New Library Resources: GIL-Find & Films on Demand

In July 2010, a new discovery tool, GIL-Find (http://gilfind.gsw.edu/), was unveiled at Georgia Southwestern State University. GIL-Find provides a new look for the Library’s catalog. GIL-Find’s searching is more inclusive which allows users to narrow large result lists by topic, call number area, format, author, language, location, and more. GIL-Find also provides options that allow users to: login to mark favorites and add comments and tagging to records; set up RSS feeds to receive updates to important searches; text call number and location information to a cell phone; link to Amazon reviews, Google Books previews, etc.

GIL-Find is based on the open-source VuFind software developed by Villanova University. It has been implemented at all of the libraries in the University System of Georgia. GIL-Find, as an alternative interface, is a program that sits on top of the original GIL catalog, now known as GIL Classic, in order to operate. So GIL-Find is not a replacement for GIL Classic, it is just a different way to search the catalog and both options are available to you.

Another new resource made available this semester is Films On Demand which is now available via GALILEO for all University System of Georgia institutions. Films on Demand is a state-of-the-art streaming video platform consisting of 7,000 video titles (77,000 segments) in Humanities and Social Sciences, Business and Economics, Health, and Science. Also included is the new collection of United Newsreels which includes an additional 260 titles (1,250 segments). In addition to accessing Films On Demand through GALILEO, videos can be integrated directly into GeorgiaVIEW. If you have any questions about using either of these new resources, please contact the Library at 931-2259.

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GsW Library Celebrates Banned Books Week

This year’s Banned Books Week was held September 25-October 2, 2010. This year’s theme was Celebrating the Freedom to Read. The James Earl Carter Library recently held a trivia contest in honor of Banned Books Week. Monday through Friday, a question of the day regarding a banned book was sent by email to students, faculty and staff members. Participants could also put their answer to the question in the answer box at the Library. All entrants who turned in a correct answer for the day were placed in a drawing pool. One student and one faculty/staff member was chosen from this pool. This year, there were over 300 participants. This year’s winner from the student category was Lee Velasquez. Gary Kline won the event in the faculty/staff category. Each received a $25 gift card to the GSW Bookstore.

Over the years, many authors have had their works challenged for various reasons. These writers include J.K. Rowling, J.D. Salinger, Stephen King, Toni Morrison, John Steinbeck, Maya Angelou and Judy Blume. A few of the many novels that have been questioned over the years include such classics as Of Mice and Men, Catcher in the Rye, The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn, Carrie, I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings and even Are You There, God? It’s Me, Margaret. Harry Potter has flown into the hot seat many times as well. Individuals have even questioned whether the Bible was appropriate.

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FROM THE DEAN’S DESK

With the approach of Thanksgiving, the Library has a great deal to be thankful for. As the articles in this issue indicate, the Library has made great strides in many areas this Fall semester. Upon their arrival in August, our returning and new students, staff, and faculty were greeted by a renovated level 2. New carpeting, new lighting, a fresh coat of paint, an inviting glass wall in the Dr. Harold Isaacs’s Third World Studies area, and a new group study room were just some of the pleasant changes awaiting them. Improvements continue to be made with the anticipated installation of state-of-the-art equipment in our Computer Lab and the impending arrival of wireless throughout most of the Library. I have always stressed the value of collaborations and these improvements are examples of their importance. We are very grateful to Physical Facilities’ support and assistance with a particular thanks to Hugh Slaton and his crew, and to OIIT for their role in updating and implementing our technology.

One of our most important collaborations is our membership in the USG’s GALILEO consortium. Thanks to its efforts, we now have access to a new discovery tool, GIL-Find, and a wonderful new database, Films on Demand.

The theme of collaboration continues with our events and displays program. This Fall we hosted and collaborated on displays with Dr. Robins of the Dept. of History & Political Science and the National Park Service at Andersonville (in honor of our POW’s and MIA’s); the Psychology & Sociology Club (in honor of Mental Illness Awareness Week), and the RCI (in honor of National Family Caregivers Month). We again developed and hosted 2 Events@the Library programs: a popular trivia contest on banned books in honor of the national Banned Books Week and a holiday tree decorating event.

Our instructional program continues to thrive. We again participated in UNIV1000 providing each section with a Library session, tour, and an online tutorial. Many faculty availed themselves of our customized classes program and due to the popularity of our Area B course, Foundations in Information Literacy, we added a second section for the upcoming Spring semester. Both sections filled immediately!

The increase in enrollment has had an observable impact on the Library and its usage by students. We are delighted to be able to continue to provide enhanced services and facilities for them with the assistance of our collaborative partners and the support of our many friends and users. On behalf of the Library and its staff, we wish everyone a happy & healthy holiday season!

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WHAT’S NEW AT THE LIBRARY

Selective List of New Titles/Acquisitions In Fall 2010:

- What is Contemporary Art?
  Terry E. Smith
  N6497 .S65 2009

- Critical Care Nursing Practice Guide
  Elizabeth Simon
  RT120 .I5 S46 2011

- History of the Internet and the Digital Future
  Johnny Ryan
  TK5105.875 .I57 R73 2010

WISH LIST

The Library is grateful to its supporters for their gifts and donations. These are often used to supplement the Library’s limited collections budget. In each issue we will list a few examples of works we would like to purchase from donations.

- Image of the Black in Western Art, Volumes 1-3
  David Bindman and Henry Louis Gates, Jr.
  $475.00

- Feminism and Women’s Rights Worldwide, Volumes 1-3
  Michele A. Paludi
  $295.00

- Islamic Glass in the Corning Museum of Glass, Volume 1
  David Whitehouse
  $95.00
IN THE SPOTLIGHT:

Library Renovations

The James Earl Carter Library underwent some noticeable changes this past Summer Semester. The solid wall to the Harold Isaacs Third World Room was replaced with a glass wall. This made the room brighter and more inviting for the patrons of the Library. The Third World Room also received new carpet and ceiling tiles. This room houses the A-V and Vertical File rooms as well as two rooms dedicated to works about Third World countries donated by retired GSW professor Harold Isaacs. The room also has a meeting area in the center that can be used by students to study or reserved for group use.

The upstairs study rooms around the perimeter of the Library also received a fresh coat of paint.

The Library will continue to strive to make its environment beautiful.

Library Display Program

When you enter the Library, you may notice there are two display cases located near the entrance of the Library. The Library takes great pride in our display cases. Tishana Smith, the Government Document Assistant is the Coordinator of the Library’s Display Program. We are fortunate to have some very informative and beautiful displays.

This semester GSW’s Psychology/Sociology Club sponsored a display in honor of Mental Illness Awareness Week which was held October 3-9, 2010. The display contained a model of the brain, examples of Rorschach test materials, diagnostic equipment, and books and other items representing different aspects of the diagnosis, treatment, and media portrayal of mental illness.

The Library was also fortunate enough to showcase the POW/MIA Exhibit developed in honor of the National Prisoner of War/MIA Recognition Day by DeDe Reyes, Katrisha Lester, and Dr. Glenn Robins of the Department of History and Political Science. One of the display cases contained information on Macon, Georgia native Major Bobby Jones, who is still listed as MIA from the Vietnam War. The display enclosed the MIA bracelets of Major Jones and 4 men who returned from captivity and one whose remains were returned and their stories. The other case was devoted to providing information on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall as well as stencil rubbings of the names of Vietnam POWs who died in captivity and whose names appear on The Wall. In between the cases stood “The Missing Man Table”, which symbolizes the plight of our MIA’s. Every item, including the table itself, has a specific meaning. The Missing Man Table is often used by military groups to honor and remember MIA’s.

During November in honor of National Family Caregivers Month, the Rosalyn Carter Institute for Caregiving is displaying various booklets and pamphlets on family caregiving. There is also a proclamation from Mayor Barry Blount declaring November as National Family Caregivers month in Americus.

During the Christmas Holidays you can find Dalzell Town located in the displays. Dalzell town was created by the Library’s Cataloging and Database Manager, Lee Ann Dalzell. It contains needlepoint villages and figurines. Some of the villages are music boxes.

Please stop by the Library to see some of the wonderful things located in our displays!
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