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The Centennial Library *CedarLINK E-News*, published 4 times during the academic year, is provided to assist its readers in becoming more knowledgeable about Library resources and services at Cedarville University. Comments and questions are encouraged.

LIBRARY NEWS

Staff and Service Highlights

LIBRARY ANNUAL REPORT REVEALS THREE MILESTONES ACHIEVED

OhioLINK borrowing: The Centennial Library was involved in over 19,000 lending and borrowing transactions through OhioLINK during the 2002/2003. Materials borrowed through OhioLINK by Cedarville faculty and students exceeded 11,000 for the first time, a 35% increase over 2001/2002.

Total Library Collection use: The total number of collection use transactions exceeded 80,000 for the first time in the history of the Centennial Library. The volume of materials use is up 10% since 2000/2001.

Library materials processing: During the fiscal year, over 11,000 items were added to the collection, up 64% over the previous high of about 6,700 in 2000/2001. This effort eliminated the processing backlog and assures the speedier processing of new materials into the collection. This major accomplishment was made possible by a broad re-structuring of the Collection Services department, re-assignments for department staff, and significant training for those involved in the cataloging process.

PLAGIARISM WORKSHOP PRESENTED BY LIBRARY FACULTY

Plagiarism is an increasingly challenging issue facing faculty and librarians. With the increased access to on-line information and the ability to “cut and paste,” the temptation to copy can be very alluring. On Tuesday, October 28th, in cooperation with the University Writing Center, Centennial Library faculty are presenting a workshop entitled “Detecting and Preventing Plagiarism.” For those unable to attend, workshop materials can be requested from **Tonya Fawcett, Assistant Library Director for Reader Services** and **Lynne Funtik, Senior Reference Librarian**. Faculty may also be interested in a recently released issue of *CQ Researcher* devoted to the problem of plagiarism. Entitled “Combating Plagiarism” (September 19, 2003), it is being freely offered at <http://library.cqpress.com/images.cqres/pdfs/color/cqr2003-919C.pdf>.

WHAT'S NEW

Library Resource and Service Updates

NEW ELECTRONIC RESOURCES AVAILABLE FROM OHIO LINK

The editors of the *Encyclopædia Britannica* have introduced a new web product which provides access to over 2,000 primary documents from American History. *Annals of American History* contains speeches, poems, memoirs, editorials, cultural criticisms, pictures, video clips and audios of speeches. From *Discovery of the New World* by Christopher Columbus and *Starving Time in Virginia*, by John Smith in 1607-1614 to *Columbine High School Murders*, by John P. Stone in 2000 and *Declaration of War on Terrorism*, by President Bush, in 2001, a wealth of historical material is only a click away.



Woodcut from *A New Guide to the English Tongue*, a child primer by Thomas Dilworth.

Annals of American History is accessible from **CedarLINK**, the Library's home page under "Research Databases by Title." It is searchable by timeline, author, topics in American history, or key word searching.

Each search result will allow you to limit to documents (print) or multimedia. As a preface to each document is an editorial note which helps to place the material in its historical context.

Results can be e-mailed or printed. A guide for citing each document assists in providing the correct citation for inclusion in a bibliography.

Recently added to the OhioLINK literature collections are three new full text poetry databases: **20th Century African American Poetry Collection**, **20th Century American Poetry Collection**, and **20th Century English Poetry**. They are searchable on the new OhioLINK e-book software. The *American Poetry Collection* and the *African American Poetry Collection* have been reloaded to be searchable via the new software as well. The databases can be searched individually or through a multiple

collection search. Several search options are available: Full Text, First Line, Poem Title, and Poet. All five databases are available on *CedarLINK* under “Research Databases by Title.”

American Poetry 1600-1900 – A collection of 1200 books of poetry containing more than 40,000 works from over 200 poets.

African American Poetry 1760-1900 – Approximately 3000 poems written by African -American poets in the late Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries.

20th Century Africa-American Poetry - 12,000 poems and biographical profiles of more than 100 African-American poets.

20th Century American Poetry – Collected works and individual volumes of poetry covering the works of most major twentieth-century American poets; over 52,000 works from more than 316 poets.

20th Century English Poetry - Over 44,000 poems by 288 poets.



UNIVERSITY FACULTY IN PRINT

Recognizing Faculty Scholarship

John Whitmore, *Assistant Professor of Geology*, Buddy Davis, and Mike Liston
The Great Alaskan Dinosaur Adventure: A Real-Life Journey Through the Frozen Past
Green Forest, AR: Master Books, 1998. 135 pages.

What would it mean to the current perceptions of science if it could be proven that dinosaurs did not die 65 million years ago, but much more recently? This book documents the journey of a team of five scientists and researchers, as they made their way through a very remote section of Alaska in a search for frozen, unfossilized dinosaur bones. The team endured incredible hardships to reach the site in the Alaskan wilderness, and in the process they uncovered unfossilized dinosaur bones, which lie in a remote, frozen wasteland where man has rarely been. If the bones are still unfossilized, how could they be 65 million years old? This story truly recounts an adventure.

ALUMNI IN PRINT

Carrying the Torch to Their World

Leslie [Leyland] Fields (*Class of 1979*), *Editor*
Out on the Deep Blue: Women, Men, and the Oceans They Fish

New York: St. Martin's Press, 2001. 352 pages

This book, edited by Cedarville alum Leslie Fields, is the first collection known of first-person accounts of commercial fishing written by the men and women who work the nation's most dangerous occupation. The essays, one of which is also written by Fields, vary in length, structure, and voice, but include a diversity of geographies, fisheries, and themes. Leslie Fields is currently an assistant professor of English at the University of Alaska. Since 1978, she has followed the schools of ready-to-spawn fish out to a remote island where she, her husband, and their five children are involved in commercial fishing for salmon. She has written two other books: The Entangling Net: Alaska's Commercial Fishing Women Tell Their Lives, and The Water Under Fish, a volume of poetry.

LIBRARY POLICY BEAT
Reviewing Library Policies and Operational Issues

LIBRARY HOLIDAY AND SEMESTER BREAK HOURS

The following are the public hours for the Centennial Library for the Thanksgiving and Semester breaks. Please plan your schedules accordingly.

Thanksgiving Break:

November 26	Close at 3:00 p.m.
November 27-29	Closed
December 1	8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
December 2	Resume regular hours

Semester Break:

December 12	Close at 5:00 p.m.
December 13	Closed
December 15-19	8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
December 20-27	Closed
December 29-31	8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
January 1	Closed
January 2	8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
January 3	Closed
January 5	8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
January 6	Resume regular hours

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