**Friends acquire maps for Library**

Two important early maps have recently been acquired with the generous support of the Friends of the Library – one of Western Australia, the other of the world.

John Arrowsmith published a series of maps depicting the early growth of British settlement in the colony of Western Australia, based on the surveys of John Septimus Roe. The 1843 version of this map is unique and valuable in showing details of the early cadastral holdings along the Swan and Helena rivers, as well as town plans of Kelmscott, Augusta, Perth and Fremantle.

The 1581 world map of German theologian Heinrich Bütting formed part of his *Itinerarium sacrae scripturae* ("Travels according to the Scriptures"). The continents are drawn in a highly stylised form, and include a small portion labelled "America, die Neue Welt". An extremely curious feature is a land marked "India Meridionalis" (South India), which has a shape very similar to that of Western Australia, and is in the right position – but dates from 35 years before the first known European landing in this area.

**Library quality survey**

The Library would like to thank all those who participated in the recent LibQUAL+ Library survey. There was an excellent response rate with over 3000 surveys submitted. Results are now being analysed and will be made available in the near future. Feedback from the survey has already led to Library opening hours being extended on the weekends. Pictured below are the LibQUAL+ iPod winners, Anthony Apps and Juanita Biggs with John Arfield.

**Are you reserved about CMO?**

Now that the Library's Course Materials Online service has been upgraded to run on the University's new Learning Resources System, it is no longer necessary to supply photocopies of chapters and articles. We shall undertake to locate, digitise and mount any titles you wish to make available on CMO. In doing so, the Library will also monitor compliance with the Commonwealth of Australia Copyright Act (1968) and Copyright Amendment (Digital Agenda) Act 2000.

To take advantage of this, just complete the “Submission of course materials to the Library” form available online or from your Subject Librarian and email it to us.

Not all items on a reading list can be made available via CMO. Books and some non-print items may need to be included in the Reserve Collection.

While we expect that shortly we shall be in a position to add lecture notes, overheads, tutorial solutions and other similar material to Course Materials Online, for the time being these materials shall continue to be added directly to WebCT courses.

If you have any questions, please consult a Reference Librarian in your Subject Library.

http://www.library.uwa.edu.au/library_services/ask_a_librarian
**GIDEON: Global Infectious Disease & Epidemiology Network**

GIDEON is an interactive decision support system for diagnosis and reference in the fields of tropical and infectious diseases, epidemiology, microbiology and antimicrobial chemotherapy. The GIDEON database incorporates 327 diseases, 205 countries, 963 microbial taxa and 252 antibacterial agents and vaccines. The user selects a range of patient symptoms in combination with other factors such as incubation period, region, and contact with any infectious sources. GIDEON then analyses the data and provides a ranked analysis of the likely causes of the illness.

**GIDEON features include:**

- Describing a disease, including images, worldwide or country wide distribution, and clinical evidence to support the diagnosis
- Depicting the spread of a disease globally or nationally, such as graphs of the comparative occurrences of Ross River Virus in Australia from 1991
- Searching for complications of certain drugs with allergies, or other substances such as alcohol

Access to GIDEON is via the Library catalogue:

http://catalogue.library.uwa.edu.au/record=b19/3116

**AMED: Allied and Complementary Medicine Database**

Alternative medicine is increasingly being accepted by mainstream medicine worldwide. Allied and Complementary Medicine Database (AMED) is a unique bibliographic database, produced by the Health Care Information Service of the British Library, which is proving an invaluable resource in this growing field. Its major strength is that it covers areas of alternative medicine that many other biomedical databases do not, and includes a large number of journals not indexed anywhere else. Subjects covered include: acupuncture, homeopathy, hypnosis, chiropractic, osteopathy, herbalism, holistic treatments, Chinese medicine, occupational therapy, physiotherapy, podiatry.

Coverage is 1985 onwards and is hosted in the Ovid interface.

Access to AMED is via the Library catalogue:

http://catalogue.library.uwa.edu.au/record=b1963966

**Even more EBSCO full text**

EBSCO Mega File Premier Collection is a comprehensive multi-disciplinary selection of full text databases covering nearly 12,000 publications and indexing and abstracting for more than 16,000 publications, with coverage dating as far back as the 1800s.

The major resources in the Mega File Premier collection are highlighted below:

**Academic search premier:** the world's largest scholarly, multi-discipline, full text database designed specifically for academic institutions, contains full text to over 3400 journals, covering social sciences, humanities, education, computer sciences, engineering, language and linguistics, arts & literature, medical sciences, and ethnic studies.

**Business source premier:** provides full text for nearly 8,350 scholarly business journals and other sources, covering area of business including management, economics, finance, accounting, and international business. The database also includes other sources of full text information such as country economic reports from the EU, Global Insight, ICON Group and CountryWatch and detailed company profiles for the world's 10,000 largest companies.

**Computer source:** with more than 300 full text journals and magazines, this resource covers topics such as computer science, programming, artificial intelligence, cybernetics, information systems, robotics, and software.

**Health business full text elite:** provides access to about 450 full text journals in the disciplines of health care administration and other non-clinical aspects of health care institution management. Topics covered include hospital management, hospital administration, marketing, human resources, computer technology, facilities management and insurance.

**Professional development collection:** provides a highly specialised collection of electronic information especially for professional educators, professional librarians and education researchers. This collection offers information on everything from children's health and development to cutting-edge pedagogical theory and practice, with full text access to 504 journals covering the most current topics in the field of education.

**Health source: nursing/academic edition:** Provides nearly 480 scholarly full text journals focusing on many medical disciplines.

**Psychology and behavioral sciences collection:** covers emotional and behavioural characteristics, psychiatry and psychology, mental processes, anthropology, and observational and experimental methods. This database includes nearly 515 full text titles and over 490 peer-reviewed journals.

**Religion and philosophy collection:** with over 290 full text journals and unparalleled coverage of the subject areas, this collection is an essential tool for researchers and students of theology and philosophical studies. Covers such topics as world religions, major denominations, biblical studies, religious history, epistemology, political philosophy, philosophy of language, moral philosophy and the history of philosophy.

Access is via SuperSearch:

http://superssearch.library.uwa.edu.au

or via the Library catalogue at:

http://catalogue.library.uwa.edu.au/record=b1968282
The sun never sets on Empire Online

Empire Online is a unique collection of primary source documents on colonial history, particularly European and British colonial expansion, between 1492 and 1969. When Empire Online is completed it late 2006 it will bring together over 70,000 images taken from original manuscripts and printed materials culled from archives and libraries worldwide. These primary source materials are complemented by essays and biographies.

There are five thematic sections in Empire Online:

- Section I: Cultural Contacts, 1492-1969
- Section II: Empire Writing and the Literature of Empire
- Section III: The Visible Empire
- Section IV: Religion & Empire
- Section V: Race, Class, Imperialism and Colonialism c1607-1969 (forthcoming)

Access to Empire On Line is via the Library catalogue:

http://catalogue.library.uwa.edu.au/record=b1976063

Expanding full text access to the Social Sciences

Blackwell Synergy: its more than the sum of its parts!

The Library has built on its subscription to Blackwell Synergy's Science, Medicine, Technology collection of online journals by adding the Humanities and Social Sciences (HSS) collection. This collection comprises over 300 full text journal titles from one of the most prestigious names in academic publishing. The Blackwell Synergy HSS collection is particularly strong in the social sciences with extensive coverage of political science, sociology, geography, social work and social policy, and linguistics.

The Humanities and Social Science Collection in Blackwell Synergy includes such key online titles as:

- Monographs of the Society for Research in Child Development
- Psychological Science
- Milbank Quarterly
- Annals Of The Association Of American Geographers
- Antipode
- The Journal of Personality
- Art History
- Early Medieval Europe
- German Life and Letters
- Nations and Nationalism
- Sociological Theory

Access is via SuperSearch:

http://supersearch.library.uwa.edu.au

or via the Library catalogue at:

http://catalogue.library.uwa.edu.au/record=b1927622

AustLit: the Resource for Australian Literature

AustLit has been awarded a major Australian Research Council Linkage Infrastructure Grant for 2006. AustLit is a collaboration between ten Australian universities and the National Library of Australia. It provides authoritative information on hundreds of thousands of creative and critical Australian literary works relating to more than 75,000 Australian authors and literary organizations, spanning from 1,780 to the present day.

AustLit indexes and describes Australian literature published in a range of print and electronic information sources. It also makes available selected critical articles and creative writing in full text. The University's participation in AustLit is managed by the Library in conjunction with the Westerly Centre in the School of Social and Cultural Studies. The University has specific responsibility for the Western Australian subset of AustLit, and is working to extend the retrospective coverage of Western Australian periodicals, journals, and collections of poetry and fiction. Also planned for 2006 is a focus on indigenous writing from Western Australia.

For more information on our participation in AustLit, please contact Dr Toby Burrows in the Scholars' Centre.

Law Library refurbishments update

In our last issue we focused on the plans for the refurbishment of the Law Library. The outlook on the 1st level is now very light and airy with a clear vista to the Oak Lawn. New carpet has been laid, and new computer chairs and casual seating installed.

The changes are almost complete and will include the following:

- AV projector screen and data display unit plus 28 PCs in a new electronic training room on level 2
- AV projector screen and data display unit plus 16 PCs in a new electronic training room on level 1
- SNAP wireless is now available throughout the library
- New discussion rooms level 1 (2 rooms) and level 4 (3 rooms)
- Level 2 is now a consolidated run of primary legal materials including legislation and law reports
- Level 3 now houses all books and theses.
Moving & improving the Physical Sciences Libraries

The major reorganisation of the MPSL ground floor, undertaken in the summer vacation, has resulted in improved access to digital information services, facilities and the print collection. This has been achieved through installation of fifteen new PCs, a new group study room and reorganisation of the books.

In UPSL, the shelving was moved further apart to comply with occupational and health safety standards. This required every item to be removed from the shelves – quite an undertaking when you consider there is more than one kilometre of books and journals in UPSL. It is now easier to browse and retrieve material.

These changes will assist in planning for the new Science Library which will see the amalgamation of collections from several subject libraries in 2009.

WOW! Factor Award

We congratulate the following nominees in the Library's inaugural staff recognition "WOW!" award. Ten of our colleagues and one Library team were recognised for overall excellence and received framed certificates. They are (in alphabetical order):

- Rosanne Althorpe for her team spirit, focus on improvement and her calm and pleasant manner
- Barbara Cann for her support and enthusiasm, reliability, and courtesy
- Simon Cullen for his care, and quality of service to patrons
- Louise Driscoll for her whole of library view in identifying new and creative ways of improving the Library
- Jenny Golding for her work on the IRIS project as a new and creative way of providing a service
- Sarah Guiton for providing excellent services to customers both internal and external, and for her "team player" attitude
- Humanities and Social Sciences Team for its continued excellent service to internal and external customers during a period of rapid change and challenges
- Michael Manley for managing the busy Dispatch area with efficiency, enthusiasm and humour and for his helpful manner
- Carol Newton-Smith for encouraging ideas and innovation and developing a culture of energy and enthusiasm in the Medical and Dental Library
- Brian Poleykett for excellence in project management and for his unstinting support of staff across the Library
- Amina Wilcox for organising Library social events with enthusiasm and creativity

Brian Poleykett received the major "WOW!" award of a book voucher and the opportunity to recommend a title (with a special bookplate) for the Library’s collection.

Friends of the Library 2006 Program of Events

10 May 2006 Dr John Wager talking on An observer during the resignation of President Sunarto
14 June 2006 Ms Margaret Allen talking on the State Library
12 July 2006 Ms Lindy Hume talking on Perth International Arts Festival
9 August 2006 A/Prof Delys Bird and Prof Dennis Haskell talking on Westerley
13 Sept 2006 Dr Robin Napper talking on The Impact of DNA on the legal system
11 Oct 2006 Prof John Scott talking on Living with Dante
8 Nov 2006 Dr Dawn Casey talking on the Western Australian Museum
6 Dec 2006 Christmas party

Master Class

The Library congratulates two staff members who have both recently graduated with Masters degrees from Curtin University of Technology.

The Acting Science Librarian, David Howard, completed his Master of Science (Project Management). David's thesis was entitled "Benefits Management in West Australian University Libraries".

The Associate Science Librarian, Catherine Clark, completed her Master of Information Management. Catherine's thesis was entitled, "Application of the Information Skills Survey for the Assessment of Information Literacy in Higher Education to a Medical Course".

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