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# Muntz Library Musings



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- Tiffany LeMaistre, Acquisitions Librarian

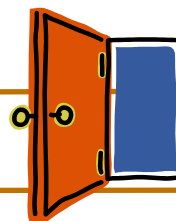
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**Library Rooms Open for Finals!**  
Room 401 and Room 422



## We want to know... Why do you study at the Library?

- April Borromeo, *Reference and Outreach Library Assistant*

"It's a good environment, conducive to learning. Resources are readily available – books, computers, printers, coffee." - *Nheil Mendoza, Senior – Biology*

"The abundance of resources in the facility generates neurons to contract rapidly." - *William Furlow, Senior - biology*

"The computers are efficient. I don't have one. It's easy access; there's help readily available instead of going to Google." - *Alex Easterling, Senior – Middle School Education*

"It's quiet and there's not a lot of distractions." - *Kyra Silverio, Sophomore - Nursing*

*In each issue of Muntz Library Musings, "We want to know..." will feature a question directed at library patrons to give opportunity to express their views.*

## Library Stats

The Library is a very busy place. We serve thousands of patrons each month and we loan numerous books, articles and spaces.

**Hourly Patron Count** 10/1/13-11/4/13 = **32,429**

**Ref Analytic Stats-** 8/12/13-11/4/2013 = **2,252** (Questions Asked and Answered)

**Classes Taught: 25**

**Advanced and Research Consults**—8/19/13-11/4/2013 = **256**

**Interlibrary Loan** (8/26/13 to 11/1/13): **1,417** Requests; **315** Loans

### Circulation

Sep 2012 thru August 2013  
Print Books - **5,730**  
eBooks - **3,304**

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**November 25th  
thru  
December 13th**



## FROM THE DIRECTOR: The Future of Muntz Library

- Jeanne Standley, Director of the Library



As you may have seen in the student paper or from the posters around campus, we recently hosted two focus groups. One was with faculty and one with students.

The focus groups were just one way we are trying to get feedback from you, our users, on the directions our library planning should take. We haven't seen the final reports from the focus groups, but we've already received some good ideas and suggestions and we'll be implementing some of them as soon as we are able.

I also want to send out a great big **THANK YOU** to those who took the time to share with us their ideas in writing or through their participation in the focus groups. If you missed your chance to give us input, there will be other opportunities throughout the year!

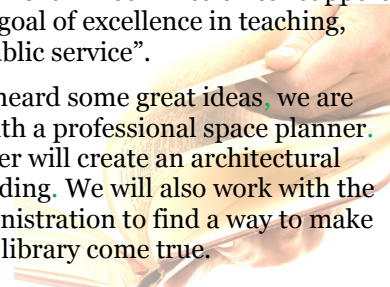
We know that students want longer hours, more group study spaces, computers in the Red (quiet zones) for individual work, adapters for Mac

products, charging stations and color printing. We'll find a way to extend our hours to meet more of your needs. Longer hours will require extra security.

When it comes to getting books, articles or videos for the students and faculty, online is the preferred choice when available. However, not everything is available online or even preferable for some of the academic disciplines. One colleague said, "our print books are currently competing with our space". We recognize this. In the coming years, the space required for print books will lessen and we'll find alternatives for access and storage.

Our library will never be "bookless", but we will continue to reduce the print collection. We already have over 100,000 e-books online. Our goal is to ensure that we fulfill our mission to "support the University's goal of excellence in teaching, research, and public service".

Now that we've heard some great ideas, we are going to work with a professional space planner. The space planner will create an architectural plan for our building. We will also work with the University Administration to find a way to make the vision of the library come true.



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- Alma Ravenell, Public Services Librarian

## EDITOR'S CORNER

### Food and the Library

There have always been things that just do not go together: oil and water; cats and dogs; pickles and jelly; food and libraries...yes? No? This is a topic up for debate at libraries all over the country.

Should patrons be allowed to eat in the library? Should they not? Should there be certain areas set aside for the sole purpose of eating?

Well, Muntz Library has a definite stance on this issue. We say "yes" and "no."

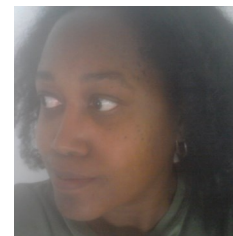
At our library, on the first floor, our patrons may eat whatever they desire as long as it is not too odorous. There is even a microwave oven available. However, patrons on the 2nd through 4th floor are only allowed snacks. No, not burgers, fries, sandwiches or even popcorn.

Acceptable snacks include: chips, candy, cookies, peanuts and the like. If you're not sure what you can eat, please ask any library staff person. We'll be happy to keep you on the right path.

There are **two** places in the library where food is absolutely forbidden, and that is: *Archives* and *Computer Lab Room 422*.

So, if you're in the library and get a craving for some chips, go ahead and indulge! It's okay. However, if your tummy is growling and needs some Chick-fil-A, to quiet it, you will have to go to the first floor.

Hope to see you at the library soon!



## Banned Books; *Mole Day*; and Other Events at Muntz Library!

Muntz Library was filled with wonderful occasions August through November! Featured events included:

**Banned Books Week** - UT Tyler faculty, staff and students read, took mug shots and watched a movie, all in the name of Banned Books (books targeted to be removed from library shelves because of content). There were also daily quizzes and a drawing for prizes. The event was opened with Dr. Paul Streufert giving an incisive overview of why we celebrate Banned Books week. He also shared quotes from one of his favorite authors.

**Constitution Day Display** – The Daughters of the American Revolution again created a beautiful display for Muntz Library patrons to gaze upon. The display included a replica of the Constitution and other memorabilia related to the event.

**Spanish Heritage Month Display** - A well thought out display in honor of those of Hispanic or Latino heritage was available for patrons to peruse during the month of October. The exhibit included famous and renowned persons from the culture.

**Breast Cancer Awareness** - The Library developed a display to promote breast cancer awareness. The display included books, facts and sticker pins that patrons could pick up and wear.

**Archives Month** - The Archives department put up a special display for Homecoming. It featured an original mascot uniform.

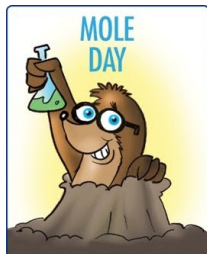
**Mole Day** - The Library had a display and held a reception to celebrate this event. Items on loan from the Chemistry Department were a part of the display. The Library was also included in a "Mole Hunt" on that day.

A **Zombie Display** was in the library October 30-November 29. It included zombie parts, books and other gruesome artifacts.

The Library celebrated **Native Americans Heritage Month** November 1-30. Pictures, bookmarks, books and baskets were displayed.

A **Thanksgiving Display** was on exhibit November 1-30. The difference between Pilgrims and Puritans was explained.

**Other:** The Library Facebook and Twitter accounts continue to grow thanks to the dedication of April Borrromeo. The Library Blog is updated frequently. Keep reading it!



-Isabel Altamirano, Reference Librarian

**Mole Day** celebrates an important chemical concept:  $6.02 \times 10^{23}$  atoms or molecules in a mole of a substance. The library celebrated Mole Day on October 23rd with a small reception in Lib202 and a mole hunt. Many students attended the event. Any chemistry major saying the phrase: "I love Avogadro" (the chemist whose work lead up to the development of the concept of the mole) to STEM Librarian Isabel Altamirano, received a Mole Day wristband.

Special thanks are extended to Jason DiStefano for providing 1 mole of different liquids and solids for the 3rd floor window display.

For more information go to this site:

<http://www.moleday.org/>

## CURRENT/ UPCOMING LIBRARY EVENTS

### Finals Week

#### Library Hours

Dec 7	10am-7pm
Dec 8	12:00pm-2am
Dec 9-12	7:30am-2am
Dec 13	7:30am-5pm

#### LIB 401-Quiet Study Hours

Dec 7	9am-6pm
Dec 8	1pm-1:30am
Dec 9-12	5pm-1:30am

#### LIB 422- Quiet Space

Dec 2-13 All hours the Library is open. (Computers)

#### Coffee Shop Hours

Dec 9-12 7am- 11pm

#### Free Coffee in the Library

Dec 8	11pm-1:30am
Dec 9-12	11pm-1:30am

#### ACC Lab Hours

Dec 7/8	12 pm - 10 pm
Dec 9-12	7 am- 11pm
Dec 13	7 am- 8pm

### Christmas Décor/Display;

December 1-31



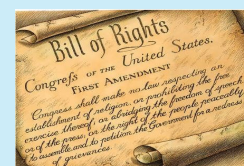
### World AIDS

Day: December 1st



### Bill of Rights Day:

December 15th





## Famous Librarians

Look here in each issue to learn about fictional and famous persons who were librarians!

### Nancy Pearl



She is a celebrity librarian. She even has an action figure! Ms. Pearl gives lectures about books, started the "one book" trend and has authored a series of books called "Book Lust".

### "The Desk Set" (1957)

Katherine Hepburn's title role: "Librarian"



## WHAT WE'RE DOING...

### Vicki Betts

(Reference Librarian)

gave an eye and "ear opening"

presentation on

November 5th at the Smith County Historical Society on:

"Sex in the Progressive Era: Cross Dressing, Prostitution and Goo-Goo Eyes". Ms. Betts has published, edited, researched and given many presentations on various local history topics in Smith County as well as the history of civilian life in the South from the Civil War to the Progressive era.



**Vandy Dubre** (Reference Librarian) attended a Library Information Round Table (LIRT) meeting in San Antonio, Texas on Sept 26, 2013.

**Vandy Dubre** presented "Letters of Home: War and Love, Frank and Dorothy McClendon 1943-1945" at the Smith County Historical Society October meeting on Oct 1, 2013.

**Michael Skinner** (Reference Librarian) read to present Frank McClendon and **Samantha Winn** (Archives Assistant) read to present Dorothy McClendon in the "Letters

of Home: War and Love, Frank and Dorothy McClendon 1943-1945."

**Spencer Acadia** (Reference Librarian) will be teaching a class Spring semester: The Psychology of Gender.

**Margo Duncan** (Systems Librarian) attended a conference in Charleston and gave a presentation on CORAL, our electronic resources management system.

**Alma Ravenell** (Public Service Librarian) attended a Texas Council of Academic Libraries (TCAL) Conference in Austin, TX.

**Jeanne Standley** (Director of the Library) was elected to Texas Council of State University Librarians (TCSUL) as a Member at Large.



**Terra Bianchi** (University Archivist) is now an official Certified Archivist.

## PsycTESTS and PsycBOOKS – New database trials thru June 30, 2014

by Spencer Acadia, Reference Librarian

UT Tyler Library has secured trials to two databases: PsycTESTS and PsycBOOKS. These databases are owned and operated by the American Psychological Association (APA) and contain a wealth of information for students and faculty regarding topics in psychology, education, nursing, health sciences, and other fields where the measurement of human attributes is important.

PsycTESTS "is a research database that provides access to psychological tests, measures, scales, surveys, and other assessments as well as descriptive information about the test and its development and administration." Much—but not all—of the database is full-text, meaning that the actual tests are immediately available for use in most cases.

PsycBOOKS "is a full-text database that provides electronic access to thousands of scholarly and professional titles published by APA, including recent titles in psychological and behavioral science, plus a substantial back file of classic and creative works." The database contains over 3,500 titles all in PDF format. The PDF format means that the books can be used by multiple users at the same time.

The trial lasts until June 30, 2014, so there is plenty of time for students and faculty to use them. The databases are accessible via the A-Z database listing on the library website.

## NEW LIBRARY SECRETARY

Tamara Brown has been with Muntz Library for over fifteen years. Her first position with the Library was as a part-time Interactive Technician. Ms. Brown was concurrently enrolled in school full-time. Additionally, she was also working at another business part time.

Ms. Brown graduated in 1999 with a BA in English—pursued graduate study for about a year and then started on a secondary education degree. In 2004, she became a full-time Library Assistant and decided to take a break from school.

Recently, when the library secretary position became vacant, Ms. Brown applied for it. She was chosen from a substantial pool of applicants as being the most qualified applicant for the job.

Muntz Library looks forward to a continued partnership with Ms. Brown in her new role. Tamara Brown is proof that sometimes what you're looking for, is what you already have.



*"The closest we will ever come to an orderly universe is a good library!"*

*-Ashleigh Brilliant (Author and Cartoonist)*



Tamsyn Wombwell, Circulation

## NEW STUDENT ASSISTANTS

Muntz Library is pleased to have some excellent student assistants this semester. We have five returning assistants and gained six new assistants.

We now also have two assistants at the Longview branch.

We look forward to continued outstanding service for our users with the combined efforts of these new students, returning students and library staff.

They join us to assure that your library experience is a good one!



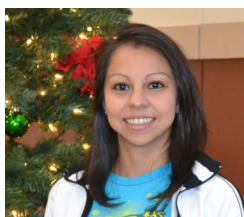
Eric Carter, Circulation



Cristina Gutierrez, Reference



Scott Campbell, Circulation



Cynthia Becerra, Longview



Jonathan Fitch, Longview

## THE LIBRARY AT GLOBAL QUIZ NIGHT

Muntz Library was well represented at the Annual Global Quiz Night.

The Library Director, Jeanne Standley, read questions from arts and literature during the event. Librarians, Vandy Dubre and Terra Bianchi helped with judging answers!



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## MUNTZ LIBRARY Normal Hours

**Sunday**  
1:00 pm –Midnight  
**Mon-Thurs**  
7:30 am - Midnight  
**Friday**  
7:30 am - 5:00 pm  
**Saturday**  
9:00 am - 6:00 pm

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**Got Questions?  
Ask a Librarian!**

## University Archives and Special Collections (UASC)

-Terra Bianchi, Archivist Librarian

Did you know the UASC provides information about its archival collections online?

We use an open source software, called Archon, to display our collection information, provide researchers an outlet for searching materials, and even include some digital objects.

Each of our collections has a finding aid. Just as you would look at the keyword terms, author, and chapters of a book, a finding aid can lend researchers a hand in discovering the content within our collections.

There are currently over 20 completely processed collections available to researchers, through [Archon](http://archon.uttyler.edu) ([archon.uttyler.edu](http://archon.uttyler.edu)). These include materials about the history of UT Tyler—like the Board of Regents Records, Distinguished Lecture Series, and Registrar Records, and also our Special Collections about influential citizens of East Texas—the Sarah McClendon Papers, H.J. McKenzie Papers, and Billy Williamson Papers. Each collection in Archon is also discoverable via our Library Catalog and on the main library page, through Swoop Search.

For more information about the University Archives and Special Collections Department, you can find us online through our [website](#), our [Facebook page](#), [Twitter](#), or the [UASC Blog](#). Researchers interested in visiting the UASC can contact us at [archivist@uttyler.edu](mailto:archivist@uttyler.edu), 903-565-5748, or come by our offices at LIB107 Monday-Friday from 8:00am-5:00pm.

## New Library Space

-Vandy Dubre, Reference Librarian



Due to the need for group study space, the Library has added another room for groups to meet and work on presentations. LIB 419 is the perfect blend between the set up in the library pods (large table able to connect to 8 laptops at once and display them onto a giant screen for collaborative work) and LIB 202, with a lockable door, large space, and large dry erase board. Students can check out the key to LIB 419 at the circulation desk, just like everything else, for 2 hours at a time. You can reserve the room by filling out the form at the circulation desk or by phone at (903) 566-7342.



**SciFinder** is a new database that provides integrated access to the world's most comprehensive and authoritative source of references, substances and reactions in chemistry and related sciences.

SciFinder provides access across many sources including many not found in any other database.

SciFinder also has the capability of producing a drawing of a molecule to determine what pieces make up different elements and predicting future behavior when a portion of the molecule is modified.

You may go to the Library's Databases by title page to register for a free account and access SciFinder.

Happy searching!