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The Newsletter of the Friends of the IUP Libraries

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The University

With its original 1875 building still standing at the heart of its campus, Indiana University of Pennsylvania has a long tradition of academic excellence. The university is recognized as a “Public Ivy” in company with other public colleges and universities that offer academic environments comparable to those at Ivy League schools but at affordable prices. IUP provides an intellectually challenging experience to more than thirteen thousand students at the university’s three campuses, all easily accessible from Pittsburgh and the Middle Atlantic region. IUP is the largest member of the State System of Higher Education.

Academic offerings include more than a hundred undergraduate majors with a variety of internship and study abroad programs, more than forty master’s degree programs, and eight doctoral degrees. Unusual opportunities for research at all levels and Robert E. Cook Honors College provide special challenges for academic growth. The variety and quality of instruction are characteristic of a big university, yet at IUP, close, one-to-one relationships develop within the teaching framework, and lifelong friendships are formed.

The Friends of the Library

has been established by the University Development Division of IUP and the Stapleton Library in order to improve Library resources for students and faculty.

Goals of the Friends:

- To provide a medium for encouraging gifts and bequests of funds, as well as for books and manuscripts that support the curriculum of the University beyond the capacity of the Library’s budget.

- To encourage an interest in learning through books and reading.

- To increase the usefulness of the Library’s resources by making them known to users on a first-hand basis.

- To promote an understanding of the Library’s mission and the role that it fills in the life of IUP.

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100 Years of Field Hockey



Coach McClellan Gordon and members of the 1907 Women’s Field Hockey team on the steps of Sutton Hall

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Dorothy Day: A Pilgrimage from the Secular to the Sacred

November marks the 110th anniversary of the birth of Dorothy Day, a woman who has been called a “non-violent social radical of luminous personality” and “the conscience of the American Catholic Church”. In pursuing her calling to ameliorate the lives of the poor and the oppressed she did not shy away from controversy sometimes alienating both secular radicals and religious conservatives. Praise from such diverse figures as Daniel Berrigan and George Bush suggest her great contributions as well as the richness and complexity of her life.

In spite of its complexity, the life of this writer, lecturer, editor, pacifist and social justice advocate was consistent in its single-minded dedication to improvement of soul and society. Converting to Catholicism in the late 1920s, she began her journey to a spiritually-centered personal activism. In 1932 she met Peter Maurin, French worker/philosopher. Together they launched the Catholic Worker Movement, opening soup kitchens, hospitality and Catholic Worker houses, offering food and housing to the poor, and love and acceptance to those who society neglected or shunned. In addition to soup, bread and hospitality, guests of Catholic Worker houses experienced intellectual stimulation and spiritual enrichment.

Day and Maurin’s advocacy for social change found its voice in the Catholic Worker periodical which began in 1933. Day served as its editor throughout her life from 1933 to 1980. Its active cries for brotherhood, community, peace, and care of the forgotten continue to the present day. It is still published and still sold for a penny an issue. Even twenty years after her death, over 100 Catholic Worker houses survive, offering care and community to the forsaken, with related organizations in locations as near as Pittsburgh and Loretto, Pennsylvania.

You are invited to attend a program and discussion on Thursday, November 29th, 2007 at 7:00 pm in the library of Breezedale focusing on the life and legacy of Dorothy Day. The program will be led by Dr. Irwin Marcus, labor and working class historian and IUP Professor Emeritus (1965-2002). Dr. Marcus will focus on the journey of this gifted author and dedicated social reformer through the complex historical landscape of the 20th century. The program is free and open to the public.

Milestones

There are several personnel changes in the IUP Libraries. Dr. Mary-Bess Halford is the new Collection Development/Acquisitions Librarian effective August 18, 2007. Mary-Bess, who is originally from the United Kingdom, comes to IUP from Bethany College in Bethany, West Virginia. Prior to that she worked at Tulane University in New Orleans. Mary-Bess earned an MLS from Louisiana State University and a PhD in German from the University of Sterling in Scotland. Mary-Bess will coordinate the library liaison program to support acquisitions across the curriculum. Karen Brown, who has served as Collection Development/Acquisitions Librarian since 1990, moves to the library's Cataloging Department. There she will be involved in cataloging and metadata projects.



Harrison Wick is the new Special Collections Librarian and University Archivist effective November 5, 2007. Harrison comes to IUP from Misericordia University in Dallas, PA, where he was the archivist. Prior to that Harrison had led a project at the Historical Society of Delaware to process the congressional papers of U.S. Senator William V. Roth, Jr. Harrison earned an MLS and a Masters of Arts in history from Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana. Harrison's arrival permits Dr. Theresa McDevitt to return to her duties as Government Documents/Reference Librarian. Theresa has served very capably in an interim capacity in Special Collections for the past two and one-half years.



Rhonda Yeager has accepted appointment as a Library Assistant; half-time in the Reference Department and half-time in Special Collections. For the past year Rhonda has worked on a grant-funded project to process the papers of the Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal Company, which is part of the IUP Special Collections. Rhonda's previous library experience includes six years at Chatham College.



IUP President Dr. Tony Atwater announced that Sandy Janicki, Reference Librarian, is among faculty promoted to Associate Professor.

Dr. Theresa McDevitt was recognized by the IUP School of Graduate Studies and Research and by the IUP Research Institute for her success in sponsored research. Dr. McDevitt received a grant from the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. The grant funded a project conducted with independent researcher, Sonya Stewart, to interview African-American residents of Indiana County.

Events

Sandy Janicki, Reference Librarian, and Ed Zimmerman, Library Technology and Security Manager, presented a program at the recent meeting of the Pennsylvania Library Association on the Fish! Philosophy and how it is applied in the IUP Libraries. Information about the Fish! Philosophy is accessible at www.charthouse.com.

Dr. Kelly Heider, Education Librarian and Chris Clouser, Science Librarian, played hosts for the library's first "Breakfast and a Book" program of the academic year. Dr. Jennifer Rotigel, from the department of Professional Studies in Education, discussed her recent book, "Encouraging Your Child's Math Talent: The Involved Parent's Guide."

Dr. Carl Rahkonen, Music Librarian, and Teri McFerron, Music Library Technician, recently hosted a meeting of the Atlantic Chapter of the Music Library Association. Music librarians from all the major universities, conservatories of music, public libraries in the mid-Atlantic region, including the Library of Congress attended. They enjoyed sessions in Breezedale and the new Orendorff Music Library while on campus.

Recent Gifts

Dr. William H. Culp recently established a fund with the Foundation for IUP for the purpose of purchasing materials for the IUP Library benefiting students and faculty studying transpersonal psychology and counseling. Dr. Culp graduated from IUP in 1957 with a B.S. in Mathematics Education. Upon his return from service in the Korean Conflict, Dr. Culp pursued his interests in psychology and counseling, completing an M.S. at Southern Illinois University and an EdD at West Virginia University. He taught at IUP in the Counselor Education program from 1975 until his retirement in 1993. Dr. Culp opened a transpersonal retreat center, Intraconnections, near Delmont, PA, and has served as president of the Pennsylvania Association for Spiritual, Ethical and Religious Values in Counseling. His generous gift is a commitment to ensuring that the library is able to purchase relevant and up-to-date materials in transpersonal psychology and counseling.

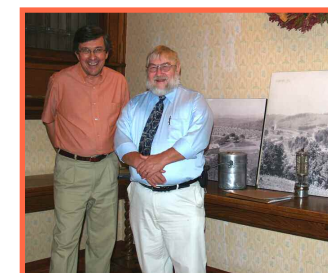
A bequest from the estate of Mary Jane Schafer created an endowment in 2004 to support an annual speaker series and library acquisitions of popular literature. Mary Jane Schafer was a 1931 graduate of Indiana in Home Economics Education. The popular and current reading collection on the first floor of Stapleton library is named the Mary Jane Schafer Memorial Collection. It is so identified by bookplates and a plaque. Students for generations to come will benefit from the endowment and Mrs. Schafer's foresight.

Richard Chamberlin continues his long-time support of the library with another generous gift of books. Dick served as head of the Reference Department at the IUP Libraries from 1967 until his retirement in 1992. From 1976 to 1978 he traveled extensively in South America and served as head of reader services at the University of Guyana for one year. A bookplate distinguishes the Chamberlin books in the collection, which are many.

Dr. Donald Walker recently donated a collection of economic books to the library. Many will remember Dr. Walker's distinguished career at IUP during which he served as chairperson of the Department of Economics, wrote more than 100 professional manuscripts and books, received the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Distinguished Academic Service Award and was selected as IUP's first University Professor.

Summer Event

Last summer on July 25th, an overflowing audience attended our summer Friends of the Library event in the library of Breezedale. That evening Dr. Dale Landon, retired IUP History professor, introduced a documentary on the Cambria County Industrial Baseball League with a lecture on our local Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal Co. Baseball League which drew large crowds to their games during the 1930's. Following the video, those in the audience recalled their memories of the Industrial Baseball League. Herb Gleditsch, president of the Historical and Genealogical Society of Indiana County, was also on hand with historic images and artifacts documenting this fascinating period.



Invitation

*You are invited to the
the IUP Libraries' Fall
event on Thursday,
November 29, 2007
at 7PM
in Breezedale
on the IUP campus.
Irwin Marcus, professor
emeritus of History, will
talk about the Life and
Legacy of Activist
Dorothy Day
Open to the Public
Refreshments will be served*

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