COMING SOON!
CORNERSTONE: A COLLECTION OF SCHOLARLY AND CREATIVE WORKS.

Cornerstone is the new digital home for the scholarly and creative achievements, research, and history of Minnesota State University, Mankato. Library Services is very pleased to announce one centralized collection that ensures the long-term access and preservation of the intellectual output of our academic community, as well as our institutional history. Submissions must be research-based scholarly or creative works, or works of institutional significance, produced by current faculty, staff, students, and emeriti faculty/staff emeriti of Minnesota State University, Mankato. Works should be voluntarily self-submitted to Cornerstone, following the guidelines posted at *http://libguides.mnsu.edu/cornerstone*. Cornerstone is managed, organized, and made accessible by Library Services and utilizes bepress' Digital Commons® platform (http://*digitalcommons.bepress.com*). For more information, contact: Heidi Southworth, Digital Initiatives Librarian at 507-389-5066 or *heidi.southworth@mnsu.edu*.

TEACHINGBOOKS.NET

TeachingBooks.net is a collection of online materials developed to provide instructional resources for both fiction and nonfiction books commonly read by elementary and secondary school students. To access this database from the library's homepage, click on the Article Databases A-Z link and then under the letter "T," select TeachingBooks.net from the list.

The search box at the top of the TeachingBooks homepage provides access to resources by title, author or illustrator, subject, booklists, and awards. An advanced search feature is also available that enables you to refine your search by special collection, grade level, Lexile reading level, curricular area, genre, type of resource, and resource format (e.g., audio, video, written). A browse option is also available.

Lesson plans and guides are designed to integrate multimedia author and book materials into reading activities. Custom lists of books and instructional materials can be created. In addition, it is possible to share resources available from TeachingBooks.net via email, permalink, Facebook, Twitter, or as an embedded link or search box on a web page. To assist in the promotion of book titles, publicity materials can be created from provided templates (e.g., bookmarks and flyers).

Some of the many resources available in TeachingBooks.net include meet-the-author book readings, author interviews, book guides, lesson plans, book trailers (video), and links to author and book websites. If you have any questions about this resource, please contact Lisa Baures at (507) 389-2255, *lisa.baures@mnsu.edu* or Barb Bergman at (507) 389-5945, *barbara.bergman@mnsu.edu*.

LIBRARY EMPLOYEES RAISE MONEY FOR HUMANE SOCIETY

Team K9s members from left to right, Denny Ninow, Lola Lemcke, Diane Sharits, Julie Dornack, Bob Lamm

Congratulations were due on February 23, 2014 to Team K9s, for their notable success in the PINS for PAWS bowling tournament. The Team—consisting of Library employees Diane Sharits, Lola Lemcke and Julie Dornack—took home first place gold medals as well as the top prize for raising the most donations ($1404) for the event. In addition, Team K9s was awarded the returning team trophy for their 5-year participation. Library employees also raised funds the previous week through a Silent auction fundtraiser and potluck for the Blue Earth/ Nicollet County Humane Society (BENCHS). All proceeds gathered from the events went to BENCHS.

PALS TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO ISLANDORA DIGITAL ASSET MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Library Services at Minnesota State University, Mankato and PALS are pleased to announce a new partnership: the implementation of the Islandora digital asset management system as the new platform for digital collections from the University Archives.

Based on best practices of open source components, Islandora is a robust digital asset management system originally developed by the University of Prince Edward Island's Robertson Library. PALS will provide the following Islandora services to Minnesota State University, Mankato: hosting the Islandora server and applications, planning and metadata assistance, creating customized ingest forms, and training and support in order to make the most effective use of the system. These services will allow the Library to focus on creating and providing access to repository content.

The collaboration will begin with the migration of photographs, magazines and newspapers currently stored in CONTENTdm into Islandora. Representatives from both organizations have already commenced this exciting transition.
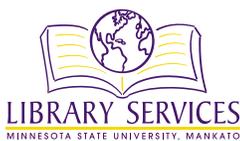
SAVE THE DATE!

**Minnesota State Mankato Authors Reception
Marilyn J. Lass Center for Minnesota Studies, 2nd floor
April 8, 2014 | 2:00 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.**

This bi-annual event honors faculty authors who have written and/or edited books with publication dates between March 2012 and March 2014. The current list is available at *http://lib.mnsu.edu/archives/authors/2014event.html.* If you are a faculty or staff member who has published a book during this time period and you are not on this list, please contact the University Archives, (507) 389-1029 or *archives@mnsu.edu.* We want to invite you!

COOL TOOLS AVAILABLE IN THE ERC

The Educational Resource Center has added a few new items to its broad collection of educational resources. Along with its popular collection of laptops, cameras, camcorders, headphones and projectors, the library now also offers phone chargers, regular and graphing calculators, and e-readers for checkout. If you have any questions, please stop by for a demonstration or contact Kevin Hebert, Library Technician at (507) 389-5943 or *kevin.hebert@mnsu.edu.*

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