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Library Olympics: The Power of Friendly Competition

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SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY
- Reference olympic glory! motivating student employees through competitive training Scholars@JWU, 2011-04-01.

OLYMPICS DAY
- Opening Ceremony and Food
- 3 Mental Events (with trophies)
- 3 Physical Events (with trophies)
- Medal Ceremony

EARLY YEARS 2011-12
- More a creative outlet for the Stacks supervisor
- Less planning, little promotion, few pictures
- Monitor which events go well and which to cut

FUTURE PLANS
- Collaborate with other library departments
- Promote and advertise with more social media
- New projects result in new events

ENGAGEMENT:
test shelving knowledge; creative ways of problem-solving.

ADVOCACY:
highlights areas requiring more training; draws attention to stacks from all levels of the library.

OUTREACH:
include Circulation Desk students in the contest, hire a diverse set of student workers.

RECENT YEARS 2013–14
- More targeted to events popular with students
- Longer planning, better promotion, more pictures
- Greater staff interest, tight-knit group of participants

OPENING CEREMONIES

POPULAR WITH STUDENTS
- Dumpster Shootout
- Microfilm Cornhole

POPULAR WITH STAFF
- Book Balancing
- Bookend Tower

MEDALS 2013

MEDALS 2014

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