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## MILLSTEIN MATTERS

#### WINTER 2014

## MILLSTEIN LIBRARY: THEN AND NOW

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As you can see below the library experienced a minor flood the day before the start of the spring semester. We actually dodged a bullet. The burst pipe triggered the alarm system and both security and the Hempfield fire department got here before the damage was extensive and turned off the water. Our maintenance staff worked tirelessly for hours soaking up the water and removing all the tiling debris from the floor. On Monday morning we didn't miss a beat, setting up a temporary information desk in front of our library computers. While there

is still work to be done, we are moving steadily forward. The information desk sustained the most damage and will need to be rebuilt.

This event reminded me that our library is now 20 years old. I remember watching the steel girders go up in 1994 when this area was basically a field and hillside. When we moved into the building in 1995 we did not yet have an information desk or a place to put our library computers. We had to setup tables for both the library computers and the information desk then too so I guess we have come full circle. Here's to no more floods and a much milder winter! -Pat Duck



Millstein Library under construction April 28, 1994. (Photo from the <u>UPG Visual History</u> collection by Dr. Stan Katzman.)

#### THE FLOOD OF 2014

At the beginning of the spring term, the information desk and administrative support office at the Millstein Library were flooded by a burst water pipe, causing significant damage to the affected areas. A temporary information desk has been set up in the middle of the first floor. All information services are available at the temporary desk until repairs are complete.



Staff member Sandy Buehner at the temporary information desk.

## WINTER WINDOW DISPLAYS



Sandy's entrance display featured books about food and drink.



Sandy's exit display featured books about nutrition.

## ATTENTION FUTURE LIBRARIANS!

ALA has more than \$300,000 for students who are studying library science or school library media at the master's degree level. Scholarships typically range from \$2,500 to \$6,500 per student per year.

The application and instructions are available at: <u>http://www.ala.org/</u> educationcareers/ scholarships.

# NANOWRIMO

Pitt-Greensburg and the Millstein Library held four "write-ins" for National Novel Writing Month, or NaNoWriMo.

During NaNoWriMo, participants set out to write 50,000 words of a new novel in the month of November. The write-ins took place on For questions, you may contact the ALA Scholarship Clearinghouse at 1-800-545-2433 ext. 4279 or scholarships@ala.org.

The Friends of the Millstein Library also offer an annual gift in the amount of \$500.00 to a UPG graduating senior or recent graduate, who has been accepted into graduate school for the purpose of pursuing a master's degree in Library or Information Science at an ALA-accredited institution of higher learning. This gift is to assist worthy and talented students entering the field of library or information science so they may help advance the field in the 21st Century. Please see our webpage for more information: http:// www.library.pitt.edu/friendsmillstein-libary-scholarship New Twitter Hours: @MillsteinLib

#asktheateam

Monday-Thursday: 8:30am–11:00pm

Friday: 8:30am–5:00pm

Sunday evenings and were open to the public. The students who attended were able to share ideas and help each other achieve the 50,000 word goal with exercises such as writing prompts. Coffee and snacks were also available to participants from the library's ongoing fundraisers. UPG senior and past winner Stephanie "Stevie" Bonine and Reference/Public Services Librarian Amanda Folk planned and assisted participants of the write-ins. Interested writers can register, find additional information, and prepare for next year at <u>nanowrimo.org</u>.



Sandy Buehner created the window displays inside the library's main entrance and exit for the months of December and January.

#### **NEW MATERIALS**

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

ULS Databases	Books at UPG	DVDs at UPG
OnePetro	Gold	42
ASTM Standards and Engineering Library Database	The Tuscarora War	Despicable Me 2
	Moving Innovation	The Exorcist in the 21st
	The Bully Pulpit	Century
	The Letters of Ernest	House of Cards
	Hemingway, v. 2	Monsters University
	Identical	White Like Me
	The Norman Conquest	Miss Representation
	The Horologicon	March



## UPCOMING CHILDREN'S LITERATURE CONFERENCE

The 18th Annual Pitt-Greensburg Children's Literature Conference will be held on Friday, May 2, 2014. This year's conference will feature author Steve Sheinkin and author/illustrator John Rocco. In addition to the featured speakers, the conference will offer a variety of Breakout Sessions for Librarians, Educators, and Writers. Lunch is provided and the featured speakers will hold a book signing at the end of the day.

More information about the conference, including a registration form, can be found on the Children's Literature Conference website:

http://www.library.pitt.edu/ annual-childrens-literatureconference





Steve Sheinkin

John Rocco

#### FEATURED BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

Volume 2 in the series, *The Letters of Ernest Hemingway*, is now available in the Millstein Library. Volume 2 covers the years 1923-1925, and includes many interesting letters that Hemingway wrote to fellow authors such as Ezra Pound, F. Scott Fitzgerald, and Gertrude Stein. Many of the letters are from his time in Paris. The letters, postcards, and telegrams show the development of Hemingway as a writer. Volume 1 in the series is also available in the Millstein Library, and covers the years 1907-1922.

There are 17 expected volumes in the series, which is edited by Sandra Spanier, Albert J. DeFazio III, and Robert W. Trogdon. More than 6,000 of Hemingway's letters have been collected for this project. These volumes are excellent sources for research papers on Hemingway's early life and reveal the inspiration behind his first novels and short stories.

