The Numbers Don’t Lie: ELTC Renovation a Success

The success of the Engineering Library and Technology Commons (ELTC) renovation cannot be denied. In comparing last year to calendar year 2006, the ELTC saw a:

- 156% increase in turnstile count;
- 40% increase in the use of print reserve books; and
- 83% increase in the use of electronic reserves.

The use of the ELTC has been increasing throughout the year. In comparing winter 2006 with fall 2006, there was on average a:

- 7.6% increase in turnstile count;
- 17% increase in the use of print reserve books;
- 76% increase in the use of laptops; and
- 3.2% increase in the circulation of regular books and journals.

From February 1, 2006 through December 18, 2006:

- 158,964 people visited the ELTC;
- 96,261 electronic reserves materials were used;
- 1,066 reserve books were circulated;
- 1,474 laptops were checked out; and
- 6,799 regular books and journals circulated.

On December 6, 2006, 1,649 people come into the library, which is a record for one day.

“The students appear to like the spacious layout of the computers and the large number of chairs on wheels which accommodate group use of computers,” stated Judy Maseles, Head of Science Branches. “The laptops have also proved very popular. I have seen students gather around one workstation with one or two also using laptops in the group. The students also make use of the tables for group study.”

The ELTC has been written up in the IATS newsletter, Mizzou Weekly, Mizzou Magazine, the MORENet newsletter, the College of Engineering Web site, and the Libraries newsletter. Maseles’ will also be making a presentation about the ELTC at the HELIX conference in March.
**ALL STAFF MEETING**  
*Wednesday, January 10, 2007*  
*3:00-4:30 p.m.*  
*Ellis Auditorium*

The MU Libraries will hold its next all staff meeting on Thursday, January 10, 2007. Light refreshments will be provided including a cake courtesy of the Communications Advisory Group. An agenda will be generated prior to the meeting, but items for presentation or discussion will include:

- Libraries Marketing Campaign;
- MU Libraries Web site redesign; and
- ORTF progress update.

A repeat feature is an opportunity for staff to submit questions for the Director prior to the meeting. You can send questions between now and Monday, January 8, to CogswellJA@missouri.edu. As many questions as time allows will be addressed during the All Staff Meeting. Please put “Questions for the Director” in the subject line of your e-mail.

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**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE MINI-RETREAT**  
*Wednesday, January 3, 2007*  
*1:00-5:00 p.m.*  
*S110 Memorial Union*

A reminder that the MU Libraries’ Affirmative Action Committee (AAC) is undergoing a self-review of its charge and activities with the end goal of better understanding its role in supporting the Libraries’ and the University’s commitment to diversity and equal employment opportunity. To this end, they will have a mini-retreat the afternoon of Wednesday, Jan. 3.

Past members of the AAC are invited to attend and participate in the retreat to help provide historical data about the committee as well as input on its current and future role. You are asked to self-identify by RSVP-ing to Michael Bland, chair of the AAC, at BlandM@missouri.edu.

Other current committee members are Jack Batterson, Paula Roper, Wayne Sanders, and Leo Agnew, ex officio.
MU Libraries Vacancies

**Assistant Director for User Services.** A full description of the position may be found at the following address:
http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/admin/Posdesc/Admin/AD_US.htm

**Digital Resources Cataloger and Digital/Tangible Media Cataloger.** Full descriptions of the positions may be found at the following address:
http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/admin/NewsNotes/Job_ads/Catalogers.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

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**Goodbye to Justin Rio, LIA, Access Services Circulation/Reserve.** Justin left to take a job in Nebraska relevant to his Bachelor's degree emphasis.

**Congratulations to Dustin Hoffmann on his promotion to full-time security guard.** Dustin will be the evening shift security guard.