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Seeking Minnesota State Mankato Authors

Planning is underway for the next Minnesota State Mankato Authors Reception. If you have published a book, music, film, etc. since March 2008 (or were not recognized at the April event), please contact the University Archives at 507-389-1029 or archives@mnsu.edu. We would also like to add a copy of your item to the MSU Authors Collection. See our collection development policy for more details lib.mnsu.edu/archives/info/authorpolicy.html.

In April 2008, Library Services hosted the first campus-wide authors' reception, where Dean Roca of Library Services and President Davenport recognized 33 Minnesota State Mankato authors. The reception, held in the Lass Center for Minnesota Studies, celebrated the publication of books written and/or edited by Minnesota State Mankato Faculty and Emeriti. Titles included were published between January 2006 and March 2008 and are housed in the Library's MSU Authors Collection.



The 2006-2008 Minnesota State Mankato Authors were:

- Dawn Albertson, Psychology
- Suzanne Bunkers, English
- Jinbong Choi, Mass Communications
- Kimberly Contag, Modern Languages
- David Dickau, Music
- Mary Dooley, Emerita, Geography
- Ann Fee, Publications
- John Gaterud, Mass Communications
- Kathleen Gorman, History
- James Grabowska, Modern Languages
- Erwin Grieshaber, History
- Han-Way Huang, Electrical & Computer Engineering Technology
- Mary Huntley, Emerita, Nursing
- John J. Janc, Modern Languages
- Andrew Johnson, Special Education
- Eiji Kawabata, Political Science & Law Enforcement
- Barbara Keating, Sociology & Corrections
- Michael Larson, Mass Communications
- Andi Lassiter, Psychology
- Jose Javier Lopez, Geography
- James Nickerson, Minnesota State Mankato President Emeritus
- Danae Quirk Dorr, Chemistry & Geology
- Walter B. Roberts, Jr., Counseling & Student Personnel
- Richard Robbins, English
- Gary Rockswold, Mathematics and Statistics
- John Romas, Health Science
- Julio Sanchez, Computer Science
- Richard Schiming, Economics
- Charles Sehe, Emeritus, Biology
- Sarah Sifers, Psychology
- Edna Thayer, Emerita, Nursing
- Maria-Claudia Tomany, Modern Languages
- Scott Wurdinger, Educational Leadership

Feedback Wanted on Fall Database Trails

You're invited to take advantage of the fall 2008 database trials, listed on the Library's Article Databases A-Z web page: eresources.lib.mnsu.edu/page.phtml?page_id=21. Most of the trials will end on November 12th. This list of requested trials is subject to change, based on vendor permissions and product availability:

- Alexander Street Video Products –Counseling subset
- American Indian Experience (Greenwood)
- Anthropology Plus (Harvard)
- Art Museum Image Gallery (Wilson)
- Congressional Records Permanent Digital Collection
- Diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders (DSM-IV)
- EBL – Blackwell's E-Book platform
- Ebrary
- EBSCO Research Starters – Business
- EBSCO Research Starters – Education
- ECHO – Blackwell's E-Book platform
- Encyclopedia of Social Work (Oxford Reference Online)
- Gale Virtual Reference Library
- Leximancer Concept Miner
- Literature Criticism Online (Gale/Cengage)
- Minnesota Grantmakers Online
- Something About the Author Online (Gale/Cengage)
- Standard and Poor's NetAdvantage
- UniWorld Online
- Wiley E-Books

Input from faculty, staff, and students will be greatly appreciated. A feedback survey will be available for each of the databases. If you have any questions about database trials contact **Casey Duevel**, Electronic Resources Librarian, at **507-389-5150** or casey.duevel@mnsu.edu.

South Central Minnesota Genealogy Expo

Interested in researching your family history? Plan to attend the eighth annual South Central Minnesota Genealogy Expo from 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. on November 1, 2008 at the Minnesota State University, Mankato Centennial Student Union.

The event is co-organized by the Minnesota State Mankato Library Services and the Blue Earth County Historical Society. The full program and registration information are available online at <http://lib.mnsu.edu/archives/genie/expo.html>.

Library Hours Extended

To better serve the expanding campus community, the Memorial Library recently extended its hours of operation. The Library is now open until 7:00 P.M. on Fridays and until 6:00 P.M. on Saturdays.

Regular hours of operation:

Monday – Thursday	7:30 A.M. – 2:00 A.M.
Friday	7:30 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.
Saturday	10:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M.
Sunday	1:00 P.M. – 2:00 A.M.

The Mav Textbook Reserve Project

In collaboration with the Minnesota State Student Association (MSSA), the Bookstore Advisory Committee, Barnes & Noble Bookstore, Library Services has implemented a new program to help students deal with the high cost of purchasing textbooks. A grant of \$5000 from Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) was used to purchase textbooks to be placed on two-hour reserve. Careful consideration was given to the selection of textbooks, with the majority of the books costing between \$80 and \$100 and used by students in general education classes. Over 2,750 students in 16 class sections have the opportunity to benefit from the program.

Textbooks are conveniently located at the Circulation Desk directly inside the main entrance of the Memorial Library. The available titles and related classes are listed on the Library web page (lib.mnsu.edu; select **Course Reserves**). The textbooks may be found by searching **MAVERICKTEXTBOOKPROGRAM** for course instructor, course name and/or under department. The textbook list is also available at the Library's Circulation / Reserve desk. Books may be borrowed for two hours at a time (renewable based on demand). The best news is that there is no charge for the use of Maverick Textbooks.

For more information, please contact MSSA President **Ryan Anderson** at 507-389-2611 or ryan.anderson-1@mnsu.edu.

Faculty Course Reserves Submissions

The month of October is a good time to set up a course reserve, or to add to the reserve you may have established earlier. Please remember:

- **The Library must secure copyright permission, even for material used during a previous semester.** This can take anywhere from minutes to weeks so it is best to submit material well in advance of class need.
- **Reserve requests are processed in the order in which they are received.** The Library recommends that reserve requests be submitted at least five working days before students will need access.
- **Personal copies or Library-owned copies of books, pamphlets or other monographic publications may be placed on hard copy reserve.**
- **It is not necessary to submit all reserve material at once for a given class.**
- **If you wish to submit an electronic Reserve Request form go to:** lib.mnsu.edu/services/reservrequest/index.php.
- **If you prefer to submit a hard copy Reserve Request form, please send it to the Library along with the material you wish to have placed on reserve.** This can be sent via intra-campus mail: ATTN: Reserve Technician, ML3097.

For more information about placing reserve requests, please contact Reserve Technician **Steve Johnson** at 507-389-5065 or steven.johnson-2@mnsu.edu.

New Look for the Library Web site

Library Services' bold new look on its homepage prominently displays a search box, designed to help students locate books and articles quickly. The default setting on the search box allows users to locate books, movies, music and more in the Library's catalog. In addition, the search box provides easy access to the advanced catalog search tool, the WorldCat database and the My Library Account catalog feature. Selecting the Article tab directs the search to the Academic Search Premier database. Links under that box lead to more specialized databases and an electronic list of journals.

The screenshot shows the Library Services homepage. At the top, there is a dark blue banner with the 'LIBRARY SERVICES' logo and a search box. Below the search box, there are tabs for 'BOOKS' and 'ARTICLES'. The search box contains the text 'Search MSU Catalog' and a 'Submit' button. Below the search box, there are links for 'ADVANCED Catalog Search or WorldCat' and 'MY Library Account'. The page also includes a 'Quick links' section on the left, a 'Services for...' section, an 'About the Library' section, and a 'Help' section.

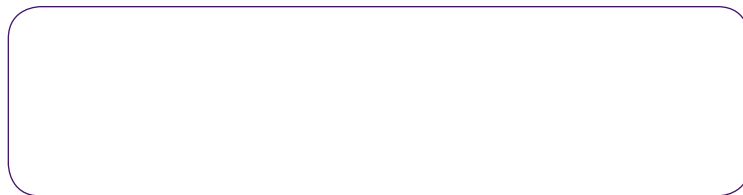
Tim's Garden

Many people who enjoy the flowers and green space between the Library and the Student Union may not realize that the garden was designed in honor of reference librarian Tim Smith, who worked at Minnesota State Mankato from 1987 to 1999. Tim was born in Menomonie, WI, and graduated from Waseca High School. He received his undergraduate degree in religion from the University of North Dakota and master's degree in library science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He died of leukemia at age 40 and is remembered in this welcoming space.

Members of the faculty and staff who knew Tim will tell you that what they miss most about him are not his academic credentials but his caring attitude, his kindness, and his respect for everyone he met. In the eight years since the garden was established, a dedicated group of Tim's colleagues has maintained the area. Volunteers are welcome to help with weeding, watering, planting, and tending the garden. If you enjoy stopping by for lunch, a restful break, or quiet conversation in Tim's Garden, please consider joining the group that cares for this green space. To learn more about how to volunteer your help or to contribute funds for plants and flowers, contact Lesa Hulloper at Memorial Library, 507-389-5952.



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