The Millstein Library, named for Fanny Millstein, mother of former UPG Advisory Board chair Jack Millstein, celebrates its fifteenth birthday this year. Over the years the library has evolved to support the changing needs of students, adding a wireless network and laptops as part of its commitment to service and learning at Pitt Greensburg. The addition of our unique stained glass artwork (Upward to the Light) by artist Terry Bengel in 2005 and the celebration of the annual winter gala, La Cultura, has further enhanced the beauty and reputation of this fine building.

This winter we will begin yet another chapter in our library’s history, adding an outdoor patio adjacent to the reading room on the first floor as well as additional group study rooms and a new psychology lab.

If you haven’t been by lately, please visit us soon. Come summer, look for us sipping our lattes on the new patio!

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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT

After 40 years at the University of Pittsburgh, Clara Vana, Assistant Director of the Millstein Library, will retire at the end of the spring term. Clara also worked at Pitt’s Hillman Library and Falk Medical Library, and earned her library science degree from Pitt.

Although she will retire, Clara plans to continue as a board member of the Friends of the Millstein Library. “I also hope to travel, do some gardening, and do volunteer work to occupy my time,” Clara said.

Visit the library soon and wish Clara a happy retirement!
Children's Literature Conference

The 14th Annual Pitt-Greensburg Children's Literature Conference will be held on Friday May 7, 2010. Writer, historian and critic Leonard Marcus and illustrator Betsy Lewin will be the featured speakers.

Leonard Marcus has written many books including: Minders of Make-Believe: Idealists, Entrepreneurs, and the Shaping of American Children's Literature; Golden Legacy: How Golden Books Won Children's Hearts, Changed Publishing Forever, and Became an American Icon Along the Way; Dear Genius: The Letters of Ursula Nordstrom; A Caldecott Celebration; and The Wand in the Word: Conversations with Writers of Fantasy.

Betsy Lewin has illustrated many books including: Balarama A Royal Elephant, Cat Count, Chubbo’s Pool, What’s the Matter Habibi, Gorilla Walk, and Groundhog Day.

Full-time college students may attend the conference for a discounted rate. Previous attendees can receive a discount if they bring one or more new attendees! For more information visit http://www.library.pitt.edu/green/webclc.html

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.

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

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

One Book, One Community

The Millstein Library is pleased to present our sixth One Book, One Community on April 7-8,2010.

Join faculty, staff, students and community to read and reflect on: Darfur Diaries: Stories of Survival by Jen Marlowe. Books will be distributed free of charge courtesy of the Friends of the Millstein Library, SGA and the UPG Villages. Village Credit will be given to students for participation in this event! For more information, visit our webpage at: http://www.library.pitt.edu/green/onebook.html or contact Pat Duck at 724 836 9689, pmd1@pitt.edu.

Construction will begin soon on a new outdoor patio overlooking the athletic fields!
NEW MATERIALS

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

ULS Databases
Religious & Theological Abstracts
Brill’s Encyclopedia of China
GreenFILE
Rand Reports
Guide to Reference

Books at UPG
The Lost Symbol
Tear Down This Wall
The Will of the People
The Genius of the Beast
Vampires Today
Wordcrime
The Snakehead
After the Prophet
Wetware

DVDs at UPG
The Dark Knight
Batman Begins
Kill Bill vol. 1
Star Trek
Up
Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner
La Leon
Titus

MEET THE STAFF

Sandy Buehner will celebrate her 10th anniversary at Pitt-Greensburg on May 1, 2010. Sandy began as the Office Services Specialist. In 2006, Sandy was promoted to Library Specialist, and is currently responsible for placing orders and copy cataloging materials. In addition, she is the technology liaison responsible for maintenance of the library computer equipment along with Information Systems.

Sandy is married and has two grown daughters. When her oldest began college at Pitt-Johnstown in 2003, Sandy decided to continue her own education with the goal of a Bachelor of Science degree in Information Science. On April 25, 2009, she received her degree, 33 years after beginning her college education. “You are never too old to learn. I am very thankful that Pitt provides tuition benefits. These benefits allowed me and my two daughters to get college degrees from Pitt.”

In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with friends and family. She also works on crafts – currently beading bracelets, crocheting, and knitting. Sandy is active in her church as a member of church council, worship choir, and bell choir.

FEATURED MOVIES IN THE LIBRARY

Batman Begins and The Dark Knight are now available in the Millstein Library. Both films are directed by Christopher Nolan and star Christian Bale as Batman.

The movies in this series reboot, and have no connection to the previous Batman films. They feature a darker tone and more realistic villains.

In Batman Begins, Batman battles The Scarecrow and Ra’s al Ghul. In The Dark Knight, Batman battles The Joker and Two-Face.

Heath Ledger’s Oscar-winning performance as The Joker in The Dark Knight steals the show as one of the most memorable villains of all time. Both movies feature stellar supporting casts, including Morgan Freeman, Gary Oldman, Michael Caine, Cillian Murphy, Aaron Eckhart, and Maggie Gyllenhaal.