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Hello All,

News from the week:

- On Monday, we will welcome Jerry Anthony, the HSHSL's new building coordinator. Jerry brings many years of experience to the position and I know we will all benefit from his get-it-done attitude and vast knowledge. BTW, he is a proud Yankees fan.
- I can't remember a time when we had so many positions open within the Library. The RML wins top prize with three, but I believe *every* division has at least *one* position somewhere in the pipeline – posted, in screening and interview stages, background checks, etc. This makes Chynnea a very busy person. Chynnea, it's not always like this!
- UMB has updated its [policy requiring use of face coverings](#). "At some point in the future" all faculty, staff, and students will be required to wear KN95 masks in certain settings (classrooms, for instance). Starting now, KN95s are strongly recommended for people participating in group activities where 6' distance can't be maintained. UMB will be providing KN95s to each person through the schools/units and the Library is looking into purchasing extra KN95s to have on hand. More info to come on how to interpret this policy in HSHSL's setting.
- The Exhibits committee put together a *Botanical Medicine* exhibit using botanical illustrations found in William Woodville's *Medical Botany*, a four-volume set published between 1790 and 1794. If you haven't already, visit the gallery to see the botanical reproductions. And stop by the cases, too.
- The tan comfort furniture in the staff lounge is being replaced by newer comfort seating. The movers are scheduled to be here late this week or early next week to change out the furniture.
- The semester is gearing up and there are a few signs of normality. The Research and Education librarians are offering some classes in person! Katherine and Ting report that it was really fun to be back in the classroom in-person. The students were excited, too! And Thom just printed an armload of posters – 64 to be exact – business is picking up.
- On Friday, September 3rd, Angie submitted the 500,000th transaction in ILLiad! Resource Sharing has been using the system for over 18 years. Impressive!
- Speaking of numbers, I believe August is the final month of the [HSHSL's dashboard](#) – the collection of statistics reflecting some of the work done during the pandemic. The Annual Report Committee is working away and the divisions are gathering their statistics and preparing research impact reports for the Deans' "Snapshots." These snapshots are detailed

reports prepared for each school. They help schools visualize their research productivity and illustrate in numbers and stories how the Library has advanced the goals of the School in the past fiscal year. MJ meets with each Dean to review their Snapshot Report.

- Resource Sharing is planning to refresh the Kinnard Leisure Reading collection by looking for magazine and book suggestions. A short survey will be sent out in Connective Issues, posted on our website, and shared via other venues so faculty, staff, and students can make recommendations. [Feel free to take the survey, too!](#) Dr. Kinnard is a former professor and dean of the School of Pharmacy, and was acting president of the University. He and his wife provide ongoing funding for the collection.
- The [All of Us Training and Education Center](#) (at Pittsburgh) is currently hosting three websites for the All of Us National Program. CATS received funding from them through a subaward to host those sites alongside the NNLM sites. Congratulations!
- No cartoons, but check this out – an [Important Squirrel Update!](#) What's not to like? This short video done by researchers at Berkeley demonstrates a squirrel's flexibility, tenacity, and ingenuity in getting the job done. Should sound familiar to all of us.

Have a great weekend!

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