

GELMAN NEWS

Job Well Done!

by **Jack Siggins**
University Librarian

Due to your great vigilance and efforts, even the World Bank protests couldn't close The Gelman Library! Once again, Library staff has set a high standard of service for the rest of the campus to match. Thanks and congratulations to all for having done such a good job during this period of stress.

According to Dolores Stafford, head of the University Police Department, she appreciates "the diligence of the staff that worked in other buildings on campus that remained open over the weekend, such as the MFA, the Smith Center and Gelman Library staff. Thanks to Barbara Porter for being here to support us all weekend with the media-related issues and for not getting herself hurt by being too close to the 'action.' I hope I didn't miss any of the essential departments who were here doing things while all of the events were unfolding."



Africana Women Exhibition

by **Francine Henderson**
Special Collections

We have had a record turnout of visitors for the "Africana Women at the Dawn of the New Millennium" exhibition and are pleased to announce that by popular demand we are extending the exhibition until Friday, May 26, 2000. Now that's the good news. The not-so-good news is that it appears that only a few of you, your families and friends have visited Special Collections, suite 207, for a self-guided or docent-guided tour.

Why not make time while the exhibit is still here at Gelman to take a stroll through Africana Women's history. Many of those included in the exhibit are living and several have come to view it for themselves. Several of the women have made major contributions in the Washington metropolitan area.

The exhibition is open from noon until 8:00 p.m. on Monday, May 1, 8 and 15. On Tuesdays through Fridays the public may visit from noon until 5:00 p.m. For Gelman staff, please ring the bell before noon if you would like to visit earlier. Hope to see you!

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Africana Women at the Dawn of the New Millennium Exhibit Visitors

by **Erica Aungst**
Administration

The *Africana Women at the Dawn of the New Millennium* Exhibit has received an exceptional amount of public interest. Among the many visitors enjoying special tours in the Special Collections Department, we have hosted Dr. Dorothy Height, Ambassador and Lady Blackman from Barbados, a delegation from the National Council of Negro Women, classes from Ballou High School, School Without Walls, The Washington School for Girls and the Monday Night Youth Ministry from Essex County, Virginia, several groups and teachers from Westmoreland County, Virginia, the Howard University Vice President for Advancement with his colleagues, Mattiwilda Dobbs, Stedman Graham, and the former president of Lincoln University, Dr. Niara Sudakasa.

Francine Henderson gave an hour-long interview for the Washington Forum Radio program. The exhibit was featured in a *Washington Post* article, and is prominently featured in the SEPIA Film Festival Program Guide. Fox 5 Morning News conducted a live broadcast from the exhibit, and Lark McCarthy displayed her Nexxus Institute Award from the *Africana Women* program at her Fox 5 telecast desk.

The White House Millennium Council Program Coordinator, in concert with the *Africana Women* exhibit team, is proposing a traveling exhibit for universities, local and international embassies, the United Nations, and eventually the possibility of a permanent exhibit in Washington, D.C.

Watch the *RT* for additional exhibit updates. Don't miss the opportunity to bring your family and friends to see the exhibit, which by popular demand has been extended to May 26.

GELMAN HUMAN RESOURCES

VACANCY LISTING

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

CAMPUS NEWS

University Holiday Schedule

by **Teena Bedola**
Administration

Please see **Attachment B** for the academic year 2000-2001 University holiday schedule.



ADVICE FROM EINSTEIN

"Knowledge of what is does not open the door directly to what should be. If one asks from whence derives the authority of fundamental ends, since they cannot be stated and justified merely by reason, one can only answer: they exist in a healthy society as powerful traditions, which act upon the conduct and aspirations and judgements of the individuals; they are there, that is, as something living, without its being necessary to find justification for their existence. They come into being not through demonstration but through revelation, through the medium of powerful personalities. One must not attempt to justify them, but rather to sense their nature simply and clearly."



Workstation Tip of the Week

May 2, 2000

by **Alicia Miller**

Management Information Systems

This Week's Question: *Would it be possible for me to borrow the laptop on May 4. What do I need to do?*

The Answer: Sending a GroupWise appointment request to "**Laptop #1**" will automatically generate a message confirming your reservations for the days you indicated. Be sure to "CC" **AliciaM** and include the date and exact time you wish to pick up the laptop from my office (room 204-B) as well as the day you expect to return it.

Please note, however, that GroupWise will decline your appointment request and send a message letting you know that someone else has borrowed it whenever the laptop is **not** available. This works in a way similar to reserving Conference rooms 202 and 208.

<u>GELMAN CALENDAR OF EVENTS</u>		
EVENT	EVENT	EVENT
<p>Special Collections Exhibit <i>Africana Women at the Dawn of the New Millennium</i></p>	<p>Staff Open Forum</p>	<p>Gelman Library Donor's Lunch</p>
<p><u>DATE</u> January 31 Thru May 26, 2000</p>	<p><u>DATE</u> May 5, 2000</p>	<p><u>DATE</u> May 6, 2000</p>
<p><u>PLACE</u> Room 207</p>	<p><u>PLACE</u> Room 202</p>	<p><u>PLACE</u> Alumni House</p>
<p><u>TIME</u> Noon – 5:00 p.m. and by appointment</p>	<p><u>TIME</u> 10:00 a.m. – 12 noon</p>	<p><u>TIME</u> 12 noon – 2:30 p.m.</p>



BOOK QUOTE

"Whatever value there is in studying literature, cultural or practical, comes from the total body of our reading, the castle of words we've built, and keep adding new wings to it all the time.

As for us, we can't even speak, or think or comprehend even our own experiences except within the limits of our own power over words, and those limits have been established for us by our great writers."

NORTHROP FRYE

THE EDUCATED IMAGINATION (1964)

THIS WEEK IN LITERARY HISTORY

May 1, 1700	John Dryden dies in London
May 1, 1923	Joseph Heller born in Brooklyn, New York
May 2, 1945	Colette is the first female member of the Academie Goncourt
May 3, 1469	Machiavelli born in Florence
May 3, 1953	Dylan Thomas' <i>Under Milk Wood</i> given its first American public reading at Harvard's Fogg Museum
May 4, 1825	T. H. Huxley born in Ealing near London
May 4, 1973	Jane Bowles dies in Malaga, Spain
May 5, 1818	Karl Marx born in Trier, the Rheinland
May 5, 1926	Sinclair Lewis , declaring that all such prizes tend to make writers "safe, polite, obedient and sterile," declines the 1926 Pulitzer Prize
May 6, 1856	Sigmund Freud born in Freiberg, Moravia
May 6, 1889	Stanley Morison , inventor of the Times New Roman type, born in Essex
May 7, 1812	Robert Browning born in Camberwell, South London
May 7, 1892	Archibald MacLeish born in Glencoe, Illinois

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