Relocation: The Land Bridge Theory

The question of how, when and why librarians first entered the Portables is of intense interest to anthropologists and has been a subject of heated debate for years. The land bridge theory posits that during the glacial episode that occurred during the 08-09 winter recess, sea levels fell, exposing a land bridge between the ARC Library and the Portable Village. Most anthropologists agree that it was across this land bridge that librarians first passed from the Library to populate the Portables. Were these nomadic hunters following game herds or were they perhaps forced from their home by encroaching contractors? What is known is that library services, largely unchanged, are still accessible to both students and faculty in the library’s new location.

Notable Changes

Artifacts found near the original library suggest that there are a few notable changes in library services. An international team of anthropologists and archaeologists recently uncovered evidence that library books were once housed in open stacks where anyone could browse the collection. Due to space limitations, the collection is currently housed in closed stacks. Books can be requested and library staff will retrieve requested items several times a day. Finally, anthropologists believe that the library was once open later into the evening. The library currently closes at 9pm M-Th and at 5pm on Fridays.
Library Relocation and Remodel

What does this mean to me?

Do you have a book on reserve, or a research assignment, or does your class use the library in some other way? If so, please:

- Review your syllabi. Information about the library may need to be revised. Let students know the library will be located in the portables.
- Schedule a library orientation or encourage your students to make research appointments. Approximately 75% of college freshmen have some anxiety about using a library. While the library is housed in the portables, using the library will be even more daunting than usual for new students. During an orientation or research appointment, a librarian can thoroughly explain how to use the library and conduct quality research, and relieve your students’ “library anxiety.”
- Consult with your librarian if you have any concerns about how the library can support you and your students. Your librarian would be more than happy to meet one-on-one with you, or with you and your colleagues at a department meeting.

DON’T PUMP TROUBLE

STAY AWAY FROM STEROIDS AND CONSULT WITH YOUR LIBRARIAN

“A message from the Food and Drug Administration. Write, FDA, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857”

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A Public Service Announcement from former Governor of Minnesota and professional wrestler, Jesse Ventura