SPECIAL COLLECTIONS TREASURES ON EXHIBIT

Stop by Special Collections now through June 23 to view an exhibit showcasing just a few of the treasures housed in the Special Collections and University Archives. Among the items on display are a cuneiform tablet, an illuminated manuscript page, a 1478 example of an early printed book attributed to Petrarch, the campus’ Book of the Oath, and items related to Mark Twain. The exhibit also covers how researchers use as well as produce publications from the unique resources provided through Special Collections and University Archives. Monday through Friday between 9am and 5pm.

http://knowledgecenter.unr.edu/materials/specoll/.

IN MEMORIAM: PRESIDENT MILTON D GLICK 1937-2011

From the moment he was inaugurated as the 15th president of the University of Nevada, Reno on Sept. 29, 2006, Milton D. Glick sent out a memorable call to all Nevadans. President Glick, on that sun-splashed day, reminded all Nevadans why the University was so central to the future of the Silver State. “The next Comstock Lode is not in the mines of Nevada,” Glick reminded those assembled on the University Quadrangle. “It is in the minds of Nevadans.” From that moment forward, it was obvious to anyone who came into contact with President Glick that he embraced and loved his University, his community and his state, with every fiber of his being.

To read more, click here.

LIBRARIAN WINS BOGLE-PRATT INTERNATIONAL LIBRARY TRAVEL FUND

Madeline Mundt, a Knowledge Center librarian, was awarded the 2011 American Library Association International Relations Committee’s “Bogle-Pratt International Library Travel Fund”. Mundt and her colleague and co-author Ann Medaille will present their paper “New Media, New Challenges: The Library and Multimedia Literacy in Higher Education” at an international conference at the Universidad del Pais Vasco in Bilbao, Spain.

To read more, click here.

STEVE ZINK APPOINTED VICE CHANCELLOR

Steve Zink, Vice President for Information Technology and Dean of University Libraries has accepted a new assignment -- Vice Chancellor for Information Technology for the Nevada System of Higher Education. Steve has played a pivotal role in the accomplishments of the University Libraries for nearly 30 years, including the building of the Mathewson-IGT Knowledge Center. The University Provost Marc Johnson announced that Kathy Ray, senior director of Libraries, will assume the responsibilities of interim dean for the next two years. Kathy was appointed senior director of Libraries last August after a national search. She was drawn to the University of Nevada, Reno because of Steve’s unique vision for the
PROPOSED BUDGET CUTS

On March 7 the University announced proposed budget cuts of $26 million, and a further $13.8 million on April 4 to address a potential budget reduction of $59 million by July 2012 as required by Nevada Governor Brian Sandoval. These cuts are campus wide, and while initial recommendations included Special Collections, the Library provided an alternative plan to meet the budget reductions. Special Collections has been removed from the list of closures, and we are hard at work on a long term plan to ensure its continuing health and vitality. As we move forward, we welcome your continuing contributions of historically significant NV materials and support for fund raising initiatives. Your support and friendship has always been important and appreciated – never more so than now. To speak with someone directly regarding the proposed budget cuts, contact Millie Mitchell, the Libraries director of development at (775) 682-5682 or mimitchell@unr.edu.

To read more, click here:
http://nevadasagebrush.com/blog/2011/04/04/university-might-lose-library-enhancements/

MORE SUCCESS FOR A SILVER PEN AWARD RECIPIENT

2007 Silver Pen Award recipient, Willy Vlautin, has received more than critical acclaim for his first book, *The Motel Life*. The book that earned him the Silver Pen is in the process of becoming a movie. It is currently being filmed locally and will star Kris Kristofferson, Dakota Fanning and Emile Hirsch.

To read more, click below:
http://www.willyvlautin.com/motel-life

More Vlautin news…

Another of Vlautin’s book is being given notable attention. His latest book *Lean on Pete*, has been shortlisted for an Oregon Book Award -- the Ken Kesey Award for Fiction. The Oregon Book Awards are presented annually for the finest accomplishments by Oregon writers in poetry, fiction, general nonfiction, creative nonfiction, drama, children's literature and young adult literature.

To read more, click here.

ARE YOU A FAN OF THE LIBRARIES? WE'RE LOOKING FOR “TALES FROM THE STACKS.”

If you are receiving this email, chances are you are a fan of the University Libraries. Perhaps you met your mate at the Library? Maybe you got lost in the stacks, or locked in overnight? Or you may have even helped break new ground by transporting books with the book brigade during the move from Clark to Getchell Library. We want to hear your story. Tell us at FOL@unr.edu.

SMALL TALK, BIG IDEAS

The final discussion in this fascinating series will take place on April 27 at 7pm. Hear Dr. Sudeep Chandra discuss Arctic climate change affecting Nevada. Wells Fargo Auditorium in the Mathewson-IGT Knowledge Center.

To find out more information on small talk, Big Ideas, click here.

See a video recording of Joseph DeLappe’s discussion here.

Click here to watch a news clip from Ann Ronald’s small talk Big Ideas discussion.
MODEL EARTHQUAKE SHAKE TABLE ON DISPLAY IN MATHEWSON-IGT KNOWLEDGE CENTER

Next time you visit the Mathewson-IGT Knowledge Center, stop by the South Lobby to see a motorized model of the world's largest and highest capacity 3-directional earthquake testing shake table which is located in Miki City, Japan. This realistic scale model is borrowed from the National Research Institute for Earth Science and Disaster Prevention Earth Defense Agency in Japan and shows in slow motion how the platform moves in both horizontal and vertical axes and with pitch. This first-class exhibit was made possible with the help of the Consortium of Universities for Research in Earthquake Engineering.

http://www.curee.org/EO/miki_table.html

MORE NOTEWORTHY NEWS

University Libraries Instructional Design team learns from students

Students recognized for outstanding digital portfolios

Steve Zink interviewed by ITBusinessEdge.com
http://www.itbusinessedge.com/cm/community/features/interviews/blog/cio-conversations-unrs-steve-zink-on-putting-it-staff-into-business-units/?cs=45059&page=1

FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

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http://knowledgecenter.unr.edu/materials/specoll/default.aspx

April 21 at 5pm
Poetry and Photography exhibit - The Expressions of Homelessness: Representations through the Arts DeLaMare Library in the Mackay Mines Building. Creative work produced by residents of the Volunteers of America Family Shelter, and images captured by Arielle Murphy and Jennice Rodriguez will be on display. Admission is free to the public. Light refreshments will be provided.

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LATEST LIBRARY STAT:

Each week, an average of 1,591 students attend a class located on the @One floor in the Knowledge Center -- nearly 10% of the entire student body.