

MILLSTEIN MATTERS

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JUST THE FACTS: WE'VE COME A LONG WAY

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As many of you probably know, I will be retiring June 30 so this will be my last *Millstein Matters*. When I came to UPG there were only four buildings: Lynch Hall, Smith Hall, the student center (which is now McKenna Hall) and Powers Hall, which is where the library was located in one giant room and open to the hallway where students changed classes. It was a zoo, but it was also the place on campus for students to meet and greet and with only 3 employees at that time (including myself) it was quite an experience. When they hired

me in 1986 they said they were going to build a new library. Nine years later we moved into the Millstein Library.

We have so many buildings on campus now, I can't count them but happily this is still a place where students hang out and feel comfortable with a library staff that now numbers 7.

During these past years I have seen many changes at UPG and been a part of many exciting challenges. I look forward to participating in the future of the library through the Friends Board. Cheers! -Pat Duck



Above:

A very young Pat Duck (on the left) greeting a guest at the 25th UPG anniversary dinner at the Sheraton Hotel in Greensburg in 1988.

PITTCAT+ & LIBGUIDE UPDATES COMING SOON

[PITTCat+](#), the gateway for accessing materials owned by the University Library System, will soon be updated to version 2.0. The new version will feature many updates and enhancements to improve the search process. Version 2.0's features include Summon Topic Explorer, Suggested Librarian, Summon Scholar Profiles, Automated Query Expansion, Related Search Suggestions, Content Spotlighting, Discipline

Facets, and Personally Scoped Search Boxes and Widgets. A public preview of the new PITTCat+ is scheduled to begin May 1, with the official changeover scheduled for June 1.

[LibGuides](#) is also scheduled for a major update with a new interface and new features. LibGuides version 2 should be available in late April/early May. The new version will

improve access to research tools on a large variety of academic subjects.

When these updates are complete, students and faculty will have an outstanding new suite of features to enhance their research experience.

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SPRING WINDOW DISPLAYS



The entrance display featured materials from the Millstein collection about Pittsburgh while the



exit display featured items about pirates, real and fictional.

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

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 accepted into an ALA-accredited library or information science master's program.

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/friends-millstein-library>

The Friends of the Millstein Library will sponsor free coffee for students during finals from 5 p.m. until it runs out!

April 14-17 & April 21-24

UPG ARCHIVES WEBSITE

The UPG archives website has recently been moved and updated with a current inventory of items in the archives. The UPG archives index can now be found on the web at:

<http://www.pitt.edu/~upglib/Archives/archivesind.html>

The archives are located on the first floor of the Millstein

Library next to the computer lab. The archives contain items dating back to the founding of the Pitt-Greensburg campus in 1963. Items in the archives do not appear in PITTCat+ but patrons can consult the online index to determine if we have a specific item on the history of the campus.

The [UPG Visual History](#) image collection is also available online.

For any questions about the UPG archives, please call the library at 724-836-9687.

At right: Photo from the UPG Visual History database.



Lt. Commander Charles McKenna Lynch, 1918-1919

NEW MATERIALS

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

ULS Databases

Supreme Court Records and Briefs

The Making of Modern Law: Legal Treatises 1800-1926

Books at UPG

Flickering Light

Too Hot to Touch

Uncharted

Windfall

1177 B.C.

Inventing Chemistry

Politics of Voter Suppression

Putin's Wars

A Climate of Crisis

DVDs at UPG

Captain Phillips

American Hustle

Gravity

Frozen

Hunger Games: Catching Fire

Dallas Buyers Club

Ender's Game

Nebraska

Saving Mr. Banks

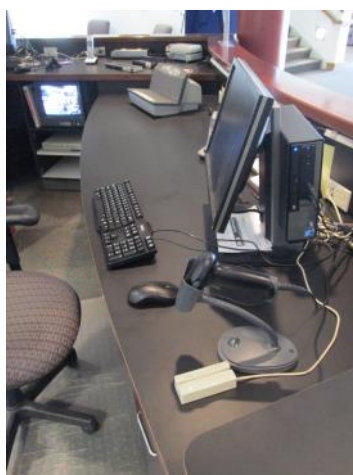


LIBRARY UPDATES

The library is finally back to normal after our January flood. The top of the information desk and several other counters, as well as most of the ceiling tiles, were replaced. The overhead lights have been moved to provide better lighting for staff and patrons.

A new printer, courtesy of the University Library System in Pittsburgh, has been installed in the Millstein Library computer lab. This printer affords more printing options for students in a much smaller space.

This summer additional upgrades will be made to the computer lab including new furniture, chairs and computers.



The new desktop at the front desk



The adjusted overhead lights

FEATURED DVDS IN THE LIBRARY

An all-star cast including Christian Bale, Bradley Cooper, Amy Adams, Jeremy Renner, and Jennifer Lawrence make *American Hustle* a pleasure to watch. An uncredited Robert De Niro also makes a surprise appearance. Nominated for 10 Academy Awards, the film follows a con man, his

assistant, and an FBI agent in 1978. Part comedy and part drama, *American Hustle* was one of the most entertaining films of 2013. All of the cast members give excellent performances, but Amy Adams steals the show as Sydney Prosser and her British alter ego. Adams and Lawrence won Golden Globe

awards for their performances.

American Hustle was co-written and directed by David O. Russell, who also directed *I Heart Huckabees*, *The Fighter*, and *Silver Linings Playbook*. *American Hustle* won the Golden Globe award for Best Motion Picture—Comedy or Musical.

