

Books and Bytes

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Welcome (Back) Everyone

Welcome to the fifth year of *Books and Bytes*, the library's general newsletter for faculty and staff. Again this year we will be distributing the newsletter to everyone by e-mail notification to save printing costs. We do intend to make some print copies available, so if you would like to receive a print copy, please contact David Everett at everetddd@hiram.edu. *Books and Bytes* is posted to the library's Web site (<http://library.hiram.edu/publications.html>), as are back issues.

In addition, library staff members produce three online newsletters that focus on new items in the book, music, and video collections. These, too, may be found on the library's publications page. You will have an opportunity to "subscribe" to any or all of those newsletters so that you will receive automatic e-mail notification when a new issue is available.

Coming to the Library in September

Labor Day Weekend Hours – Special hours will be:

Friday, September 2	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, September 3	CLOSED
Sunday, September 4	CLOSED
Monday, September 5	5:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

Friends of the Library Book Sale – Monday, September 12, through Friday, September 16, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. The book sale is located just inside the entrance and all books are just 50¢.



Library Forum – Wednesday, September 14, at 4:15 p.m. in the Pritchard Room of the Library. Dr. Ryan Honomichl, Assistant Professor of Psychology, will speak.

Humans vs. Zombies – Friday, September 16, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Look for more information to come!

Banned Books Readout – Monday, September 26. Look for more information to come!

Library Forum – Wednesday, September 28, at 4:15 p.m. in the Pritchard Room of the Library. Dr. Renee Gutierrez, Assistant Professor of Spanish, will speak.

Meet Chris Schmidt

Chris Schmidt joined the library staff this past July 1 as the Electronic Resources/Systems Librarian. In that role, Chris is responsible for keeping our online systems, especially the catalog, running smoothly, and he also serves as the library's Webmaster.



Chris earned his B.A. in anthropology and archaeology from Washington University in St. Louis and his M.I.L.S. from the University of Missouri at Columbia.

He is currently busy helping us re-design our Web presence, especially for those using mobile devices, and working on improving our online catalog. Welcome, Chris!

Our Front Door is Open!

The library's new front entry is open! Check out the new look of the walkway from the Martin Commons to the library. And there is a new entrance, complete with an automatic door. There is still some work to be done, but it looks really good.



Library Hours for Fall-12

The Library is pleased to announce its hours for the Fall-12 term. Please note the earlier opening time for Monday through Friday. The general schedule will be:

Monday through Thursday	7:45 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.
Friday	7:45 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	3:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

On those weekends when Weekend College holds classes, the library will extend its hours to:

Friday	7:45 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Sunday	Noon – 11:00 p.m.

Exceptions to the above hours, including the first weekend of Weekend College classes (August 27 – August 28) may be found online at <http://library.hiram.edu/hours.html>.

Remember that the library's extensive online resources are available 24/7.

Database Changes

Every summer seems to bring a number of changes to the library's electronic resources, and this summer is no exception.

New Resources:

Birds of North America - Produced by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology and the American Ornithologists' Union, this multi-media database provides comprehensive life histories of the 700+ species of birds that breed in the United States and Canada. Available from on-campus only.

Mango Language Learning Center - Mango is an online language-learning system that can help you learn Spanish, French, Chinese, Arabic, Russian, and more languages. It also offers English-language lessons if English is not your first language. Click the Start Learning button to try it out or create a free Mango profile to log in and track your progress. Provided as part of the statewide grant secured by Libraries Connect, a joint effort by OhioLINK, OPLIN, and INFOhio.



Name Change: *netLibrary* is now ***EBSCO Ebook Collection*** and with the new name comes a new, friendlier interface. But you will still have access to more than 15,000 full-text books, plus additional titles in the public domain.

Discontinued: *Books in Print* has been discontinued by the vendor the library had used for access and we have opted not to switch vendors.

Using Reserves This Fall?

If you plan to use library reserves during the fall terms, please keep the following in mind:

- The library has several options for reserve items: Closed (2 hours, in-library use only), One-day, Three-day, and Seven-day.
- Please allow 3 working days for items to be processed. They are done on a first-come, first-served basis and the beginning of a semester is the busiest time.
- Reserves are designed to handle a small number of readings. If you are planning to place all of your readings on reserve and they are articles and/or book chapters, you should consider having the Book Store create a course pack. Contact the Book Store for more information.
- The library does not have an online reserve system, but Sakai, the College's Course Management Software, does have the capability of posting digital resources. Please contact Mary Ann King in the Dray Computer Center for more information.
- U.S. Copyright law applies to **all** use of copyrighted materials, including library reserve, course packs, and postings on Sakai.
- The library cannot place on reserve materials borrowed through OhioLINK and certain other items.

Contact Mrs. Terri Foy at x5359 for more information.

OhioLINK Launches Music Center

OhioLINK has launched the OhioLINK Music Center, featuring more than 78,000 tracks from some 21,000 works from the Naxos Music Library.

You can search for and listen to tracks in six genres – classical music (by far the largest of the genres), opera, jazz, Chinese music, spoken word, and world music. The Center includes the work of many well-known composers including Bach, Beethoven, Chopin, Copeland, Ellington, Handel, and Strauss.

OhioLINK Music Center

The tracks are available from off-campus and can be accessed at <http://music.ohiolink.edu/>.

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