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Welcome to the Spring 2015 issue. Here we inform staff of important news, changes, past and upcoming trainings, and more. Sit down, relax, and enjoy learning about what the library has been up to lately. If you have news or any information that is useful to library staff and/or students regarding the library, contact Sebastian Diaz at 747-6721 or Sol Maria Lopez at 747-6703.

Spring time is near!

Library Staff Changes

Susan Miller retired from her position. She was experienced in several departments and had over 20 years of service! Most of these in Reference. She will be greatly missed. Deborah (Debby) Stark retired as well from Acquisitions. She had over 20 years with the University. Maria Estela Reyes from Interlibrary Loan retired and had more than 40 years here. She was a great asset to ILL and will be surely missed. A fun, farewell party was given to all three ladies on Dec. 10, 2014 (see photos on back).

Congratulations to J. Martin Sanchez on his promotion to Library Assistant III in ILL who has been there since 2005. Congratulations to Eduardo Oropeza-Sanchez on his Library Assistant II promotion in ILL and has been here since 2008. Congratulations to Jane McGuigan on her Library Assistant III in Reference promotion too! She’s been in Reference since 2007. Welcome Jacob Galindo from Sul Ross University as the new Instruction Librarian, since Dec. 2014.
Pics from the 3 Retiree’s Farewell Party

From left: Susan Miller, Maria Estela Reyes, and Debby Stark. Photos courtesy of Yvette Delgado.

Pics from UTEP Library 30th Anniversary Celebration

Photos courtesy of Yvette Delgado.

Pics from the BRLA Awards Banquet

All photos courtesy of Lorely Ambriz, EPCC Northwest.
Congratulations to Juan Sandoval for the article written about him in UTEP News in “How a UTEP Librarian Became a Latino Art Collector”. To read more, click here.

Interested in earning a Master’s Degree in Library & Information Science? The University of North Texas is recruiting graduate students for the El Paso cohort to begin June 2015. To learn more, click here or go to http://www.lis.unt.edu.

Congratulations to Marissa Rogers on her new position as JSTOR project librarian. Marissa had worked here on and off since 2012. She has a Master’s in Museum Studies from the University of Oklahoma and a Master’s in Library and Information Science from Texas Women’s University. She was responsible for working on the ASARCO documents and described over 13,000 oversized technical drawings and preserved these accordingly. Read the UTEPNews article on Marissa and Special Collections’ work on ASARCO’s history here.

If you’re a member of BRLA (Border Regional Library Association), a reminder to pay your dues. Contact Sebastian Diaz at sdi-az@utep.edu or 747-6721.

Jacob Galindo and Angela Lucero launched “Research Basics” - an open workshop offering introductory library instruction and personalized research consultation. For more, go here.

Thanks to Yvette Delgado for donating yet another microwave!

What beloved children’s author said “Why fit in when you were born to stand out?.” - Happy Birthday to this author March, 2, 1904. Schools all across the country celebrate (his/her) birthday. Email the answer to Sol at smlopez@utep.edu.

Many congratulations to Laura Hollingsed for being the recipient of BRLA’s Librarian of the Year Award! Congratulations to Special Collection’s Marsha Labodda for receiving a Distinguished Service Award! Lisa Weber, Claudia Rivers, Sebastian Diaz, Juan Sandoval, Debjani Mukhopadhyay, Abbie Weiser, Jason Moore, Nancy Hill, Angela Lucero, Les Arms, were only few of the attendees that night.

UTEP’s 12th International Sun Conference on Teaching and Learning runs March 5-6th, for more, click here.

Thanks to those who volunteered once again to judge National History Day projects: Laura Hollingsed, Abbie Weiser, Nancy Hill. To read more, go here.
Top Ten Ways to Start (and Maintain) a Good New Year?

The best way to have a good year is by living life on a daily basis, letting the good days accumulate, one by one. And it doesn't have to be New Year's to resolve to have a good year. Start anytime. Today, for instance.

1. Take time, slow down. Be present in your life and mindful of the present.
2. Care for your body, eat well, exercise, treat yourself to loving, nurturing self-care.
4. Take time throughout the day to renew yourself. Take a walk, read a poem or a good book, listen to music (really listen); bring beauty into your life. On a monthly basis, take a whole day for yourself: play, treat yourself to something you want to do; retreat from your daily life. Mark these special days on your calendar (in ink) so you'll be certain to take them.
5. Clean up what needs to be cleaned up. Make amends, fix what's broken, clear away clutter, forgive what needs to be forgiven and let go.
6. Commit to a project you really want to do or to learning something new or attaining something you want. Commitment is the first step. Then set achievable goals and work toward them on a daily basis.
7. Give yourself to a cause, volunteer at a nonprofit organization, a community group, your church or lend a hand to an individual or family who could use your help.
8. Practice your spirituality in whatever form you express it, on a daily basis.
9. Laugh every day.
10. Take time to dream.

It is tempting to make grand New Year's resolutions, but as we all know, many of these fall by the wayside too quickly leading to disappointment. The key to maintaining promises you make to yourself is to take one step at a time. When you create achievable goals, they are easier to reach and each success builds momentum to spur you on. So don't berate yourself if you fall at the first hurdle; gather your thoughts, take a deep breath and start again. You will soon realize you have made great progress and are living life to the fullest.

From On a Lighter Note

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THE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

Mission Statement
The library provides innovative and high quality services, programs, and resources that support UTEP's stated mission of education, research, scholarship, and community service. The library provides access to a wide range of print and electronic information resources that meet the individual needs of its users in its multicultural university community and the U.S. – Mexico Border Region.

Campus-wide News links

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Spring 2015 Library Information Literacy Course Enhancement Grant Winners

Many congratulations to all award winners:

- Jennifer Del Valle (MATH 3300)
- Adriana Dominguez (THEA 3351)
- Jennifer Eno Louden (PSYC 5344)
- Ann Gabbert (HIST 5370)
- Gina Laurence (RWS 1302)
- Natalia Mazzaro (LING 3311)
- Lizbett Tinoco (RSW 1302)