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Heard Libraries' new digital footprint enhances scholarship

Library users will experience faster, more robust searches and other digital improvements that foster learning and discovery, thanks to the July 24 launch of a new [integrated library system](#), a refreshed website and a new online course readings system. [More](#)



Members of the Eskin family, along with University Librarian Valerie Hotchkiss (front left), Eskin Library Director Philip Walker (front, fourth from left) and



Dear Friends and Library Lovers,

Welcome to the new school year and a brand new online Library Catalog! We unveiled the [new system](#) in late July after a yearlong effort to migrate the data from the old system and configure the new catalog into a user-friendly, high-powered research tool. I hope you will try it and let us know what you think.

We were busy on other fronts as well, opening the completely renovated Annette and Irwin Eskin Family Biomedical Library and

other university representatives, gathered for the reopening of the Annette and Irwin Eskind Family Biomedical Library and Learning Center following a yearlong, \$12.9 million renovation. (Vanderbilt University)

Renovated Eskind Library opens, prepared to support training of future generations of physicians

[The Annette and Irwin Eskind Family Biomedical Library and Learning Center](#) opened July 18 after a yearlong, \$12.9 million renovation with infrastructure improvements and updates to support the continuing evolution of medical education. [More](#)



Vanderbilt Television News Archive celebrates 50 years of recording and saving TV news

By Thomas Alan Schwartz

Fifty years ago, in the middle of a typically hot and humid Nashville summer, a Metropolitan Life insurance manager named Paul Simpson sat with Frank Grisham, the director of the Vanderbilt University library, in the rare books room of the main library building.

Using three Ampex video recording machines, three television sets and \$4,000 of Simpson's own money, they began what they thought would be a 90-day experiment: From then until election night in November, they would record the ABC, NBC and CBS evening news broadcasts, which usually aired at the same time. Read [more](#) from Prof. Schwartz's piece on

Learning Center in August, just in time for a fresh new crop of School of Medicine students. Library staff worked over the summer on other projects, including a new look for the Public Services desk in Central Library and a fresh design for the library website. We also opened two new exhibitions: "Vandy Goes to War" and "Vanderbilt Silver." And we celebrated a milestone: 50 years of recording broadcast news. Vanderbilt's TV News Archive is the oldest, largest and most important television news resource in the world.

In short, we are expanding access to resources, encouraging research, teaching information literacy skills, and re-imagining the library. I hope you'll visit soon to see for yourself.



The Conversation. The piece was also republished in *The Smithsonian*.



Friends of Vanderbilt's Libraries— Antiquarian Book and Manuscript Roadshow

Have you always wanted to know more about that slim volume of poetry that belonged to Cousin Blanche? Wondered how to preserve Uncle Joe's letters from the front? Or maybe you just need some tips on starting your own book collection? Why not bring your questions to the experts at the Friends of Vanderbilt's Libraries' Antiquarian Book and Manuscript Road Show on November 7 in the Central Library Community Room. [More](#)

Curator talks give inside look at library collections

Join us for fascinating talks this semester led by Vanderbilt library exhibit curators. Topics range from "The History of the Tarot Card" to "Alchemy and Medicine." The talks take place in the Central Library Special Collections Reading Room on Wednesdays at 11:10 a.m. [More](#) including a complete listing of events.

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