

LDLT Meeting

June 28, 2018

In Attendance: Eric Acree, Gerald Beasley, Bonna Boettcher, Femi Cadmus (notes), Greg Green, Curtis Lyons, Mary Ochs and Anne Sauer
Guests: Caitlin Finlay and Maureen Morris (in person), Camille Andrews and Neely Tang (virtually).

Portal Update

Camille Andrews, Maureen Morris and Neely Tang joined to provide a Portal update. The portal uptake form is experiencing some activity. So far, one faculty member has expressed interest in the Myanmar Portal and will serve as a good test case. Generally uptick is expected to happen after the Portal is seen in action. Once the portal has been tested, there will be opportunities for library staff to visit and VIP sessions (faculty and media will be invited). Gerald commented that after the 3-month pilot, we'll examine doing it again.

Other highlights:

There will be a list of locations on the Wiki

A full calendar will be made available to denote availability on the portal website and guide. The Cornell events calendar is being taken into consideration when scheduling the Portal calendar, but any events taking place on campus LDLT thinks the Portal team should know about would be greatly appreciated.

A social media/communications plan is also being developed

Gerald proposed looking into developing FAQs for library staff.

SHARES Onsite Borrowing

Caitlin Finlay joined to provide information on the new SHARES on-site borrowing program:

- This will be similar to the current Borrow Direct program
- Currently, the Shares participating program allows only for on-site access without borrowing privileges. This will now be different because patrons will be able to check out books.
- The plan is to initially get 10 participating libraries in the program and possibly expand in the future
- Estimated timeline for deployment is August/September 2018

Library Updates

Eric Acree

Job has been posted for the Access Services Supervisor position (20 hours per week) at the Music Library.

Eric Acree, Tom Ottaviano and Tony Cosgrave's presentation has been accepted at the upcoming ACRL/NY 2018 Symposium (December 7, 2018). The title of the presentation is, "Challenging Whiteness Through the Use of Library Research in Africana and Latino Studies."

Gerald Beasley

New AUL, Dianne Mizzy is arriving August 1 and will have oversight of Xin's interim reports. Meetings are being scheduled to visit libraries.

Bonna Boettcher

- The summer workshop series is beginning this week: first the School of Criticism and Theory series, including sessions on Digital Privacy, Scrivener, and more; and work continues on planning a staff development series for late July/early August, that will be advertised to all Cornell staff.
- Reunion activities were successful: well-attended workshops, a study room naming dedication; a campus-wide Scavenger Hunt that included several stops in Uris; and a lively Cocktails in the Cocktail Lounge reception.
- We are close to finalizing contract with CaiaSoft for a new inventory management system for the Annex.
- The search for the OKU Collection Manager is proceeding.
- The Digital Humanities/Scholarship Summer Fellowships program is underway with a cohort of 8; the group presented project proposals Monday. This six-week program is funded jointly by CUL and the Society for the Humanities.
- Front entrance work continues with the usual surprises expected in working with older construction.

Femi Cadmus

The Cornell Law Institute for high school students is scheduled to take place at the end of the week. The program of events can be found here

https://law.library.cornell.edu/sites/default/files/2018%20Summer%20Institute%20Program_3.pdf

Greg Green

Preparations for the Wason Centennial and the associated conference are going well. The exhibit is up, with the exception of the cases in RMC that will be installed after the Witchcraft exhibit comes down.

Curtis Lyons

We have completed 4 HLM searches. We will be relisting the Kheel Director position and launching a search for a 1-year, half time Reference Assistant in the Management Library.

- The Museum of the City of New York will be launching an exhibit on labor in NYC in May that will have a number of items from the Kheel Center's collection. Kheel will be a "co-presenter" and this will offer a number of publicity and development opportunities.
- A [digital collection](#) featuring material from and on the Jewish People's Fraternal Order, part of the International Workers' Order, is now live. The collection was curated by Jonathan Boyarin and Elissa Sampson from the Jew Studies Program and funded by a DCAPS grant.
- Catherwood donors Harriet Morel Oxman and Bill Carroll, both from ILR's class of '48, attended reunion and enjoyed seeing campus and the library.

Jill Powell (excused and updates submitted prior to meeting)

The Cornell Reunion events co-hosted by the Math Library and the Math Department were a great success. We had a healthy mix of math alumni, crocheting enthusiasts, and families with children in the library, totaling 100 people. Many thanks to Henrik Spoon who did a lot of work organizing this event.

Some highlights:

- Two new display cases had been stocked with mathematical objects on loan from members of the math department.
- A 3D printer printed a neon-orange letter pi, plus a display of assorted 3D printed objects.
- Kids got to play with mathematical toys from the collection of Prof. Bob Connelly, and received his help when needed.
- We had a scavenger hunt set up for kids (6-10 yrs) with 18 questions and a prize for those who answered at least 5 questions.

- Fun math books for kids were on-loan from the Alternatives Library for them to read and browse.
- Math books used by the first math students at Cornell were on display.
- The movie Flatland was playing continuously
- Lecture on History of the Math Department
- Crocheting and Math talk and exhibit with Adjunct Associate Professor Daina Taimina

Pictures and documents related to the event can be found here:

<https://cornell.box.com/s/8cgn1dxtuildd3p7p4x5rx6dyh0rl056>

Anne Sauer

650 visitors to RMC for Reunion, with the Oz Ball serving as a major draw. Staffing changes and interim arrangements. Getting ready to post Assistant Director for Technical Services position, and developing an interim staffing plan for interim period. Next exhibit: "Mixed Media: interplay of sound and text", opening September 20.