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**Welcome to the third issue of The Benefactor.** This issue includes acknowledgement of monetary and in-kind gifts. You will also find brief notes about expanding our virtual reference services, an exhibit the Education and Social Science Library sponsored on the Mandeville Collection in the Occult Sciences, and information on new items received.

Your generous donations help the Education and Social Science Library meet the needs of a wide variety of users. Thank you for your support!

## Library Friends Donations

Thanks to the following donors for monetary contributions made through Library Friends in 2007/2008. Unless specified, these funds are typically used to purchase expensive new reference books, or other costly items.

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Special thanks to ongoing benefactors Lynda T. Carlson and George N. Carlson. In November, a company match was made to the Carlson gift to support purchase of materials selected by graduate students in Political Science.

## Expanding Virtual Services

Beginning Fall 2008, the ESSL expanded hours for instant message reference services. This online reference service ([www.library.uiuc.edu/edx/askalibrarian.htm](http://www.library.uiuc.edu/edx/askalibrarian.htm)) is now available Saturday from 12-4pm and Sunday from 2-10pm. These hours have been heavily utilized by patrons; this semester 31% of our instant message questions have been asked over the weekend. The instant message reference service is just another way that the ESSL helps patrons access the Library's rich collections.

## Celebrations and Memorials

**Dr. Gerald E. Kuroghlian:** in honor of Mr. William Johnson

## New Items Received



The new literature racks display guides to help patrons.

In the Summer 2008 issue of *The Benefactor*, two items were listed under "The Library is Looking For...": a donation of \$1,200 to purchase the 2nd edition of the *Encyclopedia of Language and Education* and \$800 to purchase literature racks for displaying handouts.

the first by a specific donor and the latter through several smaller donations.

The Library Friends request program also funded the purchase of the *Encyclopedia of Women & Islamic Cultures*, Vols. 5 and 6. Thank you!

Both of these requests were met;

## In-Kind Donations

Thanks to the following donors for gifts of books, journals, and other items made between July 2007 and May 2008.

**Prof. William M. Calder III:** copy of the book *Without Apology: Reflections on Independent Education*

**Richard W. Justice:** 60 books related to higher education, education law, and student services

**Nancy P. O'Brien:** 3 school books

**Dr. Jobe L. Payne:** 45 books related to health, wellness, psychology, sociology, and social science topics

**Prof. Olga Soffer:** the continued donation of books from personal collection

**Ian Westbury:** 2 curriculum books and a book about education and teaching

**Gil Witte:** 2 games, 2 children's books, and 12 school books

## Occult Science Exhibit

In August 2008 the ESSL sponsored an exhibit in the Main Library Hallway featuring the Mandeville Collection in the Occult Sciences. This exhibit highlighted the Library's collection of occult materials supported by an endowment established by the late Merten J. Mandeville, a professor of management at the Urbana campus.



Links to the exhibit handout and a video highlighting the collection can be found online on our website at: <http://www.library.uiuc.edu/edx/mandev.htm>.

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The **James P. and Diane P. Staes Charitable Remainder Unitrust**, established by Jim and Diane Staes as a deferred gift, will benefit the study of children's literature and support the School Collection by providing annual income for the acquisition and/or preservation of literature.

The **Merten J. Mandeville Endowment Fund** was established by a gift from a retiring Professor of Management at UIUC. It provides support to purchase works

relating to parapsychology and the occult.

The **Mary Kathryn Bieniecki Memorial Endowment Fund** was established by Henry Bieniecki in memory of his wife. It provides support to the School Collection of literature for children and young adults.

The **Fred E. Sweitzer Endowment Fund** was provided by an alumnus to support the anthropology collection.