Foley Center Library recently introduced a whole new way to do research at Gonzaga. PRIMO, Foley’s new online search tool, lets users discover resources in the library catalog, as well as through online databases, journals, ebooks and digital collections – all from one search button.

This Google-esque search of Gonzaga’s resources is a great place to start any faculty, staff or student research. For more in-depth exploration, specialized databases are still available. PRIMO brings a unified search interface to Foley’s extensive collection of materials. From the search results, users can request items from the library and other partner libraries, connect to online full-text resources, view recommendations from searches done by other users and export the results directly into RefWorks.

Sometimes the hardest part about doing research is knowing where to start: now you can start your research with PRIMO!

In - SPUR - ational Reunion

On Saturday, October 22, the Special Collections Reading Room hosted the first ever reunion of the former members of the Spurs and Setons. Organized by the Alumni Association, about 30 former members attended the reunion. They came to meet other former members and view the exhibition called “‘In-Spur-ation’: Spurs and Setons Celebrate 60 years of Sisterhood and Service.” In attendance were members from the first group called the Zagettes.

The highlight of the evening was going through the original scrapbooks that had been created by former historians for these organizations. All 18 scrapbooks were laid out for examination. These scrapbooks are housed in the Gonzaga University Archives vault and have been recently scanned by the Digital Team and are available on-line at: digital.gonzaga.edu.

The exhibition remains open to the public weekdays 10am – 4:30pm through mid-January.

Going Abroad? Go Online!

Fall 2011 brought exciting changes to Gonzaga-in-Florence’s Martin Library: an online catalog!

Over two years in development, the Gonzaga-in-Florence (GIF) library catalog is now searchable online. Utilized by faculty, staff and students working and studying under the Gonzaga Study Abroad program, the Martin Library in Florence, Italy houses close to 10,000 titles, including books, journals, videos, DVDs and ebooks. According to Emily Grayson, the GIF librarian, the Travel Resources collection is the most popular collection utilized by the students studying in Florence.

But students are not limited to searching just Gonzaga-in-Florence materials; from a single search box, they can search the Gonzaga print and online collections of Martin Library, Foley Center Library and Chastek Law Library. Inter-library loan is even available for online journal articles, making it much easier for students studying abroad to do their research and stay connected to on-campus resources.

Searching access to the Gonzaga-in-Florence collection of materials is available by going to http://gonzprimo.hosted.exlibrisgroup.com:1701/primo_library/libweb/search.do?dscnt=1&fromLogin=true&dstmp=1320800426864&vid=GIF&fromLogin=true.
Story Time With Spike

On Monday, October 10, 2011, the Curriculum Center on Foley Center Library’s second floor was filled with the sounds of children. The library, in conjunction with the Little Zags Committee from the Spokane Chapter of the Gonzaga Alumni Association, hosted the first annual Story Time With Spike event. Gonzaga’s mascot Spike the Bulldog made an appearance, as did a handful of student athletes, representing the women’s tennis and cross country teams. About 40 kids, parents, and grandparents mingled with Spike as four children’s books were read, including *The Wide-Mouthed Frog* by Keith Faulkner and *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* by Laura Numeroff and Felicia Bond. Following the event, the children and parents had a chance to enjoy cookies and explore the library.

Foley Library was really excited to host this event as a way to reconnect with alumni. Dues-paying and lifetime members of the Alumni Association have borrowing privileges at Foley Library, although most alums don’t realize this. Eligible alumni can present their Alumni Association membership card at the Circulation Desk in order to receive a complimentary Community Borrowing Card. That card allows alums to borrow up to 25 items from the library at a time.

New Online Print Service

This fall, Foley Center Library was excited to launch its new online print service. Students, faculty and staff are no longer confined to using university computers when printing to the Foley Library or College Hall Lab printers. Instead, items can be submitted to print from anywhere and any computer—as long as there is an internet connection! Students can send documents to the Black & White or Color print queues from their dorm room or favorite free Wi-Fi cafe, and then quickly print and grab the documents on their way to class. It couldn’t be easier!

To use the online print service, go to *guprint.gonzaga.edu* and select the PRINT button. Sign-in using your Gonzaga username and password, and then select either the **Color** or **Black & White** Queue. Upload your document or enter the website address, and then review the special print options. Finally, once the document has been approved, select “Submit Job to Printer.” Head over to the Foley Library or College Hall Lab printers and log on using your Gonzaga username. There, your print jobs will be waiting for you for up to two hours. Select “Print,” then grab and go!

Foley Center Library’s next goal is to make our online print services compatible with mobile devices. More information coming soon!
QR Codes @ Foley

More and more, special “barcodes” known as QR codes or 2d codes are popping up everywhere! These internationally standardized (ISO/IEC 18004) "Quick Response" codes were originally created in 1994 by the Japanese company Denso for inventory purposes. At this point they've moved into the public arena, hit the mainstream, and they’re being used mainly for 3 purposes:

1.) to link to internet resources
2.) to “mailto” using a mobile device’s email app so the user can easily send e-mail to a specified address
3.) to carry a limited amount of plain or formatted text, as in the case of a “v-card” (digital business cards)

What is Foley Library using QR codes for?
Foley Library has begun using QR codes for promotional purposes, namely to enable quick access to resources and services available at or throughout the library, such as our digital collections. Since we want to promote these services to the greatest cross-section of users, the corresponding URL is also included whenever possible, and usually in a reduced format (so it’s also quick to type for computer users).

How do they work?
When using a mobile device with the ability to scan this kind of barcode, encoded text is transferred to the device and parsed by an app running on the device. Depending on the code's content, the device should be programmed to respond to the parsed text appropriately. For instance, if the text begins with "http:" then the device would recognize it as a link to a web page. At that point, depending on the app settings (or those of the device), the scanner app would automatically launch the default browser app and retrieve the corresponding web page. If the text begins with "mailto:" then the app would open the device’s default email app for you to send an email message to the address specified in the "mailto" string. Plain text usually just appears with minimal formatting in a text editor, while “v-card” formatting could alert the device to query whether or not to add the v-card content to your contacts or address book.

Where do I get a QR scanner/reader app?
Certain cell phones have QR code scanning functionality built-in. It’s usually accessed through the camera. If you have a newer phone, you should refer to the owner’s manual for exact details. If you have a “smart phone” or other handheld device (like a tablet or iPad), QR scanner/reader apps are typically available at the place you would go to search for and download any new apps. Usually they may be found under categories like "utilities" or "applications."

How do I create a QR code?
The online QR code generator available at Kaywa (qrcode.kaywa.com) is fairly straightforward and easy to use.

For more information, visit the QR code information page on the Foley Library web site, or just scan the QR code above!
Foley Center Library Food Policy Reminder

To protect our collection and building from harmful pests and damage, and to respect and honor others using the library, we ask that certain foods not be brought into the building. **Food that is messy, smelly or hot is not acceptable for consumption in the Foley Library.**

If patrons are seen with messy, smelly or hot food, they will be asked to finish it in the Atrium or the 24-Hour Study Lounge. However, feel free to bring snacks or sandwiches and beverages in covered containers into the library.

When eating or drinking in Foley Library, please respect the building and those who are responsible for cleaning it by disposing of garbage and recyclable materials in appropriate containers. Please report any spills to a library employee.

Personnel - E Speaking

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Veteran’s Voices Project

Veterans’ Voices, a veterans homecoming oral history project at Gonzaga University, was established by a small group of Gonzaga faculty and professionals concerned with the preservation of homecoming narratives of American veterans. Through conversations with returning veterans, it became clear that coming home from war is a unique experience that needs to be both honored and remembered by local communities. An archive was created to preserve veterans’ descriptions of homecoming, to both honor and raise awareness of these experiences.

The collection is modest right now with 10 interviews in both transcript and audio format. There are many more interviews in the process of being added to the digital collection, and hopefully the numbers will continue to grow. Each interview is identified with an image noting the soldier’s military branch and the flag of the country where he most recently deployed. The digital collection is available at http://digital.gonzaga.edu/cdm/search/collection/p15486coll13.