



INSIDE THE CLARION UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES



•November 12, 2013•

•Volume 9, Number 12•

In This Issue

- Northwest Pennsylvania Railroads
- Meet The New Guy In Carlson Library!
- Library Tip: Collaborative Study & Presentation Rooms
- Library Tip: iPads Available At Venango College
- Travel & Leisure Book Club Events
- Cranial Candy: Did You Know?
- Computer Tip: My Hard Drive Is Full...NOT!
- Something To Think About

CU Libraries' Links:

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 through the [Libraries' homepage](#).

Northwest Pennsylvania Railroads



Interested in the history of railroads in Northwest Pennsylvania?

Please join us on Thursday evening, November 14 at 7 p.m. in the Rhoades Center on the Venango College Campus for the Annual Barbara Morgan Harvey Lecture.

Mr. Pete Gifford will provide an overview of the history of early railroads in Northwest Pennsylvania, especially the Atlantic and Great Western Railroad.

The Harvey Family donated Barbara Morgan Harvey's research collection to the Charles L. Suhr Library on the Venango College Campus and established a Center for the Study of Oil Heritage there in memory of Mrs. Harvey.

Meet The New Guy In Carlson Library!



This is "Edgar"...our new [Eagle Dollars](#) Value Add associate. For your convenience, he is located between the Level A Lab print release stations, and is ready to help you add money to your University I.D. card at any time...day or night.

Edgar is fairly easy to deal with. Anyone willing to read his instructions (in the little green window) should have no difficulty with him. However, the S.W.A.T. (Students Who Assist [with] Technology) Team is nearby and ready to assist.

Inside The Clarion University Libraries

Read back issues of the
Libraries' newsletter

Library Home

Your link to all of the
Libraries' resources

PILOT

Search the Libraries'
online catalog

Databases A-Z

Search the Libraries'
extensive collection of
electronic journals and
e-books

Contact Us

Dr. Terry Latour
Dean of Libraries

Edgar accepts \$1, \$5, \$10, and \$20 bills ... *only*
(no coins, no other denomination of paper money).

There is NO CHANGE.

Whatever bill is inserted is applied to the ID card.

Remember: EAGLE DOLLARS DO NOT "EXPIRE" ...
They simply "rollover" to the next semester.

Eagle Dollars can be used in a variety of locations *on and off campus*, including:

- Vending Machines
- Laundry Machines
- PAGES
- University Bookstore
- Starbucks
- Campus Dining Facilities
- Carlson Library (to print and pay fines)
- Football Stadium
- [CVS Pharmacy](#)
- [Sheetz](#)
- [Total Body Tanning Center](#)
- [Subway](#)
- [Ecoasis Salon & Wellness Studio](#)

Library Tip: Collaborative Study & Presentation Rooms



Two study rooms on Level A in Carlson Library have been enhanced with large, flat-screen monitors, computers, and Webcams.

The new equipment makes it easier for students working on group projects, or collaborating as a study group, to work together in a more effective manner.

Available Webcams provide the opportunity to practice, record, and critique presentations, or to involve others in a collaboration via software such as Skype. Technical assistance is available at the nearby S.W.A.T. (Students Who Assist [with] Technology) Service Desk.

A similar, but portable unit is available in the Charles Suhr Library on the Venango College Campus.

These enhancements were made possible by Student Technology Fees and the Center for Computing Services.

Library Tip: iPads Available At Venango College



iPads are now available for overnight borrowing at the Charles Suhr Library on the Venango College Campus. They come loaded with basic apps, charger, cords and a carrying case.

If you're on the Clarion Campus, Carlson Library has them too.

The iPads were acquired with the support of Student Technology Fees and the Center for Computing Services.

Travel & Leisure Book Club Events

Wednesday, November 20 at 6 pm

Join us for a casual conversation about:



Between Man and Beast: An Unlikely Explorer, the Evolution Debates, and the African Adventure that Took the Victorian World by Storm

by Monte Reel

The unbelievably riveting adventure of an unlikely young explorer who emerged from the jungles of Africa with evidence of a mysterious, still mythical beast—the gorilla—only to stumble straight into the center of the biggest debate of the day: Darwin's theory of evolution

The book club meets at:

**The Clarion Free Library
644 Main Street
Clarion, PA 16214
Lower Level**

Everyone is welcome.

Please let others who might be interested in reading travel and leisure books know about our book club.

Copies of the book(s) will be available to borrow from the Clarion Free Library. Feel free to email Marilyn Harhai (mharhai@clarion.edu) for more information or with questions.

The book club was started with a Clarion University Community Fellows Grant.

Please join us!

Cranial Candy: Did You Know?



Tech Term Du Jour: Honeypots ... In computer security, honeypots, like their real-world counterparts employed by law enforcement agencies, are traps set to detect or counteract unauthorized access to computer networks.

Honeypots can take the form of individual computers, data sets, or network sites that appear to be valuable or worth investigating to the intruding party but which are actually designed to entrap and/or monitor the attacker.

Honeypots are typically divided into two primary categories:

- *Production honeypots* are traps laid by actual entities seeking to protect assets (such as a government agency or corporation)
- *Research honeypots* are designed to monitor and study the hackers that stumble into the trap

Computer Tip: My Hard Drive Is Full...NOT!



Your computer may be telling you that your hard drive is full but you haven't installed that many programs, you've uninstalled and deleted unnecessary programs and files, you've run the disk cleanup. Why does your PC say the hard drive is nearly full?

A full hard drive can cause all kinds of problems for your machine, including but not limited to a slow computer and, ultimately, hard drive failure. There are a number of possible reasons for this.

1) It's just FULL.



You just have too much stuff on your drive. I had this problem several years ago, and found that the best solution for me was to move my personal files onto a removable hard drive.

A “clean up” program *may* help...but it only removes unnecessary programs and files, and most of these are pretty small. By removing your personal files to an external drive, you'll be clearing out a lot of hard drive space.

2) You've got a virus.



Nasty bugs are everywhere these days, created by people with more computer knowledge than common sense. One variation of these things fills your hard drive with junk. The best solution to this is to make sure that you have a good, reputable anti-virus program on your computer, and NOT something that you downloaded from

a pop-up that says “YOUR COMPUTER HAS A VIRUS! CLICK HERE TO FIX IT!”

3) Your hard drive is failing



It happens to the best of us. We get old, and things don't work like they're supposed to. Average life for a hard drive these days is seven or eight years. However, if you take care of your computer like you're supposed to, it could last more than ten.

When a hard drive starts failing, it can throw off all kinds of incorrect and erroneous messages, including ones telling you it's full when it's not. One clue to this is if your computer wants to do a disk check every time that you boot up. If that's the case, then you probably have multiple failed sectors on your disk and it's time to replace it. If it's more than five years old, and nothing above works for you, you may need to consider replacing it anyway.

Something To Think About:



*Blood relatives often have
nothing to do with family,
and similarly,
family is about who you choose
to make your life with.*

~ Oliver Hudson