Grinnell College Libraries
Annual Report, 2010-2011

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1. An Excellent Library

A highlight of the year for all the Libraries' staff was receiving the 2011 Excellence in Academic Libraries award in the College Libraries category from the American Library Association/Association of College and Research Libraries. We were particularly gratified that the award citation noted the student mentors program as "one example of many connecting the library with students and faculty," since the close bond between students and library staff is manifest in all our work. The award was formally presented on April 29, in an outdoor ceremony that included remarks from President Raynard Kington, Dean Paula Smith, ACRL President Lisa Hinchliffe, and Kathleen Clatanoff, retiring YBP Library Services, the award's corporate sponsor. The $3000 prize covered the cost of an open house on the day of the ceremony and a lunch reception for staff and invited guests, but the majority of the prize was donated to the Drake Community L

2. Librarians Teaching: Information Literacy

http://www.grinnell.edu/library/doingresearch. Tutorial end-of-course evaluations from 2009 indicated that 77% of tutorial students found these sessions helpful. This was a 12% increase over the average for the previous five years. For 2010, we refined our instruction further by focusing on three learning goals for Tutorials: identifying search terms and tools, finding useful sources, and evaluating sources through critical examination. Tutorial end-of-course evaluations from 2010 show that 81% of students found

their information literacy session(s) helpful. This is the highest satisfaction rating our instruction ha

requested from the Listening Room service desk). The proposal was funded and, at this writing, we are preparing for renovation of the Listening Room and Microform storage and reading spaces to begin after Memorial Day. We consulted with faculty and students during the collection arrangement, reserve policies, and similar matters.

Data Analysis and Social Inquiry Lab: Librarians also took a leading role, in concert with faculty and instructional technologists, in developing this new service which provides support for the use of data in classroom exercises, student research, and student and faculty research collaborations.

Consultation spaces: We installed two semi-private consultation spaces in Burling Library to encourage greater collaboration among students and academic professionals. Writing Fellows held regular office hours in these spaces, and students have used them for group study.

7. Supporting Grant-seekers through Data-sharing Plans

The National Science Foundation announced in October that beginning in January 2011 grant applications must include a plan for sharing experimental data with other researchers. We have developed a general set of guidelines for the support the Libraries can offer faculty sharing data, and have worked with two faculty in the Chemistry Department to suggest ways of meeting their grant needs.

8. Developing Collections and Improving Access to Support Teaching and Learning

Subscription review: During the spring semester 2010, faculty collectively reviewed every library journal and database subscription and recommended a large number of changes. Through the summer and into the fall, librarians and staff analyzed and implemented these recommendations, canceling 145 and changing formats for 309. As a result – and with a level-funded budget for 2010-2011 – we gained the budget flexibility to add a significant number of new journal and database subscriptions – 85 journals and 17 databases – which were specifically requested by individual faculty and then thoughtfully prioritized at the department or concentration level. Overall, through a thorough review of our subscriptions we have significantly increased the number of resources to which the campus has access within this year's budget allocation. The Libraries thank the faculty for their participation in the 2009-10 serials review.

Pay-per-view articles: In addition, the Lhe Lvid((71(yci)-1(r)-1(p)6)-1e)-1(r)-1(p,2o(ha8Tc -0.0)-1(r)-1(L022

9. Developing Technology to Support Teaching and Learning

Relais: We contracted for a new Interlibrary Services system. Grinnell is the first US academic

focus a search further. At the top of the results screen are suggestions for related searches. This beta catalog is powered by VuFind, open-source software originally developed at Villanova University.

10. Staff Changes

As the year closes, we are poised for a significant set of changes in the Libraries' staffing. During the

Appendix I: Notable New Collections and Databases (Print, Digital, Video, and Audio)

Publications of the Amana Colonies: We received a gift from Professor Jon Andelson of 94 books printed by the Amana Society or its predecessors between 1750 and 1920, making ours one of the premier collections for the study of this important separatist religious community.

The Publishing History of Don Quixote: We received a large collection of materials on Spanish literature from the Estate of Emeritus Professor Helena Percas de Ponseti, including multiple editions of Don Quixote and other works by Cervantes. The Cervantes editions have been cataloged for Special Collections, as documentation of the changing cultural significance of this master work of world literature.

New Database Subscriptions: Besides the new journal subscriptions, new database/full text subscriptions include Art & Architecture Complete, BioOne.1, China Academic Journals Database, Congressional Record Permanent Digital Collection, Digitale Bibliothek Deutscher Klassiker, JSTOR (four additional collections), Latin American Newspapers (through the Center for Research Libraries), LION (Literature Online), The Literary Encyclopedia, National Newspapers Core, New York Times Historical, Pravda Digital Archive, and PsycBOOKS. We also purchased the microfilm collection Red Stockings (an archive of the Feminist movement of the 1960s and 1970s).

Appendix II: Librarian and Staff Activities, 2010-2011

Lisa Adkins

Community Service:

Grinnell Garden Club

Grinnell Historic Commission

Julia Bauder

Publications:

Julia Bauder, Beth Bohstedt and Phillip Jones, "Mu

Chair, Government Documents Round Table of the Iowa Library Association

Virtual Member, Communications Committee, College Libraries Section of the Association for College and Research Libraries:

Sheryl Bissen

Professional Service:

Iowa Library Association Awards Committee

Community Service:

Board Member, St. Mary's Parish Foundation

Beth Bohstedt

Publications:

Beth Bohstedt, Julia Bauder and Phillip Jones, "Muchos Mentores in Iowa: The Pedagogy of Student-to-Student Mentoring in Information Literacy," Fiesta de Excelencia: Thirty-ninth National LOEX Library Instruction Conference Proceedings, Fort Worth, Texas, May 5-7, 2011.

Presentations:

"Advice, Empathy and Education: Student to Student Mentoring in Reference Service," Beth Bohstedt, Julia Bauder and Phillip Jones, Iowa Library Association/Association of College and Research Libraries Spring Conference, Pella, IA, March 2011.

"Muchos Mentores en Iowa: The Pedagogy of Student to Student Mentoring in Information Literacy," Beth Bohstedt, Julia Bauder and Phillip Jones, 2011 LOEX Conference, Fiesta de Excelencia, Fort Worth, TX, May, 2011.

College Service:

Supervisors' Study Group

Community Service:

Christian Education Director, Grace Community Church, Grinnell

Continuing Education:

Studies toward M.S. in Library and Information Science, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Gail J. Bonath

Publications:

Nancy Roderer and Gail J. Bonath, "ASIS&T Task Force Sponsors People to People Visit to China," Bulletin of the American Society for Information Science and Technology (2010), vol. 35, no.6: p.10-12.

Presentations:

"Educating Information Professionals from Around the World," with Gwen Alexander, Pascal Calarco, Anne Caputo, Rumi Graham, Guoqiu Li, Ann Prentice, Yukiko Sakai, Nancy Roderer, and Gail Bonath, American Society for Information Science and Technology Conference, Pittsburgh, PA, October 2010.

College Service:

P-Card Committee

Professional Service:

People to People Citizen Ambassador Information Professionals Delegation to Beijing and Shanghai, China, April 2010.

Nancy Cadmus

Community Service:

Grinnell Human Rights Commission

Grinnell League of Women Voters

Mediator (volunteer), Poweshiek County Small Claims Court

Sharon Clayton

Publications:

The Eclectic Review (http://eclecticreview.wordpress.com/)

College Service:

Disability Committee

Continuing education:

Studies toward B.S. in Library and Information Science, University of Maine-Augusta

Kevin Engel

Presentations:

"On Being Essential: Making Connections and Facilitating Access, Collection Development as Public Service," Kevin Engel, Rebecca Stuhr, and Cecilia Knight, Iowa Library Association/Association of College and Research Libraries Spring Conference, Pella, IA, March 2011.

College Service:

Public Events Committee

Professional Service:

Purchasing Coordinator, Iowa Private Academic Libraries Consortium

Richard Fyffe

College Service:

Art Acquisitions Committee

Campus Plan Update Steering Committee (member) and Task Force on Academic Commons (leader).

Technology Assessment and Planning Committee

Web Audit Committee

Vice-President/President-elect, Phi Beta Kappa

Instructional Support Committee (ex officio).

Professional Service:

Board of Directors, Center for Research Libraries

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University Press Content Consortium Library Advisory Board

Manuscript reviewer for C&RL

Leslie Gardner

College Service:

Benefits Committee

Community Service:

Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Milo Public Library

Chris Gaunt

Community Service:

International peace delegation to Afghanistan, March 6-15, 2011

Kim Gilbert

Community Service:

Grinnell Newburg School Counselors Advisory Committee

Grinnell Newburg School Planning Committee

President, Grinnell United Methodist Women

Chairperson, Grinnell United Methodist Missions Committee

Donna Hoeksema

Presentations:

"Volunteering in a Kenya College Library: Meeting Preservation Challenges and Needs," Iowa Conservation and Preservation Consortium (ICPC) Statewide Preservation Workshops "Save Our Stuff" at Sioux City Public Museum, June 3, 2011

Professional Service:

Iowa Conservation and Preservation Consortium
State Board member
Save our Stuff Planning Committee
Chair, Events and Marketing Committee

Community Service:

1st Friends Church in Grinnell
Sunday School Teacher for the Adult Quarterly
Library Committee – Chairman
Christian Education Committee – member
Choir member
Choir accompanist (on rotation)

Chris Jones

Presentations:

"Building an Active Learning Community through Student Collaboration," ILA/ACRL spring conference, Central College, Pella, IA, March 18, 2011

College Service:

Ad-Hoc Digital Asset Management Task Force

Phillip Jones

Publications:

"The Mission of Little Star: Juana Manrique de Lara's Contribution's to Mexican Librarianship," Libraries and the Cultural Record, 45:4 (2010): 469

Tutorial and Advising Committee

Rita Cecilia Knight

Presentations:

"On Being Essential: Making Connections and Facilitating Access, Collection Development as Public Service," Kevin Engel, Rebecca Stuhr, R. Cecilia Knight. Iowa Association of College and Research Libraries Annual Conference, Pella, IA, March 2011.

"Interdependence of General Education and Inf
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Co-Director of the adult choir at First Friends Church

Volunteer, Drake Community Library

Jean Reavis

Community Service:

Chairperson, City of Grinnell's Park & Recreation Board

Continuing Education:

Rare Book School, Charlottsville, VA, June 6 - 10, 2011

Catherine Rod

Appendix III: Librarians and Staff, 2010–2011

Lisa Adkins, Library Assistant (Interlibrary Services)

Julia Bauder, Data Services Librarian

Sheryl Bissen, Library Systems Support Specialist

Beth Bohstedt, Manager of Access Services

Gail Bonath, Systems Librarian

Nancy Cadmus, Library Assistant (Serials)

Jean Reavis, Library Assistant (Cataloging)

Catherine Rod, Special Collections Librarian and Archivist of the College

Doris Selix, Library Assistant (Serials) (retired July 2010)

Sherry Shults, Desk Supervisor (Days) (retired June 2011)

Shealey Sieck, Library Assistant (Cataloging)

Rebecca Stuhr, Collection Development & Preservation Librarian (resigned June 2011)