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## TWO RESEARCH CENTERS TO MERGE

Following considerable discussion during the summer, the Ellen G. White Research Center and the Adventist Heritage Center have agreed on a space merger within James White Library. For several years the two centers have lived close to each other on the lower floor of the library, but separate chains of command have been a barrier to any kind of merger. The White Research Center at Andrews is a branch of the Ellen G. White Estate at General Conference headquarters. Its local staff, headed by William Fagal, is appointed by and answers to the parent office in Silver Spring, Maryland. The Adventist Heritage Center, on the other hand, is a department of James White Library and its director-curator, James Ford, reports to the James White Library director, Keith Clouten.

The idea of a space merger for the two centers was born this past summer as the library struggled with the urgent need for additional space to house its expanding collections of books, periodicals, manuscripts and archives. Discussions between the two center directors, Fagal and Ford, led to a proposal in which the two centers would share re-modeled space on the lower floor of the library. The proposal stops short of complete integration of functions and staff, but seeks to share common entrance and reception areas, reading room, exhibit area, and vault. Each center would maintain its own staff and retain ownership of its unique collections. The proposal was accepted by the Board of Trustees of the White Estate in Washington September 16, and approved subsequently by the Adventist Heritage Center Committee on this campus.

Although the merger proposal was driven by the space-needs issue, the directors of both

### LIBRARY HOSTS RESCUERS EXHIBIT

James White Library is proud to host from October 15 through November 30, the highly acclaimed exhibition, *RESCUERS: Portraits of Moral Courage in the Holocaust*, by Gay Block and Malka Drucker. Comprising 300 linear feet of exhibit material, the 56 panels of the exhibition portray impressively the history of many Europeans who were involved in the rescue of Jews during the Holocaust, risking their lives and those of their families.

The official opening took place on Wednesday, October 20, at 7.00 p.m. in the exhibition area on the main floor of James White Library, and was followed immediately by a guest lecture by Dr. Marion Pritchard, who is Distinguished Visiting Professor of Holocaust Studies at Clark University in Massachusetts. Other lectures and special events coinciding with the exhibition will be announced to the campus.

Coordinator for the exhibition is Dr. Wolfgang Kunze, who initiated the idea of bringing the exhibit to Andrews University. Representing James White Library in the exhibit arrangements is Lauren Matacio, chair of the library's Cultural Events Committee.

centers see significant benefits in an integrated facility. Chief among these is improved service to Andrews students and faculty by having a single service point for all SDA research needs ("one-stop shopping"),

a larger pool of staff to provide assistance, and extended hours for Adventist Heritage research. The collections of the two centers are seen as complementary to each other. The White center has extensive files and manuscripts supporting the study and interpretation of Ellen White's writings, while the Adventist Heritage Center has perhaps the world's richest collection of research materials, print and manuscript, supporting the study of Adventist history.

Implementation of the space merger is dependent upon university funding for the necessary renovation and expansion of the existing Adventist Heritage Center to house the joint facilities. Detailed plans for the renovation are currently in development.

## **LIBRARY STAFF IN RETREAT**

The entire faculty and staff of James White Library took a day to retreat from regular business on Thursday, September 16. Meeting in the Pioneer Memorial Church Commons, the group focused on the theme "A Library of Faith at the Threshold of the New Millennium."

Guest presenter for the morning session was Ray Doerksen, library director at Seattle Pacific University on the west coast. Coming from a background of library employment in both public and private universities in Canada and the United States, Mr. Doerksen has led in the development of a philosophy of Christian librarianship. In his presentation at Andrews, Mr. Doerksen challenged the library staff to go beyond "faith and integration" to "faith and life."

Afternoon sessions focused on future directions for James White Library. Using scenario visioning technique, the staff looked at how the library is doing now (what we are doing well, and what we are not), what they would like to see the library become by 2005, and how to get from here to there. The results of the discussions will be used in developing a new strategic plan for library services for Andrews University.

## **LIBRARY WEB TUTORIAL NEARLY FINISHED**

The Information Services department of the James White Library is pleased to introduce a new web tutorial, *The Library Primer*. Developed by Sabrina Pusey, Instructional Services Librarian, *The Library Primer* is designed to help students, both on and off campus, learn how to search the library catalog, online databases, and the World Wide Web effectively and efficiently. It is made up of six lessons:

- Lesson 1: Computer Basics
- Lesson 2: Netscape Navigator
- Lesson 3: Library Catalog
- Lesson 4: Search Strategies
- Lesson 5: Online Databases
- Lesson 6: World Wide Web

Lessons 1-5 are ready to use and available on the James White Library homepage: <http://www.andrews.edu/library/>. Lesson 6 is scheduled to be finished by December 1999. Future plans include adding a certificate which students will be able to print and submit to their teacher following the completion of the tutorial.

## **JWL INCREASES WORKSHOP OFFERINGS**

To make library workshops more accessible to faculty and students, James White Library now offers more workshop sessions, including some daytime slots. All workshops are free and open to faculty, staff, students, their spouses, and the community. No registration is necessary. Workshops are held in the JWL Instruction Lab, room 234.

Basic Computer Navigation Skills:

Tuesday, October 5, 1999, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Exploring Basic Library Resources:

Tuesday, October 19, 1999, 7:00-9:00 p.m., repeated on Thursday, October 21, 1999, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Exploring Web Databases:

Tuesday, October 26, 1999, 7:00-9:00 p.m., repeated on Thursday, October 28, 1999, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Exploring the World Wide Web:

Tuesday, November 2, 1999, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Exploring Religion Databases:

Thursday, November 4, 1999, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

## FILM CREW LIGHTS UP THE LIBRARY

An Australian film crew from the Adventist Media Centre in Sydney lit up the main floor of the James White Library on Wednesday, October 6. Crew leader Grenville Kent and cameraman Marcus Gillezeau were shooting footage for a short film on young Seventh-day Adventists around the world. They filmed interviews with two Russian students from the Seminary: Elena Zhigankova who is completing the MA in Youth Ministry; and Elena Churilina who is completing the MA in Religion and also works in the Periodicals Department of the Library. The film is geared to secular high school students and can be used by Youth Departments and youth leaders around the world. The crew spent two days at Andrews University interviewing a number of students before heading to England and Europe to continue their filming.

## LIBRARY PEOPLE

**Joshua Baltazar** joins the library staff as Systems Manager, replacing Wendell Ward who left to take a job at Southern Adventist University. Joshua is a 1993 graduate of Andrews University.

**Keith Clouten**, director, accepted an invitation from the Michigan State Board of Education to participate in a Community of Scholars which in August 1999 evaluated a proposal by Cleary College to offer an MBA degree.

**Marilyn Gane** joined James White Library in September as Coordinator of Library Off-Campus Services and also as Head of the Periodicals Department. Marilyn comes from Australia where she directed library services in the Sydney office of the Australian Taxation Department. She is a graduate of Avondale College and the New South Wales University of Technology where she completed a degree in Information Management.

**Wolfgang Kunze** has joined the staff of the Adventist Heritage Center on a part-time basis to develop a program of records management and archives for Andrews University.

**Josip Mocnik** joins the James White Library faculty as a Catalog Librarian in the Department of Bibliographic Services. Josip has just completed a master's degree in librarianship at University College, London, which included a substantial thesis on the topic of digital preservation and access. Josip is a native of Croatia and a graduate of Newbold College.

**Terry Robertson** has received a faculty appointment as Seminary Librarian. Terry has worked in James White Library for several years, with experience in cataloging, reference service, and stack management. He is a Seminary graduate with a masters degree in Religion (New Testament).

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