Focus on Friends
for friends of the McGoogan Library of Medicine

3-D Printing Comes to McGoogan

You may have seen some of the following headlines in the news recently: “How a man used 3D printing to help treat his wife’s brain tumor,” “One-handed boy plays one heck of a guitar thanks to custom 3D printer prosthesis,” or, “A Gore-Tex patch and 3D printing used to repair a tiny girl’s failing heart.” 3D printing is a rapidly expanding technology area and the McGoogan Library has joined the growing number of public and academic libraries that have installed 3D printing areas in their facilities. The 3D printer renders a physical object from a digital model by the process of fused filament fabrication. Plastic filament is fed through a heated nozzle that the computer moves, building layer upon layer from the base of the item upwards. The McGoogan Makerspace, located on the 6th floor of the library near the main entrance, will open mid-March. UNMC students, faculty, and staff can submit objects to be printed on the 3D printer either through an online form or by bringing in a flash drive. Through September 2015 there will be no charge for printing an object. UNMC students, faculty, and staff can schedule time on the 3D workstation to create or refine objects they would like to print. All 3D printing is handled by McGoogan staff.

Important Announcement!
A meeting of the Friends of the Library is scheduled for 1:15 p.m. on Thursday, April 23 (immediately after the Davis Lecture). The meeting will take place in the Rare Book Room in the McGoogan Library of Medicine. The agenda will include a discussion on future projects and events involving the Friends of the Library.

Please join us!
From the director

I can’t believe it has been four months since the annual meeting of the Friends of the Library. The evening of October 29th was an enjoyable experience that capped a busy month. The month started off with four of us going to Scottsbluff to meet with nursing faculty. Not only was it nice to meet with the faculty and visit their facilities, I saw parts of Nebraska for the first time. Through the Wigton History Fund, we unveiled a Nebraska State Historical Marker commemorating the 100th anniversary of Poynter Hall. We also received an impressive bust of Sir William Osler from Dr. Leo J. McCarthy.

My talk at the annual meeting was on the medical library of tomorrow. As I remarked that evening, we are planning for that future. A task force issued their report and recommendations on changes we need to carry out in our education and research services. As part of their report, we hired a new Instructional Design Librarian, Marty Magee, who started in mid-January. In November, two library consultants visited the McGoogan Library and met with the library staff and faculty. Their report recommended a new organizational structure, revamping of workflows, and updated services. As part of the library of tomorrow, we implemented a 3D printer and scanner. Staff printed a goat as one of our first test items. Stop by the library and check out the printer or body parts we have printed.

As part of the library looking forward, we are discussing the future of the Friends of the Library. Dr. Bob Wigton is our new president, replacing Dr. Tony Yonkers. Both Dr. Wigton and Dr. Yonkers are leading discussions on how we can engage members of the Friends of the Library in library activities and events. After the Davis Lecture on April 23rd, we will host a friends meeting. We want to hear from you on what you would like from the Friends of the Library. Do you have suggestions on speakers or topics for future lectures? Thoughts on people we should interview for oral histories? These are some of the topics we will discuss on April 23rd at 1:00 p.m. Please contact me with your suggestions or comments at either emily.mcelroy@unmc.edu or 402-559-7078

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There is a new position at the Library, but not a new face!

Marty Magee started her position as Instructional Design Librarian in January. Her background includes teaching credentials, as well as corporate and academic experience, teaching in-person, online, and in hybrid settings, including her most recent experiences as the Education Coordinator for the National Network/Libraries of Medicine (NN/LM) and as an adjunct instructor with Central Community College, and the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

Marty’s inclusion of a “Bibbidi Bobbidy Boo” magic wand wish list in her interview addressed:

- Assessing library instruction programs and identifying information literacy needs for on-campus and distance students
- Facilitating the integration of the library’s instructional materials in the university’s course management system with Reusable Learning Objects
- Leveraging technology and social media to develop and promote learning activities
- Promoting emerging trends and sharing best practices in instructional technology

Aligned with all this is the University of Nebraska Medical Center, which has several different ongoing initiatives including the Teaching Academy, E-Learning, and iExcel, all poised to promote the benefits of inter-professional activities for educators and maximize learning for faculty and students alike. Adding this instructional design librarian position was a priority for director Emily McElroy since beginning her position just a little over a year ago. Several departments have recently added instructional designers to their teams as well, realizing the importance of making the acquisition of knowledge more efficient, effective, and appealing. It’s an exciting time to be a part of developing resources in this ever-emerging world of formal and informal learning.

Join us in wishing the best to Marty and the other members of the Education and Research Services team of McGoogan Library of Medicine.
Nancy Woelfl Receives Honorary Alumnus Award

The former McGoogan Library Director was honored by College of Medicine Alumni Association with the Honorary Alumnus Award. The award is presented to a living non-graduate of the UNMC College of Medicine who has had significant impact through their professional or personal contributions to the mission of the UNMC College of Medicine, the UNMC College of Medicine Alumni Association and/or the provision of health care or health care education.

Osler Bust Now on Display

Leo J. McCarthy, M.D., FRCP Edin/Ire, Professor Emeritus, University of Indiana School of Medicine Indianapolis (University of Nebraska College of Medicine class of 1964) presented a bust of Sir William Osler (1849-1919), “Father of Modern Medicine,” to Emily McElroy, Director, McGoogan Library of Medicine. The sculpture was done in 1971 by Craig Gosling of the University of Indiana School of Medicine. McCarthy was the recipient of a Distinguished Alumnus award during UNMC alumni weekend activities in October. The Osler bust is displayed in the library on the 6th floor.
Combined Departments and New Name

By: Alissa Fial, MA, MLIS, Education and Research Services Librarian

The McGoogan Library of Medicine is going through numerous changes and one of those is reflected in the combination of the Reference and Education departments.

Last summer, members of the McGoogan Library worked on the Reference/Education Task force. Throughout the process, which included a review of services and an environmental scan of services at McGoogan and other health sciences libraries, numerous ideas were generated. One of those ideas was the decision to change the name of Reference/Education Librarians into Education and Research Services Librarians. All of the librarians who were identified as “reference” found themselves also participating in education.

Further, reference is an antiquated “librarian” term and those outside of McGoogan may not understand exactly what the Reference/Education Librarians do.

Education is a mission of the McGoogan Library and UNMC and the name change reflects this growing emphasis. From now on, if you need help with research or learning a tool, contact an Education and Research Services (E&RS) Librarian at askus@unmc.edu.

7th Annual Richard B. Davis Lecture

Thursday, April 23, 2015, Noon
(Box lunch available at 11:30)
Eppley Science Hall Auditorium, UNMC

Presented By:
Judith W. Leavitt, Ph.D.,
Ripple Bascom & Ruth Bleier Professor Emerita Department of Medical History, University of Wisconsin, Madison

From “Brought to Bed” to “Alone Among Strangers”:
Medical and Social Issues in American Childbirth History

Dr. Leavitt is author or co-author of several books including Brought to Bed: Childbearing in America, 1750 to 1950 (Oxford University Press, 1986) and her most recent work Make Room for Daddy: The Journey from Waiting Room to Birthing Room (University of North Carolina Press, 2009).