

## News from Newfoundland and Labrador

### News from Memorial University Libraries

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#### University News:

On March 29, Memorial changed the status of the COVID Impact Scale to low, based on the low number of COVID-19 cases in Newfoundland and Labrador. While the province has continued to see low case counts and strong public health measures since that time, there are no plans to change Memorial's current operations.

We are optimistic for the fall and expect to be on campus and in-person for university activities in September. Detailed planning for the fall 2021 semester is ongoing.

#### Research:

Alison Farrell, Public Services Librarian at the Health Sciences Library, will lead a workshop of research data management hosted by Memorial's Strategic Institutional Research Initiatives (SIRI) office – a unit within the vice-president (research) portfolio on June 8th. The workshop will focus on the evolving landscape of research data and how to manage it. The session will cover the key takeaways from the newly released Tri-Agency Research Data Management policy as well as the RDM services and resources available at Memorial.

Dr. Patrick Gamsby, Scholarly Communications Librarian, published a [blog article](#) titled "Integrating Open Access and Interdisciplinary Scholarship for the Love of Wisdom" in *Transforming Society*, published by Bristol University Press and Policy Press.

#### Employee News

Don't miss our speakers at the [APLA 2021 Conference](#) scheduled for June 8-11 (shameless promotion).

- **The Ultimate Beehive of Knowledge: Using Wikipedia to Engage Communities** – Colleen Field, Jeannie Bail, [Mireille Eagan](#), [Silvia Gutiérrez De la Torre](#)  
Wednesday, June 9 - 9:30am - 10:30am
- **The Accidental Archivist: Collaborating Across Campuses and Communities to Preserve the Grenfell Campus, Memorial University Archive** – Crystal Rose, Colleen Quigley, Dr. John Bodner  
Wednesday, June 9 - 11:00am - 12:00pm

- **The Research Data Management Landscape at Two Atlantic Canadian Libraries** – Alison Farrell, Erin MacPherson, Melissa Rothfus  
Thursday, June 10 - 3:30pm - 4:30pm

**Ms. Susan E. Cleyle**, Dean of Libraries at Memorial University, is concluding her term at the end of July and will begin administrative leave.

**Paula Hennessey and Victor Hancock** of the QEII Library are retiring. Both have over 35 years of service each.

We had the following service award recipients:



## Cool Stuff

From Jan 18-March 28, our Grenfell branch did a virtual “Wanderlust Walking Challenge.” Over the course of 10 weeks, they completed 4,777,850 steps and covered approximately 3639.2km! Each member selected a region they always wanted to visit, then they “travelled” a total of 7 countries including France, Germany, Hawaii, Iceland, Peru, Poland & Uganda! Complete with weekly updates of pictures, maps, geographical and historical insights, and videos from each region. Special shout out to **Nicole Holloway** who organized and tracked all of their steps, and compiled beautiful and inspiring weekly email updates!

The First Space Gallery in the QEII Library is planning its annual faculty/staff exhibition and it will be a virtual exhibit on its [Facebook Page](#) again this year.

Librarians **Wendy Rodgers and Janet Goosney** developed a [library help video](#) for the virtual environment.