

## A Note from the Interim Dean

As we approach Fall Semester, there are a number of changes that will affect Libraries and Media Services. First, as most of you know, we are welcoming a new Provost. Paul Gaston comes to us from the University of Northern Kentucky. Dr. Gaston began his duties on August 2. Don Tolliver, Dean of Libraries and Media Services for the past 15 years, has been appointed Vice President for Information Services. We wish Don the best in his new duties. Jeff Gatten, Director of Collection Management, will be moving temporarily to the Office of Institutional Research and Decision Support for the 1999-2000 academic year. Jeanne Somers will oversee Collection Management in Jeff's absence, assist with the completion of our strategic planning effort, and keep responsibility for Special Collections donor relations and programming. Last, Susan Barnard, Director of Access Services, has accepted an offer of a similar position at North Carolina State University. Susan will be with us through October 8. In her 20 years with Kent State University, Susan has made countless contributions. We will all miss her. For this year, Cindy Kristof, Document Delivery Librarian, and Robert Gray, Manager of Lending and Collection, Access Services, will each manage portions of Access Services after Susan's departure. Amid all these changes, we have some things to be thankful for: our new Provost is here, enrollment is up, and Kent's football team will have winning season!

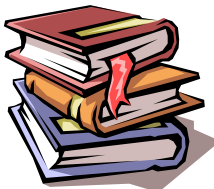
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### Changes in Reserve Services, Policies in the Main Library

Several changes have taken place in Reserve Services in the Main Library. Effective June 1, Judy Salvador is Coordinator of Reserve Services, both print and electronic.

Changes in reserve policy have been affected by the Libraries' strategic planning process. Beginning this Fall, the number of journal articles, book chapters, and other copyrighted materials that can be placed on Reserve will be limited to 25 per course. For each article, there will be a limit of one copy for every ten students, up to a maximum of three copies. Instructors who wish to assign more than 25 articles for class readings are encouraged to consider ordering coursepackets through Audio Visual Services' Copy Center, 3rd floor, Main Library.

There will continue to be no limit on the number of books placed on Reserve; however, any materials (books or articles) which are not used will not be retained on Reserve for subsequent semesters. Circulation statistics (i.e., total checkouts) will be available to instructors upon request. Finally, electronic reserve services are being expanded to support



distributed learning courses and other courses which have traditionally used print reserves for instructor-produced materials. For more information, contact the Reserve Office (672-7906, ext. 30).

### Course Packets in 1999

The new Copyright Clearance Service and the Library Copy Center are the new course packet producers for the University, replacing Greyden Press. To order course packets visit the Copyright Clearance Service in Audio Visual Services, Main Library.

This office will take your order, review printing and binding options, consult with you about any materials that may need copyright clearance, and provide a per item cost estimate. Copyright clearance will then be secured if needed and possible, and the job forwarded to the Library Copy Center to produce the copies and to deliver them to the new Follett University Bookstore and DuBois Bookstore. For information contact Fran Burkert (672-3456, ext.19, [fburkert@lms.kent.edu](mailto:fburkert@lms.kent.edu)).

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## Herman Melville, A Pictorial Chronology



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The Kent State University Libraries cordially invite you to attend a reception marking the opening of the exhibition "Herman Melville, A Pictorial Chronology" on Wednesday, September 15th, from 4:00-6:00 p.m. in the Department of Special Collections and Archives Reading Room (Library Room 1212). The materials being exhibited are from the private collection of Melville scholar, A.C. Christodoulou, who will be traveling to Kent from his home in Volos, Greece, to attend the opening.

Mr. Christodoulou's collection was first exhibited in 1997 during the First International Conference of the Melville Society of America, held in Volos. The exhibition includes images and documents related to Melville's family history: his voyages as a crew member on a whaling ship, his return to Boston, and his residency in New York. Melville's novels are represented by a fascinating array of maps, photographs, and manuscript material and by Mr. Christodoulou's original artwork.

Following the reception, which is free and open to the public, the Libraries will host a dinner in the Conference Suite of the Kent Student Center. Those interested in joining us for dinner and a brief program can make reservations for \$20 per person. For additional information or to make reservations, please contact Jeanne Somers,

### Wick Poetry Series Reading

On Wednesday, September 22nd, the Kent State University Libraries and the Wick Poetry Series will host a reading by Ed Sanders at 7:30 p.m. in the Department of Special Collections and Archives Reading Room (Library Rm 1212). A poet rooted in the anti-war movement of the 1960s, Sanders began his literary career as publisher of a notorious literary journal which in its motto promised a "total assault on culture," and featured the work of Beat poets Paul Blackburn, William S. Burroughs, Gregory Corso, Lawrence Ferlinghetti, and Allen Ginsberg. As a poet in his own right, Sanders marks the transition from the post-World War II restlessness of the Beats to the revolutionary activism of the 1960s. Do not miss this opportunity to hear him reading and discussing his poetry.

### ??Did you know??

A recent article in *Nature* reports that the publicly indexable World Wide Web now contains about 800 million pages found on 3 million servers. A similar study in December 1997 found that six of the major search engines covered 60% of the publicly indexable Web. The current study found the combined results of the search engines studied provided only 42% coverage.

The authors also found that there is relatively little overlap between the major Web search engines, suggesting that Web coverage is improved through the use of metasearch engines (such as MetaCrawler) which utilize multiple search engines in their processing. The article also raises a cautionary note about the bias present in search engines and the lack of currency in the indexing of new or modified pages. [Lawrence, S. & Lee, C. (8 July 1999). Accessibility of information on the web. *Nature*, 400, 107-109.]

A selection of search engines, metasearch engines, and related tools can be found at: <http://www.library.kent.edu/internet/netsearch.html>

### Research Collection Awards: Call for Proposals

In support of the research mission of the University, Libraries & Media Services established a budget line in 1990 to further strengthen the Libraries' collections in research materials.

Proposals are now invited from faculty who wish to submit a research collection request for primary research materials in any format. Secondary research material (e.g., journal indexes) or materials requiring a continuing commitment of funds (e.g., journal subscriptions) will not be considered. Past purchases through this award include: *New England Women & Their Families in the 18th & 19th Centuries*, back issues of *Annals and Magazine of Natural History*, *Historic American Engineering Record*, and *The Video Library of Philosophy* (Davidson & Quine Series). The Research Collection Award program is conducted in coordination with the University Research Council. A three-member faculty committee evaluates proposals based on the strength of the contribution to be made to the Libraries' collections.

The deadline for proposal submission is October 15, 1999. Funded proposals will be announced in December 1999. Contact Laura Bartolo, Coordinator, Collection Development and Liaison Program (672-3024, ext 31, [lbartolo@kent.edu](mailto:lbartolo@kent.edu)) for further information.



### Testing Electronic Books

To learn more about the potential of electronic books for users and libraries, OhioLINK has acquired a selection of titles from NetLibrary. By going to their site, you will be able to "check out" any book that you wish to peruse. Eventually, we expect that these materials will be accessible through KentLINK and the OhioLINK Central Catalog.

The NetLibrary site is at: <http://www.netlibrary.com>

A guide for the use of these electronic books will be found at: <http://netlibrary.com/libguide.asp>.

# Update on Library Services

## the library tutor learning at your convenience

**Introducing the library tutor— learning at your convenience.** The Libraries are developing a set of tutorials to provide a guided introduction on the use of selected information resources. These tutorials are Web-based, making them accessible at any time or place. We hope you will find this format useful and welcome any suggestions you may have. Additionally, we would like to work with classroom faculty on how these might be developed to serve specific course needs. Contact Barbara Schloman with comments (672-3045, ext.42, [schloman@kent.edu](mailto:schloman@kent.edu)).

Available tutorials are listed at: <http://www.library.kent.edu/tutorials/>

- ◆ Searching *PsycINFO*
- ◆ Searching the *ISI Citation Indexes*
- ◆ Searching the *Nursing Literature*
- ◆ Searching the *World Wide Web*

## E-mail Notification

You can now receive via e-mail selected library notices that you would otherwise receive through campus or U.S. Mail. This e-mail notification can be sent to *kent.edu* e-mail accounts or any other valid e-mail address. After submitting your completed application, you will receive an automated e-mail requesting confirmation of your request. If no confirmation e-mail is received within one week, you should reapply, making certain you enter your e-mail address correctly. Note: OhioLINK e-mail notification is not available at this time. More information can be found at: <http://www.library.kent.edu/services/emailform.html>

### Type of notices to be e-mailed:

Overdue Notices  
Pickup Notices for KentLINK and InterLibrary Service Items  
Faculty Automatic Renewal Notices  
Hold Cancellation Notices

### Notices that will not be e-mailed, but will be sent via Campus or U.S. Mail instead:

Recall Notices  
Bills for Lost Materials  
Statement of Charges

## Eight-campus Request Forms

The Libraries have streamlined the online procedure for an interlibrary request for materials, as well as for asking a question of a librarian. Now, requestors from all campuses use the same forms. The system directs the request automatically to the home campus library for handling. If needed, the request will be forwarded to another library within the Kent system. The forms are:

- **Interlibrary Request Form**  
<http://www.library.kent.edu/cgiacc/illreq2.pl>
- **Ask a Librarian**  
<http://www.library.kent.edu/reference/equest.html>



## Sixty-Minute<sup>+</sup> Seminars Fall 1999

Another series of instructional seminars are being offered to the University community. Experienced seminar leaders from Libraries and from New Media will provide an introduction to a variety of resources and tools. The seminar descriptions and online registration form are available at: <http://www.library.kent.edu/60min/>

## Award for the OhioLINK EJC!

The OhioLINK Electronic Journal Center (EJC) was selected in July by the Midwest Legislative Conference of the Council of State Governments (CSG) as one of two Midwest exemplary state government programs that are innovative and have the potential to be adapted for use in other states. It is one of only eight programs selected for 1999 across the nation and will be featured in CSG publications and special brochures and at the national CSG meeting in December.

## APA Style for Electronic Formats

The American Psychological Association has updated its recommended style for electronic formats. The new guide is called "Electronic Reference Formats Recommended by the American Psychological Association." It replaces their earlier guide "How to Cite Information From the Internet and the World Wide Web." The new guide is at: <http://www.apa.org/journals/webref.html>

# Database News

## Dataware 3.0 Changes:

A variety of changes have been implemented for the Dataware interface used for many of the OhioLINK databases. Some of the major enhancements include:

- Search history appears after the first search is completed. Using set numbers, users can combine sets, combine a set with a new search term, or return to a previous set.
- “Check availability” now displays the user’s home library first. It is then possible to link to the home library catalog, that of another OhioLINK library, or the OhioLINK Central Catalog.
- “Full text available” now links to the Electronic Journal

Center for many databases.

- Timeout is extended to 20 minutes.
- OhioLINK Acceptable Use Policy is a main screen link.
- Search can be limited to last database update.
- Post-search sort options allow both a primary and secondary sort.
- Pre-limiting is now possible with thesaurus searches.
- Thesauri permit selection of multiple terms from the “Explore” display.

**New Databases:** OhioLINK has added a number of new databases over the summer. They are listed below under the type of search interface used. All can be accessed through the Libraries’ Website at <http://www.library.kent.edu>.

## Eureka:

- *Bibliography of the History of Art* covers art-related books, conference proceedings and dissertations, exhibition and dealers’ catalogs, and articles from more than 2,500 periodicals on European and American art from late antiquity to the present.
- *Chicano Database* identifies all types of material on Mexican-American topics and about Chicanos from 1967 to the present. Since 1992 coverage includes the broader Latino experience, including Puerto Ricans, Cuban Americans, and Central American immigrants. The database also includes the *Spanish Speaking Mental Health Database*.
- *FRANCIS* covers a wide range of multilingual, multidisciplinary information in the humanities, social sciences, and economics. It is strong in religion, the history of art, and literature, with particular emphasis on current trends in European and world literature.
- *Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals* covers international law, comparative law, and municipal law of countries other than the United States, British Isles, and British Commonwealth. It indexes articles as well as book reviews from more than 450 legal periodicals.

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- *Index to Hispanic Legislation* describes the national laws, decrees, decree-laws, and regulations of the Spanish-speaking nations of Latin America plus Haiti, Brazil, the Philippines, Portugal, Spain and Portuguese-African nations.
- *Inside Information Plus* indexes articles on all topics appearing in 21,000 of the most-requested titles in the British Library Document Supply Center’s collection of 65,000 serials.
- *Russian Academy of Sciences Bibliographies* describes books, manuscripts, dissertations, and articles from more than 10,000 periodicals in the social sciences and humanities published in the Commonwealth of Independent States and Eastern Europe.
- *SCIPIO* describes art auction and rare book catalogs for sales from the late sixteenth century to scheduled auctions not yet held. Records include the dates and places of sales, the auction houses, sellers, institutional holdings, and titles of works.

## FirstSearch:

- *ArticleFirst*: Index of articles from nearly 12,500 journals.
- *ContentsFirst*: Table of contents of nearly 12,500 journals
- *GPO*: U.S. government publications
- *NetFirst*: OCLC database of Internet resources
- *PapersFirst*: An index of papers presented at conferences
- *Proceedings*: An index of conference publications
- *UnionLists*: OCLC Union Lists of Periodicals
- *WorldAlmanac*: Full-text of the *World Almanac*

## Dataware:

- *ABC POL SCI*
- *Business and Industry*
- *Contemporary Women’s Issues*
- *GEOREF* (replaces the SilverPlatter version)
- *Humanities Abstracts*
- *Sociological Abstracts* (replaces the Cambridge version)

