UBC Library Staff

# BULLETIN

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## A New Year Begins

As we begin a new academic year, we say 'adieu' to **Kele Fleming**, editor of the *Library Staff Bulletin* since January 2003. When Kele left the Library at the end of July to take a position with Office of Learning Technology, I was asked to assume the editorial duties of the *Bulletin*.

In preparing for this month's issue, I conducted a random, and admittedly unscientific, survey of *Bulletin* readers. Like many of you, I have watched the *UBC Library Staff Bulletin* develop a style and format that is a happy blend of news, and stories about the people behind the word 'Library'. I heard praise in particular for the "My Other Life" feature, which profiles the real life interests, talents and pursuits of Library employees.

I also received requests to include stories about key events in people's lives. With this in mind, I encourage you to submit ideas for articles and feedback on what is written. My goal is to incorporate as many of these elements as possible. Ideally the *Bulletin* will continue to develop as the result of this type of dialogue with its readers.

As I started gathering material for the Fall 2004 issue, I was struck by the number of changes the Library has seen since the last issue of the *Bulletin*. Considering how busy it has been, I would especially like to thank everyone who took the time to submit an item or idea for use in this issue. One of those submissions is the following Farewell message from Kele Fleming to *Bulletin* readers.

*Deborah Taylor*
*Editor*

## A Bientôt *by Kele Fleming*

"It's not goodbye, it's see you later. After 14 full and stimulating years of working for the Library, I've taken a new job on campus as e-Portfolio Coordinator in the Office of Learning Technology.

My years with the Library have been great! I've had the opportunity to work with many wonderful & talented colleagues and to explore exciting new technologies. In fact, my Library experiences put me in a great position to take on my latest challenge in the Office of Learning Technology.

My new office is in the Klinck Building (Computer Science building), my e-mail address is the same and my new phone number is 2-9287. So, please drop me a line and let me know how you're all doing.

Once more, thank you all for the bookstore gift certificates. I used them to buy what any library lover would – books!"

## Farewell Receptions

**Kele Fleming** assumed the duties of e-Portfolio Coordinator with UBC's Office of Learning Technology, beginning July 26, 2004. Since 1997, she was Web Coordinator in Information Services, as well as editor of the *Bulletin* since January 2003.

At her farewell reception, Kele bid a fond farewell to the many people she's enjoyed working with throughout the Library. One of several gifts presented to her was a beautiful photo album covering her 14 years with the Library.

*Kele shares memories and laughs with coworkers Diane Lee and Trish Rosseel at her reception.*

**Martha Whitehead** resigned in mid-July as Head of Information Services to take up the position of Associate University Librarian at Queen's University. A farewell reception was held in the Dodson Room in her honour. Among the many lovely gifts Martha received was a framed reproduction of the CPR poster titled, 'Largest and Fastest to the Orient', the original of which is part of the Chung Collection.

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## Farewell Receptions (cont'd)

On September 16th, the Library held a farewell reception for **Brian Owen**. Brian left his position of Library Systems Manager to take the position of Associate University Librarian for Processing and Systems at SFU. In addition to his many contributions to the Library, Brian's sense of humour was acknowledged with such gifts as DVDs of "Trailer Park Boys" and "Fawlty Towers". But the pièce de résistance was the custom-made snow globe, featuring a 3-D reproduction of the infamous poster of the 1925 Main Library building, complete with grazing cows.

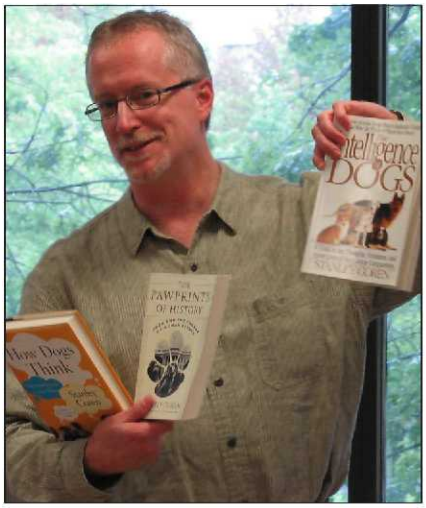


*photo: Heman Choi*

## Library News

As you know, UBC-Okanagan is in the process of being established and will open in September 2005. The UBCO Library will be reporting to UBC's University Librarian for shared services, and to the AVP Learning UBCO for local issues. Several joint working groups have been established and are working to define and outline service options.

For more information, visit the UBC Okanagan website **www.okanagan.ubc.ca/** or contact **Lorna Adcock** at ladcock@interchange.ubc.ca.

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With the dissolution of Information Services, **Sheryl Adam**, **Margot Bell** and **Jill Pittendrigh** are now reporting to **Simon Neame** and provide support for the Chapman Learning Commons and other Library-wide activities until May 2005. At that time the Learning Commons will be closed to allow construction of phase two of the Irving K. Barber Learning Centre to commence.

An announcement will be made in early in 2005 about how this closure will affect the work of the unit. **Merry Meredith** (Graphics) and **Leeta Sokalski** (Main Circulation) now report to **Sandra Wilkins**.

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**Susan Atkey** and **Anne O'Shea,** both of whom report to **Simon Neame**, joined the Library in mid-July as librarians for the eHelp Virtual Reference Pilot Project.

This project is made possible by a grant from UBC's Teaching & Learning Enhancement Fund, and the generous support of the Sutherland Foundation. This resource can be accessed by clicking on the blue eHelp icon on the Library's home page.

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**Melanie Eng** assumed the position of Senior Executive Assistant, University Librarian's Office, effective June 21, 2004.

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Beginning July 19, 2004, new students have been obtaining their UBCcards from the UBC Carding Office in the UBC Bookstore. Using innovative technology, the **UBCcard** aims to consolidate the many separate University administered cards circulating throughout campus. Though initially for UBC students, the UBCcard will be extended to faculty and staff through a phased implementation approach.

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The Library hosted a reception for **Dr. Lorne Whitehead** on Wednesday, September 15 in the Dodson Room, for Library staff to get a chance to meet the newly appointed VP Academic and Provost. This position was formerly held by **Dr. Barry McBride**.

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If your job entails duties related to Borrower Services, you'll be getting a call from **Tim Atkinson's** office. Tim has been asked by the Admin Group to conduct a review of Borrower Services. In preparing his report he will be outlining the history of Borrower Services, using the existing model to establish what is working (and why), what's not working (and why), explore other approaches we could be using in the current context/environment and compiling a list or recommendations for the Admin Group. The last Borrowers Services review was completed in 1999.

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Even the outside of the Library was busy this summer. A portion of the Koerner 7th floor deck was appropriated this summer by a family of seagulls. One of the young gulls looked like he'd been abandoned, so CABI staff, being caring people, took him 'under their wing' so to speak and put out a pan of water.

*photo: Mary Cheng*

But, it was time for an intervention. A staff member called the Wildlife Rescue Centre in Burnaby and was advised to capture the gull, put him in a box with air holes (and newspaper) and bring in. Needless to say, it was the "capture the bird" part that presented the biggest challenge. But with the help of **Lotte Illichmann** from CABI, **Elaine Thorson** from LPC, and the use of an LPC lab coat, the young bird was caught and transported to the rescue centre.On September 7th Herman de Guanonmaker, as he came to be called, took his first short flight. He is now a free bird.

## My Other Life

**Aleteia Greenwood**

When Aleteia is not working as a librarian in the Science & Engineering Division, she can be found in her home studio creating paintings and block prints. Aleteia paints in watercolour, oil and acrylic, and most of her images are of people and still lifes.
For her, part of the process of painting is exploring relationships and how they influence our lives.

Artists who have influenced Aleteia are Cezanne, Hans Holbein, Picasso, Van Gogh, and Flemish painters of the Northern Renaissance. One of her paintings, 'The Reader', appeared on the front cover of the journal *Teacher Librarian*, May/June 1999. Aleteia has also had three of her prints; 'Herbes de Provence avec un Citron', 'Vase at Le Buisson – Provence', and 'Le Buisson – Provence' included in the Alcuin Society's June 2003 issue of their publication, *Amphora*. Several of Aleteia's paintings and prints are owned by library staff and professors at UBC.

*Vase at Le Buisson – Provence*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Free Readings from Canada's Finest New Writers

The UBC Library Robson Square is pleased to present a selection of writers from varying backgrounds with a particular emphasis on new voices.

The dates for the two upcoming readings are:

**November 2, 2004 at 7pm**
**December 6, 2004 at 7pm**

For more details on these writers and their work, please check:

**http://toby.library.ubc.ca/webpage/webpage.cfm?id=386**

### Volunteers Needed

**Kirsten Walsh** and **Terry Horner** are co-chairing local arrangements for the **Music Library Association Conference** to be held in Vancouver, **Feb. 13-20, 2005**, at the Fairmont Hotel Vancouver.

Please contact either Kirsten or Terry if you are interested in volunteering for this conference. Help is needed in the areas of registration, stuffing conference packages, assisting in setting up e-mail stations and setting up for the local arrangements reception.

### Woodcock Event

Check your e-mail in the next week or so for details about the Woodcock Lecture being held on **October 28** in the Dodson Room.

### UBC Health Symposium

The UBC Health Symposium is being held on **October 27, 2004** at the Chan Centre for the Performing Arts. Just a reminder that your registration request must first be approved by your supervisor. Every attempt will be made to accommodate as many people as possible.

## IN MEMORIAM

Alas, the most recent news is the saddest. Our much loved **Diana Cooper** passed away after a short battle with cancer on September 17, at 1:00 am. She died peacefully surrounded by friends. As many of you know, Diana always took an exceptional interest in the work of the Fine Arts Division. Early in her career as a librarian, she was in charge of the exhibition catalogues and book selection, as well as providing reference service to many students in the areas of Fine Arts, Architecture, Dance, Fashion, Costume and Artistic Photography.

As an artist, Diana expressed her creativity in her personal life as well as in the workplace. If you have seen any of her clever and whimsical cartoons you'll appreciate her mischievous sense of humour.

The Library would like to ensure that her memory is properly and permanently honored. If you have any suggestions as to how this can be done, please do not hesitate to contact **Catherine Quinlan** (quinlan@interchange.ubc.ca) or **Deborah Austin** (deborah.austin@ubc.ca).

## STAFF UPDATE

**April 1, 2004 - September 30, 2004**

### Welcome to:

**Anita Bidinosti** – LA C, Humanities & Social Sciences, Koerner Library
**Melanie Eng** – Senior Executive Assistant, University Librarian's Office
**Gary Liu** – Term User Services Advisor B, Systems
**Erin O'Connor** – LA C, Borrower Services, Koerner Library
**Celeste Pelc** – Acting Director, Library Human Resources, UBC Library
**Susan Atkey** – Term eHelp Virtual Reference Librarian, IKB Learning Centre
**Kathy Ho** – LA B, Rare Books & Special Collections, Main Library
**Janet Jones** – LA C (Part-time), Borrower Services, Koerner Library
**Tomoko Kitayama** – LA F (Term), Asian Library
**Teresa Lee** – Term Librarian (Fixed), Woodward Biomedical Library
**Lincoln Penner** – LA C (Part-time), Borrower Services, Koerner Library
**Anne O'Shea** – Term eHelp Virtual Reference Librarian, IKB Learning Centre
**Timothy Shew** – Clerk D, Chapman Learning Commons
**Tricia Yu** – Reference Librarian, Eric Hamber Memorial Library
**Megan Zandstra** – Librarian (Term), Humanities & Social Sciences, Koerner Library

### New or Additional Responsibilities:

**Rose Chang** – LA E, Hamber Library
**Rachel Chan** – LA D, Science & Engineering, Main Library
**Alan Doyle** – Term Archivist: Records Survey Project, University Archives
**Ellen George** – Term Reference Librarian, Humanities & Social Sciences, Koerner Library
**Maya Sanders** – LA C, Borrower Services, Koerner Library
**Katherine Kalsbeek** – Reference, Literature and Conservation and Map Librarian, Rare Books & Special Collections, Main Library
**Lorne Madgett** – LA D (Temporary), Technical Services, Serials
**Yuko Takemoto** – LA E, Biomedical Branch Library
**David Harakal** – LA B, Borrower Services, Koerner Library
**Leeta Sokalski** – Office and Circulation Manager, Main Library Circulation and IKB Learning Centre

### Welcome Back

**Erwin Wodarczak** – Archivist, University Archives
**Bonnie Stableford** – Reference Librarian, Woodward Library
**Deborah Austin** – Director, Library Human Resources, UBC Library
**Angela Doyle** – LA E, St. Paul's Hospital Library

### Goodbye to:

**Patrick Dunn** – Reference Librarian, Humanities & Social Sciences, Koerner Library
**Mike Metelnick** – Term LA B, Education Library
**Andrew Rasheed** – Office and Circulation Manager, Main Circulation
**Ramona Cowan** – Clerk D, Library Human Resources, UBC Library
**Diane Lee** – Clerk D, Information Services
**Heather Hettiarachchi** – Manager, Library Human Resources, UBC Library
**Brian Owen** – Manager, Library Systems
**Leeanne Romane** – General Librarian, Humanities & Social Sciences, Koerner Library
**Martha Whitehead** – Head, Information Services and Main Library Circulation
**Celeste Pelc** – Acting Director, Library Human Resources, UBC Library

### Transferring to other UBC Departments

**Kele Fleming** – Web Coordinator, Information Services to Office of Learning Technology

## STAFF HAPPENINGS

By unanimous recommendation of the Diana Lukin Johnston Award Advisory Committee, **Kimberley Hintz** of the Humanities and Social Science Division is this year's winner of the Diana Lukin Johnston Award.

**Diane Lee**, who left the Library at the end of August, recently married her long time beau James. After the wedding, Diane, James and their dog drove east to New York where James is now working in the Performing Arts division of the New York City Library. Their cat is following 'par avion'.

### Name That Unit

As announced in July, the staff assigned to the Library's former Systems unit has been joined by **Larry Campbell** and **Tom Nicol**, forming a new unit. With Brian Owen's departure, **Darrell Bailie** is now responsible for its overall management and supervision.

The working title of this new unit is Information Technology Services. However, the Admin Group invites staff feedback for an appropriate re-naming of this blended division.

### Branch News

The **Music Library** made $690 from their Book Sale on September 8th. Among the items for sale: assorted books, CDs, LPs, music scores and assorted sheet music.

### Christmas Party 2004

Mark your calendars for the annual UBC Library Christmas Party!

This year's gathering will be held in the Ballroom at the Student Union Building on **Tuesday, December 7, 12:00 - 3:00 pm**. The menu will feature a hot turkey lunch, along with a variety of vegetarian choices.

Stay tuned for more details.



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