

Friends of the Adelphi University Library
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A Message from the President of the Friends of the Adelphi University Library

On Sunday, November 2, 2014 at 3PM at the Ruth S. Harley University Center THE FRIENDS OF THE ADELPHI UNIVERSITY LIBRARY will host the Annual Fall Lecture. This year Mr. Robert L. Schoelle, who was the past administrator and Treasurer for the Village of Garden City will be the speaker for the lecture. The lecture topic will be "The Role of the Village Administrator" This will be a lively event and should be enjoyed by all who attend. Mr. Schoelle has lived in Garden City for 43 years and served as the Village's Chief Administrative Officer for 34 years. He will provide insight and perspective as the Chief Administrator. After the presentation there will be time for questions from the audience, so please bring your questions. It will be a wonderful event, and we hope to see all of you there.

It is with great sadness that the board has accepted the resignations of the Treasurer (Mr. Joseph Kenner) and the Corresponding Secretary (Ms. Ruth Schuler). Ruth and Joe were very supportive of the board, and the mission and vision of the Friends of Adelphi University Library. They will be missed, and we wish them all the best on their retirement. The Board would like to thank Mr. Eric J. Sussman who will step in as treasurer, and Ms. Cynthia Brown who will step in as Corresponding Secretary. We thank them both for their assistance and continued support of the Friends.

In addition, the board has also accepted the resignation of our beloved Past President Ms. Noel Burks, who has been my mentor and leader for as long as I have been part of the Friends of the Adelphi University Library. The Friends of the Adelphi University Library wish Noel God's Speed and the very best in her future plans. When people think of the Friends she is one of those visionary leaders that come to mind.

The Board welcomes Mr. David Ranzan, Associate Professor/University Archivist and Special Collections Librarian. Mr. Ranzan comes to Adelphi University with a wealth of knowledge and expertise in special collections and Archives. We are very excited about working with him, and look forward to accomplishing great things together.

While change occurs as a part of life, we are sad to see these three special people move on. We also take great pride in what has been accomplished, and look forward with excitement to future accomplishments.

I sincerely hope to see you at the lecture and welcome all your suggestions and ideas.

With warmest regards,
President Gregg Scheiner

Message from the Dean of Libraries

I am proud to announce that the renovations on the 1st floor of Swirbul Library were completed this summer, on schedule! One of the primary changes is that bound periodical stacks were removed to make way for 10 “Collaboration Studios.” These Studios are technologically-equipped to allow students to display content from their own devices—smartphones, tablets, laptops. In addition, each room has writeable walls; ideal for brainstorming and group work. These collaboration rooms are the first of their kind at the university, and they are already proving popular. Overall, seating on the 1st floor has been increased with additional chairs and tables, and wireless accessibility has been enhanced throughout. In addition to these changes, a 3D Printing studio, has been installed, in what was formerly the Copy Center. This Studio, which is managed by our IT department, will open in early fall. The studio will feature both large and small scale 3D printers, a filament recycling machine and work stations for scanning, editing and modeling for 3D projects. This innovative resource will advance the University’s teaching and research goals to further Adelphi’s recognition as a center of intellectual and creative activity and promote student success in a range of educational goals.

This 1st floor renovation has also allowed us to refurbish the Hay Lounge, which features the stained-glass Sanford Memorial Window, originally installed in Adelphi’s Brooklyn building and was a gift of the class of 1914 (and was rescued by Florence Donaghy, the mother of Noel Burks, past-president of the Friends). The new seating in the lounge beautifully enhances the colors of the stained-glass, and longtime AU faculty and staff have noted to me that they are now really seeing the Sanford Memorial Window for the first time! Also now more prominently featured are the two exhibition display cases, gift of the Friends in memory of Janith Stewart Kice, M.D. (class of 1932). Currently on view in these cases is a wonderful exhibition, *WWI: Adelphi to Alsace*, curated by our AU archivists and special collections librarians. This exhibition is in accord with the University’s *Changing Nature of War and Peace* programming which recognizes the centennial year of World War I. Contained in this exhibition are treasures from our Special Collections: an illuminated edition of John McCrae’s “In Flanders Fields;” a sample of the work of influential Dutch cartoonist Louis Raemaekers; a holograph letter from Sir Wilmot Herringham, the first doctor to serve during the war as consulting physician to British forces overseas; and photographs of Henry Drysdale Dakin whose landmark manual detailing the successful use of innovative antiseptics by military surgeons to treat serious wounds during the war greatly influenced the treatment of infections.

Speaking of our Archives and Special Collections in the AU Libraries, we welcome two new members of the AU Libraries faculty: David Ranzan, Associate Professor/University Archivist and Special Collections Librarian and Dr. Brian McDonald, Assistant Professor/Assistant University Archivist and Special Collections Librarian. Both David and Brian bring a wealth of archival and special collections experience to AU. David hails from Salisbury University, Maryland where he was the university archivist and special collections librarian at the Edward H. Nabb Research Center for Delmarva History and Culture and Blackwell Library. Brian’s professional experience includes work as special collections assistant at the Firestone Library of Princeton University and work as a digital library intern at the Falvey Library at Villanova University. David will now be the Librarian to the Friends, replacing Debbi Smith who admirably served in that capacity for nearly a decade. Lastly, we wish the best to former dean Charles Simpson, who is now fully retired from the university after serving in a part-time capacity in the Archives and Special collections through the summer.

Brian K. Lym
Dean of University Libraries

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SAVE THE DATE



Annual Fall Lecture

Sunday

November 3, 2013

3:00 PM

Ruth S. Harley University Center Ballroom

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Please Note

In our January Newsletter, the Friends will be returning to our tradition of printing a list of books wanted by the Library and the Schools but found to be outside their budgets.

We hope that our members will purchase from the list a book of their choice to be dedicated to someone they wish to honor or in memory of a loved one. A book plate will be placed in each book acknowledging the names of the donors and the honoree.

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Friends Booklist September, 2014



**APPLETON, HONOR. BAD MRS. GINGER (AMERICAN DUMPY BOOK).
NY: Frederick Stokes (Sept. 1902).**

This small book, 5.25" by 3.5", is part of the *Dumpy Book for Children Series*, which is collected by the Adelphi University Libraries for its Children's Illustrated Literature Collection. This book is 95 pages and has charming color illustrations opposite each page of text. This title corresponds to #16 of the series and is quite scarce.

\$350