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Special Edition

NEWSLETTER

CONCLAVE XXXVII
AUGUST 9 - 11, 2019
THE LILLY LIBRARY
INDIANA UNIVERSITY

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Jim Brogan

Hello Everyone,

We decided that it would be good to highlight the upcoming Conclave with a Special Edition of the Newsletter. There are a few new facts that we wanted to share with everyone and we provided a printed copy of the agenda. We have also arranged a Monday activity. Jim Canary, of the Lilly staff, will facilitate a presentation on Tibetan papermaking; Jim is a hands-on expert in this field. We will also host a small but special exhibit of the miniature books published by James L. Weygand, you may know him better by his press name "The Press of the Indiana Kid." Details are included in this Newsletter.

This Conclave focus is on the fellowship and people of the MBS whose skills and friendship have made the MBS the enduring organization that it is. The Indiana Union Memorial, "Conclave Central," is a location that is very well suited for letting people meet, mingle, and enjoy each other's company. A time for people to get to know each other, put new names and faces together, as well as renewing old acquaintances.

I also want to introduce Donna Knoell as the recently appointed new MBS Newsletter Editor. Donna is an experienced editor who is also well versed in listening to ideas and suggestions from the readership.

Certainly hope to see you in Bloomington and THANK YOU again for your support of the Miniature Book Society.

Best Regards, Jim

Find a map of the IUM here:

<http://institutionalmemory.iu.edu/aim/bitstream/handle/10333/4307>

For a quick view of Bloomington, check out this site:

<https://www.chamberbloomington.org/about-the-area.html>

The 2019 Conclave will be held in the rolling hills of southern Indiana at Indiana University. The IU Campus is located on 1,933 acres of green space and boasts many historic buildings, including the Lilly Library.

Our MBS member host, Lori Dekydspotter, is the Head of Technical Services at the Lilly, which is known for its important rare book and manuscript collections. It is also home to the Ruth Adomeit Miniature Book Collection.

We will be staying right on campus at the Indiana Union Memorial, Biddle Hotel. It is a magnificent landmark known for its quality, comfort, and convenience. The hotel offers free parking, free Wi-Fi, and in-house cafes. The last day to make room reservations at the special MBS rate is **July 9th**.

To make your reservation, call:

800-209-8145



Use reservation code:

MINIBOOK19.

Rate: \$134 + tax/per night

- 1 Double Bed

\$189 + tax/per night

- 2 Double Beds or 1 King

IUM, Biddle Hotel
900 E Seventh Street
Bloomington, Indiana
812-856-6381



The Lilly Library,
dedicated on
October 3, 1960,
celebrates its 60th
anniversary next year.

Greetings from the Newsletter Editor

Hi everyone, I'm very pleased to have the opportunity to take the editor's seat so I can learn more about you and the world of miniature books. In past lives, I have written/edited newsletters on/for/about horticulture (The Herb Society of America), elder care, hospice, home care, community health education, middle school fitness, investing, retirement planning, nutrition, and Meals on Wheels.

I currently manage a content library for a global, 16,000-employee company that conducts clinical trials. I live in Charlottesville, Virginia and look forward to working with you. I welcome (and need!) your stories about you and your miniature book passion and expertise, so I hope you share your feedback on coming issues and let me know what you'd like to see in these pages. *See you in Bloomington!*

Donna - dmknoell@gmail.com



Map supplied by google maps.

FLYING?.....

The closest international airport is the Indianapolis International (IND), which is about an hour drive from Bloomington and the IU campus.

DRIVING?.....

From the north

- Take IN-37 S toward Bloomington.
- Exit IN-37 S onto IN-45 N/IN-46 E.
- Turn right on N. College Avenue.
- Turn left on W. Seventh Street.

From the south

- Take IN-37 N toward Bloomington.
- Exit IN-37 N onto W. Bloomfield Road.
- Continue onto W. Second Street.
- Turn left on S. Henderson Street.
- Continue straight onto S. Indiana Avenue.
- Turn right on E. Seventh Street.

From the east

- Take IN-46 W toward Bloomington.
- Continue straight onto E. Third Street.
- Turn right on S. Indiana Avenue.
- Turn right on E. Seventh Street.

From the west

- Take IN-45 N/IN-46 E toward Bloomington.
- Turn right on N. College Avenue.
- Turn left on E. Seventh Street.

WHERE TO PARK?

There are two lots adjacent to the Indiana Memorial Union, Biddle Hotel. Lots are open from 7:00am to midnight. Lot #1 is along the east side of the building with the entrance at the intersection of Seventh Street and Forrest Avenue. Lot #2 is located on the north side of the building, directly across Seventh Street. The entrance is on Eighth Street between Woodlawn and Forrest Avenues. Both are **pay lots**, but parking is **free** for Biddle Hotel guests.



Make 80
Keepsakes.....

Make Hotel
Reservations!

Send in
Conclave
Registration
Form & Fee

THIS YEAR'S CONCLAVE FEE IS \$325

NO A LA CARTE FEE IS AVAILABLE.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JULY 9, 2019

NO REFUNDS AFTER: JULY 9, 2019

FEE INCLUDES:

Welcome Bag with Goodies and Keepsakes

Saturday, Sunday, Monday: Full Breakfast

Friday: Speaker and Exhibit at the Lilly Library

Friday: Welcome Reception at the Lilly Library

Friday: Dinner and Silent Auction

Saturday: Two Workshops

Saturday: Evening Dessert Buffet and Live Auction

Sunday: MBS Book Fair

Sunday: Awards Banquet Dinner and Speaker

Optional Monday Activity:

Interactive Presentation of **Tibetan Papermaking** with a discussion of James Lamar Weygand and the Private Press of the Indiana Kid. Conducted by Jim Canary, Lilly Library with Jim Brogan, MBS President. \$50 fee includes a box lunch.



An assortment of keepsakes from past Conclaves.

Photos courtesy of Cathie Abney

Did you know....The largest collection of miniature books in the United States is held by the Lilly Library at Indiana University Bloomington. Donated by collector Ruth E. Adomeit, it numbers more than 16,000 items.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Miniature_book

Friday, August 9th

Indiana Union Memorial

10am-Noon Board of Governors Meeting

11-4pm Registration

Lilly Library (Transportation Available)

4-6pm Speaker: Maureen Maryanski & Sarah Mitchell, topic: Ruth Adomeit
Pop-Ups Exhibit
Welcome from Joel Silver,
Director & Curator of Early Books
& Manuscripts
Reception with Cash Bar

Indiana Union Memorial

6-7pm Silent Auction & Book Swap

7-9pm Dinner

Saturday, August 10th

Indiana Union Memorial

7-9am Breakfast

10am-Noon Off-site Outreach Event/Monroe County Public Library hosted by Patrice Miller, MBS member and Book Artist. This workshop will teach children 8-10 years old how to make miniature books.
(Not a Conclave attendee event)

10-11am Workshop – Jim Canary, Lilly Library Head Conservator

Saturday, August 10th

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- 11am-Noon Workshop – Andrew Rhoda, Lilly Library
Curator of Puzzles, focus on
miniature puzzles.
- 12:30-2pm Lunch On Own
- 2-3pm MBS General Meeting
- 4-7pm Dinner On Own
- 6:45-8pm Live Auction
- 7:30-9:30pm Cash Bar & Dessert Buffet

Sunday, August 11thIndiana Union Memorial

- 7-9am Breakfast
- 8-9am Book Fair Set-Up
- 9-11am Book Fair, open to MBS Members Only
- 11am-4pm Book Fair, Open To The Public
- 4-6pm On Own
- 5:30-7pm Membership Renewal
- 6-9pm Cash Bar
- 7-9:30pm Awards Banquet Dinner with Speaker
Prof. Christoph Imscher, Provost
Professor of English and the George F.
Getz, Jr. Professor in the Wells Scholars
Program.

Monday, August 12thIndiana Union Memorial

- 7-9am Breakfast

KEEPSAKES

Each year one of the most anticipated events is receiving the "Welcome Bag" and spreading the contents out on the hotel bed to look at all the keepsakes sent by members. There is always such a variety. From ornate to simple, each keepsake is treasured. JOIN IN..... Whether you can attend the Conclave or not; have a little fun and make a little something to add to the surprise. This year we're asking for a quantity of 80 keepsakes. Please be sure Lori receives them by July 9th.

Send to: Lori Dekydtspotter
 c/o The Lilly Library
 1200 East Seventh Street,
 Bloomington, Indiana 47405-5500

SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS

Seeking donation items for our 50/50 split Silent Auction. Items should be of higher quality. The winning dollar bid is split with the donor 50/50..... Unless they choose to donate the entire winning dollar bid to the Miniature Books Society. The deadline for Karen to receive these donations is August 1st.

Send to: Karen Nyman
 7835 Rush Rose Drive #124
 Carlsbad, CA 92009

LIVE AUCTION DONATIONS

Also asking for miniature book related items for our sometimes raucous and always entertaining Live Auction. This is a good opportunity to weed-out those doubles or thin out your collection so you can buy more! Items should be of good quality. 100% of the proceeds will go to the MBS Student Grant Awards. Cathie asks you send in your donations by July 9th.

Send to: Cathie Abney
 3105 Milton Road
 Middletown, Ohio 45042

Many, many thanks to all who generously donate their time and the items that make these events so successful every year.

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