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LIBRARY NEWS



Cook Library to Close Temporarily During Renovation



To ensure the safety of University faculty, staff and students, Cook Library will close Thursday, December 12 at 5 p.m. and reopen Wednesday, January 22 while the heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) system is cleaned and updated.

During the temporary closing, library faculty and staff will be relocated to McCain Library and Archives. In an effort to continue to effectively serve our students and

faculty, librarians and service desks, including research services and interlibrary loan, will be accessible by calling 601.266.4241 or visiting room 305 on the third floor in McCain Library and Archives. All electronic resources will still be accessible at lib.usm.edu.

The Title IX office will temporarily relocate to the International Center (IC) room 505. Students needing to contact Title IX may call 601.266.6804 or visit them in IC 505.

During the closure, those needing assistance from the iTech Help Desk should call 601.266.4357 and press 5.

The Academic Advisement Center will move to the Math Zone, across the pedestrian walkway from Cook Library. Students will still be able to reach advisors by contacting 601.266.4626.

Starbucks, the Speaking Center, and the Writing Center will close on December 12 and reopen on January 23.

We apologize for the inconvenience and will strive to avoid as many disruptions to library services as possible. If you have any questions, please contact Cook Library at 601.266.4241.

Special Collections Item of the Month

Each month, University Libraries Special Collections highlights an item from its collections. This month, we are featuring the polygraph results of former governor Bill Allain. In 1983, Allain was accused of being gay, and he took the test to prove that he was heterosexual.

To learn more about this item, click [here](#) and select Item of the Month.

If you have questions about this item, contact Carla Carlson at Carla.Carlson@usm.edu or 601.266.4348.



Image courtesy of The Natchez Democrat, December 6, 2014



Food for Fines

Support the Eagle's Nest Food Pantry by making a donation to cancel your library fines. Donations can be made at the Cook Library circulation desk from Monday, November 4 through Thursday, December 5. Each non-perishable item will equal \$1 in library fines.

The top needs for the pantry are canned milk, canned chicken or tuna, fruit cups, mac and cheese, spaghetti or macaroni noodles, spaghetti sauce, microwaveable non-frozen meals, and peanut butter.

For more information, contact Sarah Mangrum, Cook Library access services and assessment librarian, at 601.266. 4251 or Sarah.Rials@usm.edu or Dawn Smith, University Libraries assistant to the dean for publicity and outreach, at 601.266.4120 or Dawn.Smith@usm.edu.

University Holiday Schedule

The University of Southern Mississippi will close on Friday, December 20 for the winter break. All offices, including Cook Library, Special Collections, the Gulf Coast Library on the Gulf Park campus, and Gunter

Library at the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory will be closed. The University will reopen on Thursday, January 2. For the Libraries' hours, visit lib.usm.edu.
