Celebrate Open Access Week: October 19-25

The Kathryn A. Martin Library at UMD will celebrate International Open Access Week, October 19-25, with a moderated panel and a workshop. Open Access Week is an annual celebration of scholarly resources that are freely available online to read, share, and reuse.

The Library encourages UMD students, faculty, and staff to publish, cite, and share works found in Open Access environments as a way of reducing costs, increasing citation rates, and enhancing the impact of published work.

We are excited to host the following activities, which are intended to increase awareness of the benefits of Open Access:

• On Tuesday, October 20, the Library will present a moderated panel conversation composed of UMD faculty members who are publishers, editors, and advocates of Open Access scholarship. Join us in the Kirby Garden Room (3rd floor) from noon to 1 pm. Coffee and tea will be provided.

• Did you know the Kathryn A. Martin Library is home to scholarly publishing and citation experts? UMD reference librarians are offering a Hands-On Scholarly Publishing Workshop on Thursday, October 22, from noon to 2 pm in KAML 115. This quick introduction to concepts and resources will then segue into individual and group assistance. There will be a wealth of new and old tools to discover, all of which are available to faculty, staff, and students. Drop in for all or just part of the session.

Can’t make it to these events? Do you want to learn more about Open Access? Contact a librarian for a followup conversation about Open Access and take a look at our Research Guide on Open Access Publishing.
Library Joins Homecoming Parade

For the second year in a row, the library entered a float in the UMD homecoming parade. Another set of spoofed book covers hinted at the fate the St. Cloud Huskies would likely meet on the football field.

Designed by Doreen Hansen, the large-scale posters with slightly altered book titles were trucked through downtown Duluth on Thursday, October 8.

Besides the ones pictured here, she came up with several other designs such as “The Dog Also Rises,” “Lord of the Fleas,” “Dogs in Socks,” and “The Purpose-Driven Football Game.”

Everyone was pleased when the cloudy skies did not lead to rain showers. After all, librarians hate to get their books wet.

In other homecoming activities, the library created a display in the hallway at UMD with memorabilia and artifacts from UMD homecomings past. Featured in this exhibit were original posters, news stories, and even school sweaters worn long ago.

To see an array of historic photos collected from the library’s archives, see our Facebook album featuring UMD homecoming images. Learn more about UMD history in the current issue of The Bridge, available in the library lobby.
Call for 28th Annual Nominations

Northeastern Minnesota Book Awards

The Kathryn A. Martin Library and Friends of the Duluth Public Library are seeking nominations for the twenty-eighth annual Northeastern Minnesota Book Awards (NEMBA).

Books may be nominated in one of six categories. A non-refundable $25 entry fee is required for each nominated title.

The six categories include: (1) Nonfiction, (2) Fiction, (3) Art, Photography, (4) Children’s Literature, (5) Poetry, and (6) Memoir.

The awards recognize books that are substantially representative of northeastern Minnesota in the areas of history, culture, heritage or lifestyle.

For purposes of the awards, northeastern Minnesota includes the following counties: Aitkin, Carlton, Cook, Itasca, Kanabec, Koochiching, Lake, Pine and St. Louis.

Nominated books must have been originally released in 2015.

The award prizes will include $200, 100 book seals, and a plaque for the winner in each category. Books receiving honorable mention in each category will be recognized with a plaque and 100 book seals.

To nominate a book, visit the NEMBA website at www.d.umn.edu/lib/nemba, and send it along with one copy of each nominated book and the non-refundable $25 entry fee for each title to:

Kathryn A. Martin Library
Library Administration
416 Library Drive
Duluth, MN 55812

For information, call (218) 726-6843 or email libnemba@d.umn.edu.

Nominations must be postmarked or delivered to the Kathryn A. Martin Library by February 1, 2016.

An awards reception honoring all nominated authors will be held on Thursday, May 26, 2016, in the Kirby Ballroom on the UMD campus. The reception is free and open to the public.

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SPEED RESEARCH BREAKFASTS

During the 2014-2015 academic year, UMD’s Graduate School launched a series of Speed Research Breakfasts to encourage interdisciplinary dialogue among graduate students, faculty, and staff. This fall, the library became a co-sponsor of the breakfasts. These events are open to graduate students, and faculty/staff with a substantive interest in graduate education.

A buffet-style breakfast is served every Tuesday and Wednesday morning during the semester in the Center Court Restaurant. At 8 am, a faculty member or student from a graduate program presents a brief TED-Talk-style presentation. After the presentation, attendees can ask questions or participate in discussion about the presentation topic.

Recent presentation topics have included “Supermassive Black Holes in the Centers of Galaxies” (Marc Seigar/Physics), “The Playful Side of Words: A Poetry Reading” (Susan Perala-Dewey/Writing Studies), and “Nature and Adventure for All UMD Disciplines” (Mark Zmudy/Applied Human Sciences). For more information about Speed Research Breakfasts, see http://www.d.umn.edu/grad/ under “Announcements.
Greetings from the Director

This month we celebrate the fifteenth anniversary of the opening of this library, a building that literally broke new ground at UMD. It heralded a new vision for the campus and was followed in quick succession by a number of other new buildings.

That exciting era has been followed by a time of renewal. Kirby Student Center and the Ven Den have recently completed long-overdue renovations, making them the updated, welcoming spaces students expect. Across campus, the staid classrooms with a whiteboard in front and rows of chairs leading to the back of the room are being re-designed into active learning spaces where the professor steps away from the podium and teaching happens more through facilitated group work or exercises.

Although the Kathryn A. Martin Library is considered one of the youngest buildings on campus, it too is approaching a refresh. Some people might have noticed the brickwork being treated this fall—but that is truly a surface issue. What you might not notice are the updates taking place inside that will have an impact on students, staff, and faculty at UMD.

During this school year, all library staff members are engaged in a thoughtful, informed process evaluating our organizational structure. We’re reviewing the trends in use and demand for traditional library services, and our experts in Circulation Services, Technical Services, Reference Services, Systems and Services, Archives and Special Collections, and Administration are looking for ways to better meet today’s and tomorrow’s needs of our campus community based on input received from our strategic planning exercises, from campus strategic plans, and from peer institutions’ best practices.

One of our goals for this effort is to “Build an organization that supports UMD’s modern teaching, learning, and research needs with a knowledgeable, effective, and strategically directed staff.” Our renewed and refreshed teams and departments will be able to refocus our service for students, staff, faculty, and community members. While that might not be as eye-catching as new furniture, or even resurfaced bricks, it is an effort we believe will have a strong, positive impact at UMD for the next fifteen years and beyond.

WHERE LIBRARIANS GO TO TALK

Library personnel from all over the Lake Superior region are invited to the 4th annual Lake Superior Libraries Mid-Winter Unsymposium, where participants determine the conversation.

This free gathering will take place January 8, 2016, from 1 to 4:30 pm at the Jim Dan Hill Library, UWS. At the Unsymposium, the sidelines are the conference. Topics are determined in a bottom-up, democratic manner, rather than being handed down from on high.

UMD librarians Adam Brisk, Jodi Grebinski, Kim Pittman, and Matt Rosendahl helped to organize this year’s event.

http://lakesuperiorlibrarianssymposium.com/symposia/midwinterun/
One Book, One Northland Choice Announced

For the second year, readers chose the title for the 2016 One Book, One Northland read: *The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics* by Daniel Brown.

*The Boys in the Boat* is the dramatic story of the eight-oar rowing team from the University of Washington that stunned the world at Hitler’s 1936 Berlin Olympics.

Sons of loggers, shipyard workers, and farmers, the boys defeated elite rivals first from eastern and British universities and finally the German crew rowing for Adolf Hitler in 1936.

The emotional heart of the story lies with one rower, Joe Rantz, a teenager without family or prospects, who rows not for glory, but to regain his shattered self-regard and to find a place he can call home. The crew is assembled by an enigmatic coach and mentored by an eccentric British boat builder, but it is their trust in each other that makes them a victorious team.

They remind the country of what can be done when everyone quite literally pulls together—a perfect melding of commitment, determination, and optimism. Drawing on the boys’ own diaries and journals, their photos and memories of a once-in-a-lifetime shared dream, this is an irresistible story about beating the odds and finding hope in the most desperate of times—the improbable, intimate story of nine working-class boys from the American west who, in the depths of the Great Depression, showed the world what true grit really meant.

One Book, One Northland events will be held in spring 2016.

Assessment in Action

UMD was one of fifty-five institutions selected to participate in the third year of the Association of Colleges & Research Libraries’ [Assessment in Action](#) program. Kim Pittman, Reference & Information Literacy Librarian, is leading a campus team that is conducting a 14-month-long project to demonstrate the library’s impact on student success.

Other team members are Samantha DeVilbiss (Students in Transition), Patrick Eidsmo (Supportive Services Program), and Liz Wright (Writing Studies). Our campus team's project will explore the impact of expanded librarian involvement in first-year writing courses on students' persistence in the research process.

With campus team leaders from other participating institutions, Kim attended a two-day assessment workshop at the American Library Association Annual Conference in June, and she will travel to ALA Midwinter for an additional two-day training in January.

Assessment in Action grew out of a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services to the ACRL, supporting its work in helping academic librarians document and communicate the value of their libraries.
Stress-less Week Returns

Stress-less Week, the library’s popular series of events designed to help students relieve stress before finals week, will return this December. Events will take place the week of December 7-11 and are free for all UMD students.

This semester's lineup includes:

**Monday, December 7**

Coffee with Champ. 8:30-10 am, Library entrance. Get an early start on your studies by joining Champ for free coffee!

**Chair Massage.** 1-3 pm, Library second floor. Unwind with a free chair massage from RSOP’s Nancy Schwerdt.

**Tuesday, December 8**

Chair Massage. 11 am-1 pm. Library second floor. Unwind with a free chair massage from RSOP’s Nancy Schwerdt.

**Wednesday, December 9**

Zoomobile. 1-3 pm, Library entrance. The hedgehog returns. Some of the zoo’s smallest and cutest animals will provide a welcome distraction from studying.

**Thursday, December 10**

Pet Away Worry & Stress (PAWS). 11 am-1 pm, Kirby Lounge. Stop by and stress less with some lovable animals. Representatives from Humane Educators and Animal Allies will be on campus with dogs and cats to play with, hold, and pet! Sponsored by Animal Allies, KUMD, Kathryn A. Martin Library, UMD Employee Wellness and Health Services. Volunteer support is provided by SERVE.

**Friday, December 11**

Coffee with Champ. 8:30-10 a.m., Library entrance. Find that second wind after your week of dedicated studying. Champ will return to the library entrance to help distribute free coffee.

**All Week on the Library’s First Floor:**

- Board games
- Coloring and arts & crafts
- Cute animal videos on repeat
- Coffeebean counting contest: winner gets a Dining Services gift card!

Check [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) for updates!

Jessica Bellini, Adam Brisk, Jodi Carlson Grebinoski, Kim Pittman, and Martha Eberhardt attended the Minnesota Library Association (MLA) conference October 8-9 in St. Paul.

Jodi Grebinoski was elected chair-elect of the MLA 2016 Academic and Research Libraries Division Board of Directors.

Jodi Grebinoski and Kim Pittman participated in a panel discussion called “From Challenges to Creativity: Teaching Outside Your Comfort Zone” at MLA. As co-chairs of the MLA Instruction Roundtable, Kim and Jodi led a business meeting for this group.

Also at MLA, Jodi Grebinoski presented “Get Inspired! Mentoring Using Digital Tools” with Shannon Farrell from the University of Minnesota Libraries.

Paul Hanson is hosting “Steel Harmony,” a two-hour radio program, every Thursday evening from 7-9 pm on low power FM station KTWH 99.5. “Steel Harmony” will feature music of varied styles with a steel guitar as an essential part of the songs. If you don't live in Two Harbors, you can stream the program at KTWH.org.

Anne Hovde, Liz Benson Johnson, Darlene Morris, Danielle Ostendorf, and Shixing Wen attended the Ex Libris Users of North America (ELUNA) meeting in Minneapolis May 5-8, 2015.

Danielle Ostendorf, Anne Hovde, and Tom Ambrosi have worked on a year-long project with a team at UMTC to discover what is possible in collaborative e-resource management. They recently shared their report.

Kim Pittman presented “Implementing the New ACRL Framework: True Stories from Two Libraries” with Carolyn Gardner (University of Southern California) at the 2015 Lake Superior Libraries Symposium.


DEB JOHNSON RETIRES

Technical Services regretfully reports the retirement of long-time cataloger Deb Johnson on July 10, 2015. For thirty-seven years, Deb provided top-level service to the library at UMD. Her cataloging helped make it possible for library users to discover and retrieve valuable resources from our collections.

Deb started here as a medical librarian and then worked in Reference for nine years as contact for the Social Sciences and the Master of Liberal Arts program. She cataloged the Tweed, AILRC, NEMHC, and GLBT collections and has been an active participant in the NEMBA awards. Deb was responsible for making sure that publications by UMD faculty and staff are flagged for permanent retention in Kathryn A. Martin Library collections.

Recently, Deb provided leadership on the Alma Migration Team, which received a UMD Employee Service Award for its work. After migration, Deb continued working system-wide to improve workflows in the new integrated environment.
New Resources @ the Library

BERLINER PHILHARMONIKER'S DIGITAL CONCERT HALL

From now until January 31, 2016, UMD students, faculty, staff, and on-site visitors will have free access to this classical music site as "beta testers." The site video streams classical music concerts to your tablet, smartphone, smartTV or PC. The sound quality is similar to that of a CD, and the picture quality similar to HD television. In order to access it, you must create an account from an on-campus IP address. Once your account is created, you'll have access to many classical concerts.

DATA-PLANET

This new resource is a very large, dynamic repository combining massive datasets with descriptive content, making it easy to search, visualize, and analyze information in a single platform. Are you looking for information about population, health & vital statistics, economic indicators, prices, consumption, cost of living, and more? This statistical ready reference will provide what you need in sixteen major subject categories, compiling 4.3 billion datasets, 400-plus source databases, from 70-plus data providers. http://readyreference.data-planet.com/dataplanet/

UPDATED LIBRARY GUIDES

UMD librarians have updated their research guides and made them more discoverable through an organized menu divided by subject, type, or librarian. Check them out!