



LIBRARY PROVIDES MANY NEW OFFERINGS

STILLWATER-At the Library, we strive to improve services and bring the benefits of new information technology to our users. We are implementing several new projects this year that affect you.

New Electronic Resources Added

- all the journals available online from Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press, Springer, and Blackwell
- all journals from Nature Publishing, which includes *Nature* and dozens more
- Backfile collections to Science Direct
- 180 new titles for Science Direct
- Backfiles to Annual Reviews series
- Congressional Quarterly
- ISI Journal Citation Reports

Improvements in Interlibrary Services

Interlibrary Services (ILS) underwent several changes during the summer. The greatest impact for users involves a change in the ILS software. Illiad, the new software, is MS SQL based and more robust. It should be able to handle our volume of activity more efficiently.

The most obvious change is that users are required to register with the system for first time requests. Once registered, user can log-in to place article and book requests. The advantage is that the system retains this information and in the future, will supply all of your personal information (name, address, email address, department, phone number, etc.) automatically for each request. You will also be able to view your outstanding requests to check their progress.

The new system will also allow you to view articles which we received electronically and have posted to a server for you to view, similar to Prospero. The system will even allow you to review your past requests.

North Boomer Annex Provides Desperately Needed Space

For years lack of sufficient library space has been a concern. The Edmon Low Library opened in 1953 and originally held 400,000 volumes. In the last fifty years, the collection has grown to over 2 million volumes. Services provided by the Library have also expanded and these require additional space as well. The resources provided by the Library have outgrown the space allotted for them.

The Annex, a 50,000 ft.² building located one mile from campus, already houses the OSU Museum, for which the Library is caretaker, and the Electronic Publishing Center. Materials that will be moved to the Annex include older, less frequently used serials, journals available electronically, items too fragile or brittle to remain in the circulating collection; selected papers, photographs or other materials from Special Collections and University Archives; older OSU theses and dissertations; and a selection of infrequently used items.

This summer, the move of materials began, providing much needed space in the Edmon Low Library. The process will be gradual, taking place over 3 years and will allow anyone who is interested an opportunity to provide feedback on the selection of materials to be moved to the Annex.

A specific call number range will be reviewed by Library personnel. Titles from these ranges will be selected to move to the Annex and will be posted on the Annex website to provide the OSU Community an opportunity to request certain titles be reconsidered. Annex personnel will move items to the Annex. The location in the OSU Catalog will be listed as North Boomer Annex. Specific items will be retrieved on demand and brought the Library as needed. For more information on the process and requesting material visit www.library.okstate.edu/annex.

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