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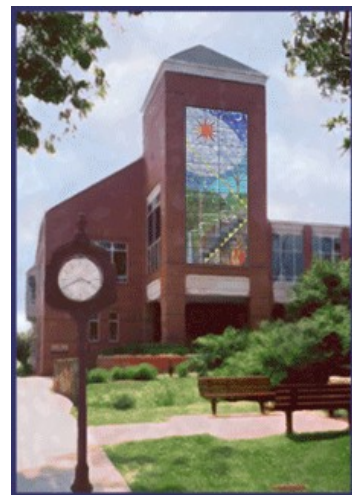
THE BEST OF TIMES, OR THE WORST OF TIMES?

Recently I was asked to submit a proposal for an American Library Association session for the summer 2012 conference on the status of academic librarianship. In my proposal, I asked the oft-used quote from Charles Dickens' *"A Tale of Two Cities,"* "the best of times or the worst of times," to question how we are doing as academic librarians these days. Needless to say, the question lit up my listserv like a Christmas tree! It hit a nerve and that got me to thinking about libraries in general, and the economic upheaval all of us have been

experiencing this year and how we might deal with this situation now and in the future.

Given the current environment how do we maintain or improve our situation? Is this really the "best of times" where we can redefine, reevaluate, and retool ourselves, or is it the "worst of times," where we experience continued "workload creep" and patiently wait out the current recession/depression?

I hope it is not the latter, but either way, I hope we move forward, not backward. Here's to a glass half full! -Pat Duck.

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THE "A" TEAM!

For all your research needs, contact The "A" Team at the Millstein Library. Amanda Folk, Reference/Public Services Librarian, and Anna Mary Williford, Instruction/Public Services Librarian, are ready to answer any reference questions on any topic for any class. The "A" Team will also teach you the research skills necessary to find the best sources for your papers and projects. Look for postcards around campus featuring The "A" Team this fall. Contact Amanda or Anna Mary today and get The "A" Team on your side!

Trying to get that "A"?



Amanda & Anna Mary

DON'T BE A FOOL!**ASK** ◀.....▶**THE "A" TEAM**Ask the librarians @ Millstein Library
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STUDENT WORKER RECOGNITION

On Friday April 15, the annual Student Worker Recognition Lunch was held at the Millstein Library. The student workers enjoyed pizza and were presented with certificates and t-shirts by Reference/Public Services Librarian and student supervisor Amanda Folk. Student workers perform many tasks essential to the operation of the Millstein Library.



Reference /Public Services Librarian Amanda Folk presents Horia Ali with a certificate for two years of service.



Amanda Folk with student workers (left to right) Scott Bakerink, James Finger, and Horia Ali.

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:

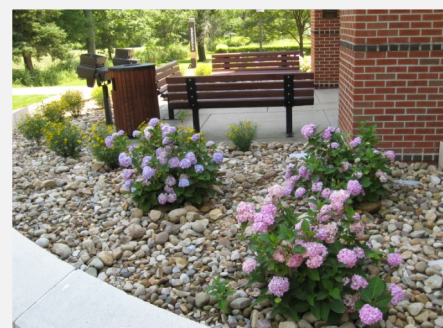
Pitt Alumni who have graduated from any campus may become a Friend of the Millstein Library for only \$10 per year.

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>

The Friends of the Millstein Library donated to the Pitt-Greensburg Campus Beautification Committee for new landscaping and sidewalk furniture around the library seen in the pictures below.



NEW MATERIALS

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

ULS Databases

Encyclopedia of Library and Information Sciences

Abstracts in Anthropology

Encyclopaedia of Islam

Latin American Newsstand

Bibliography of British and Irish History

The World Scholar: Latin America & the Caribbean Database

Books at UPG

Neutrino

Reel Men at War

Holy Bones, Holy Dust

The Storm of War

Life Without Oil

Berlin 1961

Why Jane Austen?

Medieval Intrigue

Tales from Facebook

DVDs at UPG

The King's Speech

Legend of the Guardians

Japan's Killer Quake

Inside Job

Gnomeo & Juliet

To Kill a Mockingbird

I Am Number Four

True Grit



SUMMER WINDOW DISPLAYS



The entrance display features the Pitt-Greensburg theatre department's posters and programs.



The exit display features Pittsburgh Penguins Hockey books, news articles, clothing, and other fan items.

Bonnie Chambers created the window displays inside the library's main entrance and exit for the months of June and July.

FEATURED BOOKS & MOVIES IN THE LIBRARY

The King's Speech, winner of four Academy Awards including Best Picture, Best Director, Best Actor, and Best Original Screenplay is now available in the Millstein Library. The film tells the true story of Britain's King George VI (Colin Firth) who must overcome a speech impediment to rally Britain

against Germany with a radio address during World War II. Queen Elizabeth (Helena Bonham Carter) urges the King to seek help from unorthodox and unlicensed speech therapist Lionel Logue (Geoffrey Rush). Firth, Rush, and Carter all give outstanding performances in the film.

The book is also available in the Millstein Library, and was written by Lionel Logue's grandson Mark Logue, who discovered Lionel's diaries and notes from his sessions with King George VI. Check out *The King's Speech* book or DVD today!

