A Wonderful Time
Reflections on a vibrant organization

This has certainly been a hectic and productive three years for the Friends. As I come to the end of my term as Chair of the University of Arizona Friends of the Library, I gaze on my tenure as a vibrant, fun-filled time. We have certainly come far, and we have farther to go.

The Friends have always had a hand in broad support of the UA Libraries. We have generously funded numerous exhibits and lectures. In the past year we have sponsored such projects as “Reading Our Remains,” “Borderlands,” and the materials from the Works Progress Administration. The Early Book Lecture Series continues to be a wonderful success. This year’s topic, Brilliance of the Middle Ages, had something for everyone interested in Early Books. Bonnie Travers from Special Collections continues to bring us excellent programs.

In addition, the Friends have been instrumental in the rebirth of the Science Engineering Library. The Friends, in partnership with the Parents Association, funded a new Information Commons as well as a new service desk, furniture and carpet. If you haven’t had a chance to walk through the Science Engineering Library on the 2nd floor please do so. It is an energetic and bustling space.

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Anchoring the Rope in the Fundraising Tug-of-War

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n the world of Higher Education there is fierce competition for scarce resources. As state legisla-
tures continually reduce the amount of state support to universities and libraries, it is a tug-of-war with other universities, departments and organizations to find the needed funding for our vision of excel-
ce. The Friends of the UA Libraries is the anchor on our rope to improve our services and resources and you have done yeoman’s duty in supporting our efforts. The Board’s recent decision to purchase the Eighteenth Century Collection Online and the Oxford Online Journals is but one small example of that support. We are indebted to the Friends and grateful for that partnership. There are others who are pulling along with you and grateful for that partnership. There are others who are pulling along with you that I would like to highlight this month.

Library Fee
Over the past several months I have been in communication with Student Body President Erinn Hertzog and President of the Graduate and Professional Student Council Elaine Ulrich to explain the need for a dedicated library fee to support improvement in resources and services. Recognizing that the Library is the heart of the University, both Presidents have strongly supported the fee and have joined me in presenting our proposal to the Provost and the Arizona Board of Regents. I am proud to announce that a fee to support improvement in resources and services. Recognizing that the Library is the heart of the University, both Presidents have strongly supported the fee and have joined me in presenting our proposal to the Provost and the Arizona Board of Regents. I am proud to announce that a fee to support improvement in resources

New Endowments

The Libraries are pleased to announce the establishment of three new endowments in the past several months. Endowments are a unique way to recognize and honor family members and friends with an enduring legacy that will benefit generations to come. Laura and Arch Brown Library Endowment. The Browns were responsible for the recent purchase of Artstor and Business Source Complete and have also set up an endowment for discretionary use by the Dean to make purchases of resources that are needed in diverse subject areas. Susan and Dick Imwalle Library Endowment. Dick Imwalle is the outgoing President and CEO of the University of Arizona Foundation, where he has served since 1978. Dick also managed the very successful Campaign Arizona fundraising effort. The Campaign reached its $1 billion goal in late 2003. The Endowment is set up to support online materials, maintain cutting-edge facilities, fund the purchase of unique materials and digitize collections.

Kate Willock Endowment. Long-time supporter Kate Willock has set up a charitable trust, half of which is designated for general use and half for graduate assistantships. Ms. Willock is currently supporting two graduate assistants for Special Collections and this new gift will be an important source of revenue for the Libraries.

You are invited to make a donation to the library endowment of your choice, or to establish your own endowment. For further information, call 520-621-3485.

Book Sale Nets $13,000
The 2006 Annual Book Sale was held at the El Con Mall January 26 – 29, 2006. Over 600 people visited us during the sale. Our gross income from the book sale was over $13,000 and all of the proceeds are donated to the Library for purchasing needed resources. Our thanks to our Friends board members and volunteers with special thanks to Susan Allen. El Con Mall, for providing store space to the Friends. We are soliciting donations of books and book collections for the 2007 Sale. For more information, visit our website at www.library.arizona.edu or contact Sandy Vasquez at 621-6341 or VasquezS@u.arizona.az...

Steve Bosch Wins Award
The Acquisitions Section of the Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) has selected Stephen Bosch, Materials Budget, Procurement, and Licensing Librarian, to receive its highest award, the 2006 Leadership in Library Acquisitions Award. Sponsored annually by Harrassowitz, the Leadership in Library Acquisitions award is given to a librarian to recognize contributions and outstanding leadership in the field of acquisitions and includes a $1,500 gift.

Early Books Lectures again a huge success
Begun in 2004, the Early Books Lecture Series, sponsored by Special Collections, has proven to be of great importance for those wishing to learn more about early books and the collections of the Library. This year the series was titled Brilliance of the Middle Ages and featured a wide variety of lecture topics, including the Bayeux Tapestry by Dr. Karen Janneck, the Book of Hours by Dr. Albrecht Clausen, Jewelry and Gems by Dr. Julie Eichinger and Illuminated Manuscripts by Alison Beringer. Offered every Wednesday in Febru-
ary, the lectures filled the Special Collections meeting room every week.

"Moving our organization forward cannot happen in a vacuum. Coordination and collaboration...is essential."

CARLA J. STOFFLE
Dean of Libraries and the Center for Creative Photography

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People in the News

Mary Evangeliste is here to set the world on fire and she has a good start. Mary is our new Training Coordinator. Mary was recently a Reference and Instruction Librarian at the American University in Washington, D.C. Mary is the perfect person for her new position. Her philosophy is that "every interaction with a student is a teachable moment for you and them." Her interests continue to be interactive instruction, curriculum design, in-house training and strategic planning. Welcome Mary!

Barbara Hutchinson was recently hired as our new Associate Dean and Team Leader of the Digital Library and Information Systems Team. Barbara has been Director and Librarian at the University of Arizona’s Arid Lands Information Center (ALIC) for nearly twenty years. In that position she has developed and managed extramural projects to disseminate information on the world’s arid regions and related agriculture topics utilizing a variety of print and electronic formats. She is particularly interested in using the full potential of new technologies to bring information and educational resources to the public in a manner that facilitates learning and decision making.

She has also been active in developing AgNIC’s Western Rangelands Partnership and the Rangelands West AgNIC web site which now involves 19 states and participants from land-grant library, extension, and rangelands programs. Barbara has also served as President of the U.S. Agricultural Information Network (USAIN), is currently a member of the Executive Council for the Agricultural Information Specialists (IAALD), and is incoming chair of the AgNIC Executive Board. In addition, she has been involved in providing technical assistance for information management to institutions in other countries including India, Malawi, Kenya, Botswana, Bahrain, and Chile.

Barbara obtained her Ph.D. in Higher Education in 2005 with a minor in Agricultural Education, and also holds a Masters in Library Science from the University of Arizona and a B.A. in History from the University of California, Riverside. We are very pleased that Barbara has chosen to apply her considerable skills to leading the Digital Library and Information Systems Team. Barbara assumes her new duties on April 1, 2006.

Every year Emerald Literati Network Awards for Excellence are given to outstanding papers in journals published by Emerald Publishers. This year Jim Martin and Marianne Stowell Bracke have won an award for their paper Developing criteria for the withdrawal of print content available online published in Collection Building. The award will be given during the 2006 American Library Association Annual Meeting in New Orleans. Congratulations to you both!

The purpose of the Friends of the University of Arizona Libraries is to focus attention upon the needs of the Libraries and to stimulate gifts of funds, books, and desirable collections of materials not otherwise procurable. The Friends sponsor various programs, acquisitions, preservations, and endowments. The association is a non-profit organization founded in 1977 to serve as a bridge of goodwill between the Library and the community.

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In addition, the Board has worked hard to set up a new participation class, the Alexandria Circle. The Circle is for those members that donate $1000 or more and the benefits are terrific. Not only do members get invitations to special functions and events, personal meetings with authors and other guests, but they also get remote access to Academic Search Premier, an electronic database that allows you to search full text articles from nearly 1,000 publications. Membership also included access to Business Source Alumni, a database that provides the full text from nearly 800 business magazines and journals.

We’ve had some good times along the way, as well. The recent McGarrity Dinner at the Mountain Oyster Club was a fun evening of visiting with our friends and getting to know mystery author Michael McGarrity a little better. Speaking of authors, our very own Judy Janice once again opened her home to us for a celebration of the Women of Mystery collection. This year our guest was Margaret Coel, author of eleven mystery novels and a series of short stories. The party at Judy’s was followed by a luncheon at the Arizona Inn featuring Judy and Margaret. Judy continues to be one of our biggest supporters and a valuable Friend (as well as a new Board member).

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Dee Ann Sakrison
Chairman, Friends of the Libraries

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Upcoming Exhibits

Our curators have some truly unique and interesting exhibits planned on a wide variety of subjects in the upcoming months. We hope that you will stop by to view them! Please note that some of these exhibits are still tentative. For more information, please contact Special Collections at (520) 621-6423.

Special collections gallery
22 Leaders: Sketches of University of Arizona Presidents
May 12 - September 8

Anne Edmunds
Olive C. Dale
Ashley Dixon
Fred Drumlevitch
David Earl
K. Christian Etzold
W. A. Fultz
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Patricia P. Stephenson
Leslie Salt
Liz Talley
Jerry Ward
Justin Y. Wu

A Hearty Welcome!
The Friends would like to welcome Frank McDaniel and George Shirley to the Board.

Frank is the owner and the Registered Principal of Financial Advisory Associates, Ltd., which is a branch of LPL Financial Services. While not an alumnus, Frank has been involved with the UA since moving to Arizona in 1975. He has served as President of the Parents Association, a Board member of the Capital 100 drive and an “A” Team Member of Maricopa County. Not only is Frank committed to the UA but also to his wife of 38 years, Donna. The McDaniel’s have 5 children and 5 grandchildren.

George has had an illustrious career as an administrative attorney with the Nationwide Insurance Companies in Portland, Oregon but his latest achievement is as a Summa Cum Laude graduate of the UA in Spanish and History!

Friends Trends is published three times a year by The University of Arizona Libraries for the Friends of the Library. The newsletter provides information about events and library activities that we think the Friends will find of interest. Story ideas are welcome; email them at any time to Dave Baca at bacasa@email.arizona.edu or call (520) 307-1943.

The Making of a Nation

New exhibitions at the Center for Creative Photography

In 1985, the Amon Carter Museum presented In the American West: Photographs by Richard Avedon. Assertive, controversial, and graphically striking, the portraits in the exhibition generated extensive and at times heated discussion about the nature of portraiture, photography, and the true identity of the American West. Avedon’s oversize portraits of working-class Westerners have become icons in photographic history, and the project still stands as a definitive expression of the power of photographic art. On September 17, 2005, the Carter presented a major portion of the works from In the American West, selected by Avedon together with Amon Carter Museum Senior Curator of Photographs John Rohrbach, to mark its twentieth anniversary of the original exhibition. The exhibition will travel to the Center October 21, 2006 to January 14, 2007.


Social documentary photographer Milton Rogovin, now 96 years old, has been likened to the great social documentary photographers of the 19th and 20th centuries, Lewis Hine and Jacob Riis. His photographs will be on view at the Center August 18 to October 1, 2006. His work speaks of the humanity of working people, the poor and the forgotten ones. Rogovin started work as an optometrist after military service during World War II. He was called before the House Un-American Activities Committee in 1952, and, after refusing to testify, was dubbed “Buffalo’s Number One Communist” by the local newspaper. The persecution that followed significantly impacted his business. His political voice silenced, Rogovin turned to photography as a way to speak about social inequities. In 1958, he picked up his camera and began to capture images that communicated his deep desire for a more just and equal society.


In the American West: Photographs by Richard Avedon.