Note from the Archives Manager

Hello Mount Community,

This semester has continued to be busy and exciting for the archives! Several courses have recently integrated the archives into their curriculum. Did you know that the archives contains manuscripts from 1320 to the present? The possibilities for hands-on learning are endless, and we are happy to accommodate the needs of any course.

Other academic opportunities include our archival internships. This semester, senior Anne O’Neil has continued her work translating and transcribing the letters of our founder, Fr. John DuBois. Additionally, senior Kayla Morrow has been processing the materials related to the National Shrine Grotto of our Lady of Lourdes. We are currently accepting applications for Fall 2017 interns. Descriptions of the internships offered in the Fall can be found here. Completed applications along with a current resume and faculty letter of endorsement are due by March 24.

Jessica Whitmore
On February 9th, the archives welcomed students from Dr. Mary Catherine Kennedy’s course, COMM 213: Mass Communications History. Students in the course had been studying the history of books, newspapers, and the earliest forms of print media. In the archives, the students were able to examine manuscripts, rare books, and newspapers that dated from 1320 to 1944. They also had the special opportunity to put on our white cotton archival gloves and actually handle the materials.

On February 28th, Dr. Jamie Gianoutsos’ course, HIST 496: The Public Sphere in Early Modern England, came to the archives. The students had been studying manuscripts, print, and news culture in 17th century England. By visiting the archives, students had the rare opportunity examine many of these materials up close.

Later this month, Dr. Murry’s students from HIST 350: Historical Methods will spend two days in the archives. First, students will spend time learning about archival science and the archives profession. Then, they will have the opportunity to complete their own research project using primary sources from the archives.

With the wide variety of sources held in the archives, the possibilities for use in the curriculum is endless!
**Archival Updates**

**Library Tailgate Presentation**

On February 3rd, Archives Manager Jessica Whitmore had the opportunity to speak at The Catholic University of America’s 9th Annual Symposium on Scholarship and Practice in Information & Library Science. Her presentation was “Innovations in Library Orientation through Mount St. Mary’s University’s Library Tailgate Party.” From the feedback she received afterward, several other libraries will be looking to host their own tailgate parties next year! Stay tuned for more information about our 2nd annual Library Tailgate Party this Fall!

**Mount Spirit Textiles**

In conjunction with Dr. Trainor’s Mount Spirit Day in January, the archives had an online exhibit featuring textiles from our collection that relate to Mount Spirit. Items ranged from a banner from 1927 to a varsity jacket from 1960 to a t-shirt from the Final Four championship in 1985. You can view the exhibit [here](#).

**Digital Curation Workshop**

We’re excited to announce that we are partnering with the Society of American Archivists to present a day-long workshop titled “Digital Curation: Fundamentals for Success.” The workshop will be held on Saturday, Sept. 23. Anyone interested in attending should contact [Jessica Whitmore](mailto:jessica.whitmore@mountspirit.org) for more information.
Congratulations to Samantha Solis, who has been named a Semi-Finalist of the Fulbright English Teaching Assistant (ETA) Fellowship. Samantha worked as an intern in the Mount Archives last semester, where she translated and transcribed 19th century Spanish documents. She has been recommended by the National Screening Committee and will now go through the final review by her host country—Argentina.

Congratulations to Kayla Morrow on the publication of her paper, “MacIntyre’s Dependent Rational Animals: A Justificatory Framework for an Impoverished Moral Culture,” in the Midwest Journal of Undergraduate Research. This is Kayla’s second semester in the archives, and she is currently processing materials related to the grotto.

Congratulations to Anne O’Neill on her acceptance into Creighton University, where she will earn her MA/EDd in Theology and Secondary Education. This is Anne’s second semester in the archives, and she has been translating and transcribing the papers of our founder, Fr. John DuBois.

Congratulations to Hunter Old Elk on being named a Curatorial Assistant at the Plains Indian Museum in Cody, WY. Hunter was a processing intern in the Mount Archives in Spring 2016 and graduated from the Mount with a BA in History in May 2016.
Upcoming Events

What’s Fake News??

How can I tell if a website is reliable??

What news sources can I find at the Mount Library??

Join the Mount Librarians to answer these questions and more at our interactive Fake News Workshop!

#MSMUSTopsFakeNews

Can’t make the session? We’ll be livestreaming the event and making it available afterward in the livestream archive.

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