Assessment Committee

**Charge:** Overall: To assist the Library Leadership Team and appropriate University Libraries committees in carrying out the ongoing evaluation of library services, collections, access, and facilities. To recommend to the LLT specific assessment and data collection activities aimed at improving the quality of library programs. To plan and administer the annual user survey normally each spring semester and provide a written report to the LLT within sixty days of the completion of the survey. To periodically conduct standardized surveys, such as LibQUAL.

Specific to 2010-11: Conduct a mini-survey of library departments to determine current assessment activities and/or desired evaluations that the committee can help with. Work with Library Leadership Team to analyze, report on, and determine actions from the results of the LibQual survey.

**Members:** Stephen Macksey, Jane Currie, Taya Franklin, Jen Jacobs, Leslie Haas, Kevin Kennedy, Anne Reuland (AL), Ursula Scholz (chair)

The assessment committee began the year by presenting the results of the Spring 2010 LibQual survey at an all staff meeting July 15th. We later created a web page (called “You asked, we listened”) to highlight some of the improvements that had been made based in part on comments from users.

In order to get a sense of current assessment activities, Ursula Scholz led a discussion of data collection and assessment activities at the November department heads meeting. Although no concrete actions resulted from the discussion, it was a thought provoking conversation.

In February of 2011, we were approached by University Marketing about the group of undergraduates whom they have identified as a potential pool for surveys and focus groups (known as PULSE). In conjunction with ITS and with Fred Barnhart, we conducted a survey about the usage of electronic devices. We intended to conduct a second survey of the PULSE group in April but that date was needed by another university department.

In March and April, we administered a general user survey about our services, collections, web presence, and facilities. We received 793 responses, with 328 were from graduate students, 301 from undergraduates, and 134 from faculty. The results of this survey were presented in an Executive Summary, and later via a presentation at an all-staff meeting. We plan to follow up on this data with a more detailed report for the provost, as well as a new “you asked, we listened” page.
Fiscal year 2010/11 the Library’s Safety and Disaster Preparedness Committee met on several occasions and addressed the following areas:

- Reviewed the Library’s Disaster Plan and updated sections that contained outdated information (such as phone numbers, names of ex-employees, etc.).
- Revised the Library’s Emergency Guide to reflect current information for safety areas and employees at both LSC and WTC locations.
- Planned and hosted a staff workshop on emergency situations, focusing specifically on:
  - Evacuation procedures
  - What to do during inclement weather (Tornados, Thunderstorms and Earthquakes)
  - What to do and who to contact on the weekends and late at night.

The workshops were offered at both LSC and WTC campuses, and the presentations were tailored to meet the needs of the staff at each location.

- Invited the University’s Campus Safety Officers to the Library to do a presentation on personal safety and how to respond in cases of emergency.

The charge presented to the committee for 2010-11 was to review and update the plan and also host a staff workshop on emergency procedures. The committee met the goals as presented by the LLT.

Fiscal year 2011/12’s goals should reflect the ongoing concern regarding safety of our students in the building and with the Library’s 24/5 pilot project, it would be beneficial to staff working late at night to receive special training on how to respond to medical and general emergencies.

Respectfully submitted by Leslie M. Haas, Chair LUL Safety and Disaster Preparedness Committee
August 12, 2011
Committee: Laura Berfield, Christa Kileff (July- September 2010 ), Niamh McGuigan (recorder), Cathy Miesse (chair), Beth Myers (on leave Fall/10), Ursula Scholz

**Overall charge:** To recognize and celebrate faculty scholarship annually and to give faculty as a whole an opportunity to be informed about and to celebrate the scholarly, creative, and professional achievements of colleagues.

**Specific to 2010-11:** To sponsor the fall 2010 program celebrating faculty scholarship. Investigate the possibility of collaborating with the College of Arts and Sciences.

- Committee members decided to keep the same criteria as the previous year for the type of works accepted.
  - Books/textbooks that faculty have authored, edited, illustrated, or contributed to in some way
  - Book chapters
  - Peer-reviewed journal articles
  - CDs, DVDs, VHS tapes, audio cassettes, or photographs of performances, choreography, directing, etc.
  - Various works of art, including costumes, paintings, sculptures, etc.
  - Musical score faculty have composed, published, or edited
- The College of Arts and Sciences did not plan to organize/hold a faculty author display/reception in 2010, but the CAS Administration Staff offered to help the libraries with our October event.
- Dean Bob Seal announced at the Dean’s July meeting the libraries 2nd annual event to recognize and celebrate Loyola Faculty Scholarly works with a bibliography, reception, exhibits.
- Subject Specialists contacted academic departments and solicited works published or created in 2009.
- Monograph-Acquisitions Staff purchased books for the display.
- Interlibrary Loan Unit acquired copies of articles that we did not own.
- Promotion included posters and hand outs with added emphasis on student attendance.
- October 21 Reception in the Information Commons 4th Floor with display of faculty works and round table discussion
  - Fr. Mark Bosco (theology/english), Dr Kathleen Kannass (psychology), Dr. Noah Sobe (education) with Dean Bob Seal as the moderator. Dr. Nancy Tuchman, Vice Provost provided the welcome.
  - Questions:
    - How do you use the library for teaching and research?
    - How has the increase in availability of online resources affected your research?
    - To what extent do you prefer to use primary sources versus secondary sources?
    - How do you encourage students to begin the research process?
  - Approximately 40 - 80 folks attended during the course of the 2 hour event
- Bibliography available on the library’s faculty web site [http://libraries.luc.edu/faculty/FacultyScholarship_Bibliography_2009.pdf](http://libraries.luc.edu/faculty/FacultyScholarship_Bibliography_2009.pdf)
- Faculty works were displayed in the Donovan Reading Room, Cudahy Library from November 9 until the end of January.
- Approximately 180 faculty authors participated with 350 items, 25 Departments represented.

Goal and recommendations: To sponsor fall 2011 program celebrating faculty scholarship. To develop online submission form. Emphasize/encourage student attendance with faculty. Future round table suggestions/recommendation: Have moderator ask questions, then each panelist answer question, then move onto second question, etc. Recognize /identify Faculty with publications with name tags?
Committee: Vanessa Crouther, Ewa Laska, Niamh McGuigan, Cathy Miesse, Beth Myers, Jeannette Pierce.

Committee charge: To develop, implement, monitor and evaluate a mentoring program that provides sufficient structure and support for new hired library faculty and to make them feel welcomed and socialized within the library community. To encourage participation in the mentoring program. To facilitate communication between individuals at different levels within different departments of the libraries.

**Specific to 2010-2011:** To expand current Mentoring Program to include newly hired library staff. To assist eligible library faculty with their applications for promotion in 2010.

- Added library staff members (Vanessa Crouther (WTC) and Ewa Laska (LSC) to the Committee
- Expanded the program guidelines to include library staff as well as faculty
- Revised our current mentor volunteer application in fall 2010
  - Eliminated mentor CV or resume
  - Added additional questions regarding library and campus activities and favorite pastimes.
- Newly hired staff members (2010-2011) and their mentors

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- Met with the newly hired staff members and mentors to review the revised Mentoring Program Guidelines and to explain its objectives.
- E-mailed evaluation forms after six month term

Goals: Evaluate staff mentoring program based on staff responses and make recommended changes as needed. Review and revise orientation checklist.
Newsletter Committee FY11

Prepared by Yolande M. Wersching (Chair)


Charge

Overall: To publish a vibrant and vital monthly internal newsletter to effectively communicate relevant events and developments that would be of general or professional interest to library staff. To publicize staff achievements and accomplishments. To foster a sense of community among the Loyola University Chicago Libraries’ staff.

Specific: to 2010-2011: Investigate with help of Systems Department, user friendly means of searching older editions of the newsletter. Include committee updates in monthly newsletter. Explore ways to include library student workers in the newsletter readership, and or participation.

Accomplishments for FY11

The newsletter committee said farewell to two members – David Schmidt and Kristina Schwoebel. And we welcomed four new members – Annette Alvarado, Elizabeth Andrews, Mary Donnelly and Aparna Ghosh. Both campuses are well represented on this committee.

The committee met twice and keeps in touch regularly by e-mail. Editing the monthly issue and soliciting news from departments has kept all of us busy throughout the year. While all departments were encouraged to send in news each month, many never did.

The committee decided to feature a Library Committee each month and ask them predefined questions such as: Committee name, Members, Current Projects. We identified the ERPC group for the first profile in the March 2011 issue.

For the February issue of the newsletter we decided to feature a recipe and solicit recipes from staff for future issues.

A new folder called “Current News Headlines” was prepared and populated with items of interest throughout each month. It includes items of interest from the library as well
as from the magazine “American Libraries” These are used in writing each issue of the newsletter.

The Newsletter explored ways to include library student assistants in the newsletter and this was accomplished by adding a feature called “Student Spotlight” and included students from both campus libraries.

While we have received many compliments about the Newsletter, we are discouraged that not all departments share news. We hope to encourage submission by continuing to solicit department news.

**Goals for FY12**

- Work with Library Systems department to investigate feasibility of searching older editions of newsletter (This is a goal from last year which we did not complete)
- Solicit news from ALL departments on a regular basis for the coming year by encouraging participation from every library staff member.
- Make a concerted effort to include news from the Rome Canter Library in every issue.
- Investigate adding more features to Newsletter, such as a “Have you read this...?” (staff recommendations), etc.
PR Committee Annual Report 2010-2011

Members: Elizabeth Andrews, Laura Berfield, Maria Cangco, Ray Clark, Terry Cornelius, Taya Franklin (c), Jamie MacDonald, Kim Medema, Cathy Miesse (AL), Ross Zafar.

Overall: To promote library services, collections, and programs to the University community. To recommend to the Library Leadership Team policies and procedures in support of such activity. To disseminate news and information regarding the libraries and their collections, activities, and staff. To ensure consistency and quality in the presentation and release of information and promotions. To manage and promote the libraries’ blog. To produce the annual “What’s New” flyer to be distributed at the start of each academic year. To plan and participate in Discover Loyola/First Year Experience through developing/designing posters, recommending promotional items and representing the libraries at the resource fair; to have a representative on the Exhibits Committee to improve collaboration and consistency.

Specific to 2010-11: To work with the reference librarians to develop a plan to promote library services for faculty by December 2010, beyond the use the liaison brochure, implementing the plan in time for the Spring 2011 semester. To promote WorldCat Local and to develop a strategy in advance of applying for the John Cotton Dana award.

Goals for FY010-11:

- To work with the reference librarians to develop a plan to promote library services for faculty by December 2010 and implementing the plan in time for the spring 2011 semester.
- To promote WorldCat Local and to develop a strategy in advance of applying for the John Cotton Dana award.
- Continue to maintain the library’s social media sites; find creative methods to use Facebook and Twitter to increase our users.
- Coordinate library participation in Discover Loyola, the Organization Fair, and other university events.
- Continue hosting events that allow Dean Bob Seal to interact with students; consider creating a forum.
- Investigate possibility of holding a fundraising event for the Sr. Rita Stalzer fund.
- Serve as public relations resource for other committees/departments.
- Complete our PR policy/guidelines document.
- Purchase library promotion items to be given away at library and university events and service desks.

Activities in FY10-11:

- **Create PR Guidelines/Policies**
  - Created a PR committee guideline/document, which includes information about signs, media outlets, social media accounts, etc.
  - Submitted document to Subject Specialists; informed them about services/assistance available via the PR Committee.
• **John Cotton Dana Award/WCL Promotion**
  
  o Designed and documented a 4-stage public relations campaign to promote WorldCat Local and apply for the John Cotton Dana Award:
    x Needs Assessment
    x Strategic Planning Communication
    x Implementation
    x Evaluation
  
  o Needs Assessment
    x Analyzed survey data, LibStats, ILL stats and Web analytics to assess student research needs
    x Distributed pre-campaign survey to students and faculty
  
  o Strategic Planning Communication:
    x Worked with UMC to create posters, postcards and flyers
    x Purchased WorldCat Local promotional materials: pencils, stress balls, bookmarks
    x Developed tagline for WCL campaign – Search Global, Find Local
    x Planned WCL parties at LSC and WTC.
    x Developed subgroup to keep track of budget and food.
    x Ordering food, soliciting help from librarians to provide demo sessions, coordinated activities, etc.
  
  o Implementation
    x Coordinated and promoted WCL instructions sessions with Tara Radniecki and Leslie Haas.
    x Promoted WCL through various channels: print, online, newspaper ad & social media.
    x Promoted, set up, and oversaw WCL parties on 9/15/10 and 9/16/10. Took photographs for JCD application.
    x Set up various raffle opportunities for students to win prizes
  
  o Evaluation
    x Distributed post-campaign survey to students who attended the parties.
    x Gathered WCL media mentions and photos for JCD submissions.
    x Analyzed survey data, LibStats, ILL stats and Web analytics to prove that campaign made a positive impact on student library usage.
    x Completed required essays and created application scrapbook.

• **Update Blog – New Name and Design**
  
  o Redesigned the blog to provide a more user-friendly interface. Renamed the blog “Noteworthy,” approved by Dean Seal.
• **What’s New Flyer 10**  
  o Designed the 2010 What’s New Flyer, which provided current news, new resources, services, etc. provided by the University Libraries.

• **Organization Fair**  
  o Attended Organization Fair to promote library services and resources to freshmen and promote WCL parties.

• **Create entries for Noteworthy/FACEBOOK/TWITTER promoting library news, events, services**  
  o (Ongoing)

• **Increase Facebook/Twitter Presence**  
  o We currently rotate responsibility between a few committee members. We added the blog feed, so posts are automatically added to FB and Twitter. With Facebook, our “likes” increased from 125 to 239 and with Twitter, we currently have 358 followers.

• **University Libraries Calendar**  
  o We asked WebTeam to add an “Events” link to the library’s webpage that includes all library related events, Instruction Programs, Speaker Series, etc.

• **Created Commonalities Logo for Learning Commons Committee**  
  o We were asked to create a logo for the Commonalities programs. Each member submitted a proposed design and the LCC selected the one to include on all promotional items.

• **Shelf Life- Faculty Newsletter**  
  o Oversaw the publication of the Faculty Newsletter. Solicited articles from library staff and outside faculty. Edited and developed layout. Newsletters were printed and mailed to all full time faculty members.

• **Faculty Publication Reception/Promotion**  
  o Assisted the Celebrating Faculty Publications committee by promoting the event.

• **Adding library news to digital signage RSS feed**  
  o Worked with Steve Christensen to add library related news to the RSS feed on the digital signage screens located in Cudahy/IC and Lewis Library.

• **Cookies and Cocoa with the Dean**  
  o Organized and promoted this event, which was held at the Information Commons. The turnout was favorable and we plan to hold similar events in the future.
• **“Library Is” Poster**  
  o With assistance from University Marketing Communications, we created Library IS posters and flyers featuring Dr. Al Gini and Dr. Marcia Hermensen. The posters/flyers are displayed at various locations in the library and around campus, including digital signage.

• **Design and order new library bags**  
  o Designed new logo for library bags and ordered via Janway.

• **Reference Business Cards**  
  o Created business size cards to promote reference services and our social media pages. Two designs were chosen by the Reference Department.

• **Flickr Project (Update)**  
  o Each member was assigned a group of library photos which were cataloged/tagged and then uploaded to Flickr.

• **Donuts with the Dean**  
  o Organized and promoted this event, which was held at Lewis Library. The turnout was favorable and we plan to hold similar events in the future.

• **Discover Loyola**  
  o Provided handouts, swag and a poster for this year’s Discover Loyola. In addition, several members of the committee volunteered to appear at the library’s booth and greet students.

• **Library Survey**  
  o As requested by the Library Assessment Committee, we promoted the annual library survey using various methods, including an article in Inside Loyola.

• **QR Codes**  
  o Tested the feasibility of QR codes during Discover Loyola. Ran campaigns to solicit users to “like” our Facebook page and visit the library’s mobile website.

**Goals for FY11-12:**

• Continue to work with the subject specialists to develop a plan to promote liaison services to faculty. Hold PR/Subject Specialist forum.

• Continue to promote WorldCat Local.

• Continue to maintain the library’s social media sites and also, find creative methods to use Facebook and Twitter to increase our users.

• Coordinate library participation in Discover Loyola, the Organization Fair and other university events.
• Coordinate with ERPC to promote electronic resources
• Serve as public relations resource for other committees/departments. Develop plan to...
• Purchase library promotion items to be given away at library and university events and service desks.
• Develop community relations with local vendors to solicit donations for library events.
• Investigate possibility of holding a fundraising event for the Sr. Rita Stalzer fund.
Rank and Promotion Committee

**Charge:** No official charge was set by LLT, as the committee was first formed this year. However, the unofficial charge was to review applications for promotion from eligible librarians, and to make a recommendation to the Dean or Director for each applicant.

**Members:** Ursula Scholz (chair), Stephen Macksey, Yolande Wersching, Jeanne Sadlik, and Patricia Scott.

**Activities:** The first iteration of the Rank and Promotion Committee was convened September 23, 2010. The group sent email to eligible candidates outlining application process and necessary documentation on September 24th. Applications were due October 15, and review of the applications began November 4th. Recommendations regarding promotions were turned in to the Dean/Director on November 24th.

Following review of the applications, the committee felt that we should suggest some changes to the documentation to improve the process for applicants and to make the process more clear. We continued to meet through March of 2011 to discuss changes to the Guidelines for Rank and Promotion, as well as the committee election guidelines. The revised documents were submitted for review on January 21st and after several rounds of revision, were approved March 17th.
Staff Development Committee
Annual Report FY2010-2011
Prepared by Steve Pump

Staff Development Committee

Anna Gentry, Chair
Steve Pump, Chair
Brigitte Anthony
Laura Berfield
Susan Israilevich
Brenda Overton
Donna Olsen
Bernadine Williams

Anne Reuland, Library Leadership Team Liaison

Charge:

Overall: To seek staff input on training needs and to plan regular staff development programs, and to plan an annual In-Service Day. To develop and promote departmental presentations. Specific to 2010-2011: Plan and host at least two staff development opportunities in both fall and spring semesters.

2010-2011 Annual In-Service Day Program:

Educator, consultant and author, Dona Young (The Writer’s Toolkit) presented a program on improving e-mail effectiveness. The workshop included a PowerPoint presentation, large group discussion, as well as small group and individual exercises in editing for clear and concise writing. Ms. Young also addressed the importance of focusing on the positive and using the active voice in e-mail writing. Jorene Richards (Manager, Training & Development) assisted with setting up our initial contact with Ms. Young, who has conducted similar workshops for EMERGE. The morning coffee and lunch gatherings provided opportunities for attendees to mingle and socialize. Attendees also received a complimentary copy of Ms. Young’s book, Eleven Steps to Instantly Improve Your Writing.

2010-2011 Regular Programs:

“WorldCat Local Presentation” – September 15, 2010
Paul Cappuzzello, Senior Library Services Consultant at OCLC, gave a brief presentation on WorldCat Local to library staff. Staff Development Committee worked with the PR Committee to co-sponsor this event.

“Yoga Class” – November 19, 2010
Nicole Jeka, Halas Center yoga instructor, taught a one hour introductory session addressing the benefits of yoga. Both the general benefits of yoga practice, as well as benefits specific to the workplace were discussed. No prior yoga experience was necessary, and attendees were instructed in basic yoga positions and related benefits.

“Workplace Wellness Program” – April 18, 2011
Jill Popovich-Powers discussed wellness in the workplace. Drawing from her background in physical therapy, athletics, and dance, Ms. Popovich-Powers led an informative session on how to use workstation ergonomics, stretching, and strengthening to create a healthy and comfortable work experience.

“Stress Relief and Meditation Program” – May 4, 2011
Marcia Wunderlich (Perspectives, employee assistance program) spoke about workplace stress management, discussing the importance of regular breaks, daily stretching, and brief meditation.

2010-2011 Library Department Presentations:

Reference Department – March 4, 2011
The two remaining department presentations (MAC and Library Administration) are tentatively scheduled for late 2011-early 2012. The Committee will continue to work with department heads on coordinating their department presentations.

Planning, Opinion Survey and Program Feedback

The committee planned programs, contacted speakers, reserved and set up event locations and AV needs. Assessment surveys were conducted following each event to elicit feedback to be used in the planning of future programs. Additionally, in September 2010, the committee conducted a survey, using suggestions from previous staff surveys, to assess interest in various programs. This survey was used in the planning of committee events throughout the year.
Charge of the Social Committee:
To plan and carry out parties, picnics, and other social events; to set up the Library Christmas tree. To send flowers and cards to staff members who are ill or who have had a death in the family and to celebrate birthdays. To inform staff about marriages, births, deaths, and other significant events. To collect funds or gifts for the Loyola Gives holiday charity project. To organize an annual all-library services project to help a charitable organization or school in the Rogers Park/Edgewater Community

Members of the Social Committee:
Kristina Schwoebel- Chair
Mary Donnelly
Kate Dunn
Aparna Ghosh
Sue Israilevich
Kevin Kennedy
Donna Olsen
Bob Seal
Jimmy Thomas

Accomplishments for 2010/11

- **Ice Cream Social, August 2010**
  Annual Kickoff Celebration served by Library Administration and co-sponsored by Social Committee

- **Halloween, October 2010**
  Tasty Trick-or-Treat candies were put out in different departments.

- **Loyola Gives, December 2010**
  Donna, Coordinator for Cudahy, IC
  Kristina, Coordinator for Lewis
  Loyola University/Catholic Charities Sponsor-A-family program to spread holiday cheer. Two families were helped this year thanks to the generous effort of the staff.

- **Holiday Party, December 2010, IC 4th floor.**
  End of year Multi-library Event with holiday food, prizes and entertainment.

- **Mardi Gras Potluck, March, 2011**
  An annual event that celebrates New Orleans style cuisine. Each campus had a pot luck event.

- **Service Project, June 2011**
  This year the Libraries teamed up with the Chicago Park District and helped to re-mulch and clean Howard Beach. The group got a lot done, in a very short amount of time, and the park was pleased with the work and invited us to contact them again if we ever need another service opportunity.

- The Social Committee has compiled a birthday list and send cards to all participating staff

- **Flowers and gifts** were sent to the following staff:
  - Bernardine Williams: Bereavement of her mother
  - Susan Wardzala: Get Well Soon
Speaker Series Committee
Annual Report 2010-2011
Prepared by Cathy Miesse

Speaker Series Committee
Dr. Robert Bucholz (faculty liaison), Vanessa Crouther, Carol Franklin, Anna Gentry, Ewa Laska, Cathy Miesse (chair), Tracy Ruppman and Yolande Wersching.

Charge: To encourage and stimulate interest in the Loyola University Library, develop, design and promote programs and cultural events that showcase talents of Loyola faculty, prominent Chicago authors, and other special guests. To work closely with Alumni Affairs, Development, and Library Administration to identify and develop a potential donor and/or supporter base of current Loyolans, alumni and the surrounding community. To participate in event related activities such as, attending programs, greeting audiences, distributing and collecting evaluations and/or registration forms, monitoring room arrangements, assisting with AV, and other hosting duties as appropriate.

Specific to 2010-11: To develop and promote the 2010-2011 slate of programs and host one major speaker for spring of 2011. Incorporate Speaker Series into the activities of the Friends of the Loyola Chicago Libraries.

In addition to the Speaker Series Committee, several people deserve recognition for their work on the events this past year. Fr. Kevin Gillespie, associate provost, delivered a very thoughtful introduction of Jane Fulton Alt for the 1st event in the fall. Dr. Bob Bucholz, although on the committee, should be recognized for his entertaining and well researched introductions of Dr. Fraterrigo, Angela Jackson and Dr. Al Gini. Dean Bob Seal provided an engaging and enjoyable introduction of Scott Stantis for the last event of the season. Special thanks should also go to Bob Seal for all of his support of and contributions to the Speaker Series. This year the Library Speaker Series was incorporated into the activities of the Friends of the Loyola Chicago Libraries and Dr. Peter Gilmour, President of the Friends, often helped initiate the Q&A session of each event with thoughtful and fascinating questions.

2010-2011 Friends of the Libraries Speaker Series Slate

Look and Leave: Photographs and Stories from New Orleans’ Lower Ninth Ward – Jane Fulton Alt
September 29, 6:00 p.m., 4th Floor, Information Commons, Lake Shore Campus
Photographer and social worker, Jane Fulton Alt, gave a thought provoking slide show and presentation showing the devastation and ruin one year after Hurricane Katrina had swept through New Orleans. As a participant in New Orleans ‘ program, Alt accompanied Lower Ninth Ward residents back to their home for the first time since fleeing Hurricane Katrina. Alt’s photographs and stories reflect the intense drama of the epic loss this community endured while highlighting lasting hope and inspiration. Book signing followed. Sixty (60) people attended the event.

Playboy and the Making of the Good Life in Modern America – Dr. Elizabeth Fraterrigo
October 27, 6:00 p.m., 4th Floor, Information Commons, Lake Shore Campus
Exploring the world created in the pages of the popular men’s magazine, Loyola University professor of history, Dr. Elizabeth Fraterrigo traced Playboy’s development in the context of society in transition. Sexual mores, gender roles, family life, notion of consumption, and national purpose—all were in flux as Americans adjusted to the prosperity that followed World War II. Initially, Playboy promised on “entertainment for men,” but its vision of abundance, pleasure, and individual freedom influenced generations of men and women and decades of pop culture, including food, fashion, jazz, and literature. Book signing followed presentation. Seventy (70) people attended the event.
Where I Must Go – Angela Jackson
February 24, 6:00 p.m., 4th Floor, Information Commons, Lake Shore Campus
In celebration of Black History Month, Loyola Libraries Friends hosted acclaimed poet and playwright Angela Jackson. Her largely autobiographical work, Where I Must Go, tells the story of an African-American student coming of age in a post-Civil Right Acts America at an elite, predominately white college that resembles Northwestern University. Book signing followed the presentation. Approximately 45 people attended the event.

Seeking the Truth of Things: confessions of a (catholic) philosopher – Dr. Al Gini
March 31, 6:00 p.m., 4th Floor, Information Commons, Lake Shore Campus
An audience of over one hundred enjoyed an evening of humor, wit, and penetrating self-revelation as Dr. Al Gini, professor of business ethics at Loyola, presented “Things I’ve Learned While Attending the University of Life.” He explored what matters most to people: the meaning of work, moral courage, choice, sin, laughter, and leisure.

“What’s Happening in Chicago’s Politics?” – Scott Stantis
April 14, 6:00 p.m. Beane Hall, 13th Floor, Lewis Towers, Water Tower Campus
Known for his strong opinions, sharp wit, and keen sense for the absurd, Scott Stantis, gave a fascinating talk in which he blended highlights of his career as an editorial cartoonist with anecdotes and reflections on the current state of national and local politics, all accompanied by a slide show of his work. The audience was very engaged and extended the Q&A portion well into the evening. Sixty (60) attended.

Publicity
We continued to use Loyola’s Marketing & Communications Department for designing and printing each event’s posters and flyers. I also contacted M&C and Alumni Relations to promote the programs through their communication tools; Inside Loyola Weekly, Digital Screens, Alumni e-Monthly, and other promotional avenues. The posters were displayed in the Information Commons, Lewis and Cudahy Libraries. The flyers were sent to local public libraries in the Rogers Park and Evanston and to the residence dorms through Loyola’s Resident Life office. Vanessa also designed and maintained the Speaker Series blog. We also contacted appropriate schools, departments, student organizations and faculty members about the individual programs. I also scheduled all the events on the University and Alumni Calendars and used newspapers ads and guidebooks, as appropriate.

2011-2012 Friends of the Loyola Libraries Slate
Speakers planned for 2011-2012 include Baird Harper, winner of the 2010 Nelson Algren award; Laura Caldwell, J.D. Senior Lecturer in Residence at Loyola’s Law School; and Mai Elliott, author of The Sacred Willow: Four Generations in a Life of a Vietmanese Family.
Sustainability Committee Annual Report
Fiscal Year 2010-2011

Membership:
Jennifer Jacobs, Chair                Sue Isailevich (new member)
Brigitte Anthony                    Molly Mansfield (resigned 10/2010)
Anna Gentry (resigned 8/2011)        Kim Medema
Aparna Ghosh                        Anne Reuland (AL)

The committee’s charge:

Overall: To raise awareness among the staff of the importance of sustainability in our work lives (and beyond). To encourage library staff to be good stewards of the resources we possess. To promote sustainability to our students, faculty, and staff through adopting policies and practices which demonstrate our own commitment to conserving resources.

Goals specific to FY 2011 and progress to date:

1. Recommend methods to increase duplex printing capability in public and staff areas.
   - Thanks to Adam Smeets and ITS, duplex printing is now the default option at public computers throughout Cudahy, Lewis, and the IC.
   - New printers in the technical services and Cudahy reference work areas have duplex printing capability.

2. Improve recycling throughout Cudahy, Lewis, and the IC
   - The committee has continued to monitor placement of recycling bins in Cudahy according to the plan created last fiscal year.
   - In October, Jen Jacobs and Leslie Haas met with Kelsey Horton, a student working with Facilities Management and CUERP, to create a recycling plan for the IC. Implementation took place over the course of the year. With generous support from LLT, we were able to purchase four tri-part recycling bins. Their large capacity allowed us to remove many of the smaller receptacles throughout the building and reduce opportunities for cross-contamination.
   - In March, the libraries participated in Recyclemania. Lewis Library won the campus-wide competition and Cudahy placed a close second. This year’s event also included a waste audit to identify ways in which we can reduce consumption and sorting errors. The results were shared in the staff newsletter.

3. Investigate ways to reduce junk mail to the libraries.
   - The committee set up a collection for unwanted mail. When contact information was available, committee members contacted the source to ask that the libraries be removed from the mailing list. We collected less junk mail from the staff than anticipated, which we hope indicates that the libraries are not receiving an excessive quantity of unsolicited mail.

4. Plan and promote a staff or public program or project on sustainability once each semester.
• In January, the committee hosted a clean-up day at Cudahy. Staff were encouraged to swap their unwanted supplies, and the committee recycled or donated the remainders. The committee also demonstrated how to make notepads from scrap paper.

5. Other accomplishments
• In October, Brigitte Anthony and Jen Jacobs attended the GoGreen@Your Illinois Library workshop.
• Facilitated purchase of plastic bags for the circulation desk that include post-consumer content
• Assisted the Golden Key Society with their campus-wide collection for Better World Books
• Submitted sustainability tips and updates to the staff newsletter
• Brigitte Anthony continues to serve on the LUC Consumption Reduction & Recycling Advisory Committee.

Goals for FY 2011-2012:
Over the past two years, the committee has tackled a number of hands-on projects in an effort to improve our daily operations. This year, the committee will shift its focus toward inter-departmental partnerships within and outside the University Libraries. Our goals for the current fiscal year are to:

1. Serve as an advisory board to other library committees and units
2. Partner with academic departments, centers, and student groups to integrate the library into university-wide sustainability initiatives
3. Communicate best practices and information about sustainability efforts to library staff through improved use of staff newsletter and signage
4. Plan and promote a staff or public program or project on sustainability