

MILLSTEIN MATTERS

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ALIGNING THE LIBRARY WITH THE CAMPUS

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This week Yale's University Librarian, Dr. Susan Gibbons, presented the talk "Aligning the Library to the University" to the University Library System's (ULS) staff and other local librarians. This talk was part of the ULS's annual strategic planning efforts and was intended to help ULS staff think about ways in which our libraries can help our campuses meet their missions and visions for the future. While the examples that Dr. Gibbons gave of initiatives at both Yale and the University of Rochester (her previous institution) were helpful in getting the gears turning, one takeaway for me is that the Millstein Library has been doing this type of alignment work for many years. Dr. Gibbons spoke about finding ways that the library can help alleviate institutional pain points, such as student or faculty retention. In many ways, this is the approach that Millstein Library has been using

to be forward-thinking and to meet the needs of our students, faculty, staff, and community members. One recent example of this is the creation of the Digital Media Lab, which has been quite popular on campus and has helped the Pitt-Greensburg Media Group with some of its exciting projects (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hjqpAQDJMuk>, for example). Another example is the Millstein Library's work with the Greensburg campus and the ULS to pilot the HEDS Research Practices Survey, which will help our administrators and faculty benchmark our students' information literacy skills, as well as helping librarians to target instruction efforts to the areas in which students need the most help. As the Millstein Library transitions, we will continue to think about the needs of our campus in order to provide bold, innovative, and user-

centered services and collections to which our campus and community have become accustomed and has served the library and the campus well.

Amanda Folk



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY EXCELLENCE AWARD

The 2014 ULS Friends of the Library Excellence Award was presented to Frank Zabrosky at the annual ULS In-Service Day on August 15. Frank was nominated for the award by the Millstein Library staff. As stated in the nomination letter, "Frank Zabrosky's expertise has been crucial to the development and maintenance of the Pitt-Greensburg Archives at the Millstein Library. Frank has not only provided his expert guidance and mentorship to the Millstein Library and its staff for almost twenty years, Frank has helped to provide the Pitt-Greensburg campus with a valuable documentary history that is well-organized and easy-to-use." Frank was awarded a plaque (at right) that will be stored in the Millstein Library Archives. Thank you and Congratulations Frank!



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FALL WINDOW DISPLAYS



Sandy's displays featured Curriculum Collection books and kits.



Jim's displays featured books and movies about the American West and space exploration.

Sandy Buehner and Jim Vikartosky created the window displays inside the library's main entrance and exit for the months of August through November.

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.

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>

Chancellor Patrick Gallagher and Provost and Senior Vice Chancellor Patricia Beeson visited Pitt-Greensburg and the Millstein Library on Monday, October 6.

SELF-SERVE SCANNER

A new Scannx BookScanner 7145 is now available for patrons to use in the Millstein Library. The self-serve scanner features an easy-to-use touch screen interface and is located by the ULS public devices on the first floor of the library. The BookScanner can quickly save scanned images to a

flash drive or attach them to an email. The new scanner also has a larger glass area than the scanners in the digital media lab. This allows patrons to easily scan larger documents or multiple pages at once. Visit the Millstein Library and try the new scanner today!

The new Scannx BookScanner 7145



NEW MATERIALS

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

ULS Databases

RIPM Online Archive of Music Periodicals

The Current Digest of the Russian Press

Books at UPG

Flight 93

David and Goliath

Fukushima

The Riddles of the Hobbit

On Resistance

A Nation in the Red

Drugged

The Organized Mind

Film and Fairy Tales

DVDs at UPG

Inequality for All

The Roosevelts: An Intimate History

The Great Cathedral Mystery

Recount

The Day the Universe Changed



LIBRARY UPDATES



The Comfy Corner

Study room 165A has been renamed the "Comfy Corner." A soft chair has been added to the room for students to study in comfort. The room may be reserved at the information desk for 4 hours at a time.

Fridays at the Millstein Library are now "Freebie Fridays." A variety of free ULS-branded items will be available for students to pick up at the information desk. Don't forget to stop in this Friday!



Free stuff on Freebie Friday

FEATURED BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

That Religion in which All Men Agree: Freemasonry in American Culture, by David Hackett, is now available in the Millstein Library. The book chronicles the fascinating impact of Freemasonry in the History of the United States.

From George Washington laying the cornerstone of the

U.S. Capitol in 1793 in full masonic regalia, to accusations against Freemasons of occult practices; the book provides an interesting history of this "secret" fraternity in American Society.

Professor Hackett also reveals the positive and negative relationship that

Freemasonry has had with many different religions from the founding of the United States through the 20th century.

Readers interested in Religion, Freemasonry, and United States History will find *That Religion in which All Men Agree* an enlightening study.

