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The **Centennial Library E[lectronic] News[letter]**, published 5 times during the academic year, is provided to inform about, encourage the use of, and heighten awareness about Library resources and services at Cedarville College. Comments and questions are encouraged.

OHIOLINK - NEW LENDER SELECTION ALGORITHM IMPLEMENTED

The Fall Quarter found the Library completing its first full year on the OhioLINK patron initiated borrowing (PCirc) system. The number of borrowing/lending transactions for Fall quarter 1997 was up 33% over Fall quarter 1996 to a total of 4,711. What is new is the 156% increase in the number of materials lent to other institutions. In order to achieve lending/borrowing equity at every institution, OhioLINK implemented a new lender selection algorithm in the central computer early last Fall. For those libraries, like Cedarville's, that had been borrowing significantly more materials than they were lending (in other words, net borrowers), the computer would now select those libraries first to loan materials in order to even out the lending load. The hope was that there would eventually no longer be extreme net borrowers or lenders. Where the Centennial Library lent 999 books to other libraries in the Fall of 1996, in the Fall of 1997, following the implementation of the new algorithm, we loaned 2,566 books to other libraries. At the same time, our borrowing of materials for the Fall quarter stayed about the same--2,539 for Fall, 1996, and 2,145 for Fall, 1997. The result is that, during the Fall quarter, the Centennial Library achieved net lender status in the OhioLINK system--lending more than we are borrowing. This change has certainly created an increased work load--33%--for Melinda Howard, Assistant Circulation Manager and Interlibrary Services Coordinator, and those who work with her. They are to be commended for continued excellent service.

ADDITIONAL FULL-TEXT RESOURCES AVAILABLE ON CEDARLINK

A number of new **full-text** databases are available on CedarLINK, the Centennial Library Home page. Simply select **Research Databases** to view these new services.

African-American Poetry - Includes 3,000 poems covering the years 1760 to 1900

American Poetry - Includes 40,000 poems, covering the 17th through the 20th centuries.

The Bible in English - Includes 21 versions of the Bible, covering the 10th through the 20th centuries.

Editions and Adaptations of Shakespeare - Includes 11 major editions and 24 separate

contemporary printings of individual Shakespeare plays.

Eighteenth-Century Fiction - Includes 96 works of prose fiction for the British Isles covering the years 1700 to 1780.

English Poetry - Includes 160,000 poems written by more than 1,350 poets from 600 to 1900.

English Prose Drama - Includes more than 1,800 plays by about 400 authors covering the Renaissance through the end of the 19th century.

English Verse Drama - Includes 2,200 plays by more than 500 authors covering the 13th through the 19th centuries.

STAFF AWARDS PRESENTED

At the Winter Quarter Centennial Library Staff meeting on January 23, 1998, two Library staff members received *CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION FOR DISTINCTIVE SERVICE*. **Luann Nicholas, Circulation Services Manager** received her award in recognition of pioneering efforts in developing an employment program for Circulation Services student staff which emphasizes leadership development, supervisory training, peer evaluation, and personal Christian growth. **Jan Bosma, Associate Director of Library Services**, received her award in recognition of significant vision, leadership, innovation, and persistence in the determination, development, and delivery of advanced information technologies and electronic resources. These awards include a framed certificate, recognition at a Library staff meeting, recognition in the Centennial Library E-News, and a gift certificate.

NEW EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE IN THE MEDIA RESOURCE CENTER

Canon Color Printer

A **Canon 360 laser color printer** is now available in the MRC. The print product is 600x600 resolution with excellent quality in a rapid printing time. All prints, whether paper or transparency, are \$1.00 each. With the new *Fiery* communication technology, prints are transmitted and printed as fast as black and white laser copies.

Data/Video projector

A **Sharp NV1U data projector** is now available for faculty and staff to reserve for off-campus presentations. This projector, supporting laptop computer and video presentations, is the size of an attache case and produces a bright image for audiences of 50 to 100. The remote control has a built-in laser pointer. Faculty and staff may reserve this unit by calling the MRC at 7852.

Disk cameras

Two **Sony Mavica digital still cameras** are now available for use through the MRC.

These cameras utilize a standard floppy disk, allowing the user to save the image as JPEG, load the image directly to a computer, and then open the image from the A:/drive into a software package. One unit has a fixed lens, and the other has a zoom lens. Any HD floppy disk works in the cameras, and the photos may be retouched in Photoshop or Paint Shop Pro. There is no charge for using the cameras.

VARIETY OF LIBRARY USER GUIDES AVAILABLE

Along with serving individuals and classes in addressing research needs and instruction in using library resources, the Reader Services department produces a wide variety of printed and on-line research guides to assist faculty and students in using the Centennial Library resources. Printed guides on Centennial Library resources in 26 specific subjects areas have been prepared. The text of 21 of these guides is also available through the Library Home page--CedarLINK. At the Library *CedarLINK Home page*, select *Reference Services*, then *Library Resources*, then *On-Line Research Guides*, and then *Subject Specific Reference Sources*. The User Education staff also produces guides on specific reference topics like Book Reviews, Periodical Research, Citing Electronic Resources in MLA, Evaluating the INTERNET, etc. The text of some of these guides is also available on CedarLINK. Use the same path described above, but select *User Guides* instead of *Subject Specific Reference Sources*.

User guides are currently being prepared for a number of the new Library information services like Lexis-Nexis UNIVERse. Be watching for those. Copies of all the printed research guides are available near the Reference Desk or you may e-mail your request to **Tricia Walker, Reader Services Technical Coordinator (walkert)**. Please allow several days for large class orders. If you have suggestions for Library Guides on topics not yet covered, please contact **Tonya Fawcett, Reference Librarian and User Education Coordinator (fawcettt)**.

SERVICE REMINDER-- LIBRARY MATERIALS ACQUISITION LISTS ON-LINE

The monthly lists of new Centennial Library acquisitions for the main collection, the reference collection, and the Curriculum Materials Center, are available on-line through the Library Home Page--CedarLINK. We have recently simplified the path. Just go to the CedarLINK Home page and click on *What's New?* At that point, select the acquisitions list that you would like to review.

LIBRARY SPRING BREAK AND EASTER BREAK SERVICE HOURS

The following are the public service hours for the Centennial Library for the quarter and Easter breaks.

Spring Break:

March 13	Close at 5:00 p.m.
March 14	Closed
March 16-18	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
March 19-21	Closed
March 23	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
March 24	Resume regular hours

Easter Break:

April 10	Close at 3:00 p.m.
April 11	Closed
April 13	Closed
April 14	Resume regular hours

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