GWEN DEPOLO AWARDED A LIBRARY OF CONGRESS INTERNSHIP

Gwen DePolo, a student worker in DeLaMare Science & Engineering Library, will be spending her summer in Washington, D.C., as one of a select group of interns at the Library of Congress. This wonderful opportunity combines DePolo's undergraduate chemistry study with her love of playing violin (something she does for the Reno Pops Orchestra) and her work in DeLaMare Library. Special thanks to Congressman Mark Amodei for submitting Gwen's application and to Heidi Gansert, University of Nevada, Reno's Executive Director of External Relations, for alerting us to this fabulous opportunity. Congratulations, Gwen!

GETTING THE WORD OUT ABOUT OUR POLITICAL COLLECTIONS

Through a friend of the University Libraries, Keith Lee, Special Collections had the opportunity to custom design exhibit panels on the "Politics of Our Past" to display in Carson City. We are proud to announce the exhibit is currently featured in the Legislative Building's third floor corridor. Each panel has a unique theme. Of the two larger panels, one focuses on campaigning. It displays an interesting collage of bumper stickers, advertisements for candidates, letters about raising money, as well as a rare 1864 voter's Union Ticket with Abraham Lincoln's name on it.

The second large panel centers on the work that comes after an individual is elected. It highlights the critical connections politicians have with their constituents and with other politicians. It displays state budget information from 1935 and 1986, along with letters from former governors. Additionally, this panel highlights some of the Nevada politicians who gained higher federal offices, including Governor Richard Bryan who became U.S. Senator Bryan.

The third panel exhibits a short history of women in Nevada's politics, including suffragette Anne Martin, the first woman to run for the U.S. Senate from Nevada.

@ONE DIGITAL'S RED EPIC CAMERA ESSENTIAL PART OF RESEARCH

Graduate research assistant, Lingyue Zheng, is working with the Department of Mechanical Engineering's Composite and Intelligent Materials Laboratory to test
the strength and resiliency of spider webs. Zheng, who has been tasked with performing the experiments and measuring the data, drops balls of varying mass onto the spider web which is tightened before each test to a pre-determined tension. The height of the ball's "bounce" is measured and recorded. The camera being used to record the experiments is a RED Epic M-X, from the Knowledge Center's @One Digital Medica Technology department."This project is to study the behavior of the spider web and create a mechanical, bio-inspired artificial spider web to mimic the behavior of a real spider web," Zheng said. The experiments are still ongoing, but we'll be sure to share an update when conclusive results have been reached.

DELMARE WINS EDAWN'S INNOVATIVE SPACE AWARD
The makerspace and collaborative work areas in DeLaMare Science & Engineering Library have earned another accolade, this time from the Economic Development Authority of Western Nevada (EDAWN) which is committed to "recruiting and expanding quality companies that have a positive economic impact on the quality of life in the Greater Reno-Sparks-Tahoe region." The award was presented at the Nevada's Center for Entrepreneurship and Technology (NCET)/Reno Gazette Journal/EDAWN awards dinner on April 9 at the Atlantis Casino Resort Spa. Tod Colegrove accepted the honor on behalf of University Libraries.

Pictured right:Tod Colegrove, the head of the DeLaMare Library at the University of Nevada, Reno, explains the capabilities of the 3D printer to a student in DeLaMare's makerspace.

NEW BASQUE LIBRARY EXHIBIT
In honor of the 40th anniversary of William A. Douglass and Jon Bilbao's seminal work on the American Basque experience, Amerikanuak, the Basque Library* has an exhibit honoring these gentlemen and the important work they've done. A main feature of the display is a documentary produced in Basque, giving students, faculty, and community members the opportunity to hear the Basque language spoken. The display will be up through 2015.

*The Basque Library is located on the third floor of the Knowledge Center.

ANN RONALD CREATES SPECIAL COLLECTIONS ENDOWMENT
Ann Ronald, a University of Nevada, Reno emerita professor, foundation trustee, and Distinguished Faculty Award winner, has established the Ann Ronald Special Collections Endowment in recognition of the value of Special Collections to the University and the role it has played in her own scholarly endeavors. The endowment will provide flexible funding to support the growth and success of Special Collections now and in the future. Ann believes strongly that in order for the University to retain its standing as a research institution "we need to keep our specialized focus and we [Special Collections] need to keep collecting." During Ronald's 38 years at the University, she
earned the University's Outstanding Researcher award in 2005, was inducted into the Nevada Writers Hall of Fame in 2006, and served as dean of the College of Arts & Sciences from 1989-96.

WHAT STUDENTS LOVE IN THE LIBRARY

Library Use

Undergraduate students are most satisfied with:
1. Borrowing technology equipment
2. Library databases
3. Quiet work space in the library
4. Physical library collections
5. Study carrels in the library

Graduate students are most satisfied with:
1. Library circulation services
2. Borrowing technology equipment
3. Faculty & Graduate Room
4. Physical comfort in the library
5. Interlibrary loan

What library services do students rate as very important?

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Source

UNR's 2014 Measuring Information Service Outcomes (MISO) Survey

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Stop in and explore the "Reflections on Pyramid Lake" exhibit
This exhibit displaying on each floor of the Knowledge Center features a variety of paintings, photographs and artifacts showcasing historic, artistic, scientific, native, and natural visions of Pyramid Lake.

The exhibit runs through September 15.
"An investment in knowledge always pays the best interest." – Benjamin Franklin

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