Fall semester is well underway and students are thinking in terms of completing final projects. The circulating equipment in ERC is experiencing heavy use as the students go into production. New materials are being added to the collections on a regular basis. There is a new doll collection representing historical figures in U.S. history including Meriwether Lewis, Betsy Ross and others. I encourage you to check CardCat for other dolls, games, and realia. Speaking of games, Bracken Library hosted a games day event on Saturday, November 16, 2013; more on that elsewhere in the newsletter. If you have questions or specific needs, let us hear from you. I can be reached at 5-5333 or dhill@bsu.edu. Best wishes for a great semester and a wonderful holiday season.

Message from the Media Librarian

Educational Resources Collections (ERC) has a variety of 3-D materials for classroom instruction, presentations, displays, etc. It’s an amazing collection and outstanding resource for interaction and visualization. It started in 1938 with The Teaching Materials Service and has gone through changes and grown significantly to make the collection what it is today. Among the many choices are educational games, puppets, artifacts, anatomy and other types of models, math manipulatives, globes, unique musical instruments, flash cards, food replicas, and so much more. Browse the collection by logging on to CardCat and using the Format limiter available in the Advanced Search option. The Mega Media Finder is another helpful tool for locating these materials. The materials can be checked out for two weeks by BSU faculty, staff, and students. For assistance, stop by the service counter in ERC, lower lever Bracken, or contact Media Librarian, Diane Hill at 285-5333 or dhill@bsu.edu.

International Games Day

Bracken Library hosted its first gaming event on Saturday, November 16, 2013 in conjunction with American Library Association’s International Games Day. It was well received by those who attended. The ALA International Games Day celebrates worldwide the social, educational, and recreational value of all types of games. The focus is primarily on tabletop games. All of the games used were from the ERC collection including Settlers of Catan and Tapple. Games can be found in CardCat using the Advanced Search feature, limiting to the Location “Educational Resources Collection” and the Format “Games.” If you have questions about the games in ERC, please contact the Media Librarian, Diane Hill at 285-5333.
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- Data sets (GIS, scientific, statistical, demographic, etc.)
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**Youth Books**

- Bad girls: sirens, Jezebels, murderers, thieves & other female villains / Jane Yolen, Heidi E.Y. Stemple ; illustrated by Rebecca Guay, c2013. 364.374 Y54BA
- Revolutionary friends : General George Washington and the Marquis de Lafayette / Selene Castro-villa ; illustrated by Drazen Kozjan, c2013. 92 W318CAS
- Pancho Rabbit and the coyote : a migrant’s tale / Duncan Tonatiuh, c2013. 800 T663PA

**Examples of recent acquisitions:**

**DVD Videos**

- Who cares about Kelsey? [videorecording] / produced & directed by Dan Habib ; produced in collaboration with the National Center on Inclusive Education at the Institute on Disability at the University of New Hampshire, c2012. DVD VIDEO 11010 DISC 1/2
- Surviving to thriving [videorecording] : successfully including the child with special needs / [producer, Joshua Lamm ; video director, Marc Shroyer, Custom Media Solution], c2012. DVD VIDEO 10968
- Jump into science : active learning for preschool children / Rae Pica ; illustrated by Kathi Whelan Dery, c2009. 500 A1 J86 2009

**Curriculum Guides**

- Great games for young children : over 100 games to develop self-confidence, problem-solving skills, and cooperation / Rae Pica ; illustrations, Kathy Ferrell ; photographs, Mary Duru, c2006. 793 A1 G74 2006

**What’s New?**

- 5 new Cannon Power Shot SX50 HS cameras available!
- 6 Hour loan, plus 2 renewals
- 12.1 Mega pixels, Image Resolution 4000 x 3000, Optical Zoom 50x, Digital Zoom 4x, Burst mode, Movie mode

**News from the Educational Resources Collections**

University Libraries will be open until midnight before final exams on Friday, December 6.