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IT'S NOT ABOUT THE BOOK!

Not a week goes by that I don't get the question "is the library going away?" Of course by that they usually mean, "will the books go away?" Of course it doesn't help that most every week I see a new article in the *Chronicle of Higher Education* that debates the demise of the printed book and the library as a viable institution.

The latest conundrum appears to be the crisis over "e-books." Apparently, certain publishers now want to impose a "checkout limit" for new books licensed to libraries. Curiously, the checkout limit for e-books has been decreed at 26. I'm

not sure how they came up with this magic number but after the checkout limit has been reached, it would be time for the library to pay for another round of access.

So while libraries have been trying to provide greater access to patrons via purchasing an e-book, publishers are trying to gouge us again for the same content. Seems to me that we were probably better off buying a printed copy ONCE and lending it out like the good old days.

Don't get me wrong—I am all in favor of e-books and any other decent format that is available

to library patrons. But that is just my point: the library is about **access to information and service**, not books. Our format and delivery may change but our commitment to the best access and service will always be there for you.

-Pat Duck, pmd1@pitt.edu



Librarian Amanda Folk helping a
Pitt-Greensburg student

ONE BOOK, ONE COMMUNITY

On March 18, author and Pitt Professor Kathleen George discussed her Pittsburgh detective novel *"The Odds"* with attendees at the annual **One Book, One Community** event.

Members of the Pitt-Greensburg faculty, staff, and community read *"The Odds"* and discussed the novel with Prof. George on the second floor of the Millstein Library.

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2011 CHILDREN'S LITERATURE CONFERENCE

The 15th Annual Pitt-Greensburg Children's Literature Conference was held on Friday, May 6. Over 100 librarians, educators, presenters, and students attended the conference.

Public Services Librarian Anna Mary Williford and staff member Diane Hughes coordinated the conference.

The featured speakers were award-winning authors Richard

Peck and Jim Aylesworth. Many local librarians and educators presented breakout sessions on a variety of topics related to children's literature.

Richard Peck and Jim Aylesworth also signed copies of their books for conference attendees at the end of the day's events.



Authors, presenters, and library staff at the 2011 Children's Literature Conference

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 Pitt-Greensburg 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>

Looking for past issues of campus publications?

Visit the Millstein Library archives website at

www.library.pitt.edu/green/archives.html

COLLEGE DAY

On March 23, students from the Clelian Heights School for Exceptional Children visited the Millstein Library during their annual College Day event. The group of 25 students participated in many creative activities.

Pitt-Greensburg students from Prof. Melissa Marks' special

education class planned the day's events, which featured a theme of "Across the Decades." The activities focused on Music, Clothes, Toys, Transportation, and Technology Across the Decades.

Faculty and staff members also donated items for the

"goody bags" given to each Clelian Heights student. The students received a completion certificate at the end of the day.



Clelian Heights students receive their certificates of completion at College Day.

NEW MATERIALS

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

ULS Databases

Homeland Security Digital Library

Chicago Manual of Style

Cabell's Directories of Publishing Opportunities for Business and Education

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Books at UPG

33 Men

Philosophy Bites

The Gun

The Fiery Trial

Combat Trauma

Genetic Twists of Fate

Inside the Igloo

When the World Calls

Mozart and the Nazis

DVDs at UPG

The Fighter

127 Hours

Beauty and the Beast

Black Swan

Tangled

Tron: Legacy

The Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Part 1



MEET OUR STUDENT WORKERS

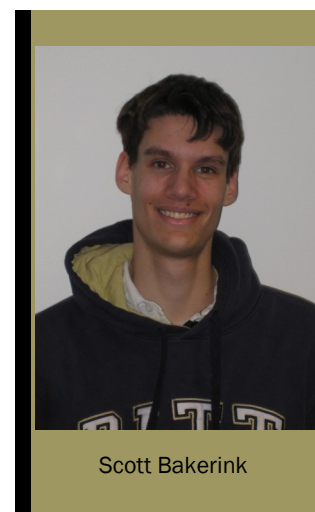
Scott Bakerink is a freshman commuter student at Pitt-Greensburg. He is majoring in Political Science and plans to attend law school after graduation. At 6'6" Scott is easy to spot in a crowd. He attended high school at Greater Latrobe. Scott also lived in Ohio for nine years before moving to Pennsylvania.

In high school, Scott was a member of the marching band

and the track team, where he participated in the long jump, triple jump, and the 4x400 meter relay. Scott holds the 11th longest distance in school history and ran the second leg of the 2010 county champion 4x400 team. At Pitt-Greensburg, Scott enjoys participating in many campus activities.

When asked about his favorite part of working in the library,

Scott said, "I like working in the Millstein Library for its quiet atmosphere and its helpful and friendly staff. I have enjoyed my time and experience in the library this year."



Scott Bakerink

FEATURED MOVIES IN THE LIBRARY

Academy Award winning director Danny Boyle's latest film, *127 Hours*, tells the true story of Aron Ralston, a mountain climber who became trapped in a canyon in Utah after a boulder pinned his arm.

127 Hours was nominated for six Academy Awards in 2011, including Best Picture, Best

Actor, and Best Editing. James Franco gives an excellent performance as Ralston, who must summon the strength to free himself and hike to safety after five days.

Danny Boyle once again shows why he is one of the most acclaimed and successful directors today,

following such films as *Trainspotting*, *The Beach*, *28 Days Later*, *Sunshine*, and *Slumdog Millionaire*.

Check out *127 Hours* today to experience one man's extraordinary triumph over a hopeless situation.

