



#### News from Newfoundland and Labrador

# **News from Memorial University**

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#### Research

- Effective Jan. 1, 2020, Copyright Services moved from the Centre for Innovation in Teaching and Learning to Memorial University Libraries.
- Memorial University Libraries is organizing an RDM Day. More information is available here.
- The Libraries launched <u>Lasting Remembrance: Newfoundland, Labrador and War</u>, a digital humanities project that integrates geographic information and resources with our collections. *Lasting Remembrance: Newfoundland, Labrador and War* is an ongoing project, which will be updated with new research and information as it becomes available.
- We have a new wikipedian-in-residence
- The Libraries' subscription to RefWorks ended on December 31, 2019 and will not be renewed.
- On Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, the QEII library hosted an event in support of Wikipedia's #1Lib1Ref campaign, which asks library workers to add a single reference to Wikipedia in an effort to make Wikipedia a more reliable starting point for researchers. Our nine participants went above and beyond expectations, adding a total of 37 references to 9 articles, for a total of 41 edits and 2,150 words added. Thanks to all participants! Look out for the next iteration of #1Lib1Ref in May 2020.
- Archives and Special Collections staff attended the four-day training session in December with Archival Service Platform vendor, Minisis, along with staff from Maritime History Archive, Founders' Medical Archive, MUNFLA (Folklore & Language Archive), as well as members from Metadata & Cataloguing.

## **Strategic Planning**

- Strategic planning continues. Another successful Collaboration Day was held on Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>. Divisions
  and Branches provided updates on their accomplishments outside the strategic projects. Also,
  everyone was encouraged to provide new ideas/suggestions for upcoming strategic projects. Stay
  tuned for more on those in the new year. <u>Click here</u> or more information about our strategic plan.
- The Organizational Review strategic project Committee completed its work and submitted its final report to the University Librarian. More details will follow as the report is reviewed.

## **Employee News**

- Susan Kearsey retired after 33 years at Memorial University. Her final day was December 20<sup>th</sup>.
   Susan started as a student assistant in the library and spent 30 years working in numerous divisions in the QEII Library. It was announced that Colleen Field is the Head of CNS, effective January 1, 2020.
- Sue Fahey (Serials and Acquisitions, QEII Libray) and Darren Furey (QEII Library Cataloging and Metadata) have been renewed as Division Heads.
- Dan Duda assumed his new role as QEII Public Services Division Head on January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020.
- Michelle Swab published the article:

Swab, M. (2019). Connecting users to articles: An analysis of the impact of article level linking on journal use statistics. *Evidence Based Library and Information Practice*, *14*(4), 38-51. https://doi.org/10.18438/eblip29613

Patrick Gamsby published the article:

Gamsby, P. (2019). The common ground of open access and interdisciplinarity. Publications, 8(1).

https://doi.org/10.3390/publications8010001

## **Cool Stuff**

- The Jumping Bean Café expansion in the QEII Library is complete. An official opening took place Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Exciting changes continue in the reference area of the lobby of the QEII Library. Shelving was taken down in December and in its place are tables and comfortable seating for students to enjoy. Some compact/lower shelving is being put back in the space, but remains in line with creating a more open concept for the space.
- The First Space Art Gallery in the QEII Library is hosting its second annual graduate student exhibit. This year, 18 artists are showing their work.