

**MILLSTEIN MATTERS**

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**CHANGE AT THE MILLSTEIN LIBRARY****LIBRARY STAFF****????****LIBRARY DIRECTOR**

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President Kennedy once said, "Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future." Change is certainly a law in libraries and in higher education, and there is much of it to look forward to.

Chancellor Nordenberg will soon be stepping down, and Dr. Patrick Gallagher will begin his tenure at the University. Rush Miller, Director of the University Library System, will be stepping down at the end of this year, and, as you know, Pat Duck recently retired after almost 30 years of service to this

campus. Just as faces change, so do places. The Millstein Library will have a number of exciting changes for students to come back to. We have new computer lab furniture that will accommodate more computers, and we will be creating a Wireless Workstation for our students to easily plug in and power up. We are also going to pilot a Relaxation Room by placing one of our soft chairs in a study room.

As we look to the future, it's also good to remember and appreciate the journey that our predecessors took to get us to

our current destination. Thank you to all of those who have made our present a reality!

**2014 CHILDREN'S LITERATURE CONFERENCE**

The 2014 Pitt-Greensburg Children's Literature Conference was held on Friday, May 2. Steve Sheinkin and John Rocco were the featured speakers. Librarians, educators, and writers from Pitt-Greensburg and the community attended the conference. Anna Mary Williford and Diane Hughes coordinated the conference.

*Right: Speakers, presenters and staff at the Conference.*

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## ARCHIVES DISPLAY



A new archives display greets patrons at the entrance to the Millstein Library. The “H2PG” display features Pitt football buttons and other Pitt artifacts from the past 30 years that are normally kept in the Millstein Library archives.

Many of the sayings on the football buttons refer to specific teams and football games that Pitt played in the past. A stuffed panther from Pitt’s 200th anniversary sits in the center of the display.

There are also several Pitt-Greensburg items, including a towel, two megaphones, and certificates from the *Tribune-Review* best college survey and the Norwin Chamber of Commerce. Visit the Millstein library today to view these interesting items from Pitt’s history.

## 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 award to a Pitt-Greensburg senior accepted into an ALA-accredited library or information science master’s program (see below).

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 Millstein Library is open throughout the summer term  
Monday  
Through Friday  
8:30am—  
5:00pm.

Congratulations to Kiera Mudry who received the 2014 \$500 Friends of the Millstein Library Award.

Right: Kiera accepting the award from the Friends of the Millstein Library Board.



## NEW MATERIALS

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

### ULS Databases

*Caribbean Newspapers,  
Series I, 1718-1876*

### Books at UPG

*The Science of Cheese*

*The Intelligent Web*

*Phake*

*Eating on the Wild Side*

*Moving Innovation*

*Media Messages*

*The Most Dangerous Book*

*The Age of Edison*

*Thinking Dead*

### DVDs at UPG

*Her*

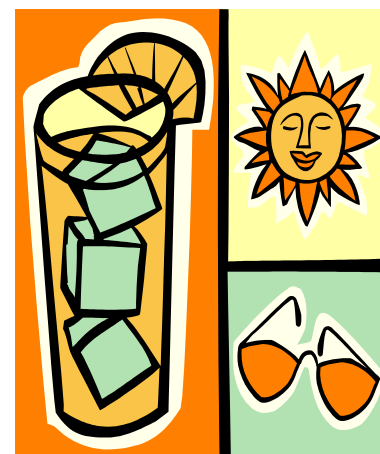
*The Wolf of Wall Street*

*The Lego Movie*

*House of Cards: Season 2*

*Reflections Unheard*

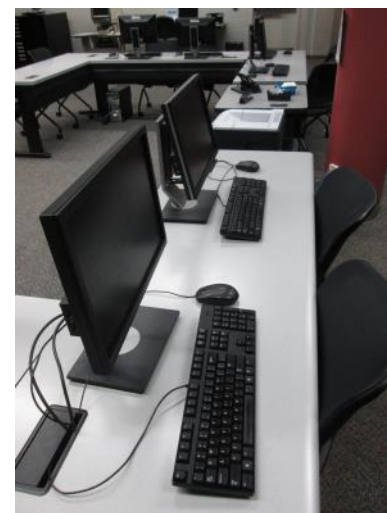
*Latinos Beyond Reel*



## LIBRARY UPDATES

Two Millstein library updates are being completed over the summer term. First (*at right*), a new area for wireless mobile devices has been added on the first floor of the library near the periodical room. The area features tables, chairs, and power strips for charging laptops, tablets, and other mobile devices.

Next (*far right*), new tables and chairs have been added to the Millstein Library computer lab. The tables allow the computer wires to be concealed, and the chairs are more compact and comfortable. This also creates more space for additional computers to be added to the lab.



## FEATURED DVDS IN THE LIBRARY

*Her*, the 2013 Academy-Award winner for best original screenplay, is now available on DVD in the Millstein Library. *Her*, one of the most unique and interesting films of the past few years, was also nominated for 4 other Oscars.

Joaquin Phoenix stars as Theodore, a man who writes letters for other people in the

not-too-distant future. After his divorce, Theodore buys an artificially intelligent operating system for his computer and phone, voiced by Scarlett Johansson. Theodore soon falls in love with the operating system, and struggles with the social implications. The film also stars Amy Adams, Rooney

Mara, and Olivia Wilde.

Phoenix, Johansson and Adams give spectacular performances to make the audience believe this bizarre love story. *Her* was written and directed by Spike Jonze, who also directed *Being John Malkovich*, *Adaptation*, and *Where the Wild Things Are*.

