Weeding the Myers Library reference collection has been long overdue. This summer, time has been spent, with help from each Academic Department, to weed sections of the library’s reference collection, since books in the collection have not been weeded for at least 15 years, although surprisingly enough, I found books in the collection that hailed from the early 20th century.

Weeding the reference collection is very much like weeding a patch in the garden. When you weed your garden, you want to make sure that you have pulled out all the plants that are choking up all your most beautiful plants and flowers; and that way, you have a prized garden. Similarly, it is good to get rid of old and antiquated reference books, especially when they are not being used by students or by faculty, or when they need to be replaced by newer books or in our case, good online reference resources that would be used a great deal more than the oldest copies of our reference books would be used.

Once books have been weeded, they are loaded onto the library’s book elevator and sent to down to technical services, where the books are then removed from the library catalog. Books that are too old to sell at on-going library book sale, are boxed and sent out with the old newspapers to be recycled.

The Hard-copy Reference books that remain in the collection are collaborative choice of college librarians and teaching faculty at the Campus; and are sure to be utilized by Campus students and faculty, in their academic pursuits.

NEW RESOURCES: THE CREDO REFERENCE DATABASE

The Oxford Reference Online Database in Myers Library Online has been replaced by a new e-resource this Fall. The Credo Reference database is the library’s newest acquisition, and library users can access this database through the Myers Library Online Database Page in the Portal. This resource contains more than 400 new reference titles, with e-additions being made monthly. This reference tool allows users to access a variety of e-biographies, encyclopedias and dictionaries on a wealth of subjects from well-known academic publishers of the ilk of ABC-Clio, Greenwood, Macmillan, and Sage.

Credo Reference has two useful features that can be utilized for reference research, that was not been available before through Oxford Reference Online, and these are: Image Search and Concept Search. Image search provides users with e-videos which can be searched in the Credo Reference Database, while Concept Search...
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Various buildings on campus; and to de-
scribe them, and at the same time com-
pare information with lists that were
made in previous years of this collection
and also take digital photos of each
painting so that records can be added to
Past Perfect in the future.

Myers Library’s librarians will also spend
time during the Summer, learning more
about new technologies, online learning
and the library science field, as they will
be attending the yearly technology con-
fERENCE SIDLIT, which is held in the Kan-
sas City area, the College and University
Libraries Executive Meetings at Butler
Community College and Fort Hays Univer-
sity and the National Meeting, the Ameri-
can Library Association’s National Annual
Conference which will be held in Chicago,
Illinois this July.

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LIBRARY PROJECTS and CE ACTIVITIES DURING THE SUMMER

Summer is usually the time of the year when we do lots of different projects
in the library and also spend time participating in continuing education ac-

tivities. This summer is no exception. Time is being spent this summer on
numbering, describing and entering a small part of the Beatrice Holt Collec-
tion that has thus far been housed in the Chapel, into the Past Perfect Ar-
chives Catalog. We also have a project being undertaken to document the
whereabouts of the paintings belonging to the College, that are housed in

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