

Annual Reception for University Authors Showcases Publications

On April 1, 2015, the annual Cheng Library Authors' Reception was held in the University Commons. Faculty members, staff and administrators turned out to acknowledge the wealth of publications recently created by their colleagues.

Publications from all five colleges and various departments were displayed. Guests enjoyed refreshments while viewing the wide variety of academic papers, books and other media exhibited.

Pamela Theus, Assistant Director of the Cheng Library welcomed those assembled. President Waldron spoke to the crowd, recognizing the abundance and variety of the authors' endeavors. Interim Library Dean Anne Ciliberti also spoke briefly, as did Associate Provost, Dr. Stephen Hahn. Martin Williams, Director of Sponsored Programs, was on hand to recognize faculty and staff who had successfully applied for grants via his office.

This year's display included several books. Dr. Ronald Verdicchio collaborated with a group of University students to write a book about the history of Prospect Park, NJ published by Arcadia. Dr. Nicole Davi of Environmental Science co-authored a book on tree growth and climate change.

Dr. Keumsil Kim Yoon and Dr. Bruce Williams of Languages and Cultures co-authored a book about Korean culture and cinema. The second edition of Dr. Nadine Aktan's book for nurse practitioners and the second edition of Dr. Julie Rosenthal and Dr. Elizabeth Brown's book on teaching literacy were exhibited as was the second edition of Dr. Thomas Heinzen's textbook, *Essentials of Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences*.

Three other textbooks were dis-



Faculty authors from the College of Education, (from left to right) Sue Mankiw, Heejung An, Geraldine Mongillo, Manina Urgolo-Huckvale, Julie Rosenthal and Holly Seplocha.

played: *Health & Physical Assessment in Nursing* by Dr. D'Amico and Dr. Barbarito, *Tablets in K-12 Education* by Dr. Heejung An, and *Strangers to these Shores* by Dr. Vincent Parillo.

Dr. Joanne Cho of the History department co-edited two books and also contributed chapters to these books.

The College of Arts and Communication was also well represented. Dr. Alejandro Anreus wrote two books on the artist, Luis Cruz Azaceta. One book was a catalog to accompany an exhibit at Aljira, a contemporary art center in Newark, NJ, and the second book was published by the Chicano Studies Research Center. Dr. Robin Schwartz's book of photography, *Ameilia & the Animals*, recently published by Aperture, was also displayed.

Among the publications were several creative items including short stories, fiction and science fiction. This year, a few books of poetry were also part of the bibliography. Timothy Liu, Bill Wolak and Alejandro Anreus all authored poetry compilations.

Dr. Karen Demsey contributed a compact disk of music titled *Streaming*

Dreams by the Up Town Flutes. Dr. Demsey was both performer and director for the recording.

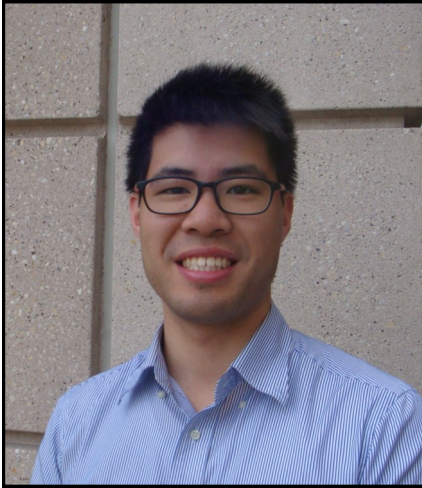
These faculty are just a few of the many authors whose myriad publications were displayed at the reception.

The library staff has hosted this event for more than 25 years. Each year an accompanying booklet lists citations for all of the publications. The booklet and the corresponding displays are a means of acknowledging the scholarship and academic vitality of the University's faculty and staff.

This year's booklet contained 201 entries, and the types of publications spanned many varieties: books, textbooks, articles, book chapters, fiction, novels, translations, interviews, photography, poems and one compact disk of recorded music.

The Cheng Library invites the University faculty and staff to begin thinking about next year's Authors' Reception and to contact Pamela Theus, Assistant Director of the Cheng Library, for more information: by email at theusp@wpunj.edu and by phone at 973-720-2160.

William Choi Joins Library Staff as Professional Support Specialist



William Choi joined the library staff as a Professional Support Specialist on April 6, 2015. In his position, he supports the Cheng Library's IT infrastruc-

ture by providing primary user support in all areas served by computer systems.

Although he is new to the Cheng Library, William is well known around the University. He began his career at William Paterson with Information Technology's User Services department where he provided user support throughout the University.

William received a B.A. in Criminal Justice and Information Technology and Informatics from Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey in 2010.

Prior to joining William Paterson University as a staff member, William worked in Ibaraki Prefecture in Japan as an Assistant Language Teacher from 2010 to 2013. During his time in

Japan, he promoted and developed strong relationships with the local community through foreign language education and international exchange activities. He hopes to continue to build strong relationships in the Cheng Library just as he did in Japan.

As a Professional Support Specialist for Library Information Systems, William hopes to continue to provide quality support, as well as he did when he was with User Services. William is excited to join the staff at the Cheng Library and looks forward to working and collaborating with all the staff members.

When away from work, William enjoys photography, sports, reading, and traveling; as he is constantly consumed by wanderlust, and is always looking for his next travel destination.

Two Library Staff Members Earn Promotions and Job Title Changes

Gary Marks accepted a new position within the Library as Technical Library Assistant in the Periodicals and Document Delivery Department. He started his new position on April 6, 2015, and he is responsible for processing interlibrary loan requests submitted to the Cheng Library by other libraries and institutions.

Gary has worked at the Library since 1997, and since 2006 he has held the position of Principal Library Assistant in

the Lending Services Department where he was primarily responsible for orienting and supervising the student assistants. Gary is also a graduate of William Paterson University having earned a B.A. in history and political science and an M.A. in public policy and international affairs. He also completed the Master's in Library and Information Science at Rutgers University in 2014.

Gary is getting accustomed to his new position and co-workers in the Pe-

riodicals and Document Delivery Department. He commented, "I am excited to learn a new system for interlibrary loan and I enjoy the new environment and my co-workers in the department."

Leah Marie Zamora also accepted a new position as Library Technician, but this change was due to the technical nature of the work required in the Reference Department and a reclassification of the current position by Human Resources.

Congratulations to Gary and Leah!

Five Student Assistants Receive Awards for Exemplary Service

Each year, the Library recognizes selected student assistants for exemplary service. Students are nominated by their supervisors and must meet certain criteria to be eligible for recognition. These student assistants receive awards at a reception held in the Cheng Library.

More than 20 students are employed throughout the Library in the numerous departments, and these assistants represent a considerable portion of the Library's workforce.

Students provide a wide range of services in the Library. They assist at

the service desks of Periodicals, Reserve and Lending Services, shelve books, help with stack maintenance, and often perform additional tasks.

An awards ceremony was held on April 21, 2015 in the Paterson Room where the Library specifically honored five students for outstanding service: Ndeah Terry from the Curriculum Materials Department, Loel Fortugaleza and Justin Minnella, both from the Periodicals Department, and Kareem Kinslow and Jackeline Reyes, both of Lending Services. This recognition event serves

to acknowledge the Library's gratitude for the students' exemplary service during the academic year. The reception provides a way to formally acknowledge these students and to demonstrate the Library's appreciation for the assistance they provide

The staff of the Cheng Library extends thanks to all of the student assistants for their service, and wishes to congratulate the five students recognized this year.

Congratulations to Ndeah, Loel, Justin, Kareem, and Jackeline!

Exhibits Highlight the Library's Collection and University Events

The Cheng Library is fortunate to have among its staff talented and energetic members who plan and create attractive displays throughout the Library. Over the years, some of the displays have been impressive in their complexity and composition.

Most exhibits are scheduled to celebrate significant events or holidays and designed to display and promote the resources of the Cheng Library. Collectively, these displays serve to draw attention to sections of the collection that correspond with timely topics or are noteworthy for their subject matter.

Some exhibits are designed for a specific lecture or conference, for example the Distinguished Lecturers' Conference. A special exhibit is always created in the lobby case following the annual Authors' Reception and includes books and articles listed in the bibliography. This event coincides with the University's Research and Scholarship Day.

Exhibits are frequently developed in support of the curriculum and the overall cultural and intellectual events of the University. Occasionally, interesting and instructive materials from the local community may be incorporated into a display.

In addition to books from the Library's collection, exhibits feature materials obtained from a variety of sources, and staff members frequently lend pertinent objects for a particular display. "The Death and Doom of Devices" display included a Commodore computer, several antique cameras and early models of cell phones. Students were often observed looking intently at these objects.

One noteworthy exhibit celebrated the centennial of the Paterson silk strike in May, 2013 and included books, posters and photographs supplemented with silk swatches and spools of silk thread.

A display was created last September to coincide with the University's



Part of the display in the Library's lobby exhibit case for the University authors' publications of 2015.

Homecoming Weekend. In addition to books about the history of the University, photographs, banners, yearbooks and memorabilia from the Library's archives were also included.

Another noteworthy exhibit was "Toy Story" which focused on books about toys and childhood pastimes. "Comics Craze" was also very popular and included many examples of comic books as well as books about comics from the collection.

Contributions from students are also encouraged. In the past, the Library's Exhibits Committee has collaborated with campus clubs (for Hispanic Heritage Month and LGBTQ Awareness) and specific academic departments. Students' posters have also been displayed in the Student Work exhibit case.

The Cheng Library has three permanent exhibit cases, one semi-permanent case and five changing ones. An additional case is devoted to student work and usually features essays and art work from the student

publications *Writing Across the Curriculum*, *Zeitgeist* and *Artery*.

The Exhibits Committee members are Leah Marie Zamora and Patricia Moore, Co-Chairs, Mark Pawlak, Nancy Weiner, Susan Sabatino, Sherri Tucker, and Charles Landy. The Committee welcomes ideas and suggestions for future exhibits and invites the community to view the exhibits currently on display throughout the Cheng Library.

A list of the display cases in the Cheng Library

First Floor:

Lobby Case
Curriculum Materials Case
Current Awareness Case
Celebrating Student Work
David and Lorraine Cheng

Second Floor:

Curio Case
Humanities Case
Chinese Language Reading Area
Robert Roe Reading Room
Paterson Room - documents and objects pertaining to the career of William Paterson

Cheng Library Subscribes to Two New Electronic Resources

Just in time for the upcoming political conventions and next year's presidential election, the Cheng Library is pleased to introduce two new resources for published research on politics and public affairs: Political Science Complete and Public Affairs Index.

Political Science Complete provides access to full-text sources that include nearly 480 journals (of which 262 are unique to this database), 330 full-text reference books and the 35,000-plus conference papers from many major political science associations.

Given the multidisciplinary nature of politics, this resource provides extensive coverage of global politics with an expansive focus. The database also captures the scope of political studies from both the national and international perspectives. The subjects covered include comparative politics, international relations, humanitarian issues, law and legislation, non-governmental organizations, and political theory.

The content draws from scholarly, professional, and peer-reviewed sources. It also includes notable



popular sources such as *The Nation*, *Commentary* and *Policy and Perspectives*.

Public Affairs Index, a bibliographic database, covers all aspects of contemporary public policy from the national and international points of view. These issues range from public health, the environment, housing, human and civil rights, to international commerce and conflict.

This resource encompasses a wide variety of materials for researchers and students. The database contains a diverse collection of sources including scholarly journals, conference papers, trade publications and government documents. These publications provide up-to-date information on a wide range of topics of concern in the world today.

Together, these resources provide comprehensive access to the research literature, reports, news, and other expert analyses of politics and public affairs.

We invite you to try Political Science Complete and Public Affairs Index and sample the variety of materials in these databases.

Please contact Richard Kearney, Electronic Resources Librarian (kearneyr@wpunj.edu or 973-720-2165), or Nancy Weiner, Library Liaison to the Political Science Department (weinern@wpunj.edu or 973-720-2161) if you have questions or comments about these databases.

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