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From the Director

Greetings!

Entering the new academic year, I once again feel privileged to serve as Murphy Library's Interim Director after the departure of our previous director, Catherine Lavallée-Welch, who accepted the position of University Librarian at Bishop's University, in Sherbrooke, Québec, Canada. We want to thank Catherine for all of her work here at UWL and wish her luck in her new position.

Before joining the Murphy Library team at UW-La Crosse in 2002 as the Collection and Resource Development Librarian, I received my graduate degree from UW Madison's School of Library and Information Studies (now called The Information School, or "iSchool"). After completing my degree, I worked in a variety of academic library positions and library types and credit my first full-time professional position as an LTE employee at UW Madison's Law Library as being a foundational experience where I learned firsthand how a top-notch staff operated. I also spent time at East Central University in Oklahoma and nearly a decade at UW-Green Bay before making my way to UWL. I am excited to utilize my years of experience to serve and support Murphy Library as Interim Director until the library director position is filled.

Much has happened in the library since our last newsletter. Our faculty and staff continue to work hard to make Murphy Library a preeminent campus center of intellectual inquiry and a partner in student success. This is demonstrated in the articles to follow where you will learn about collaborative efforts in digital collection development, a new space for local educators to access children's resources, the fight for free and open access to information, the prominent role Murphy Library plays in providing U.S. Government information to the public, and how we can learn to care for ourselves in order to best serve our patrons.

This fall, we welcome our new faculty member, Chelsea Wyman, who joins us from Southwest Minnesota State University to take over the role of Outreach Librarian after Stefan Smith retired last Spring. Chelsea will oversee the library's publicity and marketing of events, services, and resources. She will also act as an instructional liaison to the College of Business Administration. Read on to find out more about Chelsea and other additions to our team in the New Employees section.

Going forward, I am proud to work alongside the wonderful faculty and staff at Murphy Library to support its mission and values in order to best serve UWL's diverse community of students, faculty, and staff and am looking forward to the rest of what is sure to be an eventful academic year.

Best Regards, John Jax, Interim Library Director

New Employees

Help us welcome the newest members of the Murphy Library team!

Nicole Wallace

Nicole is serving as our temporary Public Services Librarian through Spring 2019.



Nicole and her family lived most recently in Germany, but she grew up in California and has also lived in Hawaii, Oregon, and Washington. She loves Wisconsin and all the outdoor activities our seasons have to offer, from paddle boarding and gardening in the summer, to downhill skiing and snowshoeing in the winter. She also likes to read the New York Times and Los Angeles Times and listens to a lot of NPR and her Alternative playlists (despite her husband's best efforts to educate her in Country music).

In the library, you will find Nicole teaching information literacy sessions, at the reference desk, and working in Murphy's Digital Collections. She is excited to be part of the Murphy Library team and said, "Working with such a talented library staff and so many motivated students is the best part of the job. I am passionate about information and helping others learn, and UW-La Crosse is such a wonderful place to do this". Already holding a Master of Arts in Education, Nicole is one year away from finishing her Master of Arts in Library and Information Studies at the University of Wisconsin – Madison.

Chelsea Wyman

Chelsea joined Murphy Library in August as the new Outreach Librarian



Where are you from?

I've spent the past three years as the Instruction/ Reference Librarian at Southwest Minnesota State University in Marshall, MN, but I'm originally from this area, having grown up in Westby, WI. I'm excited to be home and reclaim my status as a Wisconsinite!

What's your favorite part of the job?

I love working with students, whether that's in the classroom, at the reference desk, or during impromptu office drop-ins. Learning and growing is what the college experience (and life) is all about, and I love being part of that.

What do you do when not at work?

I've always been involved in music and have recently joined the Westby Area Community Band – it's been great getting to play again, but my chops are so out of shape! I'm still on the hunt for a choir to join, but I'm belting it out in the car in the meantime. I've also been dabbling in a few new hobbies recently, and my favorite so far has been taking a pottery class. I was always a creative kid, so I love being able to release my artsy side again. I also love traveling, having taken recent trips to local destinations around the Minnesota/Wisconsin/lowa area as well as a trip to California and an upcoming visit to family in Vermont.

What have you read/viewed/listened to, etc. recently? My boyfriend and I have been reading Harry Potter aloud to each other recently, and it's been so much fun revisiting a childhood favorite. I recently attended my third Hanson concert (yes, they still exist, and yes, they sing songs besides MMMbop). I also watch way too much Netflix, Hulu, and YouTube – there's so much to watch, yet so little time!

What might surprise us about you?

My least favorite food is mac & cheese. As a Wisconsin girl, I catch a lot of flak for this, but I just don't understand the hype.

Abby Springman

Abby started at Murphy Library in March 2018 as the Library Services Assistant – Advanced in cataloging



Where are you from?

I've lived in Madison my whole life up until now, which is sort of a boring answer. The more interesting part is that I was actually born here in La Crosse! It's a long story, but it boils down to my mom originally being from the Viroqua area and being very selective about her doctors.

What's your favorite part of the job?

My position has some pretty varied responsibilities, so every day is a little bit different. It keeps things interesting and challenges me to learn new things! Additionally, I love getting to see new materials as they come in. It makes me aware of some pretty fascinating books in subject areas that aren't my usual defaults.

What do you do when not at work?

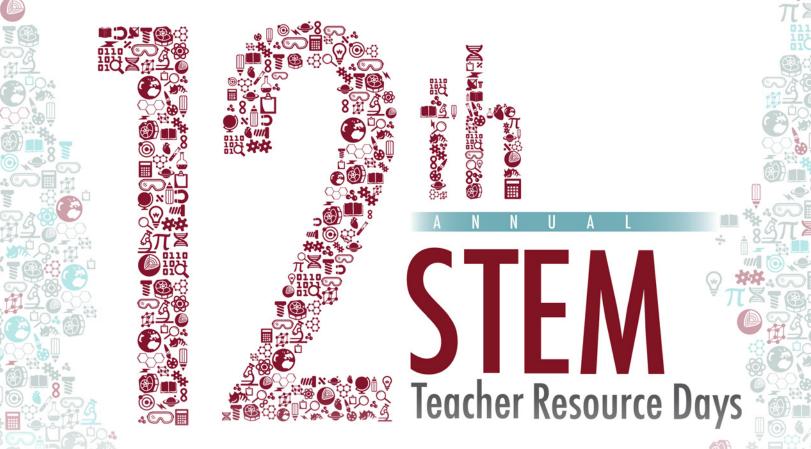
I love playing video games. My favorites genres are RPGs, horror, and anything that experiments with new interactive methods of storytelling. It's been a ridiculously busy year for me, but things are finally starting to settle down, and I have a bit of a backlog of titles I want to work my way through. I also need to catch up on Final Fantasy XIV before the next patch drops!

What have you read/viewed/listened to, etc. recently?

I've been listening to a lot of podcasts lately because I can have them on in the background while I'm doing other things. I've just finished working my way through old episodes of Oh No Ross and Carrie, which is a fascinating show about two friends who investigate spirituality, fringe science, and the paranormal. They've done everything from infiltrating the Church of Scientology to testing the efficacy of voice polygraphs. It's hilarious and educational, and I highly recommend it.

What might surprise us about you?

The smallest paper crane I ever folded had a wingspan of one centimeter.



The twelfth annual STEM Teacher Resource Days were held in the new Alice Hagar Curriculum Center during the first week of November. This event is a great opportunity for many local educators and students to get hands-on experience with STEM resources before making purchasing decisions for their classrooms. The program brings together resources and expertise from UWL, K-12 schools, and other colleges in the area. Participants can browse, read, and review award-winning books and other resources specifically selected for K-12 teachers, librarians, school media center administrators, and other educators. Murphy Library has hosted this event since 2006 when UWL Biology Professor Tim Gerber approached Collection Development Librarian John Jax with the idea of creating a "best of the best" STEM collection for the Curriculum Center by turning to well-known science book awards given annually. For example, the American Association for the Advancement of Science/Subaru announces its top finalists and winners in the category of Science Books & Films (SB&F), considered the annual Oscars of science writing for children. These books, among other recognized award winners, are purchased and form the basis of our collection policy for the STEM Collection. The categories include children's science picture books, hands-on science books, middle grade, and young adult books.

We also consult other yearly science awards for the STEM Collection, including the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA)'s prizes for Recommended Books and Outstanding Books for Children, The Giverny Award, The American Institute of Physics, the Royal Society Young People's Book Prize, Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) Award for Excellence in Nonfiction, the Robert F. Sibert Informational Book Medal, and The STEAM Children's Book Prize.

> Teri Holford Engagement & Curriculum Collection Librarian









Annual Banned Books Week Celebration Continues Community Partnerships

Murphy Library hosted its 6th annual "Freedom to Read" event to celebrate the ALA's Banned Books Week. For the past two years, we've collaborated with the Community Engagement Librarian at the La Crosse Public Library for this event, getting airtime on local news channels and in the newspaper. Moving to a new location this year outside of the new Student Union, participation consisted of Administration, faculty and instructors, students, and community members. Those interested dropped by to read from books that have been banned or challenged or just sat and listened. Chancellor Joe Gow kicked off the event, followed by Provost Betsy Morgan, former Murphy Library Director Catherine Lavallée-Welch, and other volunteers from the library, campus, and community. The importance of this event centers around two main ideas: bringing attention to the dangers of censoring books, ideas, and persons and claiming our right to read and have free and open access to information because it is our constitutional right.

Banned Books Week continued with two UWL librarians, Katherine Fish (E-Resources Librarian) and Teri Holford (Engagement and Curriculum Collection Librarian), participating in a scripted reading of the play The Metal Children as part of The Alternative Truth Project, a local resistance movement through theater, which started in January 2017. A play is performed each month in a reader's theater style, with script in hand and no staging or costumes. Librarians from Murphy Library and the La Crosse Public Library have collaborated in the September edition of The Alternative Truth Project since 2017. The Metal Children by Adam Raap follows a young adult book author who agrees to travel to a heartland community where his book has been banned. He goes there to meet with the locals, some hostile and violent, others not, at a town hall meeting where he learns that the meaning of his book has taken on a life of itself, outside of anything he had originally intended. Two themes, both concerns within the field of librarianship, are at the heart of the play: censorship and intellectual freedom.

> Teri Holford Engagement & Curriculum Collection Librarian



From left to right: Front: Payge Rustad (LPL), Liz Ringstrom (LPL), Deborah En (LCT) Middle: Dawn Wacek (LPL), Teri Holford (UWL), Jess Witkins (LPL) Back: Katherine Fish (UWL), Greg Parmentier (UWL), Barry McKnight (LPL)



2019 Conference Announced Self-Care and the Emotional Labor of Librarianship

Every year, Murphy Library hosts the Conference About Libraries and Learning (C.A.L.L.) in partnership with the School District of La Crosse and the La Crosse Public Library. The conference is designed to bring together librarians of all specialties from around the country. This year's conference will focus on self-care and the practice of librarianship.

Why the topic of self-care? Because service is a given in the field of librarianship, and we can often feel tired at the end of a day, week, program, or semester. Service runs through a librarian's work day. Patrons, students, community members, and administration turn to us for answers, help, expertise, reassurance, or a friendly smile, and at the end of a long and productive semester, burnout can feel very real.

So, this year's conference will focus on self-care and the emotional labor of librarianship. We'll explore questions such as what to do when we have barely anything left to give, when we're at the end of the rope, when we feel emotionally drawn and the tanks of compassion are running on empty. Additionally, we'll explore whether or not there is any space in our work lives to recognize that sometimes we feel unprepared for the realities of managing and regulating the requirements of the emotional labor of librarianship. We'll also focus on solutions and discuss how we can care for ourselves so that we can best serve our patrons.

C.A.L.L. will take place on January 31, 2019 in room 3110 of the Student Union. For more information or to register please visit, <u>callconferenceblog.wordpress.com.</u>

> Liz Humrickhouse Teaching and Learning Librarian

Federal Depository Library Program Updates

Jaime Hays, Outreach Librarian with the U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO), visited Murphy Library on August 10, 2018 to meet with library staff, tour the library, and discuss the Federal depository operation and services with staff. Following the meeting, GPO commented, "GPO appreciates the services you have offered to the citizens in your area by providing access to government information as a depository library for the last 53 years. As a member of the Federal Depository Library Program, your library plays a prominent role in providing U.S. Government information to the public. Researchers know they may locate government information and staff with expertise at the Murphy Library, a valuable public service. GPO is grateful to partner with you in the historic mission of Keeping America Informed."

In other news, GPO has recently launched the website govinfo as the replacement for FDsys (Federal Digital System). Long time users may remember that FDsys replaced GPO Access in 2010; GPO Access was launched back in 1994. Similar to FDsys but based upon modern technologies, govinfo is a service of GPO that provides free public access to the full text of official publications from all three branches of the Federal Government. Govinfo is also a standardscompliant preservation repository, advanced search engine, and content management system that securely controls digital content throughout its lifecycle to ensure content integrity and authenticity.

> Michael Current Reference Librarian



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First Phase of Local Collaboration

Murphy Library Digital Collections is in the first phase of creating a new digital collection of materials from the Upper Mississippi River Conservation Committee (UMRCC). The physical collection of thousands of items, originally housed at the US Fish and Wildlife building in Onalaska, WI, was donated to Murphy Library to aid in the UMRCC collection's long-term access and preservation. Together with Murphy Library, the UMRCC, the UWL Provost's Office, and the UWL River Studies Center funded the purchase of a new Indus Bookscanner 9000 to digitize a large amount of the physical collection and make it freely available to anyone with an internet connection. The scanner manufacturer. Indus International. is located in West Salem, WI, and the software used for the Digital Collections was developed by the ResCarta Foundation, originally located in Onalaska, WI. In addition to digitization, the physical collection is currently being cataloged, and it will ultimately reside in Murphy Library Special Collections. This locally collaborative, cross-institutional, multi-year project will provide access to unique and intellectually valuable information on the Upper Mississippi River and related environmental conservation as well as highlight the history of the UMRCC and its efforts since the mid-1940s.

> David Mindel Digital Collections Librarian

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New Space for Children's Resources

People have been hardwired for stories since the dawn of time. Let us tell you the story of the brand-new Alice Hagar Curriculum Center.

A neg upon a time, on the top floor of a library known as Murphy Library, there was a hidden corner of dark and dreadful hallways, soulless barren offices, and windowless rooms. It had been abandoned ever since the Student Services unit had left it for a new home across campus. It lay dormant for many years, until one day, the rejected books arrived. These weeded books languished in the silence of the empty space, awakening twice a year for the book sales, each one hoping to leave forever in a backpack, never to return.



The inhabitants of Murphy Library, called librarians, feared that the space would disappear if no one had a use for it. They agreed that the space could be transformed into a dedicated curriculum center for the education and children's book collection that lived quietly in a shy corner of the same building. The reigning library director of the time brought the proposal to the Vice Chancellor of the land of UW-La Crosse and argued for its merit. The children's books were important to the pre-service students and instructors, and what better than to transform the sad space into a usable, dynamic, interactive one with tables and chairs on wheels, a story circle, a rocking chair, and a teaching space complete with a seamlessly Wi-Fi connectable wall monitor.



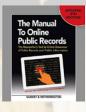
The Vice Chancellor wisely acknowledged that it was a superb idea and granted permission to start the demolition of the existing walls. A final book sale brought many people hungry for cheap or free books, and the rest of the weeded books left their dungeon – forever. The Curriculum Center's metamorphosis started one cold day in January and continued throughout the heat of the summer until it's completion in late September.



Only then were the education and children's books finally transported to their new home, just in time for the dawn of a new fall semester. It is now a happy place, full of bright light, colors, and people of all heights, from the smallest of children to the tallest of adults. The Alice Hagar Curriculum Center can now be found up the grand stairs, across the air bridge, a sharp turn to the left, and straight back, adjacent to the math tutoring room. The space is available for classes, orientation sessions, programs, playing, or simply reading stories while lounging on the magical, multicolored story rug.

And all the books will live happily ever after.

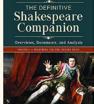
New in Reference



The Manual to Online Public Records by Michael L. Sankey; Cynthia Hetherington Call Number: JK468.P76 S36 2017 Reference ISBN: 9781889150628 4th edition.

Afghanistan at War by Tom Lansford (Editor) Call Number: D\$356 .A327 2017 Reference ISBN: 9781598847598





The Definitive Shakespeare Companion by Joseph Rosenblum (Editor) Call Number: PR2976 .D43 2017 Reference ISBN: 9781440834448 v.1-4

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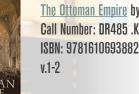
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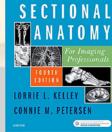
















Staff Accomplishments

Paul Beck - In March, Beck attended the Midwest Archives Conference in Chicago and was a judge for the regional National History Day competition; gave a presentation in August about Murphy Library's historic steamboat photograph collection to a group of Road Scholars from an American Queen steamboat cruise; was a volunteer tour guide for the La Crosse County Historical Society "Discover the Silent City" cemetery tour in September; and represented the La Crosse Area Research Center at the annual meeting of the University of Wisconsin System Archives Council this October in Elkhart Lake, WI.

Mark Beckerjeck - Mark Beckerjeck served as University Staff representative on the UWL Academic Initiatives Differential Allocation Committee and presented at the Council of University of Wisconsin Libraries conference in Madison, WI on June 8, 2018.

Michael Current - Michael Current continues to be web/blog editor for the Wisconsin Library Association Government Information Special Interest Group. He was also invited to be the featured guest panelist for episode #174 (June 17, 2018) of the Retro Computing Roundtable podcast. Laura Godden - Godden served as a judge at the 2018 National History Day Western Wisconsin Regional Competition as well as a researcher and tour quide for the La Crosse County Historical Society "Discover the Silent City" cemetery tour on September 15. 2018. She was awarded the 2018 UW-Milwaukee Archival Studies Program Professional Development Scholarship to present, "Archives on the Street: Collaborative Hear, Here Public History Project Benefits All," at the Midwest Archives Conference in Chicago, IL, on March 23, 2018. She completed her second master's degree from UW-Milwaukee in the spring. She presented "In the Classroom, In the Community: Bringing Archives to the People" at the Society of American Archivists Annual Meeting in Washington D.C. on August 16, 2018, She was a member of the UWL Joint Legislative/Regents Relations Committee and the George Gilkey Special Collections Research Scholarship Review Committee.

Scott Pfitzinger - His 2017 book, Composer Genealogies: A Compendium of Composers, Their Teachers, and Their Students, was named a CHOICE Outstanding Academic Title for 2017. Scott also served on a Privacy Policy Workgroup to draft a new personal information privacy policy for the UW System.

Teri Holford - Teri's tenure status, approved by department, was also approved the Board of Regents the spring 2018. She co-hosted the second annual local Conference About Libraries and Learning (C.A.L.L.) on the theme of "Advocacy" with Liz Humrickhouse (Teaching and Learning Librarian, UWL) and two other La Crosse community librarians on the UWL campus in early February. She presented at this conference with La Crosse Central High School Librarian Cindy Halter (titled "Apples and Oranges: Comparing the ACRL Framework and the AASL Information Literacy Standards"). In April, she presented at WAAL in Oshkosh (titled "Alternative Truth Project and Banned Books: La Crosse Librarians Unite to Tell the Forgotten Story of a Librarian Hero") and also presented a poster (titled "You've Got Real Mail! A Creative Global Experiment on the Value of Libraries"). The same poster was accepted at the national ALA conference in New Orleans. She was cochair for local arrangement for the Wisconsin Library Association Conference in October and co-presented at this conference with Liz Humrickhouse, Cindy Halter and Linda Jerome (titled "Stronger Together: Breaking Down Library Silos") and again with Cindy Halter ("Apples and Oranges: Comparing the ACRL Framework and the AASL Information Literacy Standards").

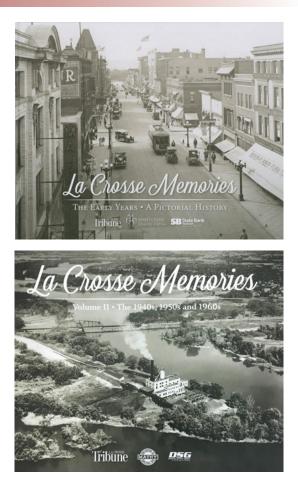
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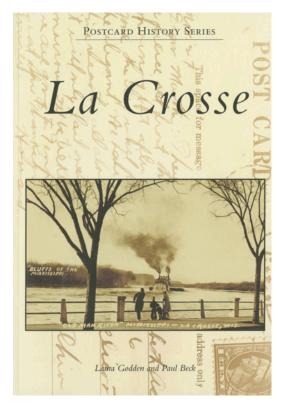
La Crosse Memories

Murphy Library Special Collections contributed historical photos of the La Crosse area to the pictorial history books, <u>"La Crosse Memories: The Early Years"</u> and <u>"La Crosse Memories II: The 1940s, 1950s and 1960s."</u> The books are a collaborative effort among the La Crosse Tribune, Murphy Library, and the La Crosse Public Library.

The publisher looked through historical photos in Special Collections and selected hundreds of images to digitize. Those images are all included online in Murphy Library Digital Collections, and many were used in the books. The books have been frequently advertised by the publisher in the La Crosse Tribune and are both available at Murphy Library.

Copies of both books can be purchased at Murphy Library for \$44.95 each. Additional purchasing information can be found below.





La Crosse - Postcard History Series

UW-La Crosse Special Collections Historian Laura Godden and Special Collections Librarian Paul Beck dug through hundreds of postcards at Murphy Library to piece together a book showcasing historic La Crosse. They arranged the postcards in five-chapters showing the city's history of work, parks, and daily life. The book, which is titled "La Crosse", is available in area bookstores and in Murphy Library. It is published by Arcadia Publishing as part of their Postcard History series.

Copies can be purchased at Murphy Library for \$26.99.

Purchase any of these titles at Murphy Library by contacting the Administrative Office at 608.785.8505 or libraryoffice@uwlax.edu

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