

## MILLSTEIN MATTERS

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THE DIGITAL MEDIA LAB:  
THE NEXT EVOLUTION AT THE MILLSTEIN LIBRARY

When the Millstein Library opened in 1995, we designated **room 162 as a “word processing lab.”** At that time we had four devices: two dedicated to WordPerfect and **two that had an “astounding”** cd program from Grolier featuring an online encyclopedia! My how times have changed! Today there are 10 computers in 162 all featuring a vast array of resources provided by the University of Pittsburgh. Students do research, write papers, create spreadsheets, and yes, post to Facebook.

**The next evolution of our “word processing lab” will take place** this summer, when we redesign our lab to accommodate the next evolution in libraries: the digital media lab. The lab is being supported by funding from the R.K. Mellon grant that was recently obtained by Pitt-Greensburg and the Carl F. Poke endowment.

The new lab will feature equipment and space for students and faculty to experiment with image production tools and technologies and develop proficiency in editing their

multimedia projects. Color printing for projects and posters will also be available as well as a Korg keyboard to foster original musical compositions. Patrons will also be able to check out cameras and other equipment to produce their own films.

The library hopes to have our new lab up and running by the fall 2012 term. —Pat Duck

\*\*\*Check out the [Scholar's Lab](#) at the University of Virginia, one of many new digital media initiatives in libraries! \*\*\*

## PITTSTOP VIDEOS

Reference/Public Services Librarian Amanda Folk is featured in a new series of PITTStop videos from the University Library System highlighting content and library services. The first video instructs viewers on searching PITTcat+ for scholarly and peer-reviewed articles. To view the PITTStop videos, please visit:

<http://www.library.pitt.edu/guides/pittstop.html>

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## SPRING WINDOW DISPLAYS



Jim Vikartosky's displays featured philosophy books from classic works to pop-culture.



Diane Hughes's displays featured Newbery Medal winners and the Children's Literature Conference.

Jim Vikartosky and Diane Hughes created the window displays inside the library's main entrance and exit for the months of February through May.

## 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>

Free coffee will be available for students in the library beginning at 5 p.m. on April 16-19 and April 23-26. Sponsored by the Friends of the Millstein Library.

## COLLEGE DAY

On Wednesday, March 14, students from the Clelian Heights School for Exceptional Children visited the Millstein Library for their annual **College Day event**. This year's activities featured a Disney theme. Prof. Jeanne Moore coordinated the event with Pitt-Greensburg students and Librarian Anna Mary Williford.



## NEW MATERIALS

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

### ULS Databases

*Oxford History of Western Music*

*Something About the Author*

*Thomson ONE Analyst Research reports*

### Books at UPG

*American Way of Eating*

*President and the Assassin*

*Vonnegut & Hemingway*

*Dickens & the Workhouse*

### **London's Curse**

*Dethroning the King*

*Rocketeer Adventures*

*Pirates*

*Memoirs of an Addicted Brain*

### DVDs at UPG

*Hugo*

*J. Edgar*

*Girl with the Dragon Tattoo*

*Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy*

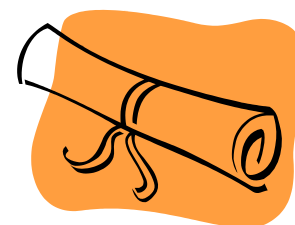
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*War Horse*

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## STUDENT WORKER RECOGNITION

On Monday, April 9, the annual student worker recognition lunch was held in the Millstein Library. All student workers received t-shirts, and two students earned certificates for multiple years of service. The students are supervised by Reference/Public Services Librarian Amanda Folk.

The student workers perform a variety of essential tasks

important to the functioning of the library. These tasks include shelving, processing, and covering books and other library materials. The student workers also staff the information desk, checking out items and helping other students find library materials. Thank you to all our student workers for a great year!



Student workers Nikki Sich and Beth Ann Luther

## FEATURED MOVIES IN THE LIBRARY

*The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo* is now available on DVD in the Millstein Library. Based on the novel by Stieg Larsson, the film stars Daniel Craig, Rooney Mara, Christopher Plummer, and Stellan Skarsgard. *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo* was nominated for five Academy Awards, including Best Actress, and

won the award for Best Editing. Daniel Craig plays journalist Mikael Blomkvist, **who investigates a woman's** disappearance 40 years ago. Rooney Mara plays Lisbeth Salander, a computer hacker who assists him in uncovering a serial killer of women and a corrupt family with terrible secrets.

This is the second film version of *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo*. A Swedish version was made in 2009. Readers may also be interested in the book: *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo and Philosophy: Everything is Fire*, which is available in the Millstein Library.

