

NEWS AND UPDATES FROM THE DEAN ON A SEMI-REGULAR BASIS

Staff Retreat: We will have a half Day retreat on Tuesday, August 30 from 9:00 to 1:00 to start the academic year, focusing on the priorities and leadership of specific objectives in the strategic plan. Lunch will be provided.

Kiosks: We will soon be installing two interactive kiosks in the library on the Second and Fourth Floors. The kiosks will have touch screens, and allow library users to access directional information about the Kresge Library, do a quick search of the catalog, check the status of study rooms in use and other information about the library and the campus.



Board Games: Can now be checked out at the Access Services Desk

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| 1. Backgammon | 9. Monopoly |
| 2. Bananagrams | 10. Phase 10 |
| 3. Battleship | 11. Risk |
| 4. Blokus | 12. Rummikub |
| 5. Catan | 13. Scrabble |
| 6. Chess & Checkers | 14. Sequence |
| 7. Dominos | 15. Sorry |
| 8. Euchre playing cards | 16. Uno |

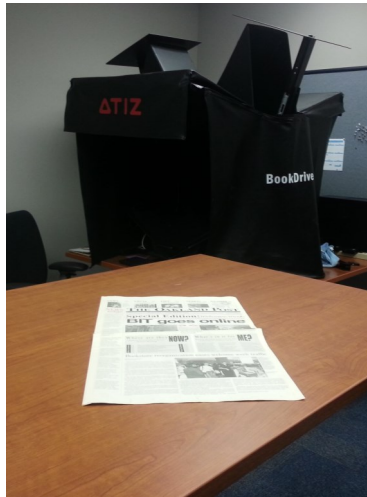


“Life and Limb: the Toll of the Civil War”

There is a new traveling display from the National Library of Medicine near the entrance of the library. This display focuses on “Life and Limb: the Toll of the Civil War” and was arranged by the OUWB Medical School Library staff.



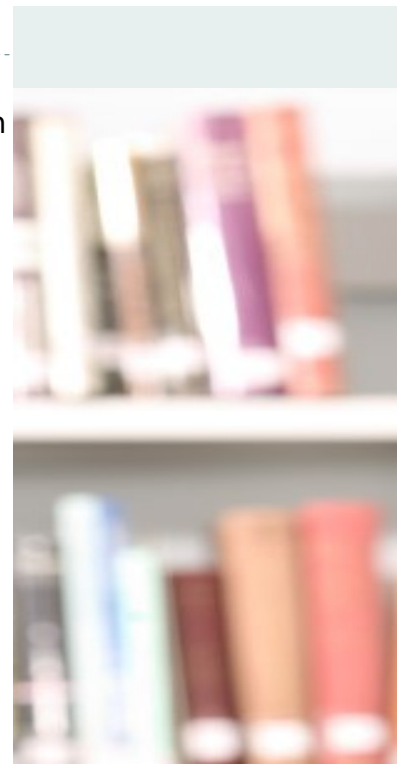
Digitization: The Krompart-Hildebrand Digitization Lab has been furnished and is ready for use. A formal dedication and opening was held on August 26. Bids have gone out for the digitization of the Student Newspapers in the Archives.



Art in the Library: Last Semester much of the valuable Chinese art on display in the library was removed to secure storage within the Meadowbrook Art Gallery, and was replaced with a different exhibit. The works on Floor 4 are primarily those of Karel Appel, a Dutch artist, sculptor, and poet. You can learn more about him here: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Karel_Appel. Professor Goody from the Meadowbrook Gallery will be providing information cards for the pieces on display.

Pioneer Club: The members of the Pioneer Club (retired Oakland faculty and staff) met here in the Nyberg Room on August 5th. They received a brief presentation regarding new doings at the University Library and a tour of the archives and special collections, then had lunch and were treated to a carillon concert. They seemed to enjoy their visit.

Textbooks: We have purchased the required textbooks for the general education courses on campus and will offer them on reserves as a pilot project. We will monitor usage and popularity of this service - as well as ongoing costs. It is hoped that the use of this service will reduce the out-of-pocket costs for books for our students. Do note, however, that we have set the replacement fees for lost or severely overdue books for these titles to their true replacement value. So students who think that "losing" a library book might be a cheaper way to acquire the texts will need to reconsider such ideas.



You might be interested to know that [Remembering Lincoln](#), to which we contributed items from the Springer collection, is a winner of the [American Alliance of Museums MUSE Award](#)! Ford's Theater, the creator of the project, got the bronze for the Online Presence award.



One time funding: The Library received \$100,000 in one-time funding requests for library initiatives this year. The funding covers the Summon Discovery layer license as well as other projects we hope to move forward, including completion of Phase 2 of the new signage. (Floors 2 and 4)

BUILDING STUFF

Replacement chairs: A number of the study rooms on the first floor were missing chairs, and we have ordered replacements which will be here soon.

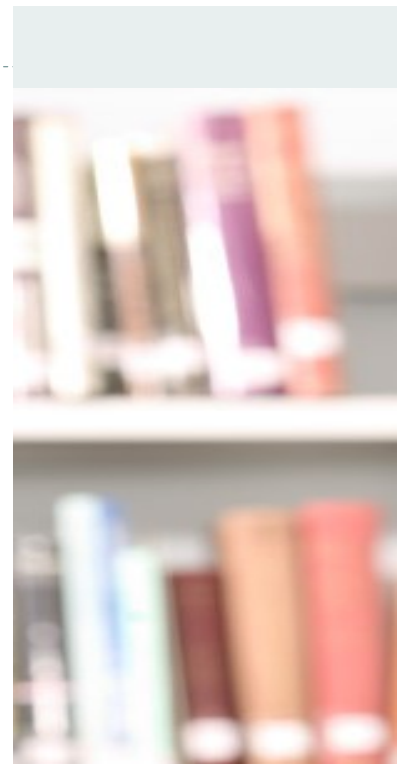
Replacement furniture for the cabanas: We will be replacing the bench seats in the Cabanas on the second floor with new furniture. The seats in the cabanas were torn and too expensive to repair. That furniture should also be in place early in the semester.

Lighting: The lighting is receiving a lighting upgrade on Floors 2,3, and 1 (main areas only, not perimeter offices or study rooms. We are getting new ceiling fixtures, replacing the fluorescent bulbs with LED lighting. This will increase the brightness in the library, and also reduce electrical and bulb replacement costs. The installation will replace approximately 1500 fixtures (in this phase).

The work will begin Tuesday 8/30 with 200 fixtures being delivered and installed each day, and the project is not expected to exceed 8 days of work. Most of the work will be done in the evenings and overnight (or that is the plan) so as to disturb as few students as possible.

This is being funded by Facilities Maintenance, and additional funding is being sought to complete the upgrade throughout the library in the next year. This will make the library a bit brighter, but also reduce the costs of lighting the library by 47% once the project is completed.

Front Door: The wall and flooring in the main entrance way has been repaired. We know this is not a long term fix, and that there are several issues with the main entry to the library, but this at least improves the appearance of the library.



PUBLISHED THIS SUMMER

Katie Greer, Amanda Nichols Hess, and Elizabeth W. Kramer. "The Librarian Leading the Machine: A Reassessment of Library Instruction Methods."

[Abstract](#) | [Full Text \(PDF\)](#)



EMPLOYEE UPDATES— PROMOTIONS, APPOINTMENTS, COMINGS & GOINGS, AND GENERAL GOOD NEWS

Promotions -

Congratulations to our Faculty who have received promotions this past year:

Our newest **Associate Professor - Julia Rodriguez**, and **Amanda Nichols Hess** and **Meghan Finch** who completed their C-2 reviews, and **Shawn McCann** who completed his C-1 Review.

Kresge Library welcomed 3 new employees to Access Services this summer.

Tracy Macpherson is our new manager of Circulation Services and Resource Sharing.

Alayna Jones is the new Evening/Weekend Supervisor

Matt Hostetler is the new Access Services Assistant

Stop in to say “Hi” and get to know them a little better!

Welcome also to our newest Faculty Librarian, Joanna Thielen

Joanna joins us as the Research Data Librarian. She resides in room 249, if you’d like to stop by to introduce yourself.

Welcome David Wagner, Project Archivist

You may have seen David quietly working in Archives. He has been working on the Mike Rogers papers project. Stop in and see him and take a look at the Krompart-Hildebrand Digitization Lab while you’re at it.

Farewell to Jessica Frocillo

Jessica is leaving the Marketing Intern position at Kresge. Jessica received a Graduate Research Assistantship, so you may still see her around campus as she pursues her MBA here at Oakland. Best of luck in all you do, Jessica—you will be missed!

Farewell to Jan Tigar-Kramer

Jan is leaving us at the end of August to head up north with her husband. We will certainly miss her—and her wonderful sense of humor! Safe journeys, Jan.

Amanda Nichols Hess will be serving as Faculty Fellow for the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning for the 2016/2017 academic year. This role is designed to provide part-time assistance, averaging approximately eight hours of time per week, to the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL) during the fall and winter semester. This position reports to the Director of CETL- Judith Ableser. In exchange for her time, she will receive part-time release from the library duties. The Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning will provide compensation to the Kresge Library of \$5000.00 each semester (total of \$10,000.00) to cover the costs of a part-time librarian.

Please join us in congratulating **Rob Burns**, one of Oakland's 2015 AP Award recipients! For more than 37 years, Robert Burns has provided exemplary, tireless work for the University, the Kresge Library, and all of Oakland University’s constituents. From his advocacy role on the university’s Distributed Technology Support team to his leadership of our Library Technology Team (LTT), Rob has always kept the needs of our students as a top priority.



OTHER NEWS



We have finally created a Michigan Rapid ILL pod. Our FY17 annual costs will decrease. We don't have to pay borrowing fees to members of the pod.

Central Michigan University	EZC
University of Michigan	EYM
Wayne State University	EYW
Grand Valley State University	EXG
Michigan Technological University	EZT
Oakland University	EYR
Michigan State University	EEM

SHARE YOUR NEWS

If there is something you would like me to include in the next newsletter, please send it to me. I will include any newsworthy items regarding the library.






The 2016 Food For Fines Campaign to benefit Gleaners Community Food Bank and your local food pantries.

The Oakland University Kresge Library collected and donated 166 pounds of food, which will provide approximately 138 meals to help feed our neighbors in need!

Your efforts contributed to the larger Food For Fines/Food For Thought food drive here at Gleaners, which this year collected 13,104 pounds of food, or 10,876 meals for people in our communities where and when they need it.

Gleaners collects and distributes over 2.5 million pounds of food through community food drives, like yours, annually. Without your support we would not be able to continue our mission to feed hungry people and nourish our communities.

EVENTS - FALL, 2016

<p>August 26, 2016 2:00 - 4:00 pm University Archives 129 Kresge Library</p>	<p>Krompart-Hildebrand Digitization Lab Grand Opening A celebration of Friendship and Technology in the form of a formal ribbon-cutting to honor the opening of the Krompart-Hildebrand Digitization Lab.</p>		
<p>August 31, 2016 Campus-wide</p>	<p>Academic Open House For Oakland University's first-year students. The OU Libraries will host a table at the Involvement Fair from 4-5pm in the tent behind the Oakland Center and O'Dowd.</p>		
<p>September 6, 2016 6:00pm - 10:00pm Room 225B Kresge Library</p>	<p>Lit to Film Book Club A fun and interesting night of movie-watching and discussion, sponsored by the Oakland University Libraries</p>		<p>Double Indemnity by James M. Cain An X-ray view of guilt, of duplicity, and of the kind of obsessive, loveless love that devastates everything it touches ~ Amazon.com</p>
<p>September 23-25, 2016 Room 242 Kresge Library</p>	<p>Oakland University Homecoming The alumni planning committee is putting together wonderful events to help make this a memorable weekend for all. Please check the OU website for more information oakland.edu/homecoming</p>		
<p>September 26-28, 2016 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Lobby and 225B Kresge Library</p>	<p>Michigan Libraries for Life Donor Registration Drive For the third year, the Medical Library will be hosting a registration drive to raise awareness of organ, eye, and tissue donation as part of Michigan Libraries for Life in partnership with Gift of Life Michigan. New this year, the Medical Library is partnering with two student organizations to register bone marrow donors as well for Be the Match. The dual drive strives to raise awareness of organ and bone marrow donation for college students.</p>		
<p>October 4, 2016 6:00pm - 10:00pm Room 225B Kresge Library</p>	<p>Lit to Film Book Club A fun and interesting night of movie-watching and discussion, sponsored by the Oakland University Libraries</p>		<p>We Need to Talk About Kevin by Lionel Shriver Neither nature nor nurture bears exclusive responsibility for a child's character ~ Amazon.com</p>
<p>October 21, 2016 2:00pm - 4:00pm Nyberg Room 242 Kresge Library</p>	<p>Nyberg Room Dedication A formal ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place as Room 242 Kresge Library is named The Nyberg Room in honor of the generous donation of OU alumni Mike and Penny Nyberg.</p>		
<p>October 25, 2016 4:00pm - 5:00 pm Nyberg Room</p>	<p>Flight of Remembrance - Marina Kirsch - Book Signing OU Alumna, Marina Kirsch will speak about her WWII family memoir <i>Flight of Remembrance</i></p>		
<p>November 1, 2016 6:00pm - 10:00pm Room 225B Kresge Library</p>	<p>Lit to Film Book Club A fun and interesting night of movie-watching and discussion, sponsored by the Oakland University Libraries</p>		<p>Matchstick Men by Eric Garcia Roy and Frankie are matchstick men—con artists. Partners in elegant crimes for years, they know each other like brothers and have perfected the rules of the game. ~ Amazon.com</p>
<p>December 6, 2016 6:00pm - 10:00pm Room 225B Kresge Library</p>	<p>Lit to Film Book Club A fun and interesting night of movie-watching and discussion, sponsored by the Oakland University Libraries</p>		<p>Breakfast at Tiffany's by Truman Capote Holly Golightly knows that nothing bad can ever happen to you at Tiffany's; ~ Amazon.com</p>
<p>December 7-13, 2016 Kresge Library</p>	<p>Final Exams Stress Reduction Week Puppies and massages and more!</p>		