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**IEEE Xplore Workshop**

Get those special tips and searching secrets for the most effective use of the IEEE Xplore database. The WSU Libraries are hosting two one-hour workshops on Tuesday, 17 September 2002, in the Owen Science and Engineering Library, Room 465 from 1:15-2:15 PM and 2:30-3:30 PM. No registration is required.

**Expanded Online Coverage of IEEE Publications**

Full-text access to IEEE transactions, journals, magazines and conference proceedings has been expanded from 1995 back to 1988. All current IEEE Standards are also now available. To access these publications point your browser to http://www.systems.wsu.edu/griffin/indexes.htm and choose IEEE Xplore from the Article/Indexes and Other Databases drop down list.

**All_of_Nature_Now_Online!**

This summer, access to online Nature Publishing Group publications was expanded to include not only Nature, but also the Nature monthly and review series. The monthly series includes Nature Biotechnology, Nature Cell Biology, Nature Genetics, Nature Immunology, Nature Medicine and Nature Neuroscience. The Nature reviews series is comprised of Nature Reviews Cancer, Nature Reviews Drug Discovery, Nature Reviews Genetics, Nature Reviews Immunology, Nature Reviews Molecular Cell Biology, Nature Reviews Neuroscience and Nature Reviews Structural Biology. As with all our electronic journals, links can be found with title searches in Griffin, the libraries’ online catalog (http://griffin.wsu.edu/search–) and in the electronic journals list (http://www.wsulibs.wsu.edu/ejlist/).
**Good Reads**

Looking for some good reads for your students? WSU Librarians have compiled a unique resource. Good Reads. This 80-page booklet lists some 230 annotated readings recommended by members of the WSU teaching faculty.

Good Reads, affectionately dubbed “The WSU Best-sellers List”, was shaped around four general purposes: to encourage recreational reading among current and prospective WSU students, to facilitate investigation of majors or research topics, to highlight the WSU teaching faculty and to inform users about the Libraries and other book related resources. Several campus partners assisted in the effort: the General Education Program, the Office of University Relations, The College of Liberal Arts, The Honors College, and The Bookie.

A limited number of copies are available through the Bookie. An online version is in production and will be available to all through the Libraries’ Web site. Watch the WSU Libraries news (http://www.wsulibs.wsu.edu/general/News-Events.htm) and the next Library Update for an announcement of its online availability. The online version will offer regular updates as well as “hotlinked” titles that will take the reader directly to the appropriate library record.

**From the Director**

Welcome to the revitalized Library Update! After a publishing hiatus of several years, the WSU Libraries have reinstated this publication in order to keep WSU faculty apprised of changes in the Libraries. Our intention is to publish the Library Update twice a year and to include articles about new resources and services. If space permits, we will also highlight materials or programs of special interest for the WSU community.

Like all research libraries, the WSU Libraries are living in an era of rapid change. Every year we spend more of our resources budget to license access to electronic databases and journals while still continuing to buy thousands of items in print. The brief articles in this issue of the Update highlight some of our more recent acquisitions and give a bit of background about the complexity of figuring out how to pay for new resources.

Despite all the changes underway, the WSU Libraries remain committed to offering broad and deep collections and excellent services. Our goal is to be your preferred information provider. If there are ways we can better serve you, please let us know!

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**Getting the $$$ Together**

If you’ve wondered about the process that goes into providing access to electronic resources, here’s an example of our machinations. Funding for Nature came from savings accrued from cancellation of the paper subscription and the Facilities & Administrative funds that come from WSU’s federal grants and contracts’ overhead. Purchase of the Nature monthlies (Biotechnology, Cell Biology, Genetics, Immunology, Medicine and Neuroscience) was a collaborative purchase with contributions from four WSU libraries. The Owen Science and Engineering Library provided funding for the Nature review series in cancer, drug discovery, genetics, immunology, molecular cell biology, neuroscience and structural biology.

**Images and Sounds**

Want photos, graphics, audio? Try AccuNet AP Multimedia Archive - Associated Press’ current year’s photo report and a selection of images dating from the 1840s. This online resource includes: An International photo archive and a Euro/Asian photo archive; a graphics database with graphics, maps, illustrations and logos prepared by Associated Press graphic artists; an audio database of over half a million searchable audio clips dating back to the 1920s, with clips as recent as 48 hours. For the text oriented among us, there is a text database with more than 700,000 pieces of text from the Associated Press. As always you will find this online resource, and lots of other goodies, in our list of Article/Indexes and Other Databases at http://www.systems.wsu.edu/griffin/indexes.htm.
Hi! Oh! and a Hearty Handshake!

Lynn Chmelir, Assistant Director for Collections, attended the Harvard Leadership Institute for Academic Librarians sponsored by the Association of College and Research Libraries and the Harvard Institutes for Higher Education. The program focused on helping academic librarians build leadership and managerial capacity under increasingly demanding circumstances.

Scott Walter, Head of Education Library, and Lorena O’English, Social Sciences Reference and Instruction Librarian, both attended the Association of College Research Libraries Institute for Information Literacy’s 2002 Immersion program. The program provides intellectual tools and practical techniques to build or enhance instruction programs.

Cindy Stewart Kaag, Head of the Science Libraries, is president of the Reference and User Services Association (RUSA) this year. RUSA is one of the major divisions of the American Library Association.

WSU Manuscripts, Archives, and Special Collections has earned a $350,000 National Endowment for the Humanities grant towards the creation of the Northwest Digital Archives. This is a collaborative project among fifteen repositories in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana to create an Internet-accessible database of finding aids.

Daryl Herbison, a database manager in Systems, created “Gnarly Harley,” a driftwood sculpture that tied for first place in the “Local Artists in the Spotlight Contest” sponsored by the Northwest Museum of Arts & Culture.

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