

October Letter from the

University Library

October 2, 2008



University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

Library News

Library Programs

New Library Director

[Myrna McCallister](#) joined the staff as Director of University Library in mid-September. She comes most recently from Indiana State University, where she was Dean of Libraries for 6 years. Prior to that, she served as library CEO at the University of Baltimore, and at Muhlenberg College in Pennsylvania.

Myrna makes her home in Whitewater with her husband, also a librarian. Primary professional interests include information literacy for all students (which she has taught online for more than a decade) and making 21st century libraries a central campus space for information, culture, and group interaction. She also hopes to forge alliances with community groups to share the library resources and space with our town citizens.

Myrna enjoys meeting faculty and staff from around the campus and learning of their library needs and experiences. She invites all to let her know of their comments and concerns.

More New Staff

[Kim Apel](#) is the Library's new Night Manager. She works in the Circulation Department and is in charge of Interlibrary Loan. Previously, Kim worked in Interlibrary Loan at UW-Green Bay, Cofrin Library.

[Susan Coenen](#) joined the Library in August as the new Education Reference & Instruction Librarian. Before coming to UW-W, Sue was a librarian at the Medical College of Wisconsin and at UW-Milwaukee.

[Erin Wetzel](#) is the new Reserves assistant in Circulation. Erin formerly worked as a copy cataloger at McIntyre Library, UW-Eau Claire.

J.A. Konrath—On Writing & Getting Published

Joseph Andrew Konrath is the author of the Jacqueline "Jack" Daniels mystery series. These books combine scares and suspense with laugh-out-loud comedy. He will discuss writing, publishing, and his controversial marketing techniques. Joe's short stories have appeared in more than 60 magazines and collections, and he has been nominated for and won several awards. Read more about [J.A. Konrath](#) on his website.

Tuesday, October 14, 2008, 4:30 pm
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Chancellor's Regional Literary Award—Jane Hamilton

Author Jane Hamilton will be honored with the fourth annual University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Chancellor's Regional Literary Award. Hamilton is being honored for her body of work including: "The Book of Ruth," "A Map of the World," "Disobedience," "Short History of a Prince" and "When Madeline Was Young." Her first novel, "The Book of Ruth," won the prestigious Hemingway Foundation/PEN Award and was later named as an Oprah's Book Club selection. She has received numerous other honors.

Author Reading—Monday, Oct. 20, 2008 7:00 pm.
Summers Auditorium, UC

Scholarship & Creative Achievement Recognition Reception/Exhibit—21st Annual

The purpose of this event is to promote a free exchange of ideas and to encourage and stimulate further research and creative activity. Department Chairs are asked to collect bibliographies for achievements accomplished between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008, and submit them to Sharon Knight in Andersen L1125D by **Fri. October 17**. [Criteria and procedures](#) and a [bibliography template](#) are available online. The reception/exhibit will be held in the Crossman Gallery, Wed. November 26, 2008, 10:30 a.m.-Noon.