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## Message from the Director

Welcome to the Spring/Summer 2008 Library Newsletter. This season we're hitting our stride as we roll-out enhanced library services and resources. For starters, we're taking information literacy "to the streets" with our revved-up English 101 project on Blackboard. Several faculty are piloting this project, providing online tutorials and assessment within their English 101 course pages on Blackboard. Other action includes the addition of several new databases including: Annual Reviews Online, Choice Reviews Online, and SAGE Premier with over 460 journals available full-text. You don't want to miss these new resources. This spring we'll be piloting the Nursing Reference Center providing our nursing students and faculty with plenty of "evidence-based" point-of-care resources. Library Staff continue to provide awesome service to you library users. This month we feature another long-time librarian, Pam Shukitt. We want to hear from you so please be sure to take our annual library survey and make yourself eligible to win a \$50 Best Buy gift certificate. Finally, you won't want to miss our Spring Library events. Authors Laura Groff and Billie Travalini will be on campus to share experiences writing their newly published books. Ciao!

*- Jim McCloskey, Library Director*

## National Library Week 2008 Celebration

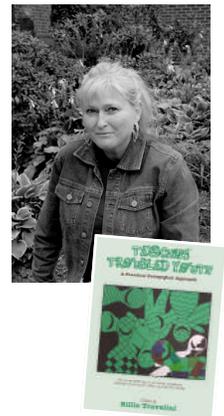
Wilmington University Library to celebrate National Library Week on April 17th.



National Library Week 2008 will be celebrated with the theme, "Join the circle of knowledge @ your library@." The Library invites you to join us for an evening with local author and faculty member, Billie Travalini. Billie will be giving a presentation on her newly published book, *Teaching Troubled Youth*. A panel of experts will then critique her book and provide feedback. Billie Travalini is also the author of many other works, notably her award-winning book entitled, *Bloodsisters*. Free refreshments at 5:30 and presentation at 6:00 on Thursday April 17, 2008 in the Doberstein Admissions Center Auditorium. All are welcome to attend! If you would like some more information on author Billie Travalini you can visit her website @ <http://www.billietravalini.com>.

The panel of experts include:

- Murphy Marbury- Supervisor of State of Delaware Comprehensive Aftercare Program
- Theresa Senio- Supervisor of Education Services, DE Dept. of Services for Children, Youth and Families
- Annie Norman- Director, Delaware Division of Libraries & State Librarian of Delaware
- Dr. Leonard Fitts- Superintendent of Glassboro, NJ School District
- Cheyann Gilroy- Student Representative, Masters in Administration of Justice, WU Library Worker
- Dr. Mary Edwards-Andrews- Principal of South Camden (NJ) Alternative School





"Books let us  
into their  
souls and lay  
open to us  
the secrets of  
our own."

-William Hazlitt

## TCLC and Wilmington University Library

Library Staff members play an important role in the Tri-State College Library Cooperative

For the first time in Wilmington University history three of the Library staff members chair committees in the Tri-State College Library Cooperative. Librarians Jim McCloskey, Adrienne Johnson, and Bill Smith all hold chair positions within the Cooperative. Librarians Jim McCloskey and Adrienne Johnson co-chair the Distance Learning Committee, which was founded in 2002 by Jim McCloskey. The ILL Committee is headed up by librarian Bill Smith. This past December Bill Smith hosted the Circulation Committee meeting here at Wilmington University. The Distance Learning Committee met here in late September of 2007. WU Distance Education Director, Sallie Reissman appeared as a guest presenter at the meeting. Library Director Jim McCloskey also serves on the Executive Committee and represents Wilmington University Library as a member of the Library Director's Roundtable.

The Tri-State College Library Cooperative, founded in 1967, is the principle Library professional association within the Mid-Atlantic region.



As a member of TCLC (Tri-State College Library Cooperative), students and faculty with a letter of introduction may access and obtain borrowing privileges at TCLC member libraries.

For more information on the Tri-State College Library Cooperative visit their website @ <http://www.tclclibs.org/>. A list of member institutions is also available on the TCLC website.

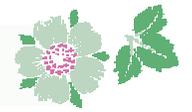


## Get To Know the Library Staff **Featured Staff Member: Pam Shukitt**

Pam Shukitt began working for the Library in early 1990. She was hired as a Librarian in the Acquisitions and Collection Development department. After receiving her Bachelor's degree from The Catholic University of America, she moved on to Drexel University to obtain her Masters degree in Information Studies. While at Drexel University Pam came across a job posting for the Wilmington College Library. Pam has now worked at the Library for 18 years and has seen the Library go through so many major changes. When Pam first started working for the Library the staff

consisted of only five people including herself. At the time the Library was housed in a small building, what is now used as the Maintenance Building. The Library was so small that half the collection had to be housed outside the building in two portable annex structures. This made searching for a book in the middle of winter a disheartening task. One of Pam's favorite memories of the Library is from her first year at the College. A stray cat made the Library Building its home on cold days. Pam named the cat Baby and made it her very first adopted cat.

Over the years Pam has seen a great deal of growth not only in the Library but in the whole University. There has been much more technology introduced, along with the growing number of students and staff members. She foresees the Library using more technology to access information in the near future. Pam feels the best thing about working for Wilmington University is the great friends she has made on the staff over the years.



## New Library Research Databases

The Library is pleased to offer several new databases that help support your learning.

### Important announcement from Ebsco

"Ebsco is pleased to announce that at the end of this month, 7,500 Life Science Analytics company profiles will be added to the Company Profile authority in Business Source Complete. Every LSA company profile contains detailed and accurate company information drawn from the MedTRACK database, including product details, management information and company news."

### Humanities International Complete

*Humanities International Complete* is a comprehensive database of humanities content, providing full text of hundreds of journals, books and other published sources from around the world. Provides cover-to-cover indexing and abstracts for more than 1,700 journals and contains more than 1.5 million records. Major subject areas include literature, philosophy, the arts, history, culture and multi-disciplinary humanities titles, with a special emphasis on literature and the literary arts. View a complete list when you select HIC as your research database on EBSCOhost.



*Nursing Reference Center (NRC)* provides a user-friendly point-of-care resource intended for staff nurses, nurse administrators, nursing students, nurse faculty, and hospital librarians. It delivers the best available and most recent clinical evidence and knowledge on conditions and diseases via a nursing-specific graphical interface. NRC is being offered right now only as a trial database. Search through Nursing Reference Center by selecting it from the Ebscohost list of databases.



*Annual Reviews* is a full-text database covering the fields of law, social sciences, psychology and sociology. The database synthesizes the vast amount of primary research literature and identifies the principal contributions in each of these disciplines. The database also includes the table of contents for many other disciplines.



Sage Journals Online provides access to approximately 460 Peer-Reviewed Full-Text Journals published by Sage Publications covering the disciplines of Business, Humanities, Social Sciences, Science, Technology, and Medicine.

For a full list of available journals visit Sage Journals Online @ <http://online.sagepub.com/browsejournals.dtl>



The Library now has links to Choice Reviews Online, the searchable, web-based version of the Choice cards and the magazine Choice: Current Reviews for Academic Libraries. This database contains reviews of academic books, websites, and other resources, along with information about the user level. Librarians and faculty can use this in selecting materials to order for the collection.

## Library Survey

Once again the Library will be conducting a survey to gain information about how we can better serve the University community. Students, Faculty and Staff members are welcome to participate in the survey.

Look for web links in the month of April to fill out the Library Survey. The links will be posted on the Library homepage and on WebCampus. We thank you for your feedback.

Students who complete the survey may enter a drawing to win a **\$50 Best Buy gift card!** Just leave your contact information on the survey.

Your input is greatly appreciated!



# WIN



Complete the Library survey for your chance to win a **\$50 Best Buy gift card!**

## Book Club Event

### Coming to Wilmington University March 5, 2008!

Award-winning author, Lauren Groff will be visiting Wilmington University to discuss her newly published book, *The Monsters of Templeton*. The *Monsters of Templeton* is her first novel. Wilmington University will host the event on March 5, 2008 at 4:00pm in the Doberstein Admission Center Auditorium. Refreshments will be served.



Lauren Groff was born in 1978 in Cooperstown, N.Y., and grew up one block from the Baseball Hall of Fame. She graduated from Amherst College and has an MFA in fiction from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Her short stories have appeared or are forthcoming in a number of journals, including *The Atlantic Monthly*, *Ploughshares*, *Glimmer Train*, *Hobart*, and *Five Points* as well as in the anthologies *Best American Short Stories 2007*, *Pushcart Prize XXXII*, and *Best New American Voices 2008*. She was awarded the Axton Fellowship in Fiction at the University of Louisville, and has had residencies and fellowships at Yaddo and the Vermont Studio Center. She lives in Gainesville, Florida, with her husband, Clay, and her dog, Cooper.

Visit our Events page! <http://www.wilmu.edu/events/laurengroff.html>

## Access Library Databases Through WebCampus

Both students and faculty now have access privileges to all Library database through WebCampus, the Wilmington University portal. Simply log in to WebCampus using your User Name and Password. Once you have logged in, scroll down and on the left side you will see a link to "Library Databases."

This link guides you to the full array of Library research databases available to you through Wilmington University.



## English 101 Library Orientation on Blackboard



All English 101 students are required to attend a library orientation and to successfully complete an assessment of their basic information seeking skills. This orientation and assessment prepares students for the process of evaluating and gathering appropriate information for their research papers. Up to this time, the library assessment was completed manually by students on paper and then graded by a librarian. During this Spring 2008 semester, the Library has been piloting an English 101 Library Skills Assessment on the Blackboard system with seven English 101 instructors, two of which are in the Distance format only. After attending the

library orientation, students would log-in to their English 101 course page on Blackboard to complete the assessment. To accommodate Distance students, librarians prepared online tutorials covering topics normally presented in the face-to-face orientation. These tutorials were also placed on the English 101 course page on Blackboard along with the assessment. Topics include: "How to Find Things in a Library", "Research Strategies", "Evaluating Sources", and "What is a Library Database?". Feedback from students and instructors has been very positive and the pilot will continue into the summer session. Each semester, a new research topic will be

presented in the assessment covering a variety of sources such as encyclopedias, catalogs, electronic databases, and the internet. Librarians will continue to provide face-to-face orientations on how to use the library. Faculty should schedule their class for an orientation by completing the online form at "<http://www.wilmu.edu/library/facultyservices.html#libraryinstruction>." In addition, one-on-one assistance can be requested if desired. Faculty from other divisions may also request a customized "Library Skills Assessment" for their classes. Please contact Library Director James McCloskey if interested.

## Book Club Update

Jim McCloy met with the Library Book Club on Wednesday, January 16, 2007 to discuss his book "The Jersey Devil." If you missed the book club meeting and would like information on the Jersey Devil, visit <http://www.squidoo.com/jersey-devil>.



A native of Haddonfield, New Jersey, James F. McCloy (Jim McCloy) has been a faculty member at Wilmington University since its inception in 1968. He is the co-author of "The Jersey Devil" (Middle Atlantic Press 1976) and "Phantom of the Pines—More Tales of the Jersey Devil" (Middle Atlantic Press 1998) as well as many articles.

Both books are still in print. He is also the author of "Dogs at Work" (Crown Publishers 1979). Jim McCloy currently resides in Newark, Delaware.

## Information Literacy

Information literacy has been defined as a set of abilities requiring individuals to "recognize when information is needed and have the ability to locate, evaluate, and use effectively the needed information." (Information Literacy Competency Standards for Higher Education. American Library Association. 2006. <http://www.ala.org/acrl/ilcomstan.html>)

To be successfully implemented on campus, information literacy depends on collaboration between classroom faculty, academic administrators, librarians and other information professionals. All parties must be actively involved. We are fortunate here at Wilmington University that evaluation of information literacy competencies has been included at both the program level and for graduation. Information Literacy has also been recognized as an essential skill in the workforce. Here at Wilmington University, Librarians are trained to help students and faculty develop and sharpen their information seeking and evaluation skills.

Below are examples\* of the benefits you and your students will experience through development of these skills.

- Familiarity with a variety of library resources and services
- Reduction in "technostress" and "library anxiety"
- Awareness of and proficiency in using catalogs, databases, and the Internet
- Introduction to search strategies
- Skills in critical evaluation of materials promotes independent learning

Librarians can work with you to customize Information Literacy sessions to meet the needs of your class, as well as provide specially prepared research guides. When you're ready to look more closely at Information Literacy, contact a Librarian!

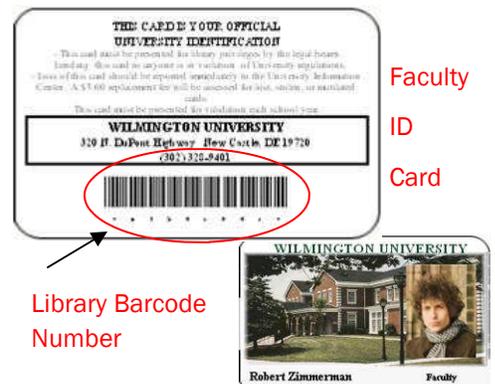
\*Examples courtesy of U Scranton Library  
James McCloskey Library Director - Wilmington University

## Faculty ID's - New Procedure

Faculty ID Number to become new Barcode for Library Borrowing

All faculty are now provided library barcode numbers through a CAMS data load into the library system. Similar to students, library barcodes for faculty are provided when they pick-up their new Wilmington University ID card. "We are pleased to offer this streamlined procedure to faculty, particularly adjunct faculty. Now they are eligible to start borrowing library materials right away," stated

Library Director James McCloskey. All WU sites will begin processing Wilmington University Faculty ID cards and printing their ID number on the card as a barcode. Faculty should contact their site administrator or the Faculty Development Office for information.



## Interlibrary Loan & Ariel

The Wilmington University Library offers a borrowing service called Interlibrary Loan (ILL). Materials not owned by the Library or unavailable electronically can be obtained through Interlibrary Loan. Use of this service is limited to Wilmington University students, faculty, and staff. Books can be either picked up in the library or mailed to the patron's home. Articles requested can be picked up in the library, mailed home or electronically delivered through a new system called Ariel. When requesting an article through Interlibrary Loan, simply use the "Web Delivery" option on the ILL form. When the material arrives, (often within 24 hours), you will receive

an email with a link and pin number. Use this information to access your article. For further information on Interlibrary Loan please visit the Library homepage.

Requests can be made online or by calling the 800 line.

1-800-451-5724

<http://www.wilmu.edu/library/illrequest.html>



## Wilmington University Library

1-800-451-5724

[www.wilmu.edu/library](http://www.wilmu.edu/library)

**New Castle Main Library**

(302) 356-6879

**Wilson Graduate Center Resource Room**

(302) 295-1177

**Dover Library Center**

(302) 734-2594

**Betze Library, Georgetown**

(302) 856-9033

**Burlington County College Library**

(609) 894-9311 ext. 2021

**Cettei Memorial Library, Salem County**

(856) 351-2681

**Cumberland County College Library**

(856) 691-8600 ext. 236

## Hours & Locations

### New Castle Main Library

Monday-Thursday  
9:00am- 10:00pm  
Friday 9:00am- 8:00pm  
Saturday 9:00am- 5:00pm  
Sunday 1:00pm- 8:00pm

### Dover Library Center

Monday-Thursday  
4:30pm- 7:30pm  
(Additional hours available  
by appointment)

### Wilson Graduate Center Resource Room

Monday-Thursday  
4:30pm- 7:30pm  
(Additional hours available  
by appointment)

### Stephen J. Betze Library Georgetown

Monday-Thursday  
8:00am- 10:00pm  
Friday 8:00am- 4:30pm  
Saturday 9:00am- 1:00pm

### Burlington County College Library

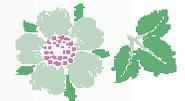
Monday-Thursday  
8:00am- 9:00pm  
Friday 8:00am- 7:00pm  
Saturday/Sunday  
12:00pm- 5:00pm

### Michael S. Cetti Memorial Library- Salem

Monday-Thursday  
9:00am- 9:00pm  
Friday 9:00am- 5:00pm  
Saturday 8:00am- 12:00pm

### Cumberland County College Library

Monday-Thursday  
8:30am- 9:00pm  
Friday 8:30am- 4:00pm  
Saturday 10:00am- 2pm

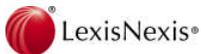


## Electronic Resources: Library Databases

Check out the full array of Library Databases available to you. Simply log into WebCampus and choose 'Library Databases' from the menu to gain full access to the databases.



- Academic Search Premier
- Business Source Premier
- CINAHL with Full Text
- Communication & Mass Media Complete
- Computers & Applied Sciences Complete
- Education Research Complete
- ERIC
- Funk & Wagnalls New World Encyclopedia
- Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition
- Humanities International Complete
- Library, Information Science & Technology Abstract (LISTA)
- MasterFILE Premier
- MEDLINE
- Mental Measurements Yearbook
- Middle Search Plus
- Primary Search
- PsycARTICLES
- PsychBooks
- PsycINFO
- Regional Business News
- SocINDEX with Full Text
- Tests in Print



## Students Love the Library

