Masion
Dr. & Mrs. Kevin Martello
Andrew Martin
Dr. & Mrs. Billy Martin
Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Martin
Mr. & Mrs. Robert McCroskey
Dr. Nancy McKenney
Anthony Merolle
Janet Miracle
Mr. & & Mrs. Jim Moberly
Martha Moore
Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Mullien, Jr.
Dr. Martha Mullins
Dr. Marshall Myers
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Nassida
Dee Nelson
Mr. & Mrs. Ron Noel
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Nunez
Dr. & Mrs. Wendell Ogrosky
Mary Ousley
Linda Pack
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Palombo
Fornius Park
Mr. & Mrs. Karl Park III
Mr. & Mrs. John Perkins
Silas Peterson, Jr.
Dr. Bonnie Plummer
Mr. & Mrs. William Pool
Helen Powell
Mr. & Mrs. Terry Pugh
Molly Pulliam
Dr. Barbara Ramey
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Ramsey
Mr. & Mrs. Mitch Reese, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Harold Renfro
Debra Revell
Mr. & Mrs. Zach Rhodus
Mr. Harry Rice & Mrs. Carol Gilliam
Sarah Richardson
Dr. & Mrs. Jay Riggs
Annette Rigrish
Pam Riley
Mr. & Mrs. Gene Robbins
Dr. & Mrs. George Robinson
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rogow
Nancy Ross
Willette Ruble
Mary Lou Salter
Mr. & Mrs. Mark Sandy
Melissa Schutt
Anne Scott
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Shutts
Dianne Shutnitch
Mr. & Mrs. David Silver
June Sims
Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Sinclair
Mr. Richard & Rep. Ritas Smart
Betsy Smith
Kelly Smith
Karen Spegal
Elizabeth Springate
Mr. & Mrs. Harold Stamper
Peggy Stanaland
Mr. & Mrs. David Steidte
Jane Stephenson
Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Sullivan
Maureen Sullivan
Drs. William & Dorothy Sutton
Dr. & Mrs. Jack Taylor
Susan Taylor
Dr. & Mrs. William Thames
Mr. & Mrs. Howard Thompson
Dr. & Mrs. Ralph Thompson
Dr. & Mrs. Stuart Tobin
Wendell Trapp, Jr.
Jeremy Turner
Rebecca Turner
Mr. & Mrs. Darrell Van Orsdel
Dr. & Mrs. Richard Vance
Mr. & Mrs. Andy Vickers
Dr. John Wade III
Sue Waehaus
Dr. Jen Walker
Dr. Wilma Walker
Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Warren
Mr. & Mrs. Doug Warren
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Weaver
Daniel Weddington
Mr. & Mrs. Dan Wells
Deborah Whalen
Mr. & Mrs. Dick Wheeler
Jeffery Whitaker
Dr. & Mrs. Rodney White
Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Willkerson
Dr. Susan Willis
Wayne Wilson
Dr. & Mrs. Ron Wolfe
Mr. & Mrs. Edward Wray
Ingeborg Zabawa
Dr. Sara Zeigler

Be a Part of the Mission

Anyone can be a Friend and further the mission of the Libraries and Eastern Kentucky University. If you have a love of libraries and EKU, we invite you to make a gift today using the enclosed giving envelope.

www.library.eku.edu/support
The end of the semester is rapidly approaching, which means the stacks of various papers and resources in your office likely are growing. As finals wrap up, take an opportunity to clean out items that have met their retention time and are no longer useful:

- donate unwanted books to Better World Books by depositing them in the drop-off at Powell
- toss non-sensitive documents, such as lists of textbooks, obsolete syllabi, etc. in a recycle bin
- place items that contain sensitive information, such as graded papers, in the area designated by your administrative assistant or office associate to be shredded the week of May 18th-22nd
- send other items, such as research projects or photos documenting University functions, to Special Collections and Archives (SC&A) for permanent retention.

As you recycle or shred, remember to document your paper trail with the Certificate of Disposal, available electronically at records.eku.edu

Unsure of whether your files should stay or go? No worries! Just visit records.eku.edu to view the retention schedule, or contact Ashley Thacker, your University Records Administrator, located in SC&A. Stay tuned for Records Management workshops on how to better organize, transfer, and/or dispose of your office files and documents.