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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](#).

## Research Project? We Can Help!



With less than five weeks of classes remaining, you may be feeling the pressure. Now is the time to get moving with your research projects and term papers. The Libraries can help in a variety of ways.

- We offer access to millions of authoritative articles, books, datasets, and other resources that may be just what your professors would like to see.
- If you are intimidated or don't know where to begin, our friendly reference librarians are available to help you get started.
- Stop by the libraries
- Visit our [Website](#)
- Call us...
  - Carlson Library Reference Librarians: 393-2490
  - Suhr Library Reference Librarians: 676-6591
- Online [tutorials](#) teach you to find journal articles, conduct library research, and use techniques to get the most out of library services and resources. Browse the available tutorials using the "[Help](#)" page on the Libraries' home page.

## PILOT

Search the Libraries' online catalog

## Databases A-Z

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

## Contact Us

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## What is Literature Resource Center?



[Literature Resource Center](#) is an online resource rich in biographical, bibliographical, and critical information about authors and literature.

Included are:

- *Contemporary Authors Online*, offering biographical coverage of more than 130,000 writers from all time periods, writing in all genres such as fiction, nonfiction, poetry, drama, history, journalism, and more.
- *Contemporary Literary Criticism*, featuring more than 13,000 bio-critical essays on authors and their works written by academic scholars.
- Various other criticism series
- *Dictionary of Literary Biography*
- *Encyclopedia of Literature*
- A wealth of other resources.

Literature Resource Center is available through the [Libraries Homepage](#). Under the "Research Resources" column, click on the [Databases A-Z link](#), then scroll down the alphabetical list or use the link to jump to the "L" section of databases.

If you have questions or need assistance, stop by the Libraries or contact us...

- Carlson Library -- 393-2490
- Suhr Library -- at 676-6591
- Distance Education students may call toll-free -- 866-272-5612
  - Press #5 for Library
- Chat, and other online services, are available through the [Ask A Librarian](#) link on our Website.

## Library Quiet Zones



Need a quiet place to study or work on a research paper?

Levels 2 & 3 of Carlson Library are designated as **Quiet Zones**. In accordance with student preferences and campus culture, the Entrance Level and Level A are more open for group work and social interaction.

***We ask all library users to help us offer alternatives for all preferences.***

If you are seeking a quiet location to study, please use Levels 2 & 3. We need your assistance and cooperation. If you receive a cell phone call or a friend stops by, please keep it quiet and brief, or take the conversation elsewhere.

If someone is not maintaining the Quiet Zone atmosphere, ask that person to respect the quiet designation. If the noise persists, notify the staff at the Circulation Desk. If staffing permits, they will investigate. You may also text a message to us at (814) 343-9324 or email us at [ask@clarion.libanswers.com](mailto:ask@clarion.libanswers.com). Text and email, however, are available only when reference librarians are on duty.

Library staff members attempt to enforce *moderation* of noise on Levels 1 and A. If you think that it is too noisy there, please consult with our staff.

Since library staffing is limited, we appreciate your help maintaining Carlson Library as a desirable place to work and study.

## Cranial Candy: Word Of The Week



**spooF**

PRONUNCIATION: (spooF) 

MEANING:

*noun:*

1. A light, good-humored imitation; parody.
2. A hoax or a prank.

*verb tr.:*

1. To satirize gently.
2. To fool using a hoax or a prank.

## ETYMOLOGY:

After Spoof, a card game invented by the comedian Arthur Roberts (1852-1933). Earliest documented use: 1884.

## USAGE:

"Some hilarious videos doing the rounds on the Internet show people pretending to take photos with invisible iPhones and hold conversations on them. These spoofs are meant to poke fun at Apple and its legion of fans."

*Five Out of Ten; The Economist (London, UK);  
Sep 15, 2012.*

See more usage examples of [spoof](#) in Vocabulary.com's [dictionary](#).

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## Computer Tip: Identity Theft...Reduce The Risk



Modern day bank robbers may not carry guns or don a mask. Instead, they steal identities and drain accounts using sophisticated technology.

Credit card data theft rose 50 percent from 2005 to 2010, USA Today reports, and a shocking 12 million cases of identity theft were reported in the U.S. in 2012, according to a recent study by

Javelin Strategy & Research. How are banks trying to combat this type of fraud, and what can you do to protect yourself?

### Staying a Step Ahead

Banks are trying to stay one step ahead of the latest identity theft techniques. Betty Reiss, a spokeswoman from Bank of America, told Wired.com that some identity theft cannot be controlled by the banks alone. Many people become victims through phishing scams and mail theft.

TD Bank suggests consumers follow these tips for safe(r) Internet use:

- Never share passwords with people
- Do not use the same password for everything
- Only make online purchases over secure networks
- Use anti-virus protection software
- Never reply to emails or pop-up messages that ask for personal information

## Prevent Identity Theft

Banks have a number of tips for consumers who want to protect themselves from identity theft. Of course, keep passwords private, and only create passwords that are not easy to guess. A birth date may be an easy password for an identity thief to guess, but a pet's name may be more secure. Ideally, consumers should also select passwords that combine letters and numbers, and they should use a different password for each account.

Identity thieves have tools for stealing consumer's information online. Consumers should never use a website that does not have a closed padlock on the upper corner of their browser, and they should be aware that identity thieves have been known to make copycat websites or pop-ups to steal information.

Kenneth Olan from First Victoria National Bank advises consumers to protect themselves with a product like LifeLock. On the BBB, LifeLock is classified as an identity theft and protection tool and has an A+ rating.

The cost of identity theft is often not carried by the banks themselves. In many cases, the banks pass these costs back to consumers in the form of higher interest rates and fees.

## Something To Think About:



*Silence is one of the hardest arguments to refute.*

*~Josh Billings*