

# STAFF NEWSLETTER



## Library



Oct. 14, 2016

### New Staff

**Anne Jarvis**, University Librarian (8-3170, [ajarvis@princeton.edu](mailto:ajarvis@princeton.edu)), Oct. 1.

Prior to Princeton, Anne was the university librarian at the University of Cambridge since 2009. She has a bachelor's degree from Trinity College Dublin, a diploma in library and information studies from University College Dublin, a master's degree in communication and cultural studies from Dublin City University and a master of arts from Cambridge.



Anne's library career began in special libraries and included posts in Ireland and the United Kingdom. She began working in academic libraries in 1992 and spent some years at Dublin City University and Trinity College Dublin. In 2000 she was appointed deputy librarian at Cambridge.

### Retiring

**Deborah Follansbee**, Cataloger, Technical Services Department, Oct. 31. After working 40 years at the Library, Debbie will be relocating to Maine with all our best wishes.

**Sandra Tonn**, Senior Bibliographic Specialist, Technical Services Department, Oct. 31. Best wishes to Sandy who will be leaving the Library after 27 years of dedicated service.

### Promotion

**Thomas Farrow**, Special Collections Assistant V, Lewis Science Library, Deputy University Librarian's Office, Nov. 2. Thomas' previous position was SCAIV in Firestone Circulation and Library Privileges, Tech Services Dept.

### Leaving

**Roman Yurchenko**, Special Collections Asst. V, Collection Development, Oct. 31. Roman has accepted a position with the Library of Congress as Librarian in the Russia Section of the Germanic and Slavic Division, Acquisitions and Bibliographic Access Directorate in Library Services beginning November 28th, 2016.

### Happy Birthday, Mudd!

(*April Armstrong*, <http://blogs.princeton.edu/mudd/>)

When Princeton University dedicated the Seeley G. Mudd Manuscript Library in mid-October 1976, University Librarian Richard W. Boss called the \$2.5 million expenditure in times of economic uncertainty "a sassy act of faith," especially given that the materials it housed were only drawing approximately 250 visitors per year. In 1976, Princeton expressed the hope that building Mudd would double this number to 500 annually. Though we aren't objective, we think Princeton's sassy faith in our collections' usefulness has been realized. Over 4,300 people conducted research at Mudd last academic year.

### What's Ahead...



- **Oct. 19** – Thanksgiving Food Drive for HomeFront until Nov. 18
- **Oct. 19** – LETC Presents: Orange Key Campus Tour
- **Oct. 21** – Lewis Library Film Series: Bounded Rationality
- **Oct. 28** – Lewis Library Film Series: Randomness and Patterns
- **Oct. 17** – Benefits Open Enrollment begins
- **Nov. 11** – Open Enrollment ends
- **Nov. 24-25** – University Holidays
- **Dec. 19** – Library Staff Holiday Luncheon



The Staff Newsletter is published the 15th and last day of each month.

To submit items, please contact Jean Moyer ([jmcgill@princeton.edu](mailto:jmcgill@princeton.edu))

## An Orange Key Campus Tour

Wednesday, October 19, 2016

1:00pm

Tour meets in the Admission Office Reception Area, Clio Hall (top floor)

To register for this session, go to

<https://putrain.learn.com/learncenter.asp?id=178409&page=203>



If you have questions, comments, or suggestions, please fill out our form at <http://library.princeton.edu/committee/letc/suggest>

Training and Development Programs at Princeton University Library (excerpted from the PULA Contract): Supervisors are strongly encouraged to support employee attendance at training. Particular emphasis should be placed on attendance at those training activities which enhance the employee's job skills in their current position or which help the employee to advance his or her career at the library. Bargaining unit staff shall be allowed to attend at least one training activity per month provided the training activity is directly related to enhancing job skills, provides orientation to a facilities or area that is directly related to the employee's work or furthers their career development at the library.

### LETC members

Dina Conte, Carol Houghton, Thomas Keenan, David Levkoff, Art Miller, Vicki Principi



### Lewis Science Library Film Series

#### Behavioral Economics: When Psychology and Economics Collide

Video series hosted by Professor Scott Huettel, Ph.D. Duke University



Fridays, Noon to 1 in Lewis 225

- ✦ September 16<sup>th</sup> - What is a Good Decision? / The Rise of Behavioral Economics
- ✦ September 23<sup>rd</sup> - Reference Dependence: It's All Relative / Reference Dependence: Economic Implications
- ✦ September 30<sup>th</sup> - Range Effects: Changing the Scale / Probability Weighting
- ✦ October 7<sup>th</sup> - Risk: The Known Unknowns / Ambiguity: The Unknown Unknowns
- ✦ October 14<sup>th</sup> - Temporal Discounting: Now or Later? / Comparison: Apples and Oranges
- ✦ October 21<sup>st</sup> - Bounded Rationality: Knowing Your Limits / Heuristics and Biases
- ✦ October 28<sup>th</sup> - Randomness and Patterns / How Much Evidence Do We Need?
- ✦ November 11<sup>th</sup> - The Value of Experience / Medical Decision Making
- ✦ November 18<sup>th</sup> - Social Decision: Competition and Coordination / Group Decision Making: The Vox Populi
- ✦ December 2<sup>nd</sup> - Giving and Helping: Why Altruism? / Cooperation by Individuals and in Societies
- ✦ December 9<sup>th</sup> - When Incentives Backfire / Precommitment: Setting Rationality Aside
- ✦ December 16<sup>th</sup> - Framing: Moving to a Different Perspective / Interventions, Nudges, and Decisions

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## Blast from the Past

Excerpts from "The Green Pyne Leaf": Publication of the Staff Association – August, 1947

### Dr. Torsten Petersson

The Picnic was this year, really in honor of **Dr. Petersson** whose retirement took place at the end of June. The high point of the entertainment came when, after everyone had been more than adequately fed, **Mr. Boyd** clapped his hands to quiet the noisy crowd. His opening words dealt humorously with **Dr. Petersson's** academic life – his university years at Harvard, his eighteen years in the Library at Princeton, and the years of his retirement which he plans to spend at Yale. There were other years, of course at California and North Western, but the Harvard – Princeton – Yale combination is a striking one. **Mr. Boyd** went on to speak of **Dr. Petersson's** years at Princeton and the friends he had made here especially among the members of the Staff and the graduate students; of his scholarship and his keen, but kindly humor.

With a reference to **Dr. Petersson's** Scandinavian ancestors and their custom of exacting tribute from their subjects, **Mr. Boyd** presented to him the freely offered tribute of his friends on the Library Staff.

The travelling bag was duly unwrapped and its contents (two bottles of Uruguayan beer, the smoothness and potency of which was guaranteed by **Mr. Savage**) after which **Dr. Petersson**, who was in fine form, confessed that he had been afraid he was not going to have a party and so had done his best to publicize his retirement in a more or less subtle manner, which he felt had proved most successful.



In the late 1920s rare books and other objects moved into the Treasure Room on the second floor of Pyne.

appreciation of the gift was obvious, and his informal expression of pleasure together with some reminiscences of his years at Princeton made a great hit with all his friends.

**Dr. Petersson** will be much missed by his friends in the Library. His wide knowledge, scholarly, but always touched with humanity, his sharp but never unkind sense of humor and his constant willingness to be helpful, have made for him a place at Princeton that will be difficult to fill. (*Verna E. Bayles*)

### Treasure Room Notes

Mr. T.S. Eliot, the Spenser Trask lecturer on May 19 and 20, visited the Treasure Room to view the T.S. Eliot Collection lent for exhibition by Mr. Edward Naumberg '24. Mr. Eliot inscribed Mr. Naumberg's copy of Prufrock and very generously offered to contribute some of his recent works to the Library's Paul Elmer More Collection.

In 1931, Willa Sibert Cather was awarded an honorary degree by Princeton University and since Miss Cather was the first woman to be thus honored by Princeton, it seemed fitting to hold the exhibition of her work currently on display in the Treasure Room. **Mr. Adler** designed a number of special editions of Willa Cather's work for the Pynson Printers, and these are included in the exhibition along with the proof-sheets on which Miss Cather had written some entertaining comments.

During the rest of the summer months, exhibit space in the Treasure Room will be devoted to a showing of forty notable books and manuscripts of bibliographical, literary and historical importance. This exhibition will give any staff members who may seek "a pause in the day's activities" an opportunity for seeing examples of illuminated manuscripts, examples of early printing, first and early editions, American and modern fine printing from the Library's special collections., (*Julie Hudson*)