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## LIBRARY NEWS



Pat Owens at his retirement party



Ginny Blackson starting her new job

After serving the Brooks Library for more than three decades, Pat Owens left CWU at the end of May. Pat was the Friends' chief library contact for several years, and his diligence served the annual book sale well. May his retirement measure up to all his expectations.

Pat's replacement is Ginny Blackson who comes to the Brooks Library from the University of Kentucky via Alaska where she served both college and public libraries. Ginny has already begun to help the Friends by processing book donations with cheerful efficiency.

If you visit the library frequently, you will note a new face in the circulation department since January, 2012: Tyson White. Another newcomer, replacing Chris Mayer as reference librarian is Lisa Euster, who received her degree in Information Science at the University of Washington but is no stranger to CWU, serving as a graduate assistant during the academic year 2011-12.

Joining her as academic and research center librarian is Courtney Paddick whose Information Science degree was granted by the University of Albany. She knows CWU well through working as graduate assistant in 2010-11 and as archivist for the Chimpanzee and Human Communication Laboratory.

The Friends welcomes warmly the new library staff.

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## AN "ARC" FOR THE BROOKS LIBRARY

Beverly Heckart, Chair, Friends of the Brooks Library

Now that electronic gadgets provide instant information at home and abroad, how can the Brooks Library sail forward as the study center of CWU's campus? The answer: Provide an Academic and Research Commons (ARC) in an accessible place—where students study together, where they collaborate with faculty, and where they like to gather. Visit the library's old reference room and see for yourself.

You will recognize the room's dimensions and offices but little else. Instead you will view an array of study tables, small meeting rooms, sites for viewing films and photos, and lots of computer work stations. You will also find white board tables for use in tutoring sessions and a white-board gallery for budding student artists.

Librarians will still staff the reference desk and, to be sure, they will assist students in finding books, articles and documents. But they will also help them to navigate through the non-print sources of information proliferating in electronic databases and on the Internet.

At the end of the day, of course, students will rely on all the varied sources of information, both old and new, that the Friends of the Brooks Library Endowment Fund helps to support.



A helpful reference librarian

Remember CWU's Brooks Library Endowment Fund in your annual charitable donations.

## SUPPORT FOR THE LIBRARY

- Current CWU Students** (\$15 suggested)
- Annual Friend** (\$35-\$99)
- Special Friend** (\$100-\$249)

With the following categories, you may work with the dean to purchase vital library materials, and a Friend of the Library bookplate will be affixed to your gift.

- Friend of the Collection** (\$250-\$499)
- Sustainer of the Collection** (\$500-\$999)
- Steward of the Collection** (\$1,000 or more)

### Tribute Gifts

Many find that a gift to the library is a meaningful way to honor a special person or to remember a loved one.

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You may give to the Friends of the Brooks Library Endowment Fund by naming us as beneficiary in your retirement or life insurance plans, or through your will. For more information, contact the Gift and Estate Planning Office of the CWU Foundation, 509-963-3083 or [www.cwugift.org](http://www.cwugift.org).

Gifts to the Friends of the Brooks Library are deposited in the endowment fund. We use minimal amounts to defray expenses.

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# ANNUAL BOOK SALE

NOVEMBER 6, 2012  
9:30 A.M. – 6:30 P.M.



NOVEMBER 7, 2011  
9:30 A.M. – 1:30 P.M.  
Brooks Library Foyer

**This year we'll have a large collection of books suitable for Christmas gifts—travel, fiction, recent best sellers, current affairs. All in good condition at very low prices.**



The Friends' annual book sale this year includes **late afternoon and evening hours** on the first day of the sale. Last year, we introduced these new hours in response to requests to hold the sale when working people from the university and wider communities can attend and browse the shelves. Quite a few people came, liked what they saw, and went away with a bag full of books. Free parking is available on the university campus after 4:30 p.m.

In 2011, the book sale earned \$950 for the Friends' endowment fund. This sum represents the enthusiasm of the customers and the dedication of those who volunteer to serve the book sale in many ways.

We welcome donations for the book sale. If you want to contribute, please contact Ginny Blackson (963-1306), the new collection development librarian. Fiction of the *belles lettres* variety sells very well, as do books on travel, cooking, and current events. Children's books are always in demand. If you have books to donate, please do so soon.

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