Chapter News
April 2010

ALA Student Chapter Meeting

Friday, April 16, 2010
5:30 p.m.
Gregory Conference Room,
Goldstein Library

Please join us for the last ALA student chapter meeting of the semester. One last hoorah before summer!

View the webcast any time from our Blackboard site. Have a question during the meeting?
Go to Blackboard, click “Open Meeting Chat / April 16 Meeting.”

Live, Work in London With a CI Internship
by Kate Vilches

It’s a Tuesday morning and I’m walking through the snow down a street in Central London -- a strong cup of tea in one hand and a muffin in the other, watching people rush along past buildings that were once homes to renowned authors. I’m not on vacation, though, I’m on my way to work at the Florida State University Study Centre where I’m interning at the library.

Every six months, FSU hires a library and an Information Technology intern to assist the staff at the London Study Centre. It’s an excellent opportunity to gain real-world experience, bulk up your resume, earn class credit and see England in a way you can only see by living there. Since I began my internship two months ago I’ve explored several of London’s free museums, spent evenings with friends at local pubs, visited Stonehenge and taken weekend train trips to Brussels and the British coast. I have also gotten to know my colleagues and begun several interesting projects at the study centre library and working with the IT intern, Kimberly Sheen. I’m confident that when I leave in June, new MLIS in hand, that my time at the study centre will be invaluable on my resume. Interested yet? From now until March 15 FSU is accepting applications from students who are interested in these internships and area available from June to December 2010. FSU provides interns with airfare, shared housing, online tuition and a stipend to cover essentials costs. Interns also have the opportunity to participate in some student trips for free or at a discount. All applicants must have a valid passport through 2011, and will be required to apply for an entry clearance visa immediately upon acceptance. Applicants should send a current resume, an unofficial transcript of CI studies, and a statement of between 500-1000 words about why you have an interest in an internship in the London library position and contributions you think you will make to this internship site to Dr. Christie Koontz at Christie.Koontz@cci.fsu.edu.
No matter where you are, the Goldstein can help!

Just because you aren't Tallahassee-based doesn’t mean you can’t take full advantage of YOUR library’s services. All physical materials including books and photocopied articles, from any FSU library, are available to you from the Goldstein! Media resources in the Goldstein are available as well.

How do you request items from the Goldstein?
• Request via ILL. Using the ILLiad software interface, http://www.illiad.lib.fsu.edu, you can request any FSU library materials. You can always find this link in the Quick Links on the Goldstein homepage, http://slis.fsu.edu/Goldstein/.
• Call us at 850.644.0461
• E-mail library@cci.fsu.edu
• Instant Message “goldsteinlibrary” via MSN, Yahoo or AOL
• Use Ask A Librarian (AAL), the state of Florida’s virtual reference service. AskALibrarian chat/email and Mobile device connections are available from the Goldstein homepage.

Whenever the Goldstein Library is open, you can reach a “live” staff member at the Goldstein. After hours, you may leave an email and we will answer it the next work day, or ask another librarian in the state of Florida for assistance.

Goldstein Spring Semester Hours, April-May:
Mon-Thurs: 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.
Fri: 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sat: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sun: 1-10 p.m.

The Goldstein Library...

“It’s Your Library!”

It’s been 4 months, but now it’s back. The Goldstein Library is now open for business starting Monday, April 5. Come and visit Pam and Leila and the “new” College of Communication and Information.

Grad Made Good

FSU SLIS alum, Ethelle Bean, is running in the current ALA elections for the Member-at-Large position in the ACRL (Association of College and Research Libraries) Board of Directors under the College Libraries Section. She is currently Associate Vice President/Director of the Library at Dakota State University. Don’t forget to vote sometime between now and April 23. To vote go to: https://www.alavote.org/2010/login.aspx

Friends of the Library Book Sale

... was a hit at the 2010 Tallahassee Festival of Books and Writers Conference last Saturday according to Dr. Fenstermaker. What wasn’t sold at the used book sale was later sold to a dealer after the event, making a total of $1000 profit. All proceeds go to FSU libraries, including Goldstein. “I would just like to say good job to... all the members who participated in the book sale,” says CCI ALA Vice President Becky Reibman.

New LibIT Facebook and Twitter Sites!

• Facebook FSUlibIT fan page
• twitter.com/FSUlibIT

Join the CCI ALA Chapter!

• Sign into Blackboard
• Click the Organizations tab
• In the Organization Catalog link on the right hand side, click Student Organization / Other
• In the Name - Contains field, enter ALA Student Chapter
• The ALA Student Chapter should come up as a search result
• Click Enroll
Congratulations!
You’re a member!
**Finals!**

Study tips (adapted from Marcia L. Tate’s, *Shouting Won’t Grow Dendrites: 20 Tips for Managing a Brain-Compatible Classroom* xiii)

It’s April and finals week is almost here (April 26-30). Of course, we’ve all been studying every day to help retain our lessons, but here are some tips for when you hunker down to review all that you have learned this semester before your big test(s).

People “can actually change the state of [their] brains by the type of music they play.” For study time, you want your brain in a state of calm. The types of music best suited for a calming affect are jazz, classical, Celtic, and Native American.

If you start feeling sleepy during your study session, mix it up and play more energetic music like country, Motown, and big band, which will wake your brain up.

Scents such as lemon, peppermint, citrus, and cinnamon help your brain focus (if you’re not allergic!).

It’s also a good idea to get to know the kind of seating that assists you most in staying focused. Some people can sit for hours in their bed and study. Others prefer seating such as big chairs, beanbag chairs, sofas, and carpeted floor.

Remember to breath deeply every now and then to keep the blood flowing and bring oxygen to the brain. Your brain is so sensitive—little things like these can help your memory in a big way. Happy testing!

**Sara Kelly Johns makes a visit to FSU**

Yesterday, March 31, Presidential candidate for ALA, Sara Kelly Johns came to Strozier Library for a meet and greet. Johns, who is currently a school media specialist in New York, was introduced by her friend, our very own Nancy Everyhart. She gave spiel about her platform which you can find more about at: www.skj4ala.com.

**Did you know to be an official member of FSU ALA you must be a member of ALA?**

Here’s how to join ALA

1. Go to www.al.org
2. Click on Join ALA at the top of the page.
3. If you do not have an ALA website profile, click on I don’t have a Web profile. I would like to apply for membership and follow the prompts.

Join a roundtable, network, and have fun!

*Newsletter items and ideas are welcome! Please e-mail Daniela Hudson, dmh07d@fsu.*