Librarians Reach Out to K-12 Educators and Students

The Andersen Library offers a wealth of services and materials to UW-Whitewater students and faculty, but access to those resources is not limited to on-campus patrons. This is the message that Ellen Latorraca, academic librarian, wanted area high school educators to hear loud and clear. As part the education outreach grant she received Latorraca invited area history and language arts educators to workshops held at the Andersen Library. During the school year, students working on National History Day projects traveled to campus to use a variety of the library's resources, including the Area Research Center which houses primary sources from Rock, Walworth, and Jefferson counties. Latorraca, along with her co-investigators Ronna Timmerman and Martha Stephenson, also developed a LibGuide that prepares teachers for their visits to the library, provides links to materials once they return to school, and allows them to provide feedback to the librarians about their visit. "We want students in all classes to come and use the resources that may not be available at their school's library and media centers," Latorraca notes. "We want to support the great work their own library and media specialists are doing for them."

Staff Learn Ways to Effectively Communicate with International Students

UW-Whitewater is welcoming more students from across the globe every day. This trend will continue when intensive English coursework is offered to international students in the coming years. UW-Whitewater's classified staff are some of the first and most frequent people international students communicate with on campus. In cooperation with Continuing Education and Susan Huss-Lederman (Languages and Literatures), over 50 classified staff members attended a presentation by Matt Kaeiser (University of Miami) on ways to effectively communicate with non-English speaking students. Participants reflected on their own experiences with international students, how mindsets affect interactions with students, and the linguistic issues that interfere with communication. By the end of the session, participants learned tips and techniques to effectively complete their jobs while providing the excellent customer service they are known for.

Upcoming Events

- **Challenging Advanced Learners Academy, June 17-18**
- **InterActiv Conference, June 18-19**
- **Grandchildren's University, June 28-29**

Related Links

- **Graduate School**
- **Summer Session**
- **Winterim**
- **Credit Outreach**
- **Workshops and Training**
- **Camps and Conferences**
- **Fairhaven Lecture Series**
- **Domestic Travel Study**
- **Partners in Education**
- **Educator Resources**
Fairhaven Lectures Offered Food for Thought

This spring, community members were treated with thirteen lectures that all focused on one delicious topic: food. The Spring 2013 Fairhaven Lecture Series presented a variety of lectures on a variety of food-related issues were delivered by faculty from all colleges on campus, as well as a local farmer and a group of service-learning students. Dean Mary Pinkerton (Letters and Sciences) kicked off the series, which included lectures on organic farming, healthy eating, and vacuum tumbling foods. Lectures on food in historical contexts such as corn in Mexican cultures, sugar and cod in Atlantic history, and the importance of beer in history were presented, as were informative lectures on pharmaceuticals in our food supply and preventing food-borne illness. Videos of all the spring lectures, and all lectures since 2007, can be found at http://www.uww.edu/conteduc/fairhaven/. This fall, the Series will celebrate its 30th anniversary. Stay tuned for lecture titles and dates for this very special series.
Did you know...

You can experience college again, just for a weekend! Do you miss engaging in thoughtful discussions and activities with your peers, but not the stress of exams or papers? Join us June 29 and 30 for Warhawk Scholars - a new two-day event for adults in our community. Choose three classes offered by some of UW-Whitewater's best faculty. Learn about being a more informed consumer, how to reduce stress, or one family's story about the Holocaust. Enjoy meals and activities with your classmates, and choose to stay overnight in Starin Hall, Whitewater's newest residence hall. Try something new, learn something interesting, have fun!