

**The Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)** has received a \$215,000 donation from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation to develop an economic model to maintain digital documents within an academic research library. In partnership with the Hewlett Packard Company, the MIT Libraries are currently creating a digital repository named DSpace. Intended to be a working digital depository, DSpace will collect and maintain the digital intellectual output of MIT's faculty and research staff. The grant will increase understanding of the elements necessary to an economic model that can sustain DSpace beyond its time as a research project. DSpace is designed to be a sustainable, scalable digital repository capable of holding the approximately 10,000 articles produced by MIT authors annually, including a large amount of multimedia content. The repository will include services not usually provided by the Web, such as access control, rights management, and flexible publishing capabilities.

**New York University (NYU)** received a gift of \$180,000 from Kevin Brine, senior vice president and a member of the Board of Directors for Sanford C. Bernstein & Co., and his wife Madeline. The gift will assist NYU libraries in launching an initiative to acquire core materials in the Chinese, Japanese, and Korean languages and to strengthen its East Asian collections of Western languages. The Brines' contribution will enable the NYU Libraries to hire an East Asian Studies Librarian, with particular expertise in Japanese studies, to build a core collection for that field.

NYU also received a \$272,000 gift from the Elmer and Mamdouha Bobst Foundation for the Mamdouha Bobst Book Endowment Fund, bringing the endowment to \$3 million. The fund provides monies for new acquisitions to the library. Bobst is the widow of Elmer Homes Bobst, whose gift enabled the creation of the Bobst Library.

**Michigan State University (MSU)** has received a \$150,000 Library Services and Technology Act grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, administered by the Library of Michigan. The grant will be used for a research and demonstration project to create an online union catalog that combines records from multitype libraries and different online systems, with patron-initiated interlibrary loan. Partnering with the Ovid-Elsie Public Schools, Grand Rapids Community College Library, Albion College Library, and Southfield Public Library, MSU and partner libraries will contribute their catalog records to the union catalog. The records of all participants will be available to each library's patrons using Innovative Interfaces, Inc.'s INNReach software, making more than 2.8 million books and journals of all the participating libraries available to approximately 900,000 users. The second phase of the project is to load the records of the East Lansing Public Library into the union catalog.

**Oberlin College** has received a \$139,732 grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services for a program to attract undergraduate students from diverse cultural backgrounds to the field of librarianship. Six Oberlin students will be recruited annually for one-year undergraduate internships, which will begin the spring of their junior year and continue through next fall. The paid part-time training will include presentations and discussions related to librarianship, observation, hands-on experience with basic operations of the library system, and field trips to other types of libraries. Beginning in the second year of the project, students will complete off-campus winter term projects with Oberlin

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alumni librarians. One student also will be chosen annually to be a full-time graduate intern. He or she will assist in coordinating the undergraduate program and work to enhance library services for minority students in general and serve as a liaison to minority students on campus.

**The University of Maryland (UM) has received** a \$20,000 gift from the Malvina Schweizer Balogh Trust for the creation of a Web site for the International Piano Archives at Maryland (IPAM). Balogh, who died last year, became a donor to IPAM after giving her husband's papers to the archives in 1987. Her husband, Erno Balogh, died in 1989 after a distinguished career as a concert pianist, recording artist, and composer.

UM has also been awarded a \$247,000 grant, in partnership with the Maryland State Department of Education and the Prince George's County Public School System, to recruit and train high school media specialists. The two-year grant project will establish two Professional Development School sites at local high schools. UM's commitment is to conduct skills analysis of faculty and staff, provide professional development opportunities for participants, and facilitate use of its facilities by students and faculty from the selected schools.

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## Acquisitions

**The personal library of J. Russell Major, a** history professor at Emory University, was donated to George Mason University Libraries by Blair Rogers Major, wife of the late professor. The gift consists of approximately 700 volumes mostly on the subject of French and European history in the 16th, 17th, and 18th centuries. Among the most interesting of the items is a multivolume collection of writings and sources on the French national assemblies. The collection was published in 1789 in Paris on the eve of the French Revolution. Major taught early modern European history at Emory University in Atlanta from 1949 until his retirement in 1990, serving three

terms as department chair. During his tenure at Emory, he received two Guggenheim fellowships, a Fulbright fellowship, and a fellowship from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

**Norman Borlaug, known as the father of** the Green Revolution, has donated his extensive papers to the University of Minnesota Libraries. Borlaug is the only laureate to have received a Nobel Peace Prize for targeting crop production as a way to prevent war. His work has focused on developing strains of wheat that produce under marginal conditions and provide subsistence farmers with a surplus to sell.

**The papers of James B. "Scotty" Reston** (1909–95), the Pulitzer Prize-winning political journalist, have been acquired by the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. The collection is valued at more than \$340,000 and represents Reston's devotion to his alma mater. It consists of a variety of items that relate to Reston's career with the Associated Press (1934–39) and the *New York Times* (1939–89). These items include publications, manuscripts, correspondence, speeches, interview transcripts, and photographs. An overview of the current Internet-based finding aid for the Reston papers, which includes a summary description and an alphabetical listing of topics and names, can be located at <http://www.library.uiuc.edu/ahx/reston/papers.htm>.

**Johns Hopkins University has received** total funding of \$65,000 from the Samuel H. Kress and the Gladys Krieble Delmas foundations to continue the development of an innovative Web-based research tool for medieval manuscripts. The first phase of the project resulted in a prototype containing digital surrogates of three manuscripts of *Le Roman de la Rose* principle medieval text. Currently three different manuscripts can be viewed and searched simultaneously on the Web at <http://rose.mse.jhu.edu/>. Phase II development will focus on refining the search and display capabilities of the Web site, as well as the metadata that enables these capabilities. ■

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