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accomplishments of Abraham Lincoln and Andrew Johnson.

The Library's Events @ The Library Program hosted a Banned Books Week event in which GSW students, faculty, and staff participated in a trivia contest. Each day a question regarding a banned book was sent by email to students, faculty, and staff members. All entrants who turned in a correct answer for the day were placed in a drawing pool, from which one student and one faculty/staff member were chosen as winners. The program also hosted the Library Holiday Tree Event where patrons made ornaments to decorate the library's holiday trees. The Events @ The Library Committee is gearing up to co-host an event with Hurricane Otaku, the new student anime club, at which the animated "Transformers: The Movie" (1986) will be shown.

This semester the library is pleased to offer two new services. Located on the first level is a snack lounge that has snack and drink machines with tables and chairs for patron use. We also purchased Flip Video cameras for students, faculty, and staff and are offering them for check out. »»

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The decertification of the Professional Air Traffic Controllers Organization (PATCO) stands as a watershed in American labor history, continuing to inform labor-management relations in the United States to this day. Researchers interested in studying PATCO's records will soon have access to them online.

The National Historic Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) has awarded a grant in the amount of \$90,000.00 to Georgia State University Library to digitize portions of this controversial union's records and make them available online. The PATCO records are already part of Georgia State's Southern Labor Archives. Work on the project is expected to take approximately 20 months; at its completion, all scanned documentation (about 179,000 pages of text) will be searchable, for free. The project will begin in April 2011.

The Professional Air Traffic Controllers Organization (PATCO) spent the 1970s struggling to improve the American air traffic control system and the working conditions of its members. When numerous bruising negotiations with the FAA could not provide an adequate response to their needs, the union, under more aggressive leadership, went on strike August 3, 1981. Despite receiving PATCO's support during his election bid, Pres-

ident Reagan responded to the strike by firing more than 11,000 air traffic controllers and decertifying the union.

The National Historical Publications and Records Commission, a statutory body affiliated with the National Archives and Records Administration, supports a wide range of activities to preserve, publish, and encourage the use of documentary sources, created in every medium ranging from quill pen to computer, relating to the history of the United States.

Digitizing the PATCO records is part of Georgia State University Library's ongoing effort to redefine itself, providing numerous resources, quality assistance, modern technology and a welcoming setting. Today, the library is truly universal on campus; it is the center that unites the entire university.

For more information, contact Barbara Petersohn, Digital Projects and Grants Librarian, Georgia State University Library, at 404-413-2860 or bpetersohn@gsu.edu. »»

University of Georgia news and notes

Fred Mills had quite a reputation – as a virtuoso trumpet player, an inspirational teacher, an enthusiastic performer and as someone whose generosity was unparalleled.

Mills joined the University of Georgia (UGA) School of Music in 1996 to establish its trumpet program after traveling for nearly 25 years with the legendary Canadian Brass. Mills' life ended in a September, 2009 car accident when he was returning to Athens from an overseas performance.

"In recognition of the tremendous contributions that Fred made to the music world, of the scores of people around the world who were touched by his life and teaching, and particularly the wonderful brass program at the University of Georgia, to which he devoted his post-Canadian Brass life, his family felt that it was fitting for his music collection — scores of original compositions, recordings, videos, posters and artifacts — to be housed in the UGA Libraries, where they can continue to benefit people for years to come," said Robert Sutherland, a longtime friend of Mills and chief librarian of the Metropolitan Opera.

More than a dozen trumpets from Mills' collection of brass instruments will be housed at the UGA School of Music, where they will be checked out by students for use in the ensembles and work on lesson and recital assignments. "It's a wonderful resource to have for our