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GELMAN NEWS

Librarians Working at ALA Next Week

by Teena Bedola

Administration

Librarians working at the American Library Association Annual Conference 2000 in Chicago next week are:

Dan Barthell, Debbie Bezanson, Marifran Bustion, La Nina Clayton, Anne Emery, Gale Etschmaier, Caroline Frenger, Janice Houck, Caroline Long, Mary Faith Pankin, Jean Pec, Clara Ruttenberg, Judy Solberg, Andrea Stewart, Jack Siggins, Beth Weston and Cathy Zeljack. Hotel and telephone information for each librarian will be available at the front desk in ASU.



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Shelving Contract Expanded for 2000-2001

by Caroline Long
Administration
and Jean Pec
Collection Management

Gelman's successful working relationship with TeleSec CoreStaff continues into 2000-2001 with TeleSec handling even more of our shelving. In addition to shelving the books on floors 4, 5, 6 and in Reference, the TeleSec team will also shelve government documents on the Lower Level and the bound periodicals on the Third Floor. This expanded contract is in effect as of July 1. We're fortunate to have Donald Craig from TeleSec continuing as the Shelving Manager; Jean Pec continues as Gelman's shelving project manager. Please feel free to talk with Jean or Donald if you have questions or suggestions about shelving.

ANDREA'S SCHEDULE IN THE HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE

Monday, July 3, 2000	3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, July 4, 2000	Holiday
Wednesday, July 5, 2000	3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Thursday, July 6, 2000	3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Friday, July 7, 2000	ALA Conference in Chicago

GELMAN HUMAN RESOURCES

VACANCY LISTING

Please see **Attachment A** for Gelman's Vacancy Listing.

CAMPUS NEWS

Travel Fees

by Teena Bedola

Administration

Please see **Attachment B** about the changes in GW's Travel infromation.



THE EINSTEIN CORNER

(From *Great Life Lessons*, TM: Inspiration and Wisdom from the Lives of Great People)

"Einstein possessed what was perhaps the greatest mind of the twentieth century. That said, he probably wouldn't have fared too well on the ever popular Who Wants to Be a Millionaire quiz show. While being questioned by a group of reporters, one asked, "What is the speed of sound?" Certainly, any scientist would know this one. "I don't know offhand," Einstein said. "I don't carry information in my mind that's readily available in books." Later, when told that a prominent inventor believed fact-knowledge vitally important, Einstein disagreed: "A person doesn't need to go to college to learn facts. He can get them from books. The value of a liberal arts college education is that it trains the mind to think."



Workstation Tip of the Week

April 24, 2000

Tracking GroupWise Appointment Requests

by Alicia Miller

Management Information Systems

From a frequent GroupWise user: I have a couple of questions about reserving rooms. (1) May I have proxy rights to Room 605-A? (2) When the reply says yes or no to a reservation request, it does not indicate the date or time. Is there any way to know which request is or is not available when sending a multiple date request? For example, I'm trying to reserve 605-A for the next year for every Tuesday 2-2:30. Some are not available, but I don't know which and I'd like not to have to do a busy search to determine which. Thanks.

Each instance of your auto-date request shows up in your "Sent Mail" folder as an individual request. Those with a little red "x" atop the appointment icon are the ones that were declined by 605-A.

All GroupWise users have proxy rights to browse through 605-A's appointments and tasks. Just make sure that you are in one of your calendar views when you use the proxy feature.

THIS WEEK IN LITERARY HISTORY

June 2, 1778	Jean-Jacques Rousseau dies in Ermonville near Paris
July 2, 1877	Hermann Hesse born in a small town near the Black Forest
July 2, 1961	Ernest Hemingway dies of a self- inflicted gunshot wound in Ketchum, Idaho
July 3, 1883	Franz Kafka born in Prague
July 4, 1804	Nathaniel Hawthorne born in Salem, Massachusetts
July 4, 1826	50 th Anniversary of the adoption of the U.S. Declaration of Independence
July 4, 1826	Thomas Jefferson dies at Monticello
July 4, 1826	John Adams dies in Quincy, Massachusetts
July 4, 1845	Henry David Thoreau begins his 26-month stay at Walden Pond
July 4, 1855	Walt Whitman publishes Leaves of Grass at his own expense
July 4, 1927	Neil Simon born in New York City
July 5, 1880	George Bernard Shaw leaves his job at the Edison Telephone Company pointing out that, "You must not suppose, because I am a man of letters, that I never tried to earn an honest living."

July 5, 1889	Jean Cocteau born in Maisons- Lafitte near Paris
July 6, 1866	Beatrix Potter born in Bolton Gardens, Kensington
July 6, 1962	William Faulkner dies of a heart attack in Byhalia, Mississippi
July 7, 1535	Sir Thomas More beheaded for refusing to acknowledge Henry VIII as the supreme authority of the Church
July 8, 1822	Percy Bysshe Shelley drowned while sailing off Viareggio



BOOK QUOTE

"What is more important in a library than anything else --- than everything else --- is the fact that it exists."

> -- Archibald MacLeish -- "The Premise of Meaning" The American Scholar (June 5, 1972)

GELMAN CALENDAR OF EVENTS			
EVENT	EVENT		
Home Base: The Neighbors and Neighborhoods of Washington, D.C. Exhibit Showing	American Library Association Annual Conference 2000		
DATE June 23, 2000 through Sept. 14, 2000	<u>DATE</u> July 6-12, 2000		
PLACE Room 207	PLACE Chicago, IL		
TIME Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	TIME Varies		

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