LIBRARY SERVICES

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FY11 Library Allocations Coming Soon

Librarians will soon be contacting academic departments with news about library allocations for FY11. Messages will be sent to department chairs and to the member of the department who has been designated as the library liaison. Librarians work with departments to make sure that purchases for the collection support the curriculum. A list of librarians working with each academic department can be found at http://lib.mnsu.edu/collections/cd/librns.html.

Because Blackwell, the vendor with whom we worked for years, was bought by Yankee Book Peddler, we are in the process of setting up new procedures and workflows for selecting, acquiring, and cataloging materials. Consequently, the fall deadlines for submitting order requests cards are a bit later than in previous years. There will be another set of deadlines spring semester. Faculty members are encouraged to submit requests at any time. The fall semester deadlines are as follows:

Colleges of Business and Science, Engineering & Technology Order request cards are due to library collection developers by

Colleges of Education and Social & Behavioral Sciences Order request cards are due to library collection developers by

Colleges of Allied Health & Nursing and Arts and Humanities Order request cards are due to library collection developers by

If you have guestions, contact the librarian who works with your department or Kathy Piehl, Collection Development Librarian, at 507-389-6777 or kathy.piehl@mnsu.edu.

Upcoming Library Events

Introduction to Voting Workshop

Provided by Office of the Secretary of State and Minnesota State Mankato Library Services Tuesday, October 12, 2010, 3:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. ML45 (Casual Lab), lower level of Memorial Library

The workshop is designed for students and others who are preparing for their first voting experience. It will cover how to register to vote, how to vote, the importance of civic engagement and ways to get involved in the elections process. The program is free of charge and open to everyone.

Chemists in the Library

Saturday, October 23, 2010, 11:00 A.M. to noon Educational Resource Center, lower level of Memorial Library

The Minnesota Section of the American Chemical Society (ACS), the campus ACS Chemistry Club students and the Chemistry Faculty will host a combined event demonstrating to kids that science can be fun. This free program is intended for elementary school students.

🖉 Minnesota State University Mankato

November 5

November 12

October 29

The Chronicle of Higher Education Online Newsletters

A free e-mail newsletter service from *The Chronicle* of *Higher Education* is available to Minnesota State University, Mankato faculty, students and staff as part of our site license to *The Chronical*. Stay up-to-date with what is happening in academe with three great online reads: *Academe Today*, the *Chronicle Review Newsletter*, and *Breaking-News Extras*.

Academe Today, is the daily report from The Chronicle. It is available in a text-only or HTML edition and also available as a weekly summarized news edition. The Chronicle Review Newsletter is a weekly overview of ideas and commentary in the world of higher education. *Breaking-News Extras* alerts readers when a significant higher education news event takes place.

Subscribing to these newsletters is easy. Just create a free *Chronicle* account. To access the *Chronicle of Higher Education* online be sure to go through the Minnesota State Mankato Library web page at http://lib.mnsu.edu. If you have any problems using this resource contact the Reference Desk in Memorial Library at 507-389-5958 or visit the Ask A Librarian web page http://lib.mnsu.edu/services/msu_intermediate.html.

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Library Services Awarded Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants

Library Services has been awarded two grants this year totaling more than \$9000 as part of the Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants program. These grants are financed in part with funds provided by the State of Minnesota through the Minnesota Historical Society from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

In April, the Library was awarded a grant for the purchase of microfilm collections on Minnesota topics that will enhance research opportunities for students and the general public. More than 15 new collections were added to support research in areas such as Native American studies, women's history, agriculture, and southern Minnesota. The microfilm collections are located in the Lass Center for Minnesota Studies on the second floor of the Library. In August, the University Archives was awarded a Digital Conversion and Access Grant to digitize the Mankato State Normal School monthly magazines, *The Student* (1888-1891), and the *Mankatonian*, (1891-1913). The magazines will be available to researchers, genealogists, and all Minnesotans via the University Archives Digital Collections site http://mldm.lib.mnsu.edu/ at Minnesota State University, Mankato and the Minnesota Reflections site as part of the Minnesota Digital Library. The digitized magazines will provide a unique look at life at the Mankato State Normal School and life in the Mankato area at the turn of the 20th Century. Completion of this project is scheduled for May 2011.

Daardi Sizemore, Department Chair and Archives and Special Collections Librarian



Grant Recipient MINNESOTA HISTORICAL & CULTURAL GRANTS

Made possible by the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund through the vote of Minnesotans on November 4, 2008. Administered by the Minnesota Historical Society.

Using videos in your classes?

Please book films (for in-class showings) in advance to ensure availability the week you plan to use them. Videos can also be placed on reserve for in-library viewing by students.

All titles not booked or reserved can be checked out for one week by library users or sent out on interlibrary loan. The

online form for making video booking requests can be found at http://lib.mnsu.edu/services/videorequests. For questions or additional information contact Barb Bergman, Media Services Librarian, at 507-389-5945 or the Educational Resource Center at 507-389-5944.

South Central Minnesota Genealogy Expo

Interested in researching your family history? Plan to attend the 10th annual South Central Minnesota Genealogy Expo from 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. on Saturday, October 30, 2010, at the Minnesota State University, Mankato Centennial Student Union. The Expo will include sessions on a variety of genealogyrelated topics as well as a room where local history-related organizations will be sharing information about their resources and services. The event is coorganized by 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 Instruction Sessions Available

As you plan your class assignments and research projects, librarians can assist you by providing library sessions or online content for your undergraduate or graduate courses. We will work with you to develop sessions or content tailored to your students' needs for locating books and articles, evaluating sources, and/or developing research strategies. We encourage you to submit requests as early as possible (at least one week in advance) to make sure librarians and resources will be available. To learn more about library instruction or to complete an online request form, visit the Library's Services for Minnesota State Mankato Faculty web page at http://lib.mnsu.edu/services/faculty or contact Justine Martin, Instruction Coordinator, at 507-389-2251.

Maverick Textbook Reserve Project Expands

The Maverick Textbook Reserve Project, now in its third year, houses over 240 books with 64 separate titles! The project was provided in collaboration with the Minnesota State Student Association (MSSA), the Bookstore Advisory Committee, Barnes & Noble Bookstore, and Library Services. Started in 2008 with a \$5000 grant from Minnesota State

Colleges and Universities (MnSCU), the majority of books included are used by students in general education classes.

The reserved textbooks can found at the Memorial Library Circulation Desk located directly inside the main entrance of the Memorial Library. The available titles and related classes are listed on the Library web page (http://lib.mnsu.edu; select Course Reserves). The textbooks may be found by searching MAVERICKTEXTBOOKPROGRAM for course instructor, course name and/or under department. Books may be borrowed for two hours at time (renewable on demand).

Questions about the Maverick Textbook Reserve Project should be directed to Dan Kromer, Academic Affairs Coordinator for the Student Senate. His e-mail address is daniel.kromer@mnsu.edu.

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Enrich Course Content through Course Reserves!

The Library's online reserve form makes adding course reserves quick work at any point in the semester.

- To access this important service, go to the Library's home page at http://lib.mnsu.edu. Select the "Course Reserves" Tab.
- 2. Select "Course Reserves Home."
- 3. Select "FOR PROFESSORS: Reserve Request Form Online."



After completing the online form, faculty have three delivery options:

- 1. Electronic submission
- 2. Intra-campus mail delivery of print materials
- 3. In-person delivery of print materials

Library Reserve Procedures

- Electronic reserve for journal articles or book chapters: Provide a pdf of the material or a photocopy to be scanned.
- Hard-copy reserve for library-owned books, videos, and DVDs: Record the call number on the Online Reserve Request form. Library staff will pull the material from the Library shelves and process it for the Reserve shelf.
- Hard-copy reserve for a personal copy of a book, video or DVD: Deliver the material to the Library or send it through campus mail. Be aware that the Library will place clear tape on all hard-copy reserves.
- Plan ahead for reserve submissions. Please submit your requests five working days prior to the date needed.
- Questions or comments about placing Reserves? If so, contact Circulation Technician Steve Johnson at 507-389-5065 or steven.johnson-2@mnsu.edu. Steve, also known as the "night guy" in the Library, can be reached from 1:30 P.M. until midnight, Sunday – Wednesday during fall and spring semesters.