MU Libraries Search Committee Update

The Deputy Provost Office has authorized recruitment for the position of Assistant Director, User Services. The Screening Committee for the position is composed of Jim Cogswell, chair, Goodie Bhullar, June DeWeese, Diane Johnson, Michael Muchow, and David Walsh.

A national recruitment effort will be conducted for the position with ads appearing in print June 1. Ads will be distributed around that time on list-serves and posted on web pages. A copy of the full ad is included in this edition of News Notes.

~Leo Agnew
Personnel Coordinator

Library Forum to Discuss MU Libraries’ Mission Statement

Date: June 16th, Friday
Time: 9-10:30 am
Location: Memorial Union, Jesse Wrench Auditorium, Room 107 South

You are encouraged to attend this meeting to discuss the final draft of the MU Libraries’ Mission, Values, and Strategy Statement.

Release time available with supervisory approval.

Personnel Updates

Hello and welcome to Ralph Sieli, LIS I, HSL-Circulation. Ralph received a Bachelor's in Geography from the University of Missouri. He brings to the job several years of office support experience, including an appointment in Cashiers/Payroll in Jesse Hall.

Grads We Salute Your Achievement!
Another graduate to salute. Congratulations Jessica!

* Jessica Havin, Bachelor's, Education, MU

Monday, May 29th, Memorial Day Observed
Alliance Library System Online Innovation Institute Library 2.0 Extravaganza!

The Staff Development Committee is sponsoring a set of four web casts (see below) on **Thursday, June 15th** in Library Instruction Room 1 on the 4th floor of Ellis Library. Staff are encouraged to come and go to the web casts throughout the day. RSVPs are not required. Release time is available with supervisor approval. For information on future SDC programs, visit our calendar at: [http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/sdc/program.html](http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/sdc/program.html).

**WEBLOGS & LIBRARIES**  **8:30-9:30 am CST**
An in-depth look at the Biblioblogosphere - all things blogs, libraries, and librarians. We'll discuss best practices and lessons learned to make your library blog the most dynamic area of your web site!

**INSTANT MESSAGING: DO YOU IM?** **10:00 am-11:00 am CST**
How are libraries and librarians using Instant Messaging? This session explores a grass roots effort by many libraries to meet users where they interact online. We'll explore best practice and implementation strategies.

**SOCIAL SOFTWARE: A SURVEY OF WEB 2.0** **11:30 am-12:30 pm CST**
Librarians are finding their users are interacting online in social spaces and sites: creating content, collaborating, and building communities? What are some of the thriving social sites? How can we participate in sites like MySpace and Facebook?

**CREATING STAFF BUY IN FOR NEW TECHNOLOGIES** **1:00-2:00 CST**
No matter what Web 2.0 technology you start with, a key element is staff buy in. We'll present Ten Tips for Staff Buy-in and offer takeaways to get the ball rolling.

Speaker: **Michael Stephens**, Writer/Trainer/Teacher/Tame the Web Blog

Speaker Biography:
Holding an MLS from Indiana University, Michael Stephens has spent the last fifteen years in public libraries working as a reference librarian, technology trainer and manager of Networked Resources and Training at the St. Joseph County Public Library in South Bend, IN. His most recent position in the public library setting was as Special Projects Librarian, focusing on technology, policy and planning. Beginning in the fall of 2006, Michael will be joining the Graduate School of Library and Information Science at Dominican University in River Forest, IL as an Instructor. He is finishing up his IMLS funded Interdisciplinary PhD at the University of North Texas. Active in ALA, he has presented at library conferences locally, nationally and on the international level as well as workshops for libraries and library associations. In 2001, he published The Library Internet Trainer’s Toolkit --a series of technology training modules in CD-ROM with Neal-Schuman Inc in and in the U.K. with the British library Association in 2002. In 2005, he was named a Library Journal Mover and Shaker and served as a Scholar at the Chicago Public Library's Scholar in Residence program. He has written for Library Journal, co-authors a department in Computers in Libraries magazine with Rachel Singer Gordon, and currently writes for the ALA TechSource Blog and his own blog, Tame the Web. His Library Technology Report Best Practices for Social Software in Libraries will be published by ALA TechSource in 2006.

We hope to see you there!

~Staff Development Committee
The University of Missouri-Columbia (MU) seeks qualified applicants for the position of Assistant Director for User Services. Reporting to the Director of Libraries, this is a newly-constituted position responsible for providing leadership in creating and administering a unified public service presence across the library system. Responsibilities include:

- Oversee major units responsible for reference/instruction, collection development, access services, ILL/Document Delivery, and branch libraries.
- Provide leadership in planning, implementing, managing, and assessing programs related to serving users across the library system.
- Participate in strategic planning, budgeting, and fund-raising activities.
- Serve on central administrative group, headed by Director of Libraries.
- Represent MU Libraries nationally, regionally, and locally in such activities as fund raising, outreach, and community service.

A recent organizational review of the Libraries recommended the hiring of a senior administrative position to oversee user services across the library system. The report of the Organizational Review Task Force (ORTF) is available at the following URL: http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/admin/ORFTReport.pdf. Additional information concerning the organizational review effort is available on the Libraries Staff Webpage: http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/admin/staffweb.htm.

Minimum requirements: MLS from an ALA accredited program or equivalent. Minimum of six years of experience in academic or research libraries. Proven abilities in communication, management, and problem-solving. Strong customer service orientation. Awareness of current and emerging trends in information technology. Record of active involvement in professional activities.

Preferred qualifications: (Preference will be given to candidates with the strongest combination of the following qualifications.): At least four years of progressively more responsible managerial or administrative duties in academic research libraries. Experience in successfully planning, implementing and evaluating programs serving academic library users. Demonstrated ability to work with people in a collegial, consultative, and collaborative environment. Knowledge of current trends in scholarly communications. Experience in fund-raising and grant-writing.

Salary: Commensurate with qualifications and experience. Benefits include vested retirement after five years, University medical benefits package, and other generous fringe benefits, including 75% tuition waiver. (Detailed benefits information available at the following website: http://www.umsystem.edu/ums/departments/hr/benefits/) Moving expenses covered up to 10% of negotiated salary. This is a non-tenured academic appointment with the rank of Librarian III or IV, also depending on qualifications and experience.

Application Instructions: Preference for applications received by June 30, 2006, but résumés will be accepted until position is filled. Position available September 1, 2006. Submit résumé and names/addresses (including e-mail) of three references to:

Leo Agnew, Personnel Coordinator, agnewl@missouri.edu, or mail to:
104 Ellis Library
University of Missouri
Columbia, MO 65201

University Environment: Established in 1839 as the first university west of the Mississippi River, the University of Missouri-Columbia offers over 250 degree programs and is one of the five most comprehensive universities in the nation. The MU Libraries serve a student body of 27,000 and a faculty of 1,800 with a collection of 3.2 million print volumes, 35,000 journal titles (in print or online) and 6.8 million microforms. Columbia is located in the middle of the state, 2 hours by auto from St. Louis and Kansas City, and 1.5 hours from the Lake of the Ozarks recreational area. With approximately 90,000 residents, Columbia has been named in the top 20 cities in the U.S. by Money magazine in recent years. According to the American Chamber of Commerce Researchers Association (ACCRA), the cost of living in Columbia compares very favorably with other major university communities.

For more information on the MU Libraries, visit the following site: http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/. For information on the University of Missouri-Columbia: http://web.missouri.edu/index.cfm. For information on the city of Columbia, visit: http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/.

The University of Missouri-Columbia is committed to cultural diversity and it is expected that successful candidate(s) will share in this commitment. MU is an equal opportunity/ADA institution and encourages applications from women and minority candidates. For ADA accommodations during the application process, please call 573-882-4701. Relay Missouri users call through 1-800-735-2966.
**MU Libraries Vacancies**

**Security Guard (part-time)** – Administration, Ellis Library. A full description of the position may be found at the following address: [https://www.missouri.edu/~employment/vacdetails.php?vac=1003237](https://www.missouri.edu/~employment/vacdetails.php?vac=1003237)

**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)

**Library Information Specialist I** – UM Libraries Depository. A full description of the position may be found at the following address: [https://www.missouri.edu/~employment/vacdetails.php?vac=1002988](https://www.missouri.edu/~employment/vacdetails.php?vac=1002988)

**Assistant Director for Technical Services** – MU Libraries. A full description of the position may be found at the following address: [http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/admin/NewsNotes/Job_ads/AD_TS.htm](http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/admin/NewsNotes/Job_ads/AD_TS.htm)

**Library Information Specialist I** – Acquisitions Dept., Technical 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=1002278](https://www.missouri.edu/~hrswww/application/vacdetails.php?vac=1002278)

**Monograph Cataloger** – A full description of the position may be found at the following address: [http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/admin/NewsNotes/Job_ads/Monograph_Cataloger.htm](http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/admin/NewsNotes/Job_ads/Monograph_Cataloger.htm)

**Head, Journalism Libraries** – A full description of the position may be found at the following address: [http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/admin/job_postings/J_Librarian.mht](http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/admin/job_postings/J_Librarian.mht)

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