

The LITS Latest

Library and Information Technology Services Newsletter

Welcome to the 5th issue of *The LITS Latest!*

Prior to the start of the semester, we were thrilled to have the opportunity to meet with the incoming College and Theology students and faculty. It's hard to believe we are already four weeks into the semester! We hope the semester is going well for all of you.

We hope you enjoy this offering of recent news and information about some of the things that are happening in Library and Information Technology Services (LITS).

As always, we welcome your feedback, questions, or suggestions. Please send us an email to us at litscommunications@sewanee.edu.

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◆ Strategic Digital Infrastructure ◆

The Strategic Digital Infrastructure department, commonly referred to as “SDI,” is responsible for the management of core technologies such as email, telephone services, the University’s servers, wired and wireless network, identity and access management, single sign-on (SSO), Banner, and various other integral systems.

The SDI staff provides technical support and application administration for the University’s enterprise resource planning system, Banner, and related products. In addition, protecting the University’s assets by using best practices in cybersecurity is a key component of the work the SDI staff performs.

Requests for ID cards (new or replacement), Google Workspace services, and other SDI services can be made through links on the [LITS Technology web page](#) or via links on the Useful Technology Resources card in [my.sewanee.edu](#).

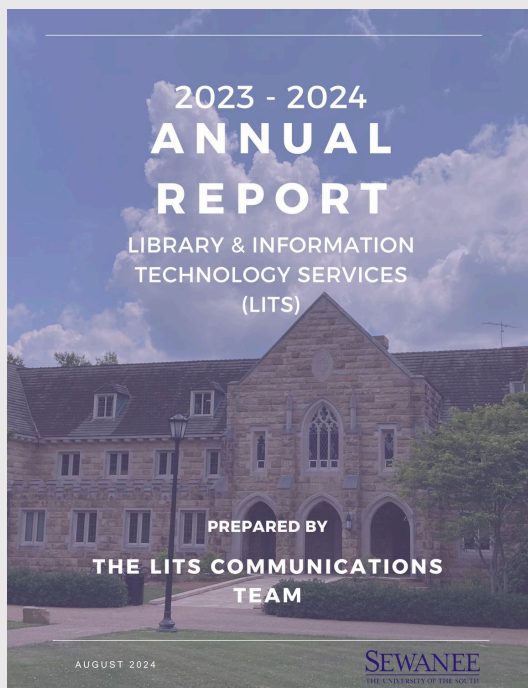
For any inquiries to SDI, please direct emails to helpdesk@sewanee.edu.



Front row (left to right): Diane Camper (Director, Strategic Digital Infrastructure), Lana Sain (Business Analyst, Advancement/LITS), Kerline Lorantin (Associate Director, Enterprise Applications), and Mary Lee Alford (Business Analyst, General)

Back row (left to right): Ray Val (Linux System Administrator), Kenneth Glenn (Systems Administrator Windows and VM), Michael Guyear (Network Engineer), James Meert (Business Analyst, Finance/LITS), Chrissy Gates (System Administrator, Technology Infrastructure), and Rob Pierce (Associate Director, SDI and Database Admin).

Not pictured: Jared Porter (Network and Security Specialist).

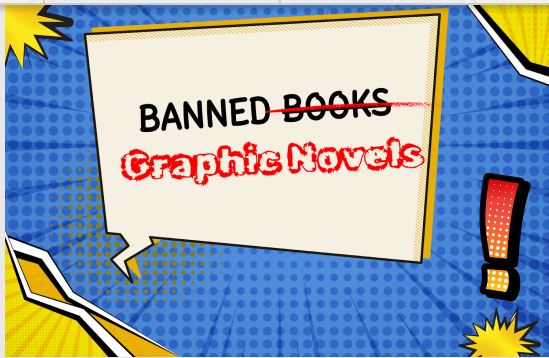


LITS Annual Report, 2023-24

Last month, we disseminated the Library and Information Technology Services 2023-2024 Annual Report, which was the first annual report the division has produced in several years. [Please click here to take a look at a summary of our last year's work in LITS.](#)

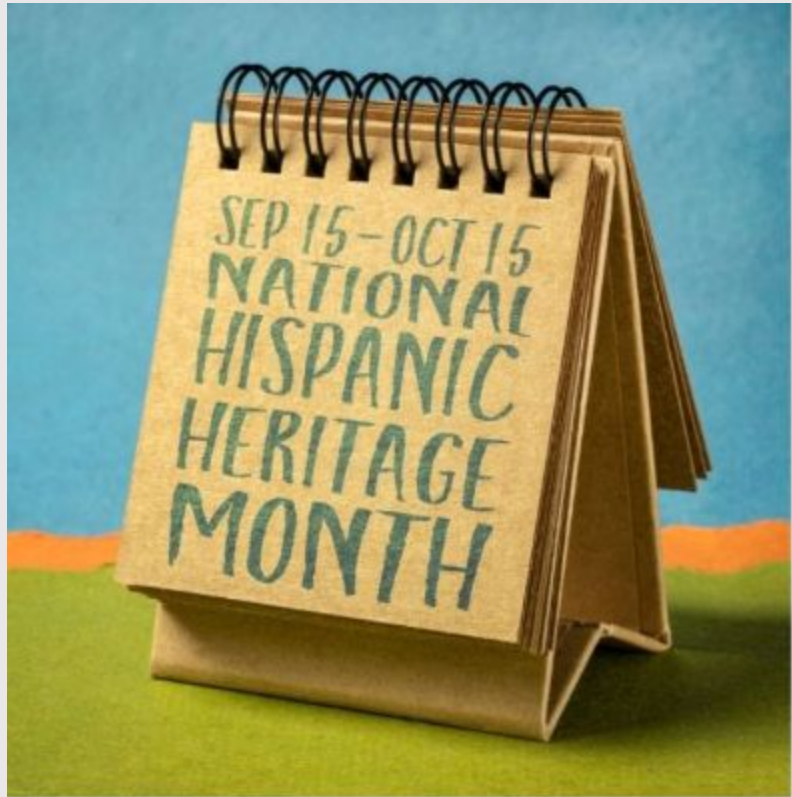
duPont Library News: Celebrating National Hispanic American Heritage Month, Banned Books Week, and More!

Throughout September, we have been recognizing **Banned Books Week (September 22-28)** and the freedom to read with a display located in the library lobby focusing on graphic novels. Did you know that 3 out of the top 10 most



books please visit ala.org/bbooks. All of our display items may be checked out, and you can view a list of titles on display [here](#). You can also access hundreds of comics and graphic novels online with the Hoopla app! Learn more about hoopla [here](#).

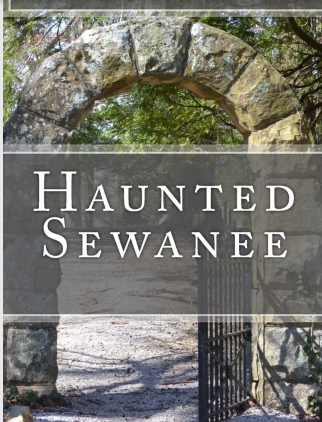
National Hispanic American Heritage Month is a time to pay tribute to generations of Hispanic and Latinx Americans who have profoundly influenced our nation and society. From the perspective of poetry, the work of Hispanic and Latinx poets is often overlooked and under-appreciated. You can find our display honoring Hispanic and Latinx



poets in the Ann Jackson Children's Collection through the end of September. All of the books may be checked out, and you can view a title list [here](#). Other Featured Displays currently on view include a celebration of the history of the American Labor Movement in the Newspaper Section, a National Comic Book Day display in the central lobby, and materials highlighting Constitution Day/National Voter Registration Day in our Government Information area on the ground floor of the library.

Our upcoming displays will include materials focusing on politics and the election, National Coming Out Day, Mad Hatter Day, and spooky books!

Speaking of spooky books, as the temperatures cool and the night comes early,

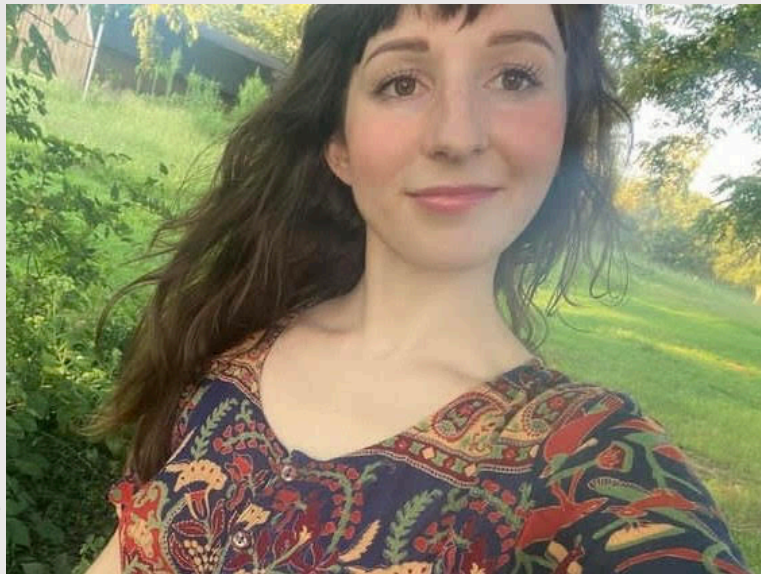


more? [We recommend retired University Archivist Annie Armour's book, *Haunted Sewanee*](#). We have several copies available for checkout in the library. Be sure to keep an eye out for some "spirited" events coming soon.

LITS Staff Announcements

We are delighted introduce the newest staff member in the LITS division, **Margaret Stapleton**! Margaret started work in our Informational Literacy and Instructional Technology (ILIT) department in July as Faculty Technology Coordinator for the School of Theology.

Margaret is a 2018 graduate of the University, where she majored in Natural Resources. Margaret has previous employment experience at Sewanee, working as a McClurg server, at the University Farm, and also bravely at our COVID-19 testing site in the Fowler Center.



Margaret comes to us most recently from the Caverns in Pelham where she served in a variety of roles there, including being an awesome tour guide. In her spare time, Margaret enjoys gardening, hiking, reading about history, and spending time outdoors.

Resources from LITS

Here are some quick links to several of our most commonly used forms that you can use to request resources or assistance from LITS staff.

Most of these will require you to log in.

- [Help Desk](#)
- [Research Help](#)
- [Library Instruction Request](#)

- [Hardware Request](#)
- [Software Request](#)
- [Google Workspace Request](#)

- [Book/Media Request](#)
- [Periodical/Online Resource Request](#)
- [Interlibrary Loan Request](#)

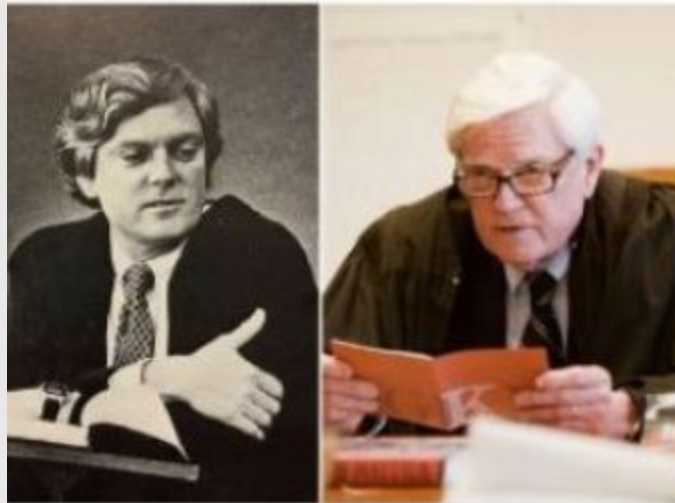


William H. Ralston Music Listening Library News

The Ralston Listening Library had a busy summer. As you might imagine, the Summer Music Festival faculty and students made significant use of our resources, including twenty-five SSMF seminars held in the Listening Room. Sixty-two other individuals and groups also visited the Listening Room over the summer, including two visits from the Sewanee Summer Seminar. The Ralston Library's collection was also enriched by the acquisition of over 15,000 LP recordings from the Mosely & Celia Shugerman Music Collection at Birmingham-Southern College. That acquisition was made possible by the Charles Harrison Music Fund.

The Listening Room also saw several updates to its equipment and furnishings. Streaming capabilities were improved with the addition of a dCS Rossini Player, enabling digital streaming at up to 24-bit resolution with a sampling rate of 352.8 kHz for certain files. Peter Noerbaek of PBN Audio also built, donated, and installed a PBN Audio GrooveMaster P10 Turntable outfitted with two tonearms and cartridges. In July, twenty chairs designed by the Thos. Moser

The summer also brought much more somber news. Sadly, the Ralston Library lost its founding director, Professor Thomas “Tam” Carlson, in late July. Inspired by Father Ralston, it was professor Carlson’s vision and passion that brought the Ralston Library to fruition. The centerpiece of the Ralston Library is, of course, the loudspeaker room. The original donors for this room named the space “The Thomas Carlson Music Listening Room;” however, Tam did not wish to



refer to it as such during his life. Therefore, the space has been variously called the “Ralston Room” or the “Listening Room.” It will now be called the Carlson Listening Room moving forward, a grateful acknowledgement of the legacy that Professor Carlson has left behind.

Please contact Nathan C. Stewart with requests or questions regarding the Ralston Library by writing to him at ralstonlistening@sewanee.edu.

Interested in having a table event in Jessie Ball duPont Library?

Are you interested in having a table event in the main lobby of duPont Library? If so, please submit a [Library Event application form](#) and we will be in touch with you to confirm.



If you have any questions, please email us at litscommunications@sewanee.edu.

Information Security or Cybersecurity?

A common question we often hear is, "What is the difference between information security and cybersecurity?" It's a great question, and often it may seem the two are used interchangeably. A simple description of the difference is that information security focuses on safeguarding all information, whereas cybersecurity focuses solely on protecting the digital realm.

Information security is a broad field that protects all forms of data, whether it's digital, physical (such as paper records), or stored in other forms. It focuses on ensuring confidentiality, integrity, and availability of information, covering everything from securing student records to protecting sensitive research data.

Cybersecurity, on the other hand, specifically deals with protecting digital systems, networks, and data from online threats. This includes preventing hacking, malware, phishing attacks, and other cyber threats that may target an institution's computers, servers, and online services.

Information security and cybersecurity are both high priorities for LITS since personal, academic, and research data must be protected across both digital



communication regularly related to both types of security as we try to protect the University, students, staff, and faculty. We will once again leverage Cybersecurity Awareness Month in October to elevate some of this messaging.

Meanwhile, it is a good idea to ensure you are familiar

with two key policy documents. We have an extensive [Information Security Policy](#) in place that outlines the fundamental steps we take to protect systems and data. In addition, our [Acceptable Use Policy](#) articulates the appropriate use of technology resources on campus, aimed to protect the University's information assets.

Please feel free to contact IT-SECURITY@sewanee.edu if you ever have any suspicion of activity intended to steal your passwords, identity, money, or other malicious intent.

Read the news online for free through the Library! For our newspaper and magazine readers, we have numerous popular publications available online and they are free for students, faculty, and staff. Some of the most frequently requested titles include:

- [The New York Times](#)
- [The Wall Street Journal](#)
- [The Washington Post](#)
- [The Economist](#)
- [The Atlantic](#)



Click on the title to connect or set up your account! If you need assistance, please contact Pat Dover, our Electronic Resources Librarian, at prdover@sewanee.edu.



Upcoming Dates of Interest and Events

Fall is in the air and always a beautiful season in Sewanee! Fall is by far the most popular season among LITS staff members. Please take a look at our list of upcoming dates of interest and events. We hope to see you soon!

- Thursday, September 26, 2024 through Friday, January 24, 2025
 - *Traveling the Archives: An Exploration of Sewanee's Global Collections and Connections* in The Museum Gallery at the William R. Laurie University Archives and Special Collections
- Friday, September 27, Books of Lore Book Club
 - 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Torian Room (#210) of Jessie Ball duPont Library


October 2024


- Saturday, October 5, Spooky Scavenger Hunt
 - 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Meet in the Torian Room (#210) of Jessie Ball duPont Library
- Thursday, October 10, Guest Speaker Toby Sells
 - Toby will be giving a talk about his book, *Haint Blues: Strange Tales from the American South*
 - 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Torian Room (#210) of Jessie Ball duPont Library
- Tuesday, October 15, Friends of the Library Event
 - Haunted by Success: The Life of a Ghostwriter
 - 5 p.m. in the Torian Room (#210) of Jessie Ball duPont Library
 - Reception following the event
- Thursday, October 17, Trick or Trivia: Team Trivia at the Library
 - 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. inside the Torian Room (#210) of Jessie Ball duPont Library
- Saturday, October 19, Banner Monthly Maintenance, completed online


November 2024

- Sunday, November 3, Books of Lore Book Club
 - 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Torian Room (#210) of Jessie Ball duPont Library
- More dates for November 2024 and beyond will be in our next newsletter

LITS Websites and Social Media Pages

 Technology Access and Support (TAS)

 William R. Laurie University Archives and Special Collections

 William H. Ralston Music Listening Library

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