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MOFFETT MATTERS

WELCOME

Moffett Library is pleased to bring you our monthly e-newsletter to keep you updated on our new and improved spaces, services, and special collections. With our new modernized facility, we remain committed to providing resources that benefit our campus and the wider Wichita Falls community. For more information or suggestions on what you’d like to see in our newsletter, send us an email at library@msutexas.edu.
"Many Beginnings: A History of Women in Sports at Midwestern State University" - by Sherry Anne Gill Gillespie & Karen K. Rogers

Our special collection feature this month sheds light on the obstacles and triumphs of female athletes at Midwestern State University in a pre and post Title IX era.

In almost every sport, women have been breaking barriers in the industry, challenging the wage gap, body shaming, recognition and television coverage. The rich history in this book, underscores the need to grant women the visibility and respect they have earned.

International Women's Day is a reminder of how far women have come in several industries. Authors Sherry Anne Gill Gillespie and Karen Keeter Rogers unmask discrimination to give a vivid account of women's sports at Midwestern State University from its founding in 1922 as Wichita Falls Junior College through the Lady Mustangs' 2010-2011 season.

About Sherry Anne Gill Gillespie

Sherry Anne Gill Gillespie joined the Midwestern State University faculty in the fall of 1967, at a time when the administration had little interest in supporting women's athletics. Undeterred by the general condition, the young college teacher from Fort Worth began to organize sports programs for women because as she said, "Women should have the opportunity to compete in intercollegiate sports too." Although her focus shifted to other areas when Title IX came into force she kept a close watch from the sidelines. She retired from MSU Texas in December 1996.
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

About Karen K Rogers

Karen K. Rogers was an athlete during the early days of women's sports at MSU Texas. She played on the first women's basketball teams. She holds a Ph.D. from the University of Texas at Dallas and taught English at Midwestern State for 32 years before retiring in 2010.

Title IX of the Education Amendment (June 23, 1972)

"No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving federal financial assistance."

Also in Special Collections...

Check out the display of the University's efforts during war years and MSU's former ROTC program.

The display is on the second floor, next to the Special Collections room.

Questions or requests regarding this or other special items may be directed to Special Collections Librarian, Alissa Russell, special collections librarian at (940) 397-4755 or alissa.russell@msutexas.edu.
Students

SCAN IMAGES WITH EASE

Needing a scanner and unsure where to locate one on campus? We've got one! Our professional document scanner is available for use by all MSU students. Scan and email large books, assignments, and much more at your convenience.

Scanners are located in the first-floor lobby and second-floor computer lab. For assistance, see the Circulation Desk.

Faculty

CUSTOM INSTRUCTION

Librarians are available to collaborate on custom course instruction in person or online. Below are some examples of custom instruction:

Research Basics- The library offers classroom instruction in research basics to all students who need to learn tips and tricks to save time and conduct better research.

C.R.A.P Test- This popular class covers aspects of articles such as Currency, Reliability, Authority, and Purpose or Point of View.

Advanced C.R.A.P- In this class, we cover the purpose and proper uses of the C.R.A.P test in-class research assignments as well as different types of research articles.

Scavenger Hunt- This library class is designed to help struggling freshman students with no prior library instruction, find items in the library, the catalog, and be able to discuss why they selected particular items for their research.

Contact the Instruction Coordinator at 940-397-4171 to schedule your custom instruction class today or visit us on the first floor of Moffett Library!
INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

IWD is a global holiday celebrated annually on March 8 to commemorate the cultural, political, and socioeconomic achievements of women. It is also a focal point in the women's rights movement, bringing attention to issues such as gender equality, reproductive rights, and violence and abuse against women. #BreakTheBias

The entire month of March is also designated Women's History Month. This year's theme is "Women Providing Healing, Promoting Hope".

This month, Moffett Library is featuring 20 inspirational women over ten decades on the walls of the library. Take a moment to read about their accomplishments and lives.

JOIN US IN CELEBRATING WOMEN EVERYWHERE!

RESEARCH DATABASE

Child Care & Early Education Research Connections

Child Care & Early Education Research Connections promotes high quality research in child care and early education and the use of that research in policy making. The vision is that children are well cared for and have rich learning experiences, and their families are supported and able to work. Through this Web site, we offer research and data resources for researchers, policy makers, practitioners, and others.

Research Connections is a unique resource to anyone interested in child care and early education.
Mentor, leader, friend. These are just a few ways staff refer to University Librarian, Cortny Bates.

Starting at Moffett Library in 2012 as the Serials Librarian, Cortny has since worked her way up the ladder with flair and determination. She earned her master's degree in History from MSU Texas in 2008 and a master's degree in Library Science from UNT in 2012.

Cortny is an easy going, brilliant and capable director who leads by example. Her quirkiness and consideration for staff makes the work environment at Moffett Library fun, comfortable and one of mutual cooperation.

Among other things, she enjoys doing yoga and going camping.

We asked members of staff to describe Cortny in one word. Here is what they came up with: dauntless; approachable; assertive; level-headed; driven; strong, kind; considerate; encouraging; cool, and SIMPLY A BOSS (more like three)!