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FOL and Library Celebrate Faculty Authors

Friday, November 3rd the UCO Chambers Library and the Friends of the Library of UCO hosted a reception honoring UCO Faculty scholarship and publications. Library Executive Director Dr. Bonnie McNeely welcomed faculty and guests and introduced the UCO Faculty Author Book Plate Program and Collection. Beginning last spring the library created a special book

plate to identify and highlight faculty authored books, and this spring the Library will launch a web bibliography of journal publications by UCO Faculty. A bibliography of creative works, visual and sound is also planned.

Dr. William Radke, Provost, and Dr. John Garic, Interim Dean of the Joe C. Jackson College of Graduate Studies and Research, also addressed

the audience about the importance of faculty research and scholarship to the University and the worldwide body of scholarly knowledge. For a list of Faculty publications please visit the Faculty Autor website at <http://library.ucok.edu/support/fac_authors.cfm>.

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2006 FOL Book Sale

The 6th Annual Friends of the Library Book Sale was held the second weekend in April. This year's sale moved to the library basement, allowing more space for patrons to browse and easier access to materials. Many eager Friends turned out at 12:00pm sharp on Friday for the Members Only Pre-sale. The sale was open to the public from noon to 8:00pm Saturday and Sunday.

This year's proceeds were just over \$2,500. The majority of books and materials sold come from donations. Some items have been deselected from the library's collections by librarians. The FOL accepts materials donations year round. All donations are considered for addition to the collection before being designated for the sale. To donate, patrons can leave materials

in the red Target cart near the circulation desk at the library or call Gwen Dobbs at 405/974-2877 to make other arrangements.

Please consider the UCO Library for your collections or donating to the FOL book sale. This coming spring the sale is schedule for April 20th-22nd.



book sale shoppers



New Cafe Open

The student lounge just inside the east entrance of the library is now the home of the new library cafe. A grand opening was held in early August. The cafe serves Starbucks coffees, baked goods, sandwiches and salads. The cafe is open Monday through Thursday from 7am-10pm, Fridays from 7am through 3pm and Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 10pm. WiFi is also available, so don't forget your pick-me-up on the way in!

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Spring Author Event with Dr. T. H. Baughman

Author, UCO faculty member, and current FOL President Dr. T. H. Baughman visited the library in April for the FOL's Spring Author Evening. Entitled Roald Amundsen, The Last Viking, Dr. Baughman presented a gripping and emotional account of the life and career of Amundsen, a Norwegian arctic explorer. Amundsen was the first man to reach the South Pole. The drama of his story was heightened by the fierce competition between explorers at the turn of the century and Dr. Baughman's compassionate portrait of human frailties.

Baughman, former Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, is currently a professor of history and geography at UCO and has presented internationally on the history of arctic exploration, including the National Geographic Society.

The evening was co-hosted by the Sons of Norway, a national organization dedicated to preserving and promoting Norwegian heritage. Explore more about arctic exploration and Dr. Baughman with these titles at the library.

Shackleton of the Antarctic

Pilgrims on the ice : Robert Falcon Scott's first Antarctic expedition

Before the heroes came : Antarctica in the 1890s

FOL Materials Grant Winners

This year's winners of the FOL Materials Grant are Ms. Lauren Donaldson, Cataloging Librarian, and Dr. Ted Honea, of the School of Music. Each have been awarded a \$1,000 grant toward the purchase of new library materials. The funded areas are the cross disciplinary *Seven Revolutions* by the Center for Strategic and International Studies (<http://www.csis.org/gsi/sevenrevs/>) and Music Education, respectively.

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Membership Drive Results

A total of forty nine new or renewing members responded to the Annual FOL March Membership Drive this year. We want to give a warm welcome to our new members and a thank you to those renewing. The drive was promoted with ads in the *Edmond Sun*, UCO's student publication *The Vista* and with email announcements and fliers.

UCO faculty and staff have the added option of giving to the FOL by enrolling in payroll deduction during the month of March. In 2006 we increased on-campus giving by 8.2%, and added 11 community members. This was our first year of direct outreach to the community in the month of March.

Thank you all for your generosity and support of the UCO Library.

Staff Welcome & Goodbyes

In 2006 Chambers Library welcomed five new librarians. In January Ms. Tonya Holt joined the Reference and Instruction Department. Ms. Cari Roberts joined the Systems Department, and Ms. Mary Huffman joined the Cataloging Department. In mid-May Ms. Jana Atkins joined us as Performing Arts/Multimedia Librarian, and in July of this year we welcomed Mr. Jason Cimock to Reference and Instruction.

Two long-time Chambers Librarians, Ms. Sue McGee and Mr. Ron

Curtis, retired on June 30th, after over 20 and 40 years of service, respectively.

The next FOL Meeting will be Thursday, March 29th at 6pm in Rm 212 on the 2nd floor of the library. Meetings are open to all members. We hope to see you there!

New Corporate Friends Program

In the new year the Friends of the Library will be offering a new way to support the UCO Max Chambers Library with the Corporate Friends Program. Giving levels begin at \$250 a year for Corporate Friends and benefits of support are the same as for individuals, with up to three check out cards for corporation designated employees.

Invitations to become a Corporate Friend of the Library will be extended to local businesses and corporations in early 2007. If you think your corporation or business would be interested in supporting UCO and the UCO Library through the Corporate Friends Program please contact Gwen Dobbs at 974-2877 or gdobbs@ucok.edu

Art Collection Donated to Chambers Library

Early this fall the UCO Foundation received a collection of art work by Oklahoma artist George Calvert, on behalf of the UCO Max Chambers Library. Mr. Calvert received his MFA from OU and taught at Northeastern State University and Southwestern State University. He also traveled and studied in Europe, North Africa and Mexico.

Donated by the Melton Art Reference Library, the collection is comprised of paintings, drawings, etchings, and other print types from throughout Mr. Calverts career. The immediate purpose of the gift is for display in the Max Chambers Library, with framing and installation to begin this spring.

Originally acquired by the Melton Art Reference Library from the artists estate, many of the pieces are multiples of etching and print processes. The terms of the gift allow for eventual sale or auction of some multiples to benefit the Library's general endowment, the Chambers Library Fund.

FOL/UCO Renewal Form

Mail To:

Friends of the UCO Library
University of Central Oklahoma
Campus Box 192
100 N. University Dr.
Edmond OK 73034-5209

Student Level.....\$5 or more____
Supporting Level.....\$20 or more____
Faculty Level.....\$25 or more____
Community Level*.....\$50 or more____
Library Contributor*.....\$100 or more____
Library Partner*.....\$250 or more____
Library Patron*.....\$500 or more____
Presidential Partner*.....\$1000 or more____
Library Benefactor*.....\$5000 or more____

* Includes a courtesy card

Total:_____

Status (please check all that apply)

FOL____ Alumni____ Pres. Partner____ Other____

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: UCO FOUNDATION

A 5% administrative fee is deducted from each gift by the UCO Foundation

Visa____ Mastercard____

Account Number_____

Expiration Date_____ Total_____

Name_____

Address_____

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Email_____

Note: To learn if your membership is current, contact Gwen Dobbs at gdobbs@ucok.edu or 974-2877.



Untitled watercolor from the Calvert Collection

Faculty Authors, Cont. from Page I

Also look for new additions to the list as the Library continues to collect past and future publications of the UCO Faculty. For more information about the Faculty Author Collection please contact Gwen Dobbs at 974-2877 or gdobbs@ucok.edu.

Members of Friends of the Library of the University of Central Oklahoma

We would like to acknowledge and thank
those who have made contributions to the
Friends of the Library over the past year.
They include:

Library Benefactor Level \$5,000 and above

Presidential Partner Level \$1,000 and above Gwen Dobbs

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Libraries & You Essay Contest Winners Chosen

In the Spring of 2006 the Friends of the Library sponsored the essay contest, **Libraries and You**. Modeled on the New York Times Librarian Award, the FOL challenged UCO students to submit an essay on how a library had positively impacted their lives. First place was a cash award of \$200, 2nd place was \$100, and 3rd place was \$50. Dr. Wayne Stein, from the college of Liberal Arts, helped to coordinate the contest and recruited two judges, Ms. Jennifer Allan-Ayers and Ms. Aimee

Gramblin, from the English Department.

Over 100 essays were submitted and the winners were Samantha Russo, 1st place, Tram Ngo, 2nd place, and Barbara Baay, 3rd place. The campus book store Barnes & Noble generously donated \$50 gift certificates to our judges for their hard work in choosing the winners, who were celebrated at a reception at the Library on April 29th.



From left: Dr. Brent Wendling, FOL Past-President, Ms. Barbara Baay, 3rd place winner, Ms. Samantha Russo, 1st place winner, Ms. Jennifer Allan-Ayers, Judge, Ms. Aimee Gramblin, Judge, Dr. Wayne Stein, Contest Coordinator, and Dr. Bonnie McNeely, Library Executive Director (Tram Ngo, 2nd place winner, not pictured).

Executive Directors Report

Dear Friends:

Thanks to all of you for your support of Chambers Library. With your support, we have been able to add special materials (through grants to faculty and librarians) that we could not have done within the Library's budget. The donated materials given to the Library help us build our circulating collections as well as provide materials for the annual book sale (funding for FOL activities).

Friends help us to tell others that the Library is important to faculty and students, as Librarians struggle to overcome often negative reporting as to the use and need for academic libraries.

Friends give us new ideas and projects and help us reach others who support libraries.

The Library is working to bring new services to our students, faculty, staff, and Friends. The Wireless network and laptop computer checkouts have grown as students have learned about the services.

The Library is working to bring in a building consultant to help us refurbish areas so that we can provide more comfortable and different types of study areas for our users.

Together, with our Friends, we hope to make the Chambers Library the best that it can be – providing services, space, and collections for all of our users.

Prints from Archives & Special Collections

The Archives & Special Collections Department is home to the library's most valuable and delicate materials. Among these collections are nearly 25,000 photos that document UCO and Edmond's history from the late 1800s. Currently 700 photographs can be viewed on the Archives & Special Collections section of the library website. These images are also available for purchase as prints in three sizes, and plans are underway to add additional images in the near future. The proceeds go towards the maintenance of Archives & Special Collections. For more information visit:

<http://library.ucok.edu/archives>



Program Proposal Form Online

Have an event suggestion or program for the Friends of the Library? A Program Proposal Form is now available online at <http://library.ucok.edu/support/Programs> must be submitted six months in advance. For more information please contact Ms. Gwen Dobbs, Director of Development at 974-2877 or gdobbs@ucok.edu

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Laptop & Wifi Report

Many may remember that 2006 was a big year for Chambers Library. Early in the year the library's WiFi network went live and we began checking out laptops for use in the building. And the data is in. The University's Office of Information Technology reports that the Library's wireless network, or WiFi, averages 50 simultaneous users at one time, with as many as 100 simultaneous users at peak hours.

Laptop check out grew throughout the year, from 10 circulations in January to over 1300 circulations in November alone. So far this year the Library's laptops have circulated 6,552 times.

To keep up with the growing demand the library has added 4 more laptops to the beginning 20 as well as 2 projectors. These additional 4 computers and 2 projectors are also available for extended check out for student and faculty use at conferences and presentations.

Library Usage Statistics, Fall 2006

Website Visitors: **180,500**
Items Circulated: **33,382**
Exit Counts: **239,504**
Reference Questions: **6709**
Classes Taught: **91**
Individuals Taught: **3179**
Interlibrary Requests Received: **9359**
Interlibrary Requests Provided: **2418**
Books Purchased: **1116**
Gift Materials Added: **413**



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