Digital scans dust off 19th-century books

By LESLIE KING

Yellowbacks — cheap, sensational British fiction novels of yesteryear — are an aspect of 19th century life nearly vanished today. But thanks to digitization efforts at Emory's Manuscript, Archives and Rare Book Library (MARBL), the rare and fragile books are now accessible online.

Using a cutting-edge robotic digital book scanner from Kirtas Technologies, the library has digitized more than 1,200 of these novels, whose nickname comes from the yellow glazed paper of the illustrated covers. "They were the equivalent of a popular novel you'd read on a plane today," says David Faulds, rare book librarian at MARBL, which holds the world's largest collection of yellowbacks. The yellowbacks, explains Faulds, are "very rare now because they weren't that sturdily built — they just disintegrated or were thrown away."

Nearly all of the newly digitized titles are available online and can be downloaded for free.

"The project is in full use and people are discovering the books," says Faulds, noting that bloggers from Australia to the United Kingdom picked up on the news, spreading positive interest.

The genres and topics include romance, detective fiction, war, biography, medicine, horse racing, hunting and fishing. Titles such as "Jack Manly: His Adventures By Land And Sea," "A Frisky Matron" and "Wife or Slave?" hint at the sensationalism that was the hallmark of the yellowbacks. While some were well-known such as Jane Austen's "Sense and Sensibility," many were obscure titles by authors unknown today.

The digital future

Yellowbacks are the third collection the library has digitized. Emory's digital library contains over 2,800 items and over 1 million pages "so far," says Kyle Fenton, leader of digitization services and digital curation, whose team worked on the project.

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Investing in graduate education

By MARGIE FISMAN

Emory leaders are involved in promoting a new report on the future of graduate education, part of national conversation on how to increase participation in U.S. graduate degree programs to fuel innovation and global competitiveness.

The Council of Graduate Schools, on which Dean Lisa A. Tedesco serves as a board member, and Educational Testing Service, released a report in April outlining the longstanding challenges faced by graduate education, along with recommendations for increased federal funding and university partnerships with private industry.

"Undergraduate education is important to the creation of a stable economy because it provides students with..."
Arts staff are the players behind the scenes

By JESSICA MOORE

Ever wonder what goes on behind the scenes in arts departments, programs and divisions? Here is a closer look at some of the key staff members who make the public programs possible.

Julie Delligatti, Director, Special Projects & Curator of Library Exhibitions

For Julie Delligatti every exhibition brings an extraordinary and memorable experience. However, walking through the exhibitions with Alice Walker and Rudolph P. Byrd is at the top of her list. “My work involves interpreting the research and vision ofsomeone else, but for the Alice Walker shows I can also visually translating the life of a living author. We spent two hours walking through the show and it was delightful to see her reactions to the selection ofitems and the aesthetic choices we made with the presentation.”

Delligatti manages and coordinates exhibits for six different spaces in the Schatten Gallery and the Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Book Library Gallery.

Mary Catherine Johnson, Assistant Director, Visual Arts Department & Gallery

Mary Catherine Johnson divides her time between the Visual Arts Department, which includes oversights of the studio art undergraduate curriculum, and the Visual Arts Gallery, which entails working closely with artists, scholars, donors and a curatorial committee toward the planning and implementation of exhibitions, lectures and special events that fulfill the mission to engage, inspire and educate the public.

Delligatti’s favorite moment of the year occurs in late October when an exhibit featuring Alice Walker’s writing is unveiled. Walker’s words, many of which are paired with her own photographs, are featured each year in conjunction with the annual exhibit of her work, and the American Pavilion. Her. . .

To read the full Arts Staff Spotlight, which also includes profiles of Becky Herring, Elizabeth Hornor and Jessica Moore, visit www.arts.emory.edu/about/artstaff.

Young filmmaker scores Cannes internship

By MARGIE FISHMAN

While his friends were fetching coffee in stuffy cubicles at summer internships, senior Malcolm Campbell spent two weeks this May interning at the 63rd annual Cannes Film Festival on the French Riviera.

He most recently had a cancer for a glammed-out party, nearly got arrested after accidentally setting off a security alarm, overheard Abdon Brody screaming into his cell phone, and screened his own short film before a cadre of industry insiders.

Campbell’s movie, "Nosebleed," filmed in one weekend starring local college students, landed a coveted spot in the festivals Short Film Corner. The 11-minute film charts a photographer’s race to preserve the beauty of the city of Atlanta. While working the festival, Campbell was approached by a producer about entering the film into a Canadian film festival. “I am more confident now that I am able to break into the industry,” says the film studies major. “Now I understand the actual process involved in submitting a script, getting your film distributed.”

Our community regards Cannes with great interest,” says Matthew Bernstein, chair of Emory’s film studies department. “It is one of the oldest and certainly one of the most highly regarded film festivals in the world.”

Campbell’s fascination with film began at age 5, when he started taking weekly jajutas to the movie theater with his mother until it was no longer cool to sit with her. By age 8, he had completed his first film about a group of kids teleporting around the world. In high school, he scored his first screening in the teen section of the Atlanta Film Festival for “Melvin,” a film about a guy who can’t find a way to break up with his rich girlfriend. He also penned his first feature-length film, “The Solomon Grundy Show,” which chronicles the quirky escapades of a writer during a trial separation from his wife.

Despite the mature subject matter, Campbell’s mother signed on for a cameo role and endured coaching from her son on how to act more natural. Frances Campbell, who works in Emory’s philosophy department, recognized that at an early age her son enjoyed critiquing films, teasing out their morality and making his own mark on the big screen. She even submitted to watching the same “X-Men” movie five times.

“I’ve always tried to instill in him that you can do or be anything, if you work hard at it,” she says.

Student film wins

In more news from Emory filmmakers: “The Gersten Report,” a film directed by two Emory students, walked away with “Best Drama” honors at this year’s Campus MovieFest International Grand Finale competition in Las Vegas.

Learn more at www.emory.edu/home/news.
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Sanfilippo holds faculty appointments in the School of Medicine and the Rollins School of Public Health and will help coordinate and expand studies on cost, quality, and access to health care under a wide range of different payment and clinical delivery models, with the objective of supporting new forms of personalized health care.

Sanfilippo said the passage earlier this year of the national health care reform act, which provides $10 billion in funding for supporting new health care models, test bed and Health Innovation Zones, makes this an opportune time to support innovation in health care. At Emory, he will help coordinate and expand studies on cost, quality, and access to health care under a wide range of different payment and clinical delivery models, with the objective of supporting new forms of personalized health care.

"I look forward to working with Emory's incredible array of schools and centers throughout the university sciences and the rest of the University as well as local and national partners to develop new models for cost-effective, high-quality health care that is tailored to the needs of the individual patient," said Sanfilippo.

**Mayor Sears joins trustees of Emory's Board of Trustees.**

Ward Sears has been elected to Emory’s Board of Trustees. Sears, a 1985 Emory University graduate and alumna, was elected to the Board of Trustees in February 1992, then-Chief Judge Zoll Miller appointed Sears to Georgia’s Supreme Court where she became the first woman and the youngest person ever to sit on that court. She retained her seat on the state’s Supreme Court by winning a statewide election in the fall of 1992, making her the first woman to win a contested statewide election in Georgia. She was sworn in as Chief Justice of Georgia’s Supreme Court on June 28, 2005.

Sears joined the law firm Schiff Hardin LLP as a partner in the litigation group in 2009 after retiring from her service on the Georgia Supreme Court. She also is working on issues in family law, and is a visiting professor on contemporary issues in family law at the University of Georgia School of Law. She also serves as the William Thomas Sears Distinguished Fellow in Family Law at the Institute for American Values.

She began her career as a trial attorney for Alston & Bird. Atlanta Mayor Mayor Young appointed her to be judge president of the City Court of Atlanta in 1985. After serving three years in this position, Sears was elected to the Superior Court of Fulton County.

She is a graduate of Emory Law School, earning a juris doctor in 1980. She holds a bachelor of science degree from Cornell University, and a master of law in appellate judicial process from the University of Virginia School of Law. She also has honorary doctor of laws degrees from Morehouse College, John Marshall University, Clark-Atlanta University, LaGrange College and Piedmont College. In 2001, she received the Emory Medal, Emory’s highest honor.

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**Max Cooper will receive the 2010 Robert Koch Award.**

Cooper is professor of pathology and laboratory medicine in the School of Medicine, a scientist in the Emory Vaccine Research Center and the Emory Center for AIDS Research, and a Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholar. Cooper was selected for induction in 2011 into the National Academy of Sciences.

Cooper is recognized for his contributions to the development of the discovery of lymphocyte-like populations of lymphocytes and discoveries that lymphocyte-like cells in primate tissue. The annual Robert Koch Award is one of the highest scientific commendations in the country.

**Natasha Trethewey was selected for induction in 2011 into the Georgia Writers Hall of Fame.**

Trethewey earned the Humanities Distinguished Chair in Poetry and is professor of English in the Georgia College and Piedmont College. She is one of the most renowned poets of her generation. Her book, "Native Guard," was selected for induction in 2011 into the National Academy of Sciences.

**Rudolph P. Byrd was recognized for the third time when Emory Law received the Public Relations Society of America’s Bronze Anvil award.**

The award recognizes the work of individuals who have contributed to public relations in their organization, particularly in the area of media training and speaking. This year, Byrd was honored for his efforts in communicating Emory’s mission and image to the public.

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Alumnus funds intramural program

By TERRY McINTOSH

New York investment expert Michael Kaminsky ’89C, an honor graduate who was active in intramural sports at Emory, has made a $1 million gift to the intramural athletics program.

Half of the gift will fund improvements to Emory’s intramural facilities and activities, which will be named the Michael Kaminsky Intramural Park, while the other half will establish an endowment for the intramural program.

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“Michael’s athletics experience at Emory has given him a very real understanding of the benefits of experiential learning and leadership opportunities through intramurals.

His generosity will allow us to provide the intramural community to the Emory community in a way that represents the proud Emory tradition of Athletics for All,” says Tim Downes, Clyde Partin Sr. Director of Athletics and Recreation.

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Kaminsky chose to make the gift because intramural sports were so important to his own college experience and that of many other students.

He says, “Intramurals at Emory offer a unique experience. Helping continue that experience and provide the best conditions possible is important to the University.”

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Goizueta gives Falcons a leadership playbook

By J. MICHAEL MOORE

Speaking candidly to a room of athletes, football executives and high-profile business leaders, Goizueta Business School Dean Larry Benveniste said the world is in need of heroes. He joined a host of other business leaders and celebrities in the first Atlanta Falcons Leadership and Business Summit June 9-10. The program, with support from Goizueta, was designed to prepare players for roles in business, philanthropy and life.

“Heroes give us a purpose,” Benveniste said to more than 30 Falcons players. “They give us the sense we can do the impossible. To many people, you’re already heroes.”

The event, a first of its kind among current chief of global digital strategy for Marotal, Phase One of the new Emory Learning Management System (ELMS) will replace the current multiple processes used by participating units and divisions with one central system. The ELMS will improve the consistency and efficiency of how training is delivered and tracked for employees.

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While leadership was the consistent theme.

Keys to being a leader, according to Benveniste and Goizueta’s leadership model, include the ability to strategize, receive and process criticism, relate to others, communicate and project confidence in the toughest of situations. He encouraged players to take advantage of their position in society to make an impact.

“Get anything done you have to know what you want to do,” Benveniste said. “Given this gift of influence, you can do a lot beyond the football field. Pick a purpose…And hold onto it.”

Falcons quarterback Matt Ryan asks a question at the Atlanta Falcons Business and Leadership Summit.

New tool streamlines employee training history

BY KATHERINE HINSON

Tracking an employee’s training is done differently within and across the University’s units and divisions, lacking a central place where all of an employee’s learning is tracked. Beginning this summer, that will change.

A new central Learning Management System is being developed by a working team of representatives from University Technology Services, Human Resources, CampusServices, EnvironmentalHealth & Safety, School of Medicine, and the offices of Research Compliance, Finance, Clinical Trials and Development and Alumni Relations.

“It is about having all of an employee’s training information in one place,” says Wanda Hayes, director of Learning Services, “similar to how our students have a single transcript that captures all of their learning during their studies at Emory.”

Targeted to go live later this summer, Phase One of the new Emory Learning Management System (ELMS) will replace the current multiple processes used by participating units and divisions with one central system. The ELMS will improve the consistency and efficiency of how training is delivered and tracked for employees.

“The biggest advantage of having the new system is that it will centralize employees’ education records,” says Rachelle Lehner, the School of Medicine’s assistant dean for staff development. It is also user friendly and will “provide robust e-training in the future,” adds Patty Olinger, director of Environmental Health & Safety.

Once live, the ELMS will provide employees with a single place to sign up for training, monitor their certification and print a single transcript with their complete learning history. “Unlike today, your complete training history will be available even if you change jobs across Emory,” notes Hayes.

Employees won’t be the only ones to benefit from the ELMS. “For managers, it’s an easy-to-access tool to monitor both the required training and professional development that the employee participates in,” says Lehner. “A natural extension of that is that managers can also use the system to guide employees’ professional development.”

Additionally, departments will reduce the hours spent doing manual data entry and have a way to coordinate training with other areas. The University will also have less risk exposure. “From a compliance standpoint, our documentation will be easier to maintain and will provide direct access to training records,” acknowledges Olinger.

Later this fall, after Phase One is up and running, the team will begin working to bring other departments and divisions onto the ELMS. The overall goal for the ELMS is to have one central learning management system for the entire University.

More communications on the new Emory Learning Management System and training for employees and managers will be available in July.

BOOKS: Yellowbacks are third to be digitized

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to digitize the collection of yellowbacks. “We will be continuing mass digitization projects over the next year in the area of Civil War-era illustrated books from the Low Countries, early African American printed works and Victorian novels published in three volumes,” notes Faulds.

Currently, the digital group is working on a whole series of Civil War mental histories, not all of them from Georgia,” Fenton says. “Now we are digitizing as we identify brittle books, making sure they are out of copyright.”

Fenton explains. Even if a book is digitized, “we can always reproduce a hardback copy.”

Fenton’s team has also been busy digitizing audio-visual material available at a kiosk in MARBL,” he says, “about 1,500 hours of audio and 225 of visual.” Digitization of these materials, growing in popularity, will “up next year,” Faulds says. “As well as digitizing our collections we are interested in discovering scholarly uses for the digital collections through, for example, textual analysis software.”

Get a look at the Kirtas machine in digitization’s new location on the Woodruff Library’s ground floor.

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Babies grasp numbers, space and time

BY CAROL CLARK

Even before they learn to speak, babies can recognize information about numbers, space and time in more complex ways than previously realized, a study led by Emory psychologist Stella Lourenço finds.

Children under 9 months old are sensitive to ‘more than’ or ‘less than’ relations across the number, size and duration of objects. And what’s really remarkable, she said, is that they need experience with one of these quantitative concepts in order to guess what the other quanti ties should look like, Lourenço says.

Lourenço collaborated with neuroscientist Matthew Longo of University London College London for the study, to be published in an upcoming issue of Psychological Science.

In this 1800 masterwork, “The Principles of Psychology,” William James described the baby’s impression of the world as ‘one great blooming, buzzing confusion.’

“Life is a never-ending learning experience for babies,” says Lourenço.

Lourenço wanted to explore whether our brains just pick up these statistical patterns through repeated experience and language associations, or whether a generalized system of magnitude is present early in life.

Her lab designed a study that showed groups of objects on a computer screen to 9-month-old infants. “Babies like to stare when they see something new,” Lourenço explains, “and we can use that fact to test whether or not they understand basic mathematical concepts.”

Lourenço and her team used various objects in different arrangements and colors. When the babies look longer, that suggests that they are surprised by the violation of conceptual relations, such as the ‘more than’ or ‘less than’ relation.

“Dyslexia has gotten a great deal of attention during the past couple of decades,” Lourenço says. “But as our world keeps getting more technical, and students in the United States lag other countries in math, more attention is being paid to the need to reason about numbers, space and time. I’d like to explore the underlying causes of dyslexia and maybe get a handle on how to intervene with children who have difficulty engaging in quantitative reasoning.”

Med students get Spanish immersion

By MARGIE FISCHMAN

As a first-year student in Emory University’s School of Medicine, Geoff Kelly was still trying to decide between a mammal medical vector or a geneticist when he signed up for a language immersion trip to Puerto Rico over spring break.

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OIEE: 19 years of scientific inspiration for K-12

that OIEE has left a positive stamp on Mary Lin. Former OIEE attendees from the school have enhanced Mary Lin’s outdoor education habitat with their SYIPs, installing urban gardens and a Monarch butterfly way station.

An unexpected benefit that Davis and Arillo also noted was the opportunity to work alongside high school teachers, most of whom teach science or math exclusively. Daily contact through OIEE creates an exchange that helps both groups understand the jargon and challenges of the other, and all participants benefit from the instruction of veteran faculty from the Oxford biology department.

The two weeks of OIEE include frequent forays away from Oxhouse; the most popular is what has come to be known as “Creek Day” on Bear Creek in southern Newton County. Participants seine the creek and go through aquatic-life and floral identification exercises with Oxford’s Steve Baker, a fisheries biologist; Eloise Carter, whose expertise is botany; and Theodosia Wade, environmental-science specialist.

Since it was founded in 1992, OIEE has trained more than 300 teachers. Considering the extended reach of those individual teachers in tota, OIEE has had an impact upon thousands of students. Though environmental concern is global, making an impact begins on the local level.

OIEE’s success has been recognized by the National Awards Council for Environmental Sustainability and the Georgia Wildlife Federation.

POET: Grennan papers expand Irish collection

Grennan said by e-mail in early June. “I believe that this accumulation of Irish work there in Emory will be of great benefit to anyone thinking about and/or writing about Irish literature of the past 100 years or so.”

Kevin Young, curator of literary collections and of MARBL’s Raymond Danowski Poetry Library, announced the pending acquisition when Grennan was a guest reader in April for the Raymond Danowski Poetry Library Reading Series.

Grennan said at the reading he felt that with his papers being placed at MARBL, he had another home at Emory. “I will, every so often, have to visit myself,” he said.

A Dublin native and Irish citizen, Grennan has lived in the United States for more than three decades. He was educated at University College in Dublin and Harvard University and taught at Vassar College for 30 years, where he was the Dexter M. Ferry Jr. Professor of English.

Young visited Grennan’s Vassar office in late May to pack up the papers and said the collection includes about 170 journals and many drafts, including some that date from the late 1960s when Grennan was in Rome, during the time he met American poet Ezra Pound and other expatriate writers.

“Yeah, you can really get a sense of his writing process from draft to computer to revision to even publication,” Young says of the breadth of the collection. “He’s an international writer who really expands our Irish and poetry holdings in an exciting way.”

Grennan is considered one of the premier poets and translators working today. His books include “Leopardi: Selected Poems,” which earned the 1997 PEN Award for Poetry in Translation, and his own “Still Life with Waterfall,” which received the Lenore Marshall Award for Poetry from the American Academy of Poets. His next book, “Out of Sight: New and Selected Poems,” is due out in July.

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Celebrating 25 years of urban debate in Atlanta

By ELAINE JUSTICE

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The Foundation was created in 1987 to support a variety of debate initiatives, many of which had their roots at Emory, says Melissa Macey Wade, founder of the Atlanta Urban Debate League and executive director of forensics at Emory.

Wade says funds raised from the event will support student scholarships at Emory’s National Debate Institutes, held this summer on campus; Atlanta Urban Debate League (ULD), a middle school debate institute at Pace Academy; and fall programming for the Computer Assisted Debate Program, aimed at middle school students living in Atlanta Housing Authority communities.

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LGBTQ group forms for faculty, staff

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“We’re thrilled to collaborate with the Emory Pre-College Program for these festive events,” says Stewart. “They are in the tradition of the ‘church and the state’ of the 1920s, when huge throngs would gather to hear bands play in the outdoors.”

The July 8 concert has a rain location in the Schwartz Center Courtyard and Commons of the Goizueta Business School.

Two days later, June 25, can on Emory’s WorkLife Resource Center on Friday, June 25, can enjoy a tour of the website. To see all campus events, visit the online Emory Events Calendar at www.emory.edu/home/events.

By MICHELLE DOONE

Charles R. Hatcher Jr., former head of the Woodruff Health Sciences Center, took the health sciences at Emory to new heights of global eminence between 1962 and his retirement in 1996. Emory will celebrate Hatcher’s legacy and his lasting case in transforming health and healing in higher education with a celebration on June 28, 2-4 p.m. in WHBSCAB.

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A new group has been formed to create a community and network of LGBTQ faculty and staff.

Members of the Emory community are invited to its first gathering Wednesday, June 23 at 4:30 p.m. in Room 178P of the School of Medicine.

Light refreshments will be served and parking is available in the Michael Street deck.

“The impetus behind the formation of this group arose from discussions I had with several colleagues who told me that the group existed several years ago but the momentum wasn’t there to sustain it,” says Ryan Roche, area director in Campus Life.

“The formation of such a group exists, and hopefully the formation of this group will enable us to have a community for our LGBTQ colleagues.”

The task force, Commission on Sexuality, Gender Diversity, and Queer Equality is providing funding to support the group’s formation.

For more information, contact Roche at 404-727-2068 or roche@emory.edu.

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“I have read literally hundreds of leadership books, and I have become a student of leadership over the past eight years in my role with the Woodruff Leadership Academy,” Teal says. “But I have learned more about courageous, effective leadership from working with Dr. Hatcher on a daily basis than I could ever gain from the best-selling leadership books. His passion as a leader has always been to put Emory first in all his decisions.

“He represents the very best example of servant leadership. In Andrea Young, I found someone who translates knowledge into wisdom better than anyone I have every worked with in my career. He is also unparalleled when it comes to telling stories — and that is a trait that can’t be taught.”