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2014-2015 DOROTHY VAN NORMAN LIBRARY ENDOWMENT SCHOLARSHIP AND LIBRARY SERVICES SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

This past May, Library Services announced the recipients of two $2,000 Dorothy Van Norman Library Endowment Scholarships and five $1,000 Library Services Scholarships. The purpose of both scholarship funds is to reward undergraduate students who have worked in the Minnesota State University, Mankato Library. Recipients were selected based on G.P.A., service and leadership history, a personal statement and recommendations from an advisor, professor or supervisor. The Dorothy Van Norman Library Endowment Scholarship winners are Joey (Jovy) Cheam (Circulation) and Kalee Fuller (Technical Services). The Library Services Scholarship winners are Lydia Andu (Circulation), Andrew (Andy) Dirckx (Administration), Reginald (Reggie) Domineck (Archives), Titilope (Titi) Kawonise (Circulation) and Shelley Thao (Administration). Congratulations to our 2014-2015 scholarship recipients!

Memorial Library welcomes Zorian Sasyk as the new Electronic Access and User Experience Librarian. Zorian joins the Library’s Electronic Resources team, which manages access to the Library’s digital resources including databases, e-books, and journals. In addition, he will be part of a new User Experience team that will study, through testing and assessment, ways to improve the user experience of the Library. Zorian comes to us from Detroit, Michigan, where he previously worked as a library graduate student assistant at the Purdy-Kresge Graduate Library at Wayne State University while earning his MLIS degree. He was involved in several usability projects, including testing the Summon discovery layer, a new library website, and a new digital collections site. His undergraduate degrees in history and international studies are from Loyola University Chicago. Zorian’s interests are many and varied but chief among them are usability, open source software, open access, and historical sociology. When Zorian is not on campus, he is most likely either running, reading, or hacking away at his computer. Still very new to Minnesota, Zorian cannot wait to get out and see its wonders!

Did you know the Library has 3 new scanners? The Library recently added three new Scannx Book Scan Center scanners. Two are located on the 1st floor of the Library and the third scanner is located in the Music Library. The Scannx Book Scan Center product line was the first in the industry to leverage cloud-based, touchscreen scanning technology. This electronic document management system, equipped with cloud-based document capture and effortless document sharing, is fully compatible with email, Google Docs, PCs and other external devices, such as flashdrives, scanners, multifunction printers, fax machines, smartphones and tablets.

Did you know that you can showcase your scholarly materials digitally and present them to the world in an easy-to-find format? Check out Cornerstone at: http://libguides.mnsu.edu/cornerstone for details!
An information literacy toolkit for faculty to use with their classes is now available at http://libguides.mnsu.edu/il.

Information literacy is a critical-thinking approach to appropriate information use and creation. Information literacy helps students to:

- Define and modify assignment topics
- Find relevant & appropriate sources
- Effectively evaluate and analyze information
- Understand academic honesty and avoid plagiarism

The kit provides access to class activities, e-books, and other resources on plagiarism, web site evaluation, identifying scholarly information, and more! Librarians hope to add more resources to the toolkit. Please contact Justine Martin (justine.martin@mnsu.edu or 389-2251) with questions or suggestions.

**NEW ONLINE LIBRARY RESOURCES**

**AccessEngineering** = Provides access to the world’s best-known, most-used, and regularly updated collection of engineering reference information. Online features include faculty-made instructional videos, calculators, interactive tables and charts, as well as personalization tools that allow users to organize project information as they work.

**Communication Source** = Developed from a merger of Communication and Mass Media Complete and Communication Abstracts, this resource includes many unique sources not previously available. It offers abstracts and indexing as well as full-text content from publications worldwide pertaining to communication, linguistics, rhetoric and discourse, speech-language pathology, media studies, and other fields relevant to the discipline.

**DSM-5** = The Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM) is the standard classification of mental disorders used by mental health professionals in the United States. It consist of three major components: diagnostic classification, diagnostic criteria sets, and descriptive text.

**Ebrary Academic Complete** = This collection of 116,109 eBooks covers a wide array of multidisciplinary topics from a variety of disciplines such as Anthropology, Business and Economics, Computers and IT, Education, Engineering and Technology, Fine Arts, History, Languages and Literature, Law, Life Sciences, Medicine, Physical Sciences, Psychology, Religion, and the Social Sciences.

**IET 6-Year eBook Collection (2009-2014)** = The Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET) offers this collection of eBooks covering 12 specialist subject areas including: circuits, devices and systems, control engineering, electrical technology, electromagnetic waves, manufacturing, power and energy, renewable energy, radar, sonar, navigation and avionics, and telecommunications.

**International Financial Statistics** = Download time series data for GDP growth, inflation, unemployment, payments balances, exports, imports, external debt, capital flows, commodity prices. Users must register for an individual account in order to save searches, results, or download data.

**Did you know** you can listen to classical music via the Library from Naxos Music Library? Over 1,000 albums are added each month.

Visit http://libguides.mnsu.edu/az.php and search by letter to access Naxos Music Library.
In April 2014, Library Services hosted the 5th MSU Authors reception for 18 faculty and emeriti who wrote or edited a book, monograph, video, or other scholarly publication between March 2012 and March 2014. The MSU Authors Collection, along with the reception to honor the newest publications included in the collection, offers insight into just a piece of the scholarship and creative achievement that our University community demonstrates in many ways.

A complete list of 2014 honorees and additional information about the April 2014 event can be found online at http://lib.mnsu.edu/archives/authors/2014event.html.

Did we miss you? Or do you just now have a book coming out? If you have published a book, video, score, etc. since March 2014, please contact the University Archives at 507-389-1029 or archives@mnsu.edu. We do our best to acquire new materials published each year. We also appreciate donations of MSU Author books whenever possible.

http://lib.mnsu.edu/archives/authors/intro.html

Did you know we have an extensive Children’s/Juvenile Collection? These materials are located in the basement of the Library and most are available for check out.
Coming of Age in Mississippi by Anne Moody

Written without a trace of sentimentality or apology, this is an unforgettable personal story -- the truth as a remarkable young woman named Anne Moody lived it. To read her book is to know what it is to have grown up black in Mississippi in the forties and fifties -- and to have survived with pride and courage intact. In this now classic autobiography, she details the sights, smells, and suffering of growing up in a racist society and candidly reveals the soul of a black girl who had the courage to challenge it. The result is a touchstone work: an accurate, authoritative portrait of black family life in the rural South and a moving account of a woman's indomitable heart.

The goal of the common read is to create community and conversation with our students, our families, and our community. All students, faculty, staff, families, and community members are welcome to join us in reading the book, participating in discussions, and attending events. Visit http://www.mnsu.edu/newstudent/communities/commonread.html for more information. Copies of the book are available for checkout at Memorial Library.

Did you know the Library can help you use Library videos for classes? Make sure the videos you need for your classes are available when you need them. Reserve (in-Library viewing) or Book (checkout for classroom screening) by using the request form: lib.mnsu.edu/services/faculty. Interested in a film that the Library does not yet own? Contact Media Services Librarian Barb Bergman to discuss options. barbara.bergman@mnsu.edu 389-5945.

Did you know the Library has a lactation room? One of the small study rooms downstairs in the Library ERC is designated as space for nursing moms to have a bit of privacy.

UPCOMING CREATED EQUAL FILM SHOWINGS / UPCOMING FILM SHOWINGS IN CREATED EQUAL SERIES

Join us this fall for intellectual discussions that explores the relationship between American law and American society within the context of America’s civil rights struggle. The next event will center around the civil rights film The Loving Story.

This free, public event includes clips from the film and discussion with Dr. Angela Jill Cooley, Minnesota State Mankato History Professor. Refreshments will be served.

The Loving Story
Tuesday, September 30, 4:00 P.M.-6:00 P.M.
Location: CSU 245
For more information, visit http://libguides.mnsu.edu/created_equal