**Head, Journalism Librarian Update**

Victoria McCargar, candidate for the position of Head, Journalism Librarian, has withdrawn from consideration citing another employment opportunity. As such, there will be no open presentation by her on February 2nd. The search committee is continuing to review the applicant pool for additional candidates to consider.

~Leo Agnew
Personnel Coordinator

**Informed Citizens in the Global Information Common**

**Presentation by Geoff Swindells**

**Thursday, February 9th, 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm**

**Instruction Room 1, 4th floor, Ellis Library.**

The Staff Development Committee invites you to join Geoff Swindells as he discusses the paper he presented this past August at the 71st IFLA General Conference in Oslo, Norway. In his paper, Geoff begins with the troubling fact that while citizens in a global society require access to a wider and more diverse range of political information than ever before, the very technologies that enable this access also tend to bypass the kind of complex learning environments, like libraries, where citizens can learn to make productive use of that information. However, rather than marking the irrelevance of the library for contemporary citizenship, he goes on to argue that political literacy in the network society may actually depend upon bringing the sophisticated reference structure of the library to the network. He concludes with some thoughts on some of the challenges faced by libraries as they negotiate this transition.

For information on future SDC programs, visit our calendar at:
http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/sdc/program.html.

RSVPs not required. Release time available with supervisor approval.

-Staff Development Committee

**Personnel Updates**

Hello to Joe Sardo, part-time Security Guard. Joe's duties include closing the library at 2:00 am. Joe formerly worked in Security as a student security guard.
Library Anniversary Recognitions

A new item is presented here...a list of employees celebrating start dates with the MU Libraries. This month’s feature January anniversaries:

1/2/2005, Alan Jones
1/4/2001, Edward Parker
1/5/1987, Tony Schwartz
1/5/1998, Anne Barker
1/6/1976, Cathy Menzel
1/8/1990, Jerri Eldridge
1/11/1993, Hunter Kevil
1/12/1981, David Truesdell
1/14/1974, June DeWeese
1/16/1996, Geoffrey Swindells
1/18/1996, Rebecca Graves
1/21/1997, Michael Holland
1/27/2004, Brad Winter
1/28/1991, Gwen Gray
1/28/1991, Michael Muchow
1/28/2004, Cathy Stubbs
1/31/2000, David Walsh
1/31/2005, Caroline James

Look for February’s list...well...next month.

MU Libraries Vacancies

Office Support Staff III – MU Libraries Administration & Reference Services - A full description of the position may be found at the following address: https://www.missouri.edu/~hrswww/application/vacdetails.php?vac=1001984.

Library Information Specialist I - Ellis Library A full description of the position may be found at the following address: https://www.missouri.edu/~hrswww/application/vacdetails.php?vac=1001900

Head, Journalism Libraries-University of Missouri-Columbia - A full description of the position may be found at the following address: http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/admin/job_postings/J_Librarian.mht.

Web Development Librarian MU Libraries - A full description of the position may be found at the following address: http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/admin/job_postings/Web_Libr_mht.mht.

NOTE: Depending on candidate qualifications, this position will be filled at the academic level of Librarian II or III, or as an Education Technologist (a non-academic title). The Education Technologist title is listed at MU’s Human Resources’ website: https://www.missouri.edu/~hrswww/application/.