In our Spring 2012 issue we were excited to announce our new digital media lab as the “next evolution at the Millstein Library.” Funded by money from the R.K. Mellon grant and the Carl F. Poke endowment, we spent the summer of 2012 restructuring our old computer lab to accommodate our new equipment and devices.

Since then, we have seen a steady increase in the use of the media lab for poster printing, video editing, scanning, and music composition.

Currently we are collaborating with Dr. John Prellwitz, Associate Professor of Communication at Pitt Greensburg and student Nathan LaSor to implement a new level of services for video production in the digital media lab. With more funding from the R.K. Mellon grant, we have begun the process of ordering high end video cameras and accompanying equipment as well as new software and devices to move our production capabilities to the next level. This time around students will also have access to MacBook Pro laptops and a new collaborative workstation and other furnishings supplied by the Poke endowment.

I think we will soon be truly ready “for our closeup, Mr. DeMille!”

Please consult our Digital Media LibGuide, which will be updated as we reinvent our lab over the next few months!

-Pat Duck

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**Graphic Novels**

Graphic novels in the Millstein Library’s collection have been relocated to the second floor reading room area for ease of use and browsability. The popularity and study of graphic novels has been growing rapidly over the past several years and the library has been adding appropriate titles to the collection to foster this interest. With input from English professor Dr. Elisa Beshero-Bondar, a special LibGuide (Graphic Novels @ the Pitt Libraries) was created last year.

Graphic novels have red stickers to identify their shelving location.
SUMMER WINDOW DISPLAYS

"50 Years of The Rolling Stones" displays highlights of their history and current tour. The displays include photographs, memorabilia, and tour shirts from 1972-2013 from Bonnie’s personal collection.

FRIENDS OF THE MILLSTEIN LIBRARY

The Friends of the Millstein Library are alumni, retired and current faculty and staff members, students, and members of the community who are interested in promoting and supporting the library and its activities.

Anyone may join the Millstein Friends. There are various categories:

**Pitt Alumni** who have graduated from any campus may become a Friend of the Millstein Library for only $10 per year.

**Friend** is a member of the community or a graduate of another institution for $25 per year.

**Family** (up to four members of a family) may become a friend of the library for $50 per year.

As a Friend of the Millstein Library, you will have access to approximately 100,000 items in the library, including books, CDs, and DVDs. For more information, go to: [http://www.library.pitt.edu/green/friends.html](http://www.library.pitt.edu/green/friends.html)

The group offers an annual $500 scholarship to a Pitt-Greensburg senior majoring in library or information science.

NEW MICROFILM READER

The Millstein Library has acquired a new microfilm reader with additional features and capabilities. The new reader connects to a Windows computer, monitor, and printer. It also has the capability to save images to a flash drive. Use of the library’s microfilm collection remains popular, especially with patrons looking up obituaries for their genealogical research in the Greensburg Tribune-Review.

Additional information about the microfilm policy can be found at this site: [http://www.library.pitt.edu/green/archives.html](http://www.library.pitt.edu/green/archives.html)

The fundraisers for the Friends of the Millstein Library, Sigma Tau Delta, and the Spanish Club will continue throughout the summer term. K-cup coffee, candy, snacks, & pop are available at the library front desk.

The new microfilm reader with attached computer
**NEW MATERIALS**

**NOTE:** ACCESS TO ULS DATABASES IS RESTRICTED TO CURRENT PITT FACULTY, STAFF, AND STUDENTS

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**CHILDREN’S LITERATURE CONFERENCE**

The 2013 Pitt-Greensburg Children’s Literature Conference was held on Friday, May 3. Brian Pinkney and Siobhan Vivian were the featured speakers. Librarians, educators, and writers from Pitt-Greensburg and the community attended the annual event. Next year’s conference will be held on Friday, May 2, 2014, and feature author Steve Sheinkin.

**FEATURED DVDS IN THE LIBRARY**

Silver Linings Playbook is now available on DVD in the Millstein Library. The film was nominated for eight Academy Awards, with Jennifer Lawrence winning the Best Actress Oscar. The film also stars Bradley Cooper, Robert De Niro, Jacki Weaver, and Chris Tucker.

Bradley Cooper plays Pat Solitano, who is discharged from a mental institution by his parents after attacking his wife’s lover. Still obsessed with his wife, he is set up with Tiffany (Lawrence), a recent widow who asks him to join her in a dance competition. The film explores the budding relationship between these two damaged people as they try to find silver linings and overcome their past. Cooper, De Niro, and especially Lawrence give outstanding performances in Silver Linings Playbook, one of the best films of the year. Check it out today!