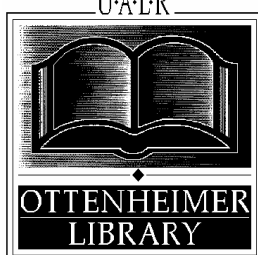


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## **The Access Services Department is Poised to Serve You!** by Karin Medin

Many exciting developments are occurring in the Access Services Department at the library. For your convenience materials that you have checked out may now be renewed without coming into the library up to three times, each of which will give you your original borrowing period. Simply log on to "View Your Account" from the library's website and follow the directions. Since items will be out for longer periods we expect that recalling items will become more popular. Recalls are available from the Circulation desk by phone or in person during all library hours. All items out more than 14 days are eligible for recall.

We celebrate the second semester of our use of the Electronic Reserves feature of our Circulation system. We are actively accepting non-copyright sensitive materials for mounting electronically. Options for file types include PowerPoint presentations and pdfs. We scan printed material for faculty who request it as well.

The Access Services Department is extending its services to Distance Education students (those in section 999 classes) to include paging of materials from our on-site collection for mailing. As is true with Interlibrary Loan materials, return postage is supplied via a mailing label to be used with the packing material provided. To receive the service Distance Education students submit a request for the item via the ILLiad system. Patrons will be credited with return of the material on the date that the material is received by UPS Ground Service as indicated in directions that come with the package.

### **Fine Additions to the Access Services Staff**

LaShonda Norfolk joins our staff as a Library Academic Technician III. This is a supervisory position in Circulation. She has been working for Circulation successfully as a student assistant since Spring of 2003. LaShonda will take the lead with issues regarding stacks including signage, shifting, shelf reading, and shelving.

Patty Merritt joins us as a Library Academic Technician at the Circulation Desk. She also has a history of successful employment at the university and knows the community well. Patty considers herself a lifelong student. She is not only a student but also tutors high school students online. She is a single parent, and enjoys spending time with her seventeen year-old daughter. She also has a twenty-seven year-old daughter, four grandbabies, a dog and a cat.

## News from the Collection Development Department by Maureen James-Barnes

### New Journals of Note

*Personality & Individual Differences*, the journal most often requested from Interlibrary Loan, is now available electronically from 2000 to the present.

Although *National Journal* is not new to the collection, electronic access IS new. The Library's subscription includes access to *Hotline*, (daily news synopses of U.S politics and campaigns), *Technology Daily* (news on technology policy), *Congress Daily* (news and analysis on Congress), and the *Almanac of American Politics*.

Other new electronic journals include *Assessing Writing*, *Evolution and Human Behavior*, and *Computational Biology and Chemistry*.

To access any electronic journal, go to the Library's electronic journal finder page and search by title or search the title in the online catalog and click on the link provided there.

### New E-Books Coming

Watch for a new collection of electronic books from a company called ebrary. Special software from ebrary makes their e-books interactive with links to additional web and library resources. More information will be available in the next newsletter.

Among the many worlds that man did not receive as a gift from nature but created out of his own mind, the world of books is the greatest. . . . Without the word, without the writing of books, there is no history, there is no concept of humanity. And if anyone wants to try to enclose in a small space, in a single house or a single room, the history of the human spirit and to make it his own, he can only do this in the form of a collection of books.

— Hermann Hesse

**Ottenheimer News.** Brent Nelson, Editor.

Production and distribution of this newsletter would not be possible without the assistance of the Ottenheimer Library Circulation Department Student Staff.

## Reference Books: New and Noteworthy

reviewed by Brent Nelson

*All Things Austen: An Encyclopedia of Austen's World.* REF PR 4036 .A275 2005

The two volumes of this encyclopedia examine much more than the literary work of Jane Austen (1775-1817). They provide a detailed examination all aspects of life during her life-span with lengthy articles on a wide range of topics including the following: children, clergy, dance, education, etiquette, furniture, gardens and landscape, hair, housework, hunting, London, marriage, music, Napoleonic Wars, pregnancy and childbirth, reading, servants, theater, travel, West Indies.

*A Dictionary of Iraqi Arabic: English-Arabic, Arabic-English.* REF PJ 6826 .D53 2003

Published by the Georgetown University Press, this dictionary uses Romanized transliteration and transcription and is designed for the English speaker who seeks to learn the colloquial speech of Iraq as spoken by educated people in Baghdad.

*Encyclopedia of DNA and the United States Criminal Justice System.*

REF RA 1057.55 .P34 2004

Forensic DNA analysis is increasingly important in the processes of criminal detection, conviction, and exoneration. This work approaches the topic from the standpoint of applied science, sociology, and case law.

*Encyclopedia of Stage Lighting.* REF PN 2091 .E4 B66 2003

What is the difference between a motivated light and a motivating light? These and a thousand other terms are defined here.

*The Engineering Handbook.* REF TA 151 .E424 2005

This massive work covers all fields of engineering. Among topics included are: statics, mechanics of materials, dynamics and vibrations, kinematics and mechanisms, structures, fluid mechanics, thermodynamics and heat transfer, separation processes, fuels and energy conversion, kinetics and reaction engineering, geotechnical, transportation, environmental system and management, water resources, linear systems and models, circuits, electronics, digital systems, communications, computers, instrumentation, surveying, control systems, manufacturing, aeronautical and aerospace, engineering economics, mathematics.

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*Historical Atlas of Ancient Greece.* REF DF 35 .K66 2003

Much more than a collection of maps, this heavily illustrated work has extensive commentary directed to the educated non-specialist and thus provides an overview of almost all aspects of ancient Greek material culture and history.

*The Lives and Times of the Great Composers.* REF ML 390 .S8 2004

This work fills the gap between encyclopedias which offer only brief surveys of the lives and works of the major composers and monographs devoted to only one figure. Forty pages are given to Mozart.

*Medieval Science, Technology, and Medicine: An Encyclopedia.*

REF Q 124.97 .M43 2005

This encyclopedia provides evidence that there was some progress in the applied arts during the medieval period. In other instances, there was regression. Kosmas Indicopleustes promoted a flat earth theory in opposition to the round earth theory of the ancients: "In this view, the Earth is a rectangular plate of four hundred travel days from west to east, and two hundred travel days from north to south, surrounded by the Ocean. At the northern end of the Earth, a cone-shaped mountain rises up, which hides the Sun during the night" (p. 302).

*State Constitutions of the United States.* REF KF 4530 .M33 2006

Rather than being a compendium of the constitutions of the various states, this work is a guide to the developmental history of each state's constitution. It is particularly useful in the case of Arkansas, a state which enacted constitutions in 1836, 1861, 1864, 1868, and 1874.

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## **One-Stop Subscriptions to Federal Government Newsletters**

A growing number of federal agencies are producing online newsletters sent via e-mail. Subscriptions to one or more of these newsletters can be set up by visiting one website, and selecting those that interest you. Topics range from health and education, to defense and international relations.

<http://apps.gsa.gov/FirstGovCommonSubscriptionService.php>

## 2005 Tax forms available online

### United States

<http://www.irs.gov/formspubs/index.html>

The Internal Revenue Service has begun offering interactive online forms. At this time, the forms do not offer computation, validation or verification. Use of these forms will require Adobe Acrobat 5.1 or higher.

### State of Arkansas

[http://www.arkansas.gov/dfa/income\\_tax/tax\\_individual.html](http://www.arkansas.gov/dfa/income_tax/tax_individual.html)

### Quality Research Skills for Students!

Are you discouraged at the quality of sources that your students are using for their research papers? Are you tired of all web sites as sources in their bibliography? The reference librarians have a suggestion to solve this dilemma. Please schedule an instruction session with a reference librarian. We will work with you to develop instruction specifically for your class. Contact Carol Macheak ([cimacheak@ualr.edu](mailto:cimacheak@ualr.edu)) or call 569-8809 to schedule your class. Please have a second date in mind in case your first choice is already taken.

### What is RefWorks?

RefWorks is a bibliographic management tool which can be accessed at the Ottenheimer Library website under the heading "Research Tools." RefWorks enables automatic formatting of bibliographies according to the APA, MLA, Chicago, etc. style manuals. It is particularly useful to those people, especially faculty members and graduate students, who are writing articles or monographs which have lengthy bibliographies. To access RefWorks you will need the group code. To obtain the group code, send an email with your UALR address to [banelson@ualr.edu](mailto:banelson@ualr.edu)

## Ottenheimer Library Building Hours

### Spring 2006:

Monday-Thursday	7:45 a.m. — 10:45 p.m.
Friday	7:45 a.m. — 4:45 p.m.
Saturday	7:45 a.m. — 4:45 p.m.
Sunday	1:00 p.m. — 9:45 p.m.

### Exceptions:

#### *Intersession*

January 2-6	7:45 a.m. — 4:45 p.m.
January 7-8	Closed
January 10-14	7:45 a.m. — 4:45 p.m.
January 14-16	Closed

#### *Spring Break*

March 27-30	7:45 a.m. — 8:45 p.m.
March 31	Closed
April 1	7:45 a.m. — 4:45 p.m.
April 2	1:00 p.m. — 8:45 p.m.

#### *Easter*

April 16	Closed
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#### *Final Exams*

May 7	1:00 p.m. — 11:45 p.m.
May 8-11*	7:45 a.m. — 11:45 p.m.
May 12	7:45 a.m. — 4:45 p.m.

#### *Intersession*

May 13-14	Closed
May 15-19, 22-26	7:45 a.m. — 4:45 p.m.
May 20-21, 27-29	Closed

\*Enjoy free coffee at the Stacks Bar in the outer lobby after 5 p.m.

**Interim Director's Message:**

## **A Strong Library Depends on Faculty Support**

Ottenheimer Library needs your help. In order to continue building a strong library, we depend on the expertise of faculty. We need input from faculty in order to supply those materials and services necessary for faculty teaching and student learning. Every academic department has a corresponding library liaison to assist the students and faculty for that area. If you don't know who your librarian is, please call the library (569-8806) or visit the library web site at <http://winrockefeller.ualr.edu:81/departments/reference/> and search under **Who we are**. Discipline-related reference services, individual training and classroom instruction are available by librarians. Also, if you have materials to donate, or know someone else who does, please contact the library Collection Development Department at 569-8816.

But faculty input should go beyond just collection building. What are the research skills of your students? How do they utilize the library to increase independent learning skills? How does the library enhance faculty teaching? If you feel that your students do not have the research skills your courses require, please contact your library liaison. We would be happy to conduct advanced training that would ensure that your students have knowledge of the available library tools of their discipline and how to use them.

The library is constantly working to expand services and collections to meet the university's curriculum and emphasis on research. To do that, we need your help.

— Bill Traylor

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### **Did You Know?**

- that the library subscribes to over 20,000 periodicals online?
- that the library has approximately 100 online databases and electronic products?
- that the library owns over 1,000,000 sheets of microfiche?
- that almost all of the library's electronic products can be used from off-campus?
- that you can email the Reference Dept. for assistance at "Ask a Reference Librarian" on the library's home page?