

Welcome to the February 2015 issue of *C&RL News*. Many libraries of all types, including academic and research libraries, continue to experiment with makerspaces as a way to provide outreach and education. Megan Lotts provides an overview of making activities in academic libraries in her article “Implementing a culture of creativity,” along with detailing her experiments with pop-up making spaces at Rutgers University.

Librarians at the University of Alabama incorporated making activities such as video creation and 3-D printing into their campus’ orientation programs. Vincent F. Scalfani and Lindley C. Shedd discuss the program in their article “Recruiting students to campus.”

Making activities can also extend to service learning programs. Angela Pashia writes about the University of West Georgia Ingram Library’s participation in a community program to fight hunger in her article “Empty Bowls in the library.”

In this month’s Scholarly Communication column, column editors Zach Coble and Adrian Ho interview Martin Paul Eve and John Willinsky

about their visions for “Open access in humanities and social sciences.”

Looking for new active learning approaches for instruction sessions? Tiffeni J. Fontno and Dianne N. Brown give helpful tips for incorporating learning centers in the information literacy classroom in their article “Putting information literacy in the students’ hands.”

Also this month we continue our look at the upcoming ALA/ACRL elections with statements from the candidates for ACRL vice-president/president-elect. Review the full statements by the candidates for ALA vice-president/president-elect in the March issue, and vote for the candidates of your choice in the election beginning March 24.

Make sure to check out the other features and departments, including a look at dining and drinking options in our ACRL 2015 host city of Portland, by Angie Beiriger; Internet Resources on “Virtual conferencing and meeting systems;” and a The Way I See it essay on the search power of librarians by Tina P. Frank.

Thanks as always for reading the *News*.

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