

Books and Bytes

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Welcome (Back) Everyone

Welcome to the seventh 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 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/index.php/about/publications>), as are back issues.

In addition, library staff members produce two online newsletters that focus on new books, now including news on new videos, and on new music. 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.

OhioLINK Changes

During the summer, OhioLINK made several changes to its circulation policies. The two most important changes are:

- Everyone gets up to six renewals, provided no one has placed a hold on the book. Please remember that renewals are not guaranteed.
- Faculty loan periods for books have been extended from 21 days to 42 days.

Media items are still loaned for seven days with no renewals.



Items owned by Cuyahoga County Public Library and Westerville Public Library are no longer listed in the OhioLINK catalog. They may be found by clicking on the SearchOhio button in the OhioLINK catalog. SearchOhio is a consortium of 17 public libraries. Requesting books from them is as easy as requesting from OhioLINK. SearchOhio transactions follow slightly different rules, with only 3 renewals allowed and smaller lost book charges.



Library Hours for Fall-12

The Library is pleased to announce its hours for the Fall-12 term. 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. – 7:00 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 24 – August 26), may be found online at <http://library.hiram.edu/index.php/hours>

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.

Moving to new vendor platforms:

- *ATLA Religion Index* – formerly on OhioLINK's OSearch, has moved to EBSCO
- *Biosis Previews* – formerly on OhioLINK's OSearch, has moved to ISI Web of Knowledge
- *PsycINFO* – formerly on OhioLINK's OSearch and briefly on PsycNET, has moved to EBSCO

In addition, *AP Photo Archives* will move to EBSCO at some point this fall and become *AP Image Archives*.

No Longer Available:

- *GeoRef*
- *INSPEC* (and *INSPEC Archives*)
- *PAIS*
- *Scipio*

Please be patient as we add and delete links on the Web page, particularly off-campus links.

Coming to the Library in September

Labor Day Weekend Hours – Special hours will be:

Friday, August 31	7:45 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, September 1	CLOSED
Sunday, September 2	CLOSED
Monday, September 3	6:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

Library Forum – Wednesday, September 12, at 4:15 p.m. in the Pritchard Room of the Library. Speaker to be announced.



Library Forum – Wednesday, September 19, at 4:15 p.m. in the Pritchard Room of the Library. Dr. Tom Koehnle, Assistant Professor Biology, will speak.

Friends of the Library Book Sale – Monday, September 24, through Friday, September 28, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. The book sale is located just inside the entrance.

White Boards Now in Selected Study Rooms

White boards are now available in three of the study rooms on the second floor – Gescheidt, Poston, and Bissell. The three study rooms are all on the south side of the second floor. Marker kits, with four markers and an eraser, are available to be checked out; you can find them at the front desk.

Gwen Evans Named Interim Director of OhioLINK

Ohio Chancellor Jim Petro has appointed Gwen Evans to serve as interim director of OhioLINK. Evans has previously served as director of special projects for the Ohio Technology Consortium (OH-TECH), the research and technology arm of the Ohio Board of Regents. Prior to that, Evans was coordinator of library information and emerging technology at Bowling Green State University.

Evans replaces John Magill, who will be working on workforce and economic development initiatives at the Ohio Board of Regents.

Hiram College Library: Learning Unshelved

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 Moodle, the College's Course Management Software, does have the capability of posting digital resources. Please contact Elizabeth Simeral, Senior Instructional Designer, for more information. Her office is located in Media Services on the lower level of the library.
- U.S. Copyright law applies to **all** use of copyrighted materials, including library reserve, course packs, and postings on Moodle.
- The library cannot place on reserve materials borrowed through OhioLINK and certain other items.

Contact Mrs. Terri Foy at x5359 for more information.

Check out the Library's New Web Page

The URL is still <http://library.hiram.edu>

OhioLINK Decommissions Digital Media Center, Moves Content to Digital Resource Commons

After a nearly year-long project to migrate content to a new Digital Resource Commons (DRC), OhioLINK decommissioned the Digital Media Center on August 15. All links, both on the OhioLINK Web site and on the Hiram College Library Web sites, should now direct you to the new Digital Resource Commons.

The DRC contains content submitted by institutions, such as Kent State's oral histories, and content acquired by OhioLINK, such as the digital videos and the Sanborn maps.