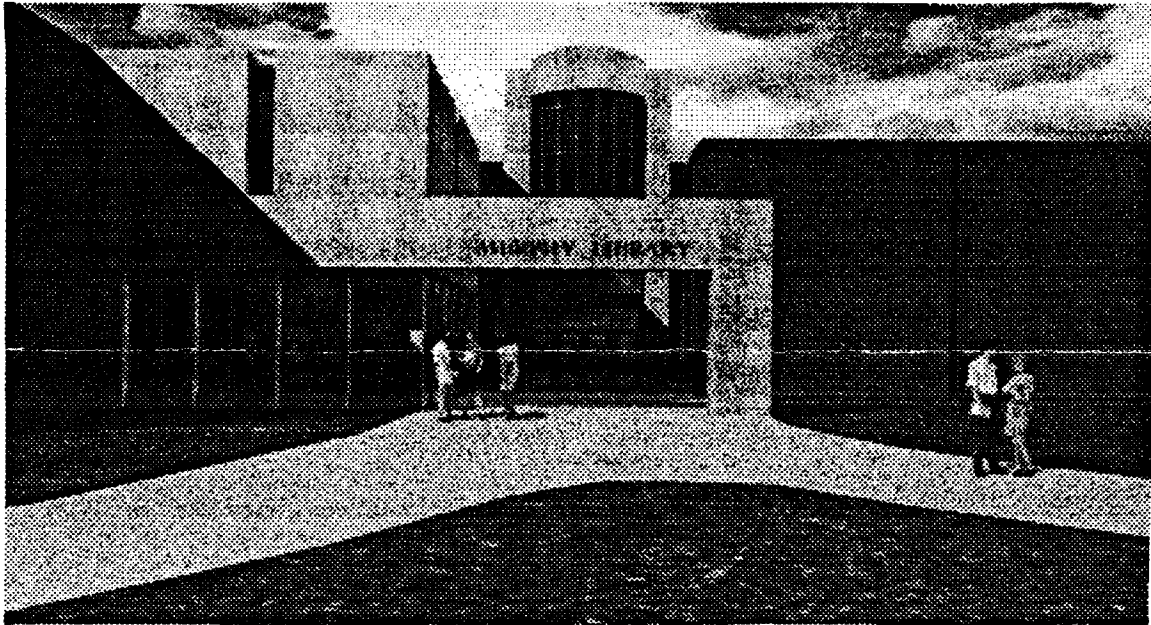


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Library Building Project - Progress Toward Ground Breaking

The architectural firm of Schute-Larson has been working feverishly to prepare the bid documents for the addition to Murphy Library since the Building Commission approved the building concept and design report in December, 1992.

The 7.6 million dollar project will add 40,000 square feet to the present 77,000 square feet. The new addition will be built in the parking lot to the north of the library. The project will not only add more space to the facility but it will feature major remodeling of existing areas in the current building.

The center stairwell will be filled in and replaced with a smaller stairway which will serve as a fire exit. The main entrance will be closed and the current porch will become a library classroom.

The new main entrance will be located between the current building and the new addition. Circulation services, reference, serials, special collections/ARC, and the film library will be relocated.

Ground breaking is scheduled for mid June. Some remodeling will begin this summer, with the majority of changes in the existing building taking place during the fall semester, 1994. Barring any major delays, the project should be completed in January, 1995.

Dale Montgomery
Director of Library and Media Services

LIBRARY RESOURCE CENTER (LRC) PROJECT TIMELINE

Advertise for Bids	March, 1993
Award Construction Contracts	May, 1993
Break Ground	June, 1993
Begin Major Remodeling	Summer, 1993
Complete New Construction	August, 1994
Begin Relocation of Library Departments	August, 1994
Complete Remodeling	December, 1994
Complete Project	January, 1995

Library to Receive New Computer System

Murphy Library installed its first online catalog in 1987 when the library acquired an integrated computer software system. Known as LS2000, the system was developed by OCLC to provide for the online public access catalog, circulation, book ordering, and serials support functions.

Two years ago, AMERITECH purchased the software for this system and a year later they acquired NOTIS, a software system used by large research libraries such as Texas A&M University, Indiana State University, and Loyola University of Chicago. Last year AMERITECH announced that they would phase out their support of the LS2000 system in 1995. As a result, UW System administration and the UW libraries began a planning process to migrate to NOTIS.

UW-Madison and UW-Milwaukee use portions of the NOTIS software now. Four of the system libraries (Platteville, River Falls, Stout, and Whitewater) received NOTIS last fall. The remaining libraries, including Murphy Library, will receive the NOTIS system by December of this year. NOTIS runs on IBM hardware and has a number of new features for the campus.

The public catalog terminals will feature menus for the selection of the local library or other libraries in the UW system. Searching will be transparent. Another feature will permit the library to download, via tape, citation databases which can be searched like the catalog, i.e. Readers' Guide, ABI-Inform.

*Dale Montgomery
Director of Library and Media Services*

The Faculty Liaison: an Important Link in Acquiring Books for the Library

For the last three years, the library book budget has remained constant while inflation has steadily increased book prices. Although we have tried to extend the buying power of the dollar by buying paperbacks whenever possible, we are not able to purchase all of the materials that faculty members recommend. The number

of requests for books which the faculty designate essential for teaching, but for which there is no funding, has risen every year.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Dollar Amount of Orders</u>
1990/91	\$120,953
1989/90	\$65,484
1988/89	\$57,412
1987/88	\$55,264

To ensure that the materials most important for classroom instruction are acquired, we have asked the faculty to assign one of the categories below to all requests submitted:

Category One: Essential to Instruction

Material is required reading for the students enrolled in the course.

Category Two: Suggested for Instruction

Suggested reading for the students enrolled in the course or material used for a student research project in the course.

Category Three: Important for the Discipline

Material supports the general mission of the discipline and should be available to students and faculty in a variety of courses offered within the discipline.

Category Four: General Interest

Material is difficult to departmentalize but is of general interest and of significance to our library. The material is interesting, provocative, challenging, or innovative.

We hope these categories will be useful as a guide so that items which are essential for classroom instruction will be purchased on a timely basis. Requests marked category one are submitted to jobbers immediately after all of the information on the request form has been verified in the Acquisition Department. Other categories are held until the needs of each department become clear. If the departmental allocation permits, category two and sometimes category three requests will begin to be acquired by December. Category four has not been used by the faculty and is addressed by the librarians who also recommend titles for purchase.

To help us interpret the needs of the faculty we have asked each department to appoint a liaison. The faculty liaison is the library's contact with the teaching

department. The faculty liaison should monitor the requests submitted by the members of each department to ensure that the collection is balanced. We turn to the liaison with questions on book orders, reports on the status of the departmental library budget, and information on important new publications. We hope that, through the liaison, each department will communicate matters which impact on the library and collection development activities, such as new course offerings, new faculty in the department, a shift in emphasis in existing courses, etc.

The idea of a liaison is a relatively new concept in our library's interaction with departments and is still being refined. For the library, having one person in each department to turn to has been a positive experience. We are always willing to accept suggestions for refining the relationship.

*Karin Sandvik
Acquisitions Librarian*

The Area Research Center

One of the most interesting and least understood resources in the library is the Area Research Center collection. It is the only resident collection that is not owned by the library - instead, it is owned by the State Historical Society of Wisconsin and remains on permanent loan to Murphy Library.

It is also part of a network of twelve Area Research Centers, most of them located at UW campuses, with the State Historical Society headquarters in Madison serving as the thirteenth and lead center. These regional repositories, most of them established during the 1960s, hold manuscript and public record collections for their own sections of the state.

In 1970, the Area Research Centers and the State Historical Society held their first formal group meeting at Murphy Library. Out of that event derived the present UW System Archives Council, which oversees policy and planning for the group. This Council has taken a leadership role in archival matters, producing several mission statement and standards documents that serve as national models. Wisconsin had a state historical society before it achieved statehood, and the holdings of this agency are second only to the National Archives in size. The regionally-appropriate holdings

became the basis for the Area Research Centers, which now serve as "branches" of the Society.

Collections may be transferred from one center to another so that researchers at or near one UW campus may have access to the holdings of another, or to those of the central archives in Madison. Several other states have regional repositories similar to these in Wisconsin, but this transfer process is unique in the U.S. These archival materials must be hand-carried between centers. Researchers must plan their requests to allow for someone connected with the network to make the trip, usually to Madison. The materials are carefully inventoried and recorded on transfer forms which are signed for at each stage of the transfer. Such precautions serve to protect the physical safety of these materials which are, after all, original and unique.

Borrowed materials are returned to their "home" center when the user has finished with them, usually after a 90-day period. Again, the return trip is carefully documented for security purposes.

Examples of holdings in Murphy Library's Area Research Center include the records of the La Crosse County Women's Political Caucus, the John Manke blacksmith shop and the Tillman Brothers Furniture and Undertaking firm in La Crosse, the League of Women Voters of La Crosse, the Katharine Martindale family, the Black River Log Driving Company, the Hixon family, and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers of La Crosse. Among public records, we hold such collections as the city tax records for La Crosse, 1856-1918; the Bounty Records for Predatory Animals, 1906-9; the Records of the Supervisor of the Poor, 1877-1925; a La Crosse County Sheriff's Jail Register, 1872-1879; the Police Court Criminal Dockets, 1862-1941; and Tax Sales Records, 1916-1945.

We hold similar public and manuscript records for Jackson, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties, and can borrow such records for other Wisconsin counties through the network system. These records provide a rich primary source for many fields. Students utilizing these materials often become fascinated by primary research and produce papers of genuine substance for future research as well as for class assignments. Beyond obvious value for history students, there is ample material for work in sociology, political science, education, and other areas.

The Murphy Library Area Research Center, a part of Special Collections, forms the core of a wide variety of materials of local and regional historical value. The library has built supplementary collections of considerable strength, including its Wisconsin book collection, and photographic, map, and oral history materials collections.

The original terms of the State Historical Society's arrangement with the campus provide for service to the community and nation as well as to the University. For example, we are assisting a researcher in Colorado with information and materials relating to "White Beaver" Powell, a colorful and influential physician and politician in 19th century La Crosse. Powell had strong ties to William F. (Buffalo Bill) Cody, who owned land here. We have the old newspapers, the city records, reminiscences, and photographs that will help this researcher develop a public program on the Cody-Powell relationship.

The Area Research Center is a powerful educational and research tool for the academic and local community and beyond, and it forms the core of much of what we do here. For more information, call Ed Hill at 785-8511.

*Ed Hill
Special Collections Librarian*

A Directory of Electronic Journals

A recent development in journal publishing is the advent of the electronic journal. Electronic journals are a hot topic in many conferences as individuals involved in the serials information chain, including publishers, scholars, and librarians, try to figure out how to handle them and what future developments may bring.

The Directory of Electronic Journals, Newsletters and Academic Discussion Lists (Ref. TK5105.5 .D57 1992) lists 36 electronic publications that can be classified as journals. Included in the directory is a brief abstract of the journal and instructions for subscribing and submitting articles. The majority of electronic journals are free and available through the Internet. Many journals will provide printed versions of current or back issues for a fee.

Some of the electronic journals listed include:

--**Art Com:** an online magazine forum dedicated to the interface of contemporary art and new communication technologies.

--**Bryn Mawr Classical Review:** an electronic book review journal.

--**The Electronic Journal of Communication:** a quarterly, bilingual journal, devoted to the study of communication theory, research, practice, and policy.

--**Flora Online:** a peer-reviewed electronic journal for systematic botany.

--**Journal of Technology Education:** articles focusing on technology education research, philosophy, theory, or practice, in addition to book reviews and comprehensive literature analyses.

--**Online Journal of Current Clinical Trials:** this is one of the few electronic journals with a subscription fee and is a more advanced version of an electronic journal. If things go well with this experiment between AAAS and OCLC, this may be the direction in which future electronic journals will go.

--**Postmodern Culture:** an electronic journal of interdisciplinary studies which hopes to open the discussion of postmodernism to a wide audience and to encourage reconsideration of the forms and practices of academic writing.

--**Psycoloquy:** a refereed electronic journal sponsored by the American Psychological Association.

--**Solstice: an Electronic Journal of Geography and Mathematics:** a refereed journal published by the Institute of Mathematical Geography and typeset using TEX so that mathematical notation may be sent as an ASCII file and downloaded as typeset notation by the receiver.

As the name of the book implies, the Directory also has sections describing academic newsletters and discussion lists that may be of interest to specific disciplines.

*Kathy Schmidt
Serials Librarian*

New for this Spring--

Sociofile on CD-ROM

Sociofile covers the literature from 1,800 international sociological journals. The file includes references and abstracts to journals from 1974 as well as dissertations from 1986. Social Planning Policy and Development Abstracts since 1980 is also covered.

A Grant Seeker's Guide

This January the Grants & Contracts Office, with the Office of Provost/Vice Chancellor, sponsored a workshop on grants given by Dr. Lynn Miner, Associate Dean & Director of Research Support, Marquette University. In his talk, Dr. Miner touched upon a number of key titles used in identifying private, community, corporate and federal funding sources. Many of these resources are available in Murphy Library along with other titles which outline the proposal writing process.

The online catalog will allow you track down titles related to grant seeking. Knowing some of the relevant subject headings will help. Try using "charitable uses, trusts and foundations" or "endowments" or "fund raising" or "research grants" or "proposal writing in [subject]."

The information which follows focuses on a select number of key titles and online files used for grant identification, the essential first step in the grant seeking process. The information provided in the cited sources typically includes foundation or grant name, address, phone number, officers/contact name in addition to other categories indicated here.

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The Foundation Directory (Reference qAS 911 .A2 F77). This directory lists the largest foundations (with \$1 million or more in assets or annual giving of at least \$100,000), state by state and then alphabetically.

Financial data gives assets, total amount given and number of grants along with the range and average of the awards. For each foundation there is a statement of purpose, activities, any limitations and brief application information. An expanded version of The Foundation Directory is available as an online file through the Dialog service. A search of the online file includes foundations with annual grant programs from \$25,000 -\$100,000. All Dialog searches are conducted for a fee, and forms to initiate a search are available at the Reference Desk.

The Foundation Grants Index (Reference qAS 911 .A2 F66). Here corporate, community and independent granting agencies are listed by state, then alphabetically. Each entry gives an itemized listing of the latest year's recipients with a short description of the project and the amount of the award. The most recent edition gives information on close to 60,000 grants given by over 800 foundations. This index is also available as a Dialog file.

Annual Register of Grant Support: A Directory of Funding Sources (Reference qAS 911 .A2 A67). The Register includes support provided by government agencies as well as foundations and is arranged by broad subject areas and disciplines (e.g. elementary and secondary education; business and economics; communications; chemistry). The entries are similar to The Foundation Directory; financial data includes total amount of support given, the average award, numbers of awards (and number of applicants). Eligibility requirements are given along with application information.

Directory of Research Grants (Reference qLB 2338 .D57). DRG is arranged by grant titles. Each grant title is given with the description, any requirements or restrictions, application due date(s), total amount awarded, average grant and sponsoring agency. The online equivalent, GRANTS, is broader in scope, encompassing Directory of Biomedical and Health Care Grants as well as the Directory of Grants in the Humanities.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (Documents Reference PR EX 2.20). Arranged by federal agency, Catalog entries include authorization information, program objectives, eligibility requirements and restrictions, statement of the award process (with deadlines), typical financial data, examples of funded projects and criteria for selection. A sample entry is: NEA Promotion of the Humanities--Summer Stipends.

Foundations in Wisconsin: A Directory (Reference AS 911 .A2 F69). This directory is published biennially by Marquette University Memorial Library. The Wisconsin foundations are arranged alphabetically and entries give the assets, total grants paid and number, the range and median for grants awarded and stated purpose. Some examples of grants awarded (recipient agency and amount) are noted.

This is only a sampling of grant sources--those used in identifying grants--available in Murphy Library. And beyond campus library resources, grant seekers can find additional information in the grants information collection maintained by the Grants & Contracts Office, 145E Main Hall (Contact: Bill Gresens). For more comprehensive grant information, there are two Foundation Center Collections in the state: one at Marquette University Memorial Library and one at UW-Madison Memorial Library. In Minnesota, the closest collection sponsored by the Foundation Center is located at Rochester Public Library.

May you all have great success in your quest for grants!

Anita Evans
Coordinator, Online/Public Services

Access to the Library Catalog

Most people on campus have had an opportunity to use the online catalog in the library. Now the Murphy Library Online Catalog is available from the Campus Network and on the Internet as well as in the library. You can check the online catalog from computing labs, offices, and home computers. The instructions for accessing the library catalog from a computer connected to the campus network are printed below. The next Fine Print will include instructions for accessing the library catalog from the Vax.

To access the online catalog from the campus network:

1. Type TELNET LIBRARY <Return>
2. At the message screen and prompt "Library server"> type LIB <Return>
3. The computer will give you a message that it is trying to open a connection. Once this is successful, the message line will end with "Open". Type <Alt - F7> <Return>.
(Hold down the Alt key and press F7.)

4. You will get a "TERMINAL: VT100/" prompt. If the VT100 part is there, simply press the return key.

If there is any other information after the ":", you need to correct the terminal type by typing VT100 and return.

At this point you will get the online catalog menu screen.

5. To log off, type /EXIT <Return>.
The library catalog will tell you "YOU ARE LOGGED OFF GOOD BYE".
6. You are now disconnected from the library catalog but still need to exit from the server. Type <Alt - X>. (Hold down the Alt key and press X.) Answer "Y" if you want to exit. The server will tell you that it is attempting to close the connection, will close it, and will return you to your DOS prompt.

Copies of our handouts "Murphy Library LS/2000 Access" and "How to Use the Online Catalog" are available at the reference desk in the library. Both explain searching protocol basics as well as a few advanced techniques. The process of accessing the library catalog via modem is outlined in "Murphy Library LS/2000 Access." The instructions printed here for campus network access however, are not included.

If you have any questions about accessing the online catalog from outside of the library, please stop in or call Catherine Currier at 785-8399.

Catherine Currier
Automation Librarian

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