Honorable Mention

David Walsh, Electronic Resources Specialist in Acquisitions, was recently invited to join IngentaConnect's Library Advisory Group (ICLAG). David was chosen by ICLAG based on favorable recommendations from staff with whom he dealt with at the company.

IngentaConnect is a leading provider of technology and services to the publishing and information industries. Many of the electronic journals that MU Libraries subscribes to are hosted on Ingenta.

This board will consist of 10 members, chosen from across the United States and other countries. The group plans to meet at least once a year on a formal basis, with travel and associated costs paid for by Ingenta.

Congratulations David—this is quite an honor.

Conference Report

Goodie Bhullar will be reporting on the LOEX conference next Wednesday, May 17th at 10:00 am during the Library Instruction Committee’s weekly meeting in the Reference Conference Room. Those interested in information literacy are welcome to join.

Personnel Updates

◆ Goodbye to Sue Halaweh, LIS II, Acquisitions. Sue is getting married and relocating this summer.

◆ Best wishes to Sue and congratulations on the forthcoming marriage.

Happy Mother’s Day

A mother is she who can take the place of all others but whose place no one else can take.

~Cardinal Mermillod

In search of my mother’s garden I found my own.

~Alice Walker

The heart of a mother is a deep abyss at the bottom of which you will always find forgiveness.

~Honore de Balzacc

Wish you were here.
We’d do brunch at your favorite spot.
You’d be primping when I arrived at your door
Grinning like the little girl you once were.
We’d talk nonsense and laugh like loons while sipping mimosas in the sun.
We’d ponder the antics of our crazy relatives, shake our heads and sigh.
I’d be proud that you were happy in the company of your daughter.
Miss you mom.

~Anon.
Tour of UMLD Facility

Curious about what happens to materials when they are sent to the UM Library Depository on Lemone Industrial Boulevard? The Staff Development Committee and the employees of the UM Library Depository invite you to tour the depository, meet the staff, and see how materials are processed, stored and retrieved.

On May 17, 2006 there will be three shuttle trips to the UMLD departing at approximately 1:00 pm, 1:30 pm, and 2:00 pm. Actual departure times and locations will be based on RSVPs. Travel time to the depository takes approximately 10–15 minutes. The tour of the depository facilities will be approximately 30 minutes in length.

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RSVPs are necessary. Release time is available with supervisor approval. Seating for each tour is limited so please RSVP early!

Please send your choice of tour times to Roger Knouff at knouffr@missouri.edu.
A Brief History of the Origins of Mother’s Day

Relatively few people realize that Mother’s Day didn't start out as a Hallmark holiday. In fact, it was originated through the work of Julia Ward Howe who, in 1870, was appalled at the slaughter going on during the Franco-Prussian War. She issued her Mother’s Day Proclamation and began a campaign two years later to establish an annual Mother’s Day for Peace festival. Below you will find the text of the proclamation followed by a short history:

**Original Mother’s Day Proclamation, Julia Ward Howe, 1870:**

Arise then, women of this day!
Arise all women who have hearts, whether your baptism be of water or of tears!
Say firmly:
'We will not have questions decided by irrelevant agencies.
'Our husbands shall not come to us reeking of carnage for caresses and applause.
'Our sons shall not be taken from us to unlearn all that we have been able to teach them of charity, mercy, and patience.
'We women of one country will be too tender to those of another country to allow our sons to be trained to injure theirs.
'From the bosom of a devastated Earth a voice goes up with our own, it says "Disarm! Disarm!"
'The sword of murder is not the balance of justice.
'Blood does not wipe out dishonor, nor violence indicate possession.'

As men have forsaken the plow and the anvil at the summons of war, let women now leave all that may be left of home for a great and earnest day of counsel.
Let them meet first as women, to bewail and commemorate the dead.
Let them solemnly take counsel with each other as to the means whereby the great human family can live in peace, each bearing after his time the sacred impress not of Caesar, but of God.

In the name of womanhood and humanity, I earnestly ask that a general congress of women without limit of nationality be appointed and held at some place deemed most convenient and at the earliest period consistent with its objects, to promote the alliance of the different nationalities, the amicable settlement of international questions, the great and general interests of peace.

In 1870, Julia Ward Howe of Boston, Massachusetts, the famous lyricist of 'Battle Hymn of the Republic', appalled at that time by the outbreak of the Franco-Prussian War, wrote the above proclamation, had it translated into French, Spanish, Italian, German, and Swedish, and disseminated it internationally.

In Julia's own words, "The question forced itself on me, 'Why do not the Mother’s of mankind interfere in these matters to prevent the waste of human life, which they alone bear and know the cost? I had never thought of this before. The august dignity of motherhood and its terrible responsibility now appeared to me in a new aspect."

Julia went to London in 1872 to try to organize her conference, and when an established peace organization there would not let her speak to them because of her gender, she hired a hall and conducted her own meetings. However, this work did not come to any quick fruition, and Julia returned to Boston.

But Julia Ward Howe did not give up. She began to promote a festival to be known as Mother’s’ Day, to be devoted to the advocacy of peace, and to be celebrated on June 2 each year, which in Boston is a good time for outdoor meetings and in the midst of the flower season.

This initiative was successful, and Mother’s Day was celebrated for many years in Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Edinburgh, London, Geneva, and even in Constantinople (Istanbul). However, a later effort organized by Anna Jarvis to commemorate her mother's death eventually also became popular, and since it did not include the same controversial call for peace and conflict resolution, it eventually gained the political 'upper hand'. Motherhood itself, not the more controversial idea of women coming together in activism for peace, prevailed.

However, what Julia wrote in 1870 is generally considered to be the original Mother’s' Day proclamation. The 'Festival of Peace' she called for and worked so hard for did not take place until 1904. However, it was decided there to set aside one day in the year to prompt women to work toward resolving conflict peacefully.

In 1914, by popular demand and without reference to its actual pacifist origins, US President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the second Sunday of May as Mother’s’ Day in the United States of America.
MU Libraries Vacancies

**Graduate Library Assistantship** – Rare Books & Special Collections. A full description of the position may be found at the following address: [http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/admin/NewsNotes/Job_ads/GLA_Rare_Books.htm](http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/admin/NewsNotes/Job_ads/GLA_Rare_Books.htm)

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