Note Booth



April 2000 Issue Number 12

library news for eiu faculty

Book Sale This Week at Booth Library/McAfee

In celebration of National Library Week, April 9-15, Booth Library will be sponsoring its annual book sale. On Wednesday, April 12 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. come to our McAfee Branch, climb the stairs to the bleachers on the east side and find some treasures!

Prior to the sale, if you have books, magazines, videos, or sound recordings that you would like to donate, please bring them to the Administrative Office at 2230 McAfee or call 6061 to have items picked up from any campus location. Proceeds from the sale will be used to enhance our services.

New Electronic Journals Page Launched

A newly designed Web interface is now online to provide easier access to over 520 full-text electronic journals to which Booth Library subscribes. Journals from such providers as Academic Press IDEAL, the American Chemical Society, the American Institute of Physics, the American Mathematical Society, FirstSearch ECO, Project MUSE, the Royal Society of Chemistry and Wiley InterScience are included. The page also includes journals that are available for free on the Internet. To access these titles, click on the "Electronic Journals" link in the Articles column of the Electronic Resources page. Titles can be viewed alphabetically by clicking on a letter, or by provider. Subject access will soon be added.

Journals available through full-text subscription indexes are not included on this page. These can be found on the Electronic Resources page, under "Full Text Index." To find a listing of *all* journals available at Booth Library, consult the Booth Library Periodicals List, which is available in print at Booth Library or online at http://library.eiu.edu/perlist/bliss.html.

Renovation Feature



This artist's rendering depicts the atrium area of the renovated Booth Library, located between the original building and the 1968 addition. The atrium will feature a view of the original building exterior, which has been hidden behind a wall of the previous addition for over thirty years. The open staircase and walkways will provide easy access to all levels of the building. There will also be three elevators in the library.

Click Here!

Access our electronic databases and information about all departments of Library Services from our website.

http://www.eiu.edu/~booth

Photo Archive and Geology Databases Added

Last month, Booth Library added a photo archive and a geology database to its list of over 70 online databases.

AccuNet/AP Photo Archive

AccuNet/AP Photo Archive is an exciting new database containing a searchable collection of almost 500,000 news photos from the Associated Press archives. Available photos date back as far as the 1840s. The database includes full captions with each photo, describing the event or individual depicted. AP Photo Archive is updated daily, making it a source of breaking news photos as well as archival material. The database allows searching by name, location and date, and photos may be downloaded. It is accessible though the Electronic Resources page, under "Full Text Index" and "News, Facts and People."

GeoRef

GeoRef, produced by the American Geological Institute, provides citations to nearly 2 million records about Geology and Earth Sciences. The entries correspond to the Bibliography and Index of Geology, with coverage from 1785 to the present. International coverage is included from 1933 to the present and the database is updated every two weeks. GeoRef is a FirstSearch database. It is accessible through our Electronic Resources page, under "Science & Technology."

Library to Purchase Reading Machine

Booth Library has secured a grant in the amount of \$2500 to purchase a Galileo reading machine. The FY2000 Educate and Automate Fast Start – Assistive Technology Grants were made available for the purchase of equipment that will assist individuals with disabilities in accessing resources and services at Illinois libraries. The Galileo Reading System is a standalone reading device that reads aloud all sorts of printed documents including books, magazines, newspapers and letters as well as computer diskettes. This machine is marketed primarily for individuals with visual impairments, but the device could also benefit those with dyslexia as well as other cognitive-related or learning-related reading problems. The Galileo will be available at Booth Library in the Fall semester. For further information, please call Reference Services (581-6072). Carl Lorber, head of Reference, coordinates this grant effort.

Local History Acquisition

The University Archives and Special Collections has recently obtained a major collection of pre-1950 photographs, postcards, and memorabilia from Charleston, Mattoon, and Eastern Illinois University. The collection was acquired from William Smith, professor of Leisure Studies. Some of these materials were featured recently in the Centennial Exhibit of Old Main held in the Tarble Arts Center. Booth Library remains committed to enhancing its collections of local history materials.

Booth Library to Participate in Online Social Services Directory

Booth Library is participating as a stakeholder in an online social services resource directory which is being developed in Coles County and six surrounding counties. Nina Pals, librarian at Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center, spearheaded the initiative which is funded by grants from the Library Services and Technology Act and Women and Children First. This searchable, comprehensive directory will index social agencies in the seven-county area and will be freely available over the Internet. Pamela Ortega, bibliographer for Women's Studies, represents Booth Library on this project.