Banned Books Week Survey Available

Have any of these been on your reading list?
◊ The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn
◊ A Wrinkle in Time
◊ Kaffir Boy
◊ Slaughterhouse-Five

Then you've read a BANNED BOOK! Take our survey to see how many of the top 100 banned books you've read.

When you return the survey by 5 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 30, we'll send you this badge to wear for banned books week:

Results of the poll will be shared that week as well. Please see page 2 for a full list of the activities planned for Banned Books week.

Eileen Bentsen & Linda McGennis

Gregory Garden Entrance Grand Opening Oct. 1

After 40 years of wishing we could walk out in the garden from inside the library, we are celebrating our new freedom! We invite ITS and Libraries staff to come join us on Monday, Oct. 1, from 4 to 5 p.m. as we celebrate the Grand Opening of the Gregory Garden entrance. Dean Pattie Orr will officially open the entrance and refreshments will be served.

And what about the $500 Reagan Ramseower promised to anyone who could get the garden doors open? He was more than true to his word, and he and his wife Glenda have donated $1,500 toward the purchase of a new computer for the Java City area. Reagan presented the check to Pattie on Friday. (See photo at right.)

LexisNexis Seminars Oct. 3

In August, the search interface for LexisNexis Academic changed significantly and additional content is now available from this resource.

On Wednesday, October 3, Lynn Smith, a trainer from LexisNexis, will be offering 2-hour seminars covering the new search interface for LexisNexis Academic. The three identical seminars will be held in the Jones 105 classroom and are being offered at the following times:

9:00 am – 11:00 am
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

To attend one of these seminars, register at the POD website. For questions, contact Billie Peterson-Lugo.

October is National Cyber Security Awareness Month

On Oct. 9, ITS and the Electronic Library invite you to come learn about Cyber Safety and share a float at Dr Pepper Hour in the Barfield Drawing Room.

While 2007 will be the first year Baylor University Libraries participates in Banned Books Week activities, this is the 26th year the American Library Association (ALA) and other national organizations have celebrated the freedom to read by heightening awareness about censorship and book banning. ALA promotes "the freedom to choose or the freedom to express one’s opinion even if that opinion might be considered unorthodox or unpopular and stresses the importance of ensuring the availability of those unorthodox or unpopular viewpoints to all who wish to read them."

Many of the books listed are now on "challenged books" lists. These challenged books were targets of attempted bannings; however, librarians or other members of the public were able to maintain these in library collections. You can visit the ALA Web site to view a list of these banned books along with information about book burning.

Both ITS and Libraries staff are invited to join us during the week in the following activities:

**Banned Books Display:** DeAnna Burks, Scott Myers and others have been hard at work creating a display and posters of banned books including information about why the book was banned or challenged. The display will also provide information about the Library Bill of Rights, ALA's basic policy concerning access to information. The display will be housed in the Moody/Jones corridor display area.

**Hall of Fame and Table Tents:** Ramona McKeown and Eric Ames have compiled information highlighting some of the more notable book titles in a Hall of Fame. Some of these titles will be showcased on table tents that will be displayed on our main library tables. There will also be posters in the hallway between Moody foyer and the circulation desk that highlight authors with information on why, where and when their books were banned or challenged.

**Daily Quizzes:** Ami Hartsock and others have developed some quizzes that will be sent to ITS and Libraries staff by email every day next week. No, there are no prizes for the first one to answer, but we hope this will be a fun way to learn more about what kinds of books have been banned and why.

**Survey:** Eileen Bentsen and Linda McGennis have designed a survey that will find out how many banned books we've read! We hope everyone will participate in this event, and we will post results next week. As you check off books you've read, imagine having these books truly banned and never having access to the author's creations. (Please see page 1 for more information about the survey.)

**Brown Bag Lunch Read-Out:** Monday (10/1), Wednesday (10/3) and Friday (10/5) from 12 -1 p.m. come hear selections from banned books read aloud in the Harvey Garden. Readers include will Pattie Orr, Bill Hair, Karen Savage, Tom Hanks (English Department), Ashley Thornton (POD), Ramona McKeown and others including faculty and students from the Theater Department. This will be a fun and insightful way to spend your lunch hour. Please come and help us truly celebrate the freedom to read.

Beth Tice
Christmas Shoe Boxes Items Needed

We are still working on this year’s goal of 24+ boxes for Operation Christmas Child. The shoe boxes are 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. We have already collected pencils, soaps and colors, but we still need the following items:

- Kleenex
- gloves
- toothbrushes
- toothpaste
- scrubby sponges
- sunglasses
- t-shirts
- ball caps
- hats
- hard candy
- gum
- granola bars
- drink mixes
- rulers
- ruled paper
- markers
- stickers
- glue sticks
- safety scissors
- pens
- Silly Putty
- baseballs
- blowups
- small manual games
- mini Frisbees
- balloons
- chalk
- non-battery toys
- shoeboxes

For more information, call Carol Schuetz (x4470) or DeAnna Burks (x1613).

PawPrints is Now Greener

As of last Wednesday, all PawPrints stations in Moody and Jones Libraries, the Baylor Science Building Atrium and the Bill Daniel Student Center print double-sided (or duplex) by default. When compared with daily page counts from the past three weeks, we are already printing several thousand pages fewer per day. This decrease over time, along with renewed recycling efforts in PawPrints locations across campus, will help us as we strive to become better stewards of our natural resources.

In order to make duplex printing standard and still allow convenient access to one-sided printing, we instituted a new print queue structure on our PawPrints server. On all “greener” PawPrints stations there are at least two printer queues. The default print queue allows for duplex printing and is identified by appending “_2sided” (no quotes) to the printer’s name (indicated on a label on the front of the printer). A second queue allows patrons to print single-sided pages and is identified appending “_1sided” to the printer’s name. We believe that this intuitive scheme will help patrons who do not want to print duplex to find a single-sided printer option.

For more information, visit the PawPrints Web site. If you have questions about these changes, please contact Carl Flynn.

KWBU-FM Volunteers Needed for Fall Pledge Drive

Our local NPR station, KWBU-FM, will have its fall pledge drive from October 11 – 26. Volunteers are needed to answer phones and take donations and pledges. They have 4 incoming lines and need at least two volunteers per shift.

- The shifts are:   M-F 6 - 9 am
  - M-Th 4 - 7 pm
  - Fri 4 - 6:30 pm
  - Sat 8am - Noon
  - Sat 4:30 - 7:30 pm

The studio is just across the street from Moody Library in the Castellaw building. Snacks and drinks are provided, and they thank volunteers over the air. Contact Mary Goolsby (x6735) if you’d like to volunteer.

Ronan Tynan Promotional Items Available Soon

Last spring, two groups met to brainstorm ways to promote the annual library fundraiser. Many of the ideas generated at those meetings were used to produce promotional items for the Ronan Tynan event.

We are indebted to Joanna Jamieson in University Development for her wonderful design work of the large banner in the Goodpasture Concourse, along with a poster, flyer, T-shirt, bookmark and several print ads. The T-shirts and bookmarks are being produced and will be available soon.

The group also discussed the importance of having as many people involved in promoting the event as possible. Flyers will be available soon, and I hope many of you will post them in your churches and other places.

- Mary Goolsby, Library Advancement