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Library Research Is NOT What It Used To Be

The library is not what it used to be! In addition to being repositories of knowledge, libraries now are vitally involved in the teaching efforts of the universities that they serve. Tisch Library is a true partner in Tufts University's educational mission, supporting the university's strategic goal of "teaching our students how to obtain, evaluate, and use information." Last year, the library taught nearly 250 course-specific workshops, reaching over 4,000 students. These workshops integrate both print and electronic resources, reflecting the changing nature of pedagogy and research. For students, the traditional and the virtual libraries are complementary dynamic spaces that blend the physical and the virtual in ways that mirror the social nature of knowledge.

Tisch Library's concept for a Learning Commons underscores its creative response to changes within research and learning. The Learning Commons has the potential to bring teaching, technology, and librarians together. The Learning Commons will be a place where students, faculty, and staff can learn and work collaboratively using productivity software; can access both online resources and thoughtfully developed print collections; and can interact with knowledgeable, helpful library staff. In order to accomplish such a plan Tisch Library will extend beyond its traditional boundaries, forming new partnerships across campus to meet the strategic teaching and research needs of the university.

Tufts alumni have had a unique and entertaining opportunity during the last five years to see what 21st century library research is like. It started when Richard McGlynn, Event Planner for University Administration Special Events, contacted Tisch Library about presenting a program for the annual Alumni Campus Visit. But there was one "catch" — the library presentation would be last on a whirlwind tour of the Medford campus! How to keep the alums awake and interested in this presentation — a lively debate about Google, a library treasure hunt? Laurie Sabol, Library Instruction Coordinator, and Regina Raboin, Science Reference and Instruction Librarian, decided to perform a skit entitled, "Library Research Then...and Now!"

Laurie and Regina have crafted their own "Actors Studio," informing Tufts alums about the changes in library research techniques and resources by acting out scenes in which they take on the persona of past students and famous alums who are trying to

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Digital Collections and Archives

Library research then...Eaton Library c. 1950...



PHOTO Christine Kittle

...and now...Tisch Library collaborative work station

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JEFF KOSOKOFF IS NEW GINN LIBRARY DIRECTOR

On July 7, 2008, Jeff Kosokoff joined The Fletcher School as Director of the Edwin Ginn Library and Information Technology. Jeff has a wide array of experience as an academic

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reference and collections librarian and his responsibilities have always included a strong computer systems component. Most recently he worked as an Implementation Librarian for Ex Libris, a leading provider of library automation. He also has served as Collection Development Librarian for Simmons College and Head of Reference Services for Lamont Library at Harvard. Additionally, Jeff has worked at DePaul University as Electronic Resources Coordinator and Reference Librarian and at Connecticut College as Information Technology Librarian. He serves on various American Library Association committees and on panels performing accreditation reviews of graduate programs in Library and Information Science. Jeff holds two masters degrees from Indiana University-Bloomington: an MLS from the School of Library and Information Science and an MA in the History and Philosophy of Science. Please join us in welcoming Jeff to the Tufts community.



GREETINGS FROM THE CHAIR

When JoAnn Michalak and I talked about the changes underway in Tisch Library, I started thinking about what the library was like when I was a student 45 years ago — I was in reunion reminiscing mode. Eaton Library had an elegant quiet reading room and book stacks but not really enough books in the collection. Doing research to write a paper involved the card catalog and manually going through stacks of issues of reference sources to identify books and journals and sometimes calling friends at other nearby institutions to “borrow” books from their libraries. You could only search one topic at a time — no Boolean operators in manual mode! Then we went to the stacks to find the books and journal articles. Taking notes on cards from the journal articles was routine since a 5 cent photocopy was a big expense. Mostly, though, I remember that the library provided a wonderful, quiet atmosphere to do my research and think about my topic with help from the librarians! JoAnn has reassured me that current students continue to rely on the library to provide quiet spaces, but students also want the library to support their new needs. The future Learning Commons will meet the need for collaborative spaces for groups to begin work on their assignments, assistance from reference librarians, and technical and writing assistance. While I remember Eaton Library with great fondness, I’m certain that the plans for Tisch Library will fulfill the needs of tomorrow’s students who will one day look back upon their time in Tisch Library with the same fondness and appreciation. I’m excited about these developments. Future issues of the Friends newsletter will continue to update you about the plans from all of the Tufts Libraries.

JoAnn Wellner, J63, Chair, Friends of Tufts Libraries



FROM THE EDITOR

Picking up from JoAnn Wellner’s column, which focuses on the changes in Tisch Library since she was a student, I want to mention changes for Tisch Library that are underway, including our new strategic plan goals. In the last two newsletters we reported on Tisch Library’s green roof experiment and the plans for the Rooftop Garden. This issue provides a photo update of the green roof in flower. I also previously stated that Tisch Library stacks would be completely filled in FY09. I am happy to report that the plan to finish out Level G with compact shelving for bound periodicals and relocate Digital Collections and Archives to the Level G Tower area has been contracted to an architect. The start date will be determined soon. Planning with our partners continues for the Learning Commons, the active learning area planned on the entry floor to complement classroom learning.

These changes preview the more significant ones envisioned in the new Tisch Library three year strategic plan, developed by library staff and university partners. This plan has two themes. Under the overall theme of knowledge management, the library will become the physical and virtual intellectual center of the university. The library will accomplish this goal by providing optimal conditions for faculty and students to find, use, and create knowledge, thus increasing their productivity. The second theme is leadership. Tisch Library will take a leadership role to expand services by partnering with other organizations, both at Tufts and beyond. These ambitious goals will continue to transform Tisch Library in the future!

JoAnn Michalak, Friends Editor and Director of the Tisch Library

Gems in the John A. Seaverns Equine Collection

BY ALYSSA FREDEN

There is something about the outside of a horse that is good for the inside of a man. —Winston Churchill

On this, Winston Churchill and John A. Seaverns could probably agree. Seaverns omnivorously collected thousands of volumes of books, all dedicated to the horse, creating a preeminent collection that he bequeathed to the Webster Family Library at the Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University.

This stunning collection is now being cataloged and digitized. Through a recent agreement between the Boston Library Consortium and the Open Content Alliance (OCA), the out-of-copyright portion of the collection is being scanned and made available on the web for all to read. The cataloging and digitization project will be ongoing over the next year.

The most intriguing aspect of the collection is its depth and scope. Discovered within the collection are many gems, some of which have been scanned. Following are some examples from just the small part of the collection that is already in digital form.

Have you heard of a Zorse or a Zebrula? Perhaps a Hebra? No? Cossar Ewart, a Professor of Natural History at Edinburgh, conducted experiments cross breeding horses and zebras that were recorded in “The Pencyuk Experiments,” by none other than Ewart himself! “I have bred nine zebra hybrids by crossing mares of various sizes (from 11 to 15 hands) and breeds to my zebra stallion “Matopo,” and have in my possession three hybrids out of zebra mares, one having his sire a donkey, the other two were sired by ponies. The hybrids are especially interesting to me because of the curious blending of characters, derived apparently partly from their remote ancestors, and because they shed new light on many questions of general interest ...”



This brings us to the



question: can you judge a book by its cover? This cover gives us a good idea of what might be in this volume!

Another popular topic in the late 1800’s and early 1900’s was riding for women or ladies and how this differed from men. Found in the introduction to “How Women Should Ride” by C. De Hurst, “No space has been wasted on unnecessary technicalities which the woman is not likely to either understand or care to digest, but everything has been written with a view of aiding her in obtaining a sound, practical knowledge of the horse, under saddle and in harness.”

While such statements may shock today’s girls into a tizzy of feministic turmoil, during the time in which the book was written, it was the common thought of the general public. This book, despite the chauvinistic tone, has some illustrations that still hold true to today’s standards of riding.

Have you enjoyed our journey through some of our Equine books? If you have and want more information, please go to <http://www.archive.org> and search for key word “Seaverns” to find your own gems. You can download the books or just read through them online. We are adding about forty books every two weeks and estimate that there will be about two thousand volumes. Check back often!



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JUMBO LOSS

MILES UHRIG



R. Miles Uhrig, former director of undergraduate admissions and loyal Friend since the founding of the Friends of the Tufts Libraries, passed away on March 11, 2008 after a short illness. In

his 38 year career in admissions at Tufts, he held the position of director of admissions from 1959 until he retired in 1994. Miles' leadership and wisdom were an inspiration to those who worked with him. He was a graduate of Tufts with both undergraduate and master's degrees and was a life long history buff. In retirement, Miles was involved with the Osher Lifelong Learning Program, leading a number of study courses in history and literature. In 2002, Miles' children dedicated the Uhrig Family Garden and Terrace at Tufts as a tribute to their parents. The Terrace, located between Eaton and Tisch Library, is a place for reflection and respite on the busy campus. Miles and his wife, Judy (J'55), were charter members of the Friends of Tufts Libraries. Tisch Library will plate 12 books in history to honor his 12 years as a Friend of Tisch Library. For those who wish, donations may be made in memory of Miles Uhrig to the Friends of Tufts Libraries, payable to the Trustees of Tufts College, c/o Margot Lenhart, 80 George Street Medford, MA 02155.

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do research and showing how current technologies and resources help make research faster, more convenient, and far-reaching. According to Sol Gittleman, Tufts University Professor, former Tufts Provost, and "tour leader" for the alums, Tisch Library's presentation is "one of the highlights of the program.... When [alumni] come to the library to see the changes in technology [they] have a transformative experience!"

Each year the skit is updated to present new technologies, resources, and services. Demonstrations of resources and services that Tufts alumni have access to

by joining the Tufts Online Community (<http://www.alumniconnections.com/tufts/>) are highlighted. This year's skit showcased Expanded Academic ASAP, ABI Inform, Ovid MEDLINE, and Tisch Library's Tisch Talks: *The Tisch Library's Podcast Series*.

As library research changes, Tisch Library looks forward to informing current and future alums about how they can take advantage of library services, as well as how those alums can support Tisch Library's current and future goals.

Now, if only the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences would call!

MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1948 — 60TH REUNION



PHOTO Margot Lenhart

Members of the Class of 1948 gathered together during Reunion weekend on Saturday, May 17, 2008 in the Hirsh Reading Room within the Tisch Library to celebrate their 60th Reunion. Thirty alumni returned to Tufts to participate in this special luncheon and other festivities. Front Row: Glenna Boyle Smith, Laura Bradley Chodos, Edna Carlson Beaton, Paul Barsam, Harold W. Demone, Jr., Elinor Gould Krueger, Audry Stern Farnum, Virginia Brent Risley; Second Row: Jules L. Wagman, Warren P. McKinnon, Allen H. Wolozin, Donald M. Krueger, Ella A. McKinnon

Friends of Tufts Libraries Cordially Invites You to Attend
Authors Talks 2008–09

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PETER LEVINE
*The Future of Democracy:
 Developing the Next Generation
 of American Citizens*

Friday, October 17, 2008
 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.
 Hirsh Reading Room, Tisch Library
*Book Signing to Follow
 Reception, 5 – 6 p.m., Murnane Lobby,
 Granoff Music Center*

Peter Levine, the Jonathan M. Tisch College of Citizenship and Public Service's newly appointed Director of Research, will be the Friends'/Parents Weekend featured speaker. Levine also is the Director of CIRCLE, (The Center for Information and Research on Civic Learning and Engagement), which promotes research on the civic and political engagement of Americans between the ages of 15 and 25.

Levine's newest book, *The Future of Democracy: Developing the Next Generation of American Citizens*, focuses on the urgent need for young people to become civically engaged. Levine stresses that through development of skills and opportunities, our youth will be equipped to become successfully involved in defining and addressing public problems as well as participating in politics.

An exhibit about the author will be on display in Tisch Library lobby from September 26 – November 13, 2008.

"...[Levine] makes a compelling case for the central role young people must play if democracy is to function responsively and responsibly." —Michael X. Delli Carpini, Dean, The Annenberg School for Communication of the University of Pennsylvania

PHOTO David Valdes Greenwood



DAVID VALDES GREENWOOD
*Homo Domesticus: Notes
 From a Same-Sex Marriage*

Wednesday, November 12, 2008
 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.
 Hirsh Reading Room, Tisch Library
Book Signing and Reception to Follow

David Valdes Greenwood, Tufts English department lecturer and writer, has authored two books, *A Little Fruitcake: A Childhood in Holidays* and *Homo Domesticus: Notes from a Same-Sex Marriage*. Additionally, Greenwood has penned three plays. He has worked as a columnist and arts writer for *Bay Windows*, a contributing writer for *Boston Phoenix*, and a columnist for *Boston Globe Magazine*. Greenwood has received several major awards, including those from Humana Festival; Edward Albee PlayLab; Midwest Theatre Network; Massachusetts Cultural Council; Clauder Competition; and two commissions from EST/Sloan Project.

Greenwood's books detail with great humor and compassion the strength, frailty, and diversity inherent within relationships born both out of biology and of choice.

An exhibit about the author will be on display in Tisch Library lobby from October 29, 2008 – January 6, 2009.

"Valdes Greenwood...demonstrates that same-sex couples just want the same things everybody else does.... Valdes Greenwood doesn't get preachy or overtly political about gay rights and marriage; rather, he lets his life with husband and baby — ups, downs, and all — speak for itself. It's a convincing, heartwarming argument." —Publishers Weekly

SAVE
 THESE
 DATES
 FOR
 2009

SUSAN NAPIER
 Tufts Professor and Director of Japanese Program
 Author of *From Impressionism to Anime: Japan as Fantasy and Fan Cult in the Mind of the West*
 Friday, February 20, 2009, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Hirsh Reading Room, Tisch Library

**THE FIFTH JOHN HOLMES MEMORIAL POETRY READING
 FEATURING SAM CORNISH, BOSTON'S FIRST POET LAUREATE**
 Author of *An Apron Full of Beans: New and Selected Poems*
 Wednesday, April 1, 2009, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Hirsh Reading Room, Tisch Library

Library News



Rendering of renovations by DiMella Shaffer Associates, Inc.
Architects and Planners

HIRSH HEALTH SCIENCES LIBRARY SPACE IMPROVEMENTS

Construction is underway to transform the Sackler Center into a community-building environment for Tufts Medical students, initiated by a \$15 million contribution from The Jaharis Foundation. After soliciting suggestions from students, faculty, and staff, the Medical School Administration unveiled a plan in April for a student-friendly face-lift for Sackler featuring a fitness center, learning lounges with kitchenettes, upgraded classrooms, and other amenities. Improvements to the Hirsh Health Sciences Library will include a larger café with extended hours and healthier foods selected by students, a TV lounge and reading room, and a more open layout allowing books to go anywhere inside the building.

In preparation for the renovations, HHSL staff relocated library offices from the fourth floor to the sixth floor and further thinned journal stacks, clearing space for more study areas and laptop work stations. The fourth floor of the library closed for renovation during the summer. All construction is scheduled for completion by the spring of 2009.

NIH GUIDELINES

Effective as of April, 2008 the National Institute of Health's public access policy requires all NIH-funded final peer-reviewed manuscripts accepted for publication also to be submitted to PubMed Central. HHSL Information Services librarians are stepping up to the plate with a multifaceted approach to help authors follow the submission process guidelines. A new page on the HHSL website details the steps, provides links to related sites and answers to frequently asked questions, and gives contact information to librarians ready to give one-on-one help. See the site at <http://www.library.tufts.edu/hsl/services/NIHpublicaccess.html>.

Furthermore, HHSL has worked with the system-wide Scholarly Communications Team to develop educational materials for NIH-funded faculty at all of the Tufts schools. Assistance to researchers is available at each of the Tufts libraries about this important requirement.

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TISCH LIBRARY RECEIVES 2008 GSC SERVICE AWARD

The Graduate Student Council's Service Award, the highest honor that, to date, has been bestowed upon individuals who have been supporters of graduate students, was awarded to Tisch Library on April 25, 2008. This year the GSC chose to laud Tisch Library as "a wonderful friend to all graduate students." Tisch Library staff are very honored and are committed to continuing to support graduate students in their quest for knowledge.



Left to Right: Laura Walters, Associate Director for Teaching & Research; Jo-Ann Michalak, Director, Tisch Library; Kathy DiPerma, Manager, Access & Media Services

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MR. TUFTS

JOHN BARONIAN

Tufts University lost its most devoted alumnus with the passing of John Baronian on April 5, 2008 at age 87. He graduated in 1950 and had been one of the most active and loyal sup-



PHOTO Margot Lenhart

porters of his alma mater. He was a member of the Board of Trustees, as well as an Overseer. As a businessman, he was an outstanding insurance salesman for American Mutual Insurance Company.

John donated his collection of more than 4,000 glass, porcelain, wood, and bronze elephants to Tufts. They are on display in several Medford campus buildings. John also donated the Varhram Der Parseghian collection containing works of literature and history pertaining to the Armenian people in their homeland and in the United States. Since then, the collection, with titles in Armenian and English, has been cataloged as part of Tisch Library's Rare Book Collection, located in Tufts' Digital Collections and Archives (DCA).

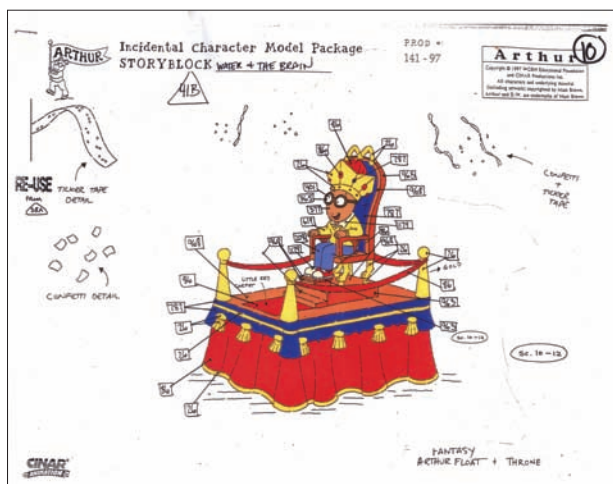
John was the founder of the Jumbo Club, never missed a football game at Tufts, and was proud that the Baronian Field House carried his name. He was known throughout the Tufts community as "Mr. Tufts."

ARTHUR FINDS A HOME AT TUFTS

Digital Collections and Archives is pleased to announce the donation of materials relating to the creation of the award-winning children's television series ARTHUR. Marc Brown, creator of the Arthur books and TV series, was seeking a home for the files he used in developing the early years of the show. He chose to donate the collection to Tufts based on the university's commitment to teaching and research and its strong programs in early childhood education and media studies.

The collection contains approximately 60 linear feet of material, including scripts, storyboards, character sketches, color studies, correspondence, and media of the shows. It will be open for research in Fall 2008. A celebration to mark the opening of the collection is being planned for early in the fall semester.

Please contact the DCA for more information 617.627.3737 or archives@tufts.edu.



Mark Your Calendar for...Upcoming Friends Events

**SEPTEMBER 3, 2008 –
JANUARY 9, 2009**

Dranetz Tower Corridor, Tisch Library

Tufts Theater History 1910s-1960s: Highlights of Tufts vibrant theater groups, including production photos, scripts, programs, and artifacts. Curated by Digital Collections and Archives.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2008
3:30-5 PM**

Hirsh Reading Room, Tisch Library

Friends'/Parents Weekend Authors Talk by Peter Levine, Director of Research at Tisch College and author of *The Future of Democracy: Developing the Next Generation of American Citizens*. See page 5 for complete information.

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2008
3:30-5PM**

Hirsh Reading Room, Tisch Library

Friends' Authors Talk by David Valdes Greenwood, lecturer in the English Department and author of *Homo Domesticus: Notes from a Same-Sex Marriage* and *A Little Fruitcake: A Childhood in Holidays*. See page 5 for complete information.

JANUARY 14 – AUGUST 28, 2009

Dranetz Tower Corridor, Tisch Library

The 2009 Reunion Classes Exhibit will highlight people, places, and events, illustrating what was special about these classes at Tufts. Selected by Digital Collections and Archives.

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2009
3:30-5PM**

Hirsh Reading Room, Tisch Library

Friends' Authors Talk by Susan Napier, Professor and Director of Japanese Program and author of *From Impressionism to Anime: Japan as Fantasy and Fan Cult in the Mind of the West*. See page 5 for complete information.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2009
3:30-5PM**

Hirsh Reading Room, Tisch Library

The Fifth John Holmes Memorial Poetry Reading featuring Sam Cornish, Boston's first poet laureate and author of *An Apron Full of Beans: New and Selected Poems*. See page 5 for complete information.

**SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2009
10AM-5PM**

Tisch Library, Medford Campus

Tisch Library Open House for Friends and Alumni provides the opportunity for self-guided tours of Tisch Library. Come and see the 2009 Reunion Classes exhibit, The Tower café and Jumbomania posters!

Latest Friends information located at <http://www.library.tufts.edu/friends/calendar.html>

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—John Fitzgerald Kennedy