God Sleeps in Rwanda

The Staff Development Committee invites you to view the Oscar nominated short documentary "God Sleeps in Rwanda." This award winning film examines the role of women in the rebuilding of their devastated nation. Dr. Barbara Bauer, a local psychologist, scheduled to go Rwanda in April to train trauma counselor trainers for the Rwandan Women's Network, will probe the implications of this work and conclude with a question/answer session. Please join us for this event.

- 10:30 am – noon
- March 17, 2006
- Library Instruction Room 1

RSVPs not required. Release time available with supervisor approval. For information on future SDC programs, visit our calendar at: http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/sdc/program.html.

~Staff Development Committee

Grants Task Force Charge

The Grants Task Force will make recommendations to the Director of Libraries on the implementation of an effective program of grants-management for the MU Libraries. The Task Force will complete its work no later than June 1, 2006.

In carrying out its charge, the Task Force will explore ways to foster and sustain a culture of grant writing within the Libraries, define the components of a successful grants program, and propose a transparent and straightforward process for grant preparation and review. The Task Force will also collect information on grant opportunities and compile information about successful grant applications by MU Libraries staff.

Members: Ellen Blair, June DeWeese, Brenda Graves-Blevins, Janice Dysart; Geoff Swindells, Judy Maseles (Chair), and Hunter Kevil.

Tornado Preparedness

An unpleasant component of spring in the Midwest is the threat of tornados. So that students and staff will be made aware of emergency procedures in the event of an actual tornado warning, Ellis Library will be participating in a City-wide, voluntary tornado drill on Tuesday, March 14, 2006 at 1:30 pm.

An announcement will be made via the Ellis Library public announcement system regarding what to do at the beginning of the drill. Any patrons and Library Staff who wish to take part in this exercise are more than welcome.

A very special thanks to Jason Touchatt, Ellis Security, for coordinating this effort.

Personnel Update

Goodbye and good luck to Melissa McAbee, LIS I, Ellis-ILL.

When we remember we are all mad, the mysteries disappear and life stands explained.

~Mark Twain
Spring Fling

Winter doldrums? Wishing spring was sprung? Here’s a picker upper:

Join MULSA for a Spring Fling Celebration!

March 15, 2006
2:00-4:00
Ellis Staff Lounge

We’ll be celebrating any and all Spring holidays between February and May, including:

Groundhog Day
Valentine’s Day
National Anthem Day
Mardi Gras

Earth Day
Librarian Day
National Tartan Day
Cinco de Mayo
...And many more!

Bring a dish to share (in theme or not) and join us for the festivities!

Happy Early Spring...

~MULSA Social Chair
Karla Geerlings
Summer Schedule Now Posted Online

Summer and Intersession hours for the branches and Ellis Library (including Copy Services) are now posted at: http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/Admin/hoursmaps.htm.

Printed copies will be distributed to divisions and branches as soon as possible.

Brownbag Informational Session

Hunter Kevil will be giving an informative brownbag session summarizing the presentations he attended at the Printed Resources and Digital Information Conference entitled “The Future of Coexistence,” recently held at the University of Oklahoma Libraries.

Please bring your lunch and join Hunter to learn more and discuss the issues raised.

• Date: March 14th
• Time: Noon-1pm
• Location: Room 159 Ellis Library

Further details regarding the conference can be found at the following link: http://libraries.ou.edu/conferences/conf2006/index.asp?page=pro1.

Financial Planning Seminars – A Good Investment of Time

The Staff Development Committee would like to inform library employees that Bob Almony is presenting two financial planning sessions this spring at the request of Human Resources.

Taking Charge of Your Finances
Tuesday, May 23, 2006
8:30 am-noon
S206 Memorial Union

Principles of Investing on a Shoestring Budget; or, How to Get Rich Slowly
Thursday, May 25
8:30 am-noon
S206 Memorial Union

For a description of each course, go to the SDC program calendar web page, located at: http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/sdc/program.html. Registration information can also be found at that link. Supervisor approval is required to attend. If approved, release time is granted to attend courses sponsored by Human Resources. Employees in Administrative, Service & Support titles have first dibs on seating, but employees in academic titles can register and attend on a space-available basis. With both sessions scheduled for rooms in the Memorial Union, space should not be a problem.
MU Libraries Vacancies

**Library Information Assistant** – Interlibrary Loan Department - Lending, Access Services, Ellis Library
A full description of the position may be found at the following address:
https://www.missouri.edu/~hrswww/application/vacdetails.php?vac=1002155

**Library Information Assistant** – Ellis Shelving/Reserve - A full description of the position may be found at the following address:
https://www.missouri.edu/~hrswww/application/vacdetails.php?vac=1002122

**Monograph Cataloger - MU Libraries-University of Missouri-Columbia** - A full description of the position may be found at the following address: http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/admin/NewsNotes/Job_ads/Monograph_Cataloger.htm

**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/.

Please submit articles to *News Notes* editor, Kathy Lowery (loweryka@missouri.edu), by noon on Thursdays.