

Help Needed with Operation Christmas Child Project

Time is getting close to start collecting shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. The shoe boxes are filled with personal hygiene items, school supplies and toys and then sent to children who would ordinarily not have received a Christmas gift of any kind. The program is sponsored by the Samaritan's Purse, and last year they sent 7.6 million shoe boxes to children in 95 countries, including the U.S.

We would like to give everyone an opportunity to lend their support to the project. For those who cannot financially afford to fill a box, we would greatly appreciate donations of shoeboxes with lids. If you want to participate or need further information, please contact either Carol Schuetz (x4410) or DeAnna Burks (x1613).

Thanks, *Carol and DeAnna*

24-Hour Computer Schedule Starts Sept. 9

The Prichard Family Information Commons and the Moody Garden Level Computer Facility will begin their 24-hour schedule on the evening of Sunday, Sept. 9. These study areas will open every Sunday at 1 pm and remain open until Friday night at 9:30 pm until the end of the semester. They will also continue their regular Saturday hours from 9 am to 9:30 pm. Prior to Sept. 9, these areas close 30 minutes before the library closes each night.

Please note that in order to accommodate the slowest hours of business for the Information Commons as well as the most difficult staffing hours, the Laptop Checkout Desk in the IC will actually close each week-night while the IC study area remains open to patrons according to the 24-hour schedule. The Garden Level Desk will continue to be staffed all night on week-nights as usual, and laptops are available for checkout from that desk.

The IC Checkout Desk Open Hours will be as follows:

Sunday	1pm-3:30am
Monday through Thursday	11am-3:30am
Friday	11am-9:30pm
Saturday	9am-9:30pm

Staff News

• With the advent of chat reference and the "Librarians on the Loose" program, and with more outreach to faculty in the planning stages, the need for professionals in this area is greater than ever. To help with this effort, **Linda Cobbs** has joined the Reference & Library Instruction unit. She will bring her many established relationships with faculty members, years of customer service experience and expertise in the inner workings of BearCat. Linda will be moving to Jones 1st in the next couple weeks.

• **David Burns**, Electronic Library, was selected as one of the four winners of the *My TiVo Gets Me* Contest. David's video won him a TV, a Series 3 TiVo with a Lifetime Subscription and a trip for two, which his wife is most excited about. You can see David's "film" at www.mytivogetsme.com, along with a review by movie critic Gene Shalit. Just click on the red "View Contest Winners" button. Congratulations, David!

