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About "Inside The Clarion University Libraries"

The Clarion University Libraries newsletter is published weekly when classes are in session. Through *Inside*, we share information about our services and resources with the campus community.

Inside is best viewed with Microsoft Outlook.

However, you can read a PDF version of *Inside* online.

Access it through the Libraries' homepage at: www.clarion.edu/library

Finding The Information You Need



Information is everywhere. Conduct a Web search and it's easy to get 10,000 hits or more. The difficult part is to narrow the focus without excluding relevant information. The next challenge is determining what is authoritative and what is not.

The reference librarians at Carlson Library are conducting a series of brief, open workshops that can help you locate the information you need.

Searching the Internet: Best of the Web ... Are you overwhelmed with the amount of information that you get when you do a Google search? Would you like to learn how to get more focused, accurate results? Come to this session to learn about some strategies, tips, and specialized search engines to help you focus your results and locate higher quality information on the web.

Evaluating Websites: Trash or Treasure ... Have you found a Website with information on your topic, but are not sure if you should use it as a source in your paper? How do you know if the information that you're finding is credible? Come to this session to learn about some criteria that you can use to critically evaluate websites.

Avoiding Plagiarism & Citing Your Source ... Have your professors warned you not to plagiarize? Have you seen stories in the news about the consequences of plagiarism? You definitely want to avoid it, but what exactly is it? Attend this session to learn more about plagiarism and tips to avoid it.

Locating Sources Not In Your Library Collection ... Have you done research and not found enough sources at Carlson Library? Have you searched for a book and found out that the Library does not have it? Can't find books in the library on your topic? If so, come to this session to learn how to search and find books all over the world. Learn how to get resources sent to you in days. Don't be limited to just using items held at your local library.

Search & Find: Journals & Magazines A-Z ... Do you often read journal articles in order to prepare research papers? Have you had difficulty finding out what the coverage is of a journal or magazine? Does the change of a journal name bother you? Would you be interested in learning how to find a journal online, full-text, or open access availability? Ulrich's Periodicals Directory Database

(Ulrichsweb.com) and Clarion University Journals & Magazines A-Z are the places to go to identify serials, journals and magazine information including ISSN, previous titles, and subject information. To learn about these sources, please sign up for the Instruction Class at the Carlson Library.

Tuesday, November 11th

10:00 – 10:50 Searching the Internet: Best of the Web
3:00 – 3:50 Evaluating Websites - Trash or Treasure

Wednesday, November 12th

11:00 – 11:50 Search & Find Journals & Magazines A-Z
2:00 – 2:50 Locating Sources **not** in your Library Collection

Thursday, November 13th

11:00 – 11:50 Evaluating Websites - Trash or Treasure
4:00 – 4:50 Searching the Internet: Best of the Web

Tuesday, November 18th

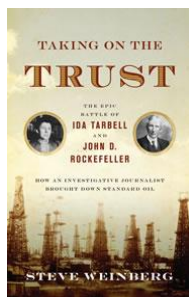
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11:00 – 11:50 Avoiding Plagiarism & Citing Your Source
2:00 – 2:50 Search & Find Journals & Magazines A-Z

All Sessions are held in Room 201 on Level 2 of the Rena M. Carlson Library. To register, contact Karen at 393-1841.

Harvey Lecture: Becoming Famous... Then Watching Your Back



John D. Rockefeller seemed untouchable, perhaps the most famous and wealthiest person in the world 100 years ago. But he had secrets to tell and when writer Ida Tarbell revealed those secrets, everything changed for Rockefeller.

Author, journalist, and professor Steve Weinberg will provide insight into the investigative work of Ida Tarbell and the repercussions it had for Rockefeller. His new book, *Taking on the Trust: The Epic Battle of Ida Tarbell and John D. Rockefeller*, has received critical acclaim. He will talk about his research on Tarbell and Rockefeller next Thursday evening at the Venango Campus.



The Barbara Morgan Harvey Center for the Study of Oil Heritage is located in the Charles Suhr Library. It hosts a public lecture each fall, as well as programs for junior high, high school and university students. Please join us at the public lecture next Thursday evening, November 20, at 7:30 in the Rhoades Center auditorium. A dessert reception will follow the lecture. For more information call 814-676-6591, ext.1215.

Computer Tip: Public Computers - Personal Safety

Do you know how to stay safe on a computer? We're talking personal safety. Do you know how to help protect yourself from identity theft? This is a particularly touchy subject when you are using a public computer. Here are five tips you can follow for securely using a public computer!

1.) Don't Do Online Banking

I know this seems like a no brainer, but people do it. If you're using a public computer and you log in to your online banking Web site, you're putting yourself at great risk. There is no way to tell if there's spyware or adware on the computer you're using that could steal your data. That's why it's never a good idea to do any of your banking on a public computer.

2.) Don't Save Anything

Would you bring a stack of tax documents to a hotel lobby and leave them there? Probably not! The same goes for saving any of your personal documents on a public computer. This one applies to files, passwords, music, pictures, downloads, etc. It's just not a good idea to do anything like that on a public computer.

3.) Don't Buy Anything

This tip is similar to the first one. Buying something on a public computer usually involves some sort of financial information, which is simply a bad idea!

4.) Delete Internet Explorer Temporary Files

This is a simple step that will help a lot! After you're finished using a public computer, make sure you delete the Internet Explorer temp files. To do that, go to **Tools, Internet Options** and click on the **Delete** button. Then just click **Delete All**. That way, no one else will know what you did on the computer.

5.) Restart the Computer

This is another simple step that will do a lot of good. Restarting the computer after you're done using it will delete a lot of the temporary files and it will clear out the memory of the computer. People waiting behind you to use the computer might not like the hold up, but when it comes to your safety, it's a very important step.

*Today's tip is borrowed from
the good folks at WorldStart.com*

Something To Think About:



Generosity is
giving more than you can
and pride is
taking less than you need.

--Kahlil Gibran