

# Green Notes

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## Academic Year Hours:

Monday—Thursday	8 AM to Midnight
Friday	8 AM to 4:30 PM
Saturday	Noon to 4:30 PM
Sunday	Noon to Midnight

## Holiday And Intersession Hours:

Thurs., Dec. 12	8 AM to 9 PM
Fri., Dec. 13	8 AM to 4:30 PM
Dec. 14-15	Closed
Mon.—Fri., Dec. 16-20	8 AM to 4:30 PM
Dec. 21 to Jan. 1, 2003	Closed
Thurs., Jan. 2, 2003	8 AM to 4:30 PM
Fri., Jan. 3	8 AM to 4:30 PM
Jan. 4-5	Closed
Mon. —Fri., Jan. 6-10	8 AM to 4:30 PM
Jan. 11-12	Closed
Mon., Jan. 13	8 AM to 4:30 PM
Tues., Jan. 14	8 AM to 4:30 PM
Wed., Jan. 15	8:00 AM to 10:00 PM
Thurs., Jan. 16	8:00 AM to 10:00 PM
Fri., Jan. 17	Resume Academic Hours
Mon., Jan. 20	CLOSED – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

## MOBIUS Implemetation Underway

The Greenlease Library is now in the initial stages of moving to a new consortium called MOBIUS. MOBIUS stands for the Missouri Bibliographic Information User System. This consortium consists of public and private college and university libraries in the state of Missouri. Through this new consortium the library will implement a new library automated system known as the Common Library Platform that is shared by the entire membership. In the spring of 2003 the library will have a new online catalog system.

## (MOBIUS Implementation, cont.)

Rockhurst students, faculty and staff will experience the benefits of the MOBIUS online catalog:

- ❑ Users will have access to approximately 16 million items owned collectively by the MOBIUS member libraries.
- ❑ In July 2003 the users can take advantage of new services such as:
  - The ability to use a Rockhurst library card to check out items directly from other MOBIUS libraries (like UMKC);
  - The ability from their home or office computers to request an item through the online catalog from another MOBIUS library and have it sent to Rockhurst for a limited time use;
- ❑ Items borrowed from MOBIUS libraries usually arrive within 2-3 days through a courier system used by the MOBIUS members.

In addition to the new library automated system, MOBIUS membership brings additional electronic benefits. Through this consortium the library has implemented new electronic databases such as *Education Full Text*, *Historical Abstracts* and *America: History and Life*. The technological backbone of the consortium is through MOREnet, which now acts as the Internet service provider for the university. Membership in MOREnet provides Rockhurst users additional electronic databases such as *EBSCOhost*, *Newsbank*, *Gale Business & Company Resource Center* and the *Gale Discovering Collection*.

The Greenlease library has been a member of the Kansas City Library Consortium since 1991. The library will stop using the library automated system in this consortium approximately at the end of March 2003. The current online catalog will be replaced with the MOBIUS online catalog at that time.

For additional information about MOBIUS, visit the website at

[http://mco.mobius.missouri.edu/home/about\\_mobius/](http://mco.mobius.missouri.edu/home/about_mobius/). Questions about the implementation of MOBIUS at the Greenlease Library should be directed to Laurie Hathman, Head of Public Services, at 816-501-4655 or [laurie.hathman@rockhurst.edu](mailto:laurie.hathman@rockhurst.edu).

## We've Moved!

Rockhurst students, faculty and staff looking for Laurie and Kim have noticed a change. We've switched office spaces! Now you can find Laurie Hathman, Head of Public Services, in the first office on the main floor of the library nearest to the Circulation desk. Kim Cullinan, Reference Librarian, is located in the second office on the main floor. Our phone numbers remain the same. The move was necessitated by some minor restructuring of duties in the Public Services department... and because moving was a good excuse to clean our offices ; ).

As of November all staff in Public Services (circulation, reference, instruction and interlibrary loan) report directly to Laurie Hathman, Head of Public Services. Kim Cullinan is no longer responsible for the circulation department but will be kept very busy with her reference, instruction and department liaison responsibilities.

## What Staff Are Reading

*Growing Up With God's Word* by John Stomer encourages parents to talk to and educate their children while they are growing as it will carry all through their lives.

*From Bazaar to Piazza* by EE Cummings is a good look at how the art of the medieval Middle East segued into Venetian art object use.

Dr. Brian Weiss, a clinical psychiatrist who has moved towards studying past lives based on true accounts as stated by clients, wrote *Many Lives, Many Masters*.

*In This Mountain* by Jan Karon is the latest in the series about Fr. Tim Cavanaugh and his eccentric congregation in Mitford, NC. It's a charming series which gently manages to address the concerns of everyday life with a spiritual voice.

*Unfit To Practice* by Perri O'Shaughnessy is penned by two sisters who use one name. This is the latest addition to the legal thriller series that revolves around lawyer, Nina Reilly, who practices in Lake Tahoe, California.

Kent Haruf wrote *Plainsong* which is about a group of people in Holt, CO. The theme of this novel is developing meaningful new family relationships out of old, broken relationships.

## Library Service Projects Supported By Staff And Assistants

All library staff, including 17 assistants, are supporting two service projects. We recycle all print materials except for white glossy cardboard by collecting it and dumping the materials in the St. Francis Xavier Church's recycling bins. The funds generated through recycling materials helps to support the educational programs at the affiliated school.

The second service project depends on donations of used cards. Your used cards are stripped down to the fronts only and are mailed to St. Jude's Ranch for Children where the children create new cards and messages for resale. The funds raised support the enrichment activities for each child to pursue outside of the typical daily schedule.

Please bring to the library any new or used cards that you wish to send along to St. Jude's Ranch for Children. For more information, check the St. Jude's Web information:

<http://www.stjudesranch.org/Content/cardprogram.asp>

We've had great support from all library staff and assistants. We encourage the Rockhurst community to contribute to our St. Jude's Ranch for Children service project.

## Check Out Our New Display

This month's display features an Ongoing List of Historical Works That Would Have Been Affected by Executive Order 13233. What is Executive Order 13233? It is a new order issued by President George W. Bush that restricts access to the records of former presidents.

We have created an exhibit listing some of the works that would not have been published had this order been in effect.

The Office for Intellectual Freedom of the American Library Association (ALA) and The Freedom to Read Foundation want to alert the public about this effort to close the public record. For more information visit this page on the ALA website: <http://www.ala.org/alaorg/oif/historicalworks.html>

Information for this article and the display are courtesy of ALA.