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Bailey captures digital collections:

Barry Bailey's name appears in the credits for the video game "Saints Row."

He's also beaten "Guitar Hero" on expert setting on both right- and left-handed levels. He likes the bands Bear vs. Shark, Dillinger Escape Plan, and Mos Def. That's definitely not what one would expect from a librarian or even a digital projects librarian.

Bailey brings a new face and focus to Billington Library and the 21st Century library project. His job focuses on resources the college provides to the campus community and people everywhere.

"I'm responsible for organizing and creating online tools and collections that will benefit patrons; the preservation of the campus' created output or acquired resources; and giving JCCC a digital presence to be distributed globally," he said.

Bailey said the future of the library's digital initiative stems from how it will affect and support students and faculty. He said the library will continue to add interesting digital collections and provide a sensible approach to searching and retrieving the information it already has.

"There are so many resources here that students and faculty probably need but aren't taking advantage of," he said. "Every library struggles with this, no matter how big or small, and I plan on implementing better ways for the user to end up with the information they need."

Bailey said part of that implementation includes awareness. "We're missing out on showing people how to get [information]," he said. "It comes down to how well the resources are promoted."

Bailey attended high school in Paris, Illinois. "It is embarrassing. The condition of my high school would be unacceptable as a parking garage for the high schools here," he said. "I am truly overwhelmed by the size, scope, and value placed on education in Johnson County, and I am envious."

From Paris Bailey went to the University of Illinois -- Urbana-Champaign for the last 7 years.

He attended as an undergrad, graduate student, then served as faculty working for the Grainger Engineering Library Information Center.

Bailey said he came to JCCC because of his wife, whom he met at U of I. She used to live in Overland Park and wanted to return to start their family. "I told my boss at Grainger that if a job ever opened up in the Kansas City area, I was going to try to get there," he said. "Lo and behold, the Digital Projects Librarian position opened here in the city with the specific expertise I have. I'm glad it worked out so smoothly.

"Everyone's very encouraging at JCCC and the entire library is backing the projects we're pushing forward -- I'm excited."

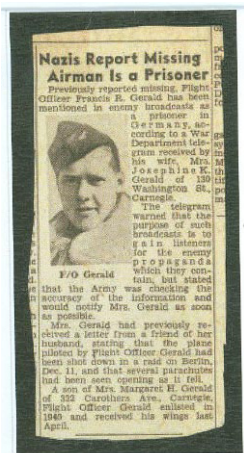


He claims to be Barry, Barry shy

Bailey Bits:

- Programs for fun.
- Plays D&D (is looking for a new group).
- Plays a lot of instruments, but mainly the guitar.
- Favorite author: Samuel Beckett.
- Loves football and is a die-hard Bears fan (favorite current player: Lance Briggs. All time: Walter Payton).
- Favorite video game: "Metal Gear Solid 2."
- Favorite movie: "Eraserhead."
- Has an obsession with Schlotzskys because he thought they shut down nationwide 4 years ago.
- His dog is one of his best friends.

Preserving the Past: How Digital Collections are saving delicate donations from decay



The digital archives for the library keeps growing. The archives recently acquired World War II documents that include handwritten accounts by Army Lieutenant Francis R. Gerald.

Gerald details an aerial bombing operation over Emden, Germany on Dec. 11, 1943. He describes his escape from a damaged airplane, and his capture by German soldiers. "Arrived late that night at the 'hole' in Frankfurt Dulag - Luft. Searched thoroughly Put in tiny cells - solitary confinement... Almost drove crazy for 6 days. Interrogated by head of German Intelligence several times. Tried scaring us into talking."

Another of Gerald's journal details his liberation from a German prisoner of war camp. "APRIL 30 Woke up to find allied officers occupying Guard towers evacuated by Germans late last night. (A sight I waited year and a half to see) Plenty of excitement in camp. Rumors as usual. Col. Zemke gave talk over address system explaining the situation. I moved over to Luftwaffe officers barracks with FF Squadron. Their Barracks left in mess – had to clean up. Dozens of photos of Hitler, Goering, Goebbels, Heidrich [Heydrich], Himmler We destroyed (painted up). Red X parcels issues 3 per man. Plenty of food at last. Thinking of Jo."

Several Western Union telegrams from the U.S. Secretary of War notify Gerald's mother, Margaret, of his MIA status, recovery and return home.

Another project for the digital archives will feature one of a kind items from the Fashion Merchandise and Design department. The collection includes pieces from the likes of legendary designers Coco Chanel and Christian Dior. Student-made items also feature in the collection as do various costumes and uniforms.

Barry Bailey, Digital Projects Librarian, is currently working with Joan McCrillis, professor of Fashion Merchandise and Design, to catalogue and photograph the collection for display in the digital archives.

Bailey said since many of the items use delicate fabrics, they may not survive much longer due to the inadequate and overloaded storage facility. Bailey said many of the garments are in an advanced state of deterioration.

The first phase of the project will focus on the department's extensive hat collection. The digital archives also features documents related to the founding of the college 40 years ago.

To access the digital archives visit the library homepage at library.jccc.net and click on Digital Collections under the Resources heading.



New McNaughton Titles (Circulation: second floor Billington Library)

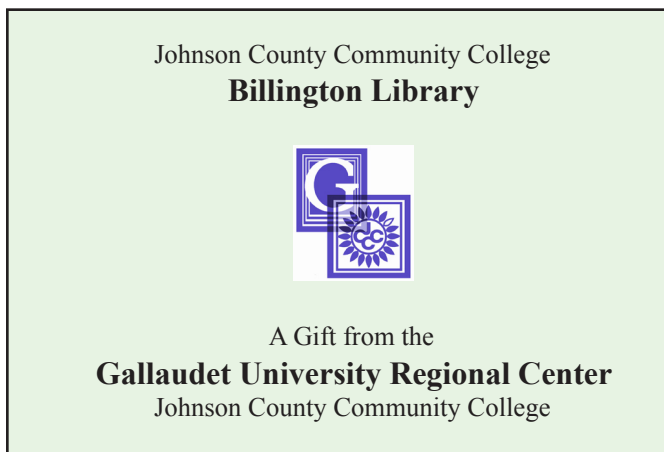
Hit and Run	Lawrence, Block
Sand Castle	Rita Mae Brown
Say Goodbye	Lisa Gardner
From Baghdad to America	Jay Kopelman
Journey of a Thousand Miles	Lang, Lang, 1982
Don't Tell a Soul	David Rosenfelt
Enchantress of Florence	Salman Rushdie
Rogue	Danielle Steel

Cooperation has its rewards

The next book you open could be a special gift from Gallaudet University.

“For the past several years the Gallaudet University Regional Center has provided funds to help supplement the [college’s] acquisition of materials related to Deaf Culture, Deaf education, Interpreting, etc.,” said Kim Krebs, Director of the Gallaudet University Regional Center at JCCC.

The library decided to acknowledge the acquisition effort with bookplates.



“The library created a beautiful bookplate that goes on each piece to identify it as part of this project,” Krebs said. “I actually had some nice feedback from [instructor] Sean Daley yesterday during a meeting about how he has used some of the media materials in his anthropology classes.”

The Gallaudet University Regional Center at JCCC serves Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas and Wisconsin. It offers extension courses, training workshops and technical assistance to address the educational, transitional, and professional development needs from birth through adulthood of deaf and hard of hearing people, their families and professionals who work with them.

For more information contact Kim Krebs at (913) 469-3872.

Did you know ...

ENROLLMENT IS OPEN?
Fall payment deadline – Aug. 5
Classes begin – Aug. 14

10 Reasons Why the Internet is No Substitute for a Library

According to Mark Y. Herring, Dean of library services, Dacus Library, Winthrop University in Rock Hill, South Carolina, there are 10 reasons why the Internet is not a substitute for the Library. The first reason is that ***Not Everything Is on the Internet.*** There are over a billion Web pages, but very few substantive materials are on the Internet for free. Only about 8% of all journals are on the Web, and an even smaller fraction of books are there.

The second and third reasons are ***The Needle (Your Search) in the Haystack (the Web)*** and ***Quality Control Doesn't Exist.*** The Internet is like a vast un-cataloged library. Search or metasearch engines may promise, but they can't search the entire Web and often can't deliver what they promise. As for quality control – there isn't any control on the Web and there isn't likely to be any.

Fourth on his list is, What You Don't Know Really Does Hurt You. Full-text sites, while grand, aren't always full. What you don't know can hurt you. Some of the articles on these sites may be missing footnotes; tables and graphs may not be readable (especially if printed). Journal titles in a digitized package change regularly, often without warning.

The other six reasons are:

States Can now Buy One Book and Distribute to Every Library on the Web—NOT! Out of 1.5 million titles, fewer than a couple thousand are available.

Hey, Bud, You Forgot about E-book Readers. Try reading an e-book for more than a half hour!
Aren't There Library-less Universities Now? (No. Actually the newest state university in California at Monterey opened without a library building a few years ago. For the last two years, they've been buying books by the tens of thousands because they couldn't find what they needed on the Internet!)

But a Virtual State Library Would Do It, Right? To do so might bankrupt the state since the cost of having everything digitized is incredibly high, costing millions of dollars just in copyright releases alone.

The Internet: A Mile Wide, and Inch (or less) Deep. Looking into the abyss of the Internet is like vertigo over a void.

The Internet is Ubiquitous but Books are Portable. In a recent survey of those who buy electronic books, more than 80% said they like buying paper books over the Internet not reading them on the Web.

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**LIBR125 -
Introduction to Library
Research**

This one credit course provides an introduction to the methods and technologies of library research. Content includes a study of the various information resources available for research and techniques for retrieving information from both print and electronic sources. The resources of the JCCC Billington Library will be featured, although the emphasis will be on building information retrieval skills, which will be useful in many settings. This course is offered in a distance learning format and in a traditional campus environment.

CRN 82125 Mondays 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm October 6 through December 1, 2008

CRN 82810 Online class August 13 through October 8

CRN 81644 Online class October 8 through December 3

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Saturday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Sunday Closed

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Mon-Thurs. 7:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Korn pops into new position

Judy Korn just can't get enough of the Billington Library. Last semester, she substituted for Andrea Kempf, Interlibrary Loan Librarian, while Kempf worked a sabbatical.

Korn now serves as the library's Access Services Manager.

"I will be responsible for all aspects of the public services areas including the part-time public service library aides who work in Circulation, Reserves and Reference," she said. "I will be involved in their training and performance evaluation as well as assist the Director in all personnel issues, including the hiring of all public services staff." The newly created position hopes to provide support for the library's public service staff and allow reference librarians to focus on assisting patrons.

Korn said she doesn't foresee any immediate changes affecting services.

"For now I expect to observe rather than change," she said. "Any changes that do evolve in the weeks and months ahead will be done with care and consideration. "The most notable changes will be that requests and paperwork will be directed to me and any special projects or requests will come through me."

Korn said communication with the staff stands as her top priority.

"I believe in stressing customer service so the staff may hear that term often."

Korn said she is familiarizing herself with library procedures, managing schedules, and helping to implement official policy. She is also acting as a point of referral for circulation and reserve issues as they arise.

"Banner holds on records, People Admin, electronic time cards and issuing student I.D.s are all new to me," she said. "I'm eager to learn and feel up to whatever challenges I'm given."

Korn supervised Circulation, Interlibrary loan, Reserves,

Periodicals and Copy Services at the University of Missouri-Kansas City Miller Nichols Library. She then moved to Government Documents where she again supervised student and library assistants. After five years, Korn earned her MLIS and moved on to a librarian position at the Region 7 Environmental Protection Agency Library where she supervised the library assistants and one librarian for six years.



Left: Judy Korn Right: Brooke Simmons