A Note from the Director

Dear Manhattanville Community,

Over the summer the Library staff has been very busy developing new tools that will help you with your research. Our CastleCat Community Guides, http://mville.libguides.com, are excellent starting-off points when you begin your work. They cover nearly every subject taught at Manhattanville. On many of the guides, if you need additional help, you can chat with the librarian who created the page.

A grant to use gaming as a learning instrument (see below) allowed Kate Todd, our Emerging Technologies Librarian, to develop an information literacy course that has games that are designed to help you to visualize and learn some essential research skills.

The Library has three desks staffed with experts to help you with your work. The Technology Desk helps you with your computing problems, and the Writing Desk, located in the Current Periodical Room, is an extra pair of eyes to look at your papers. The Reference Desk has a librarian to help you from 10 until 10. And, if you cannot come into the Library, or if you need help in the middle of the night, our 24/7 research help is available from the Library's website. For in-depth research, you can make an appointment with a reference librarian. There is a brand new color copier, updated Microsoft software on all public computers, and new databases in education and music. First year students will be given passports to guide them around the Library.

I look forward to welcoming you.

Rhonna Goodman, Library Director

Student-Created Games

For two weeks in August, Manhattanville College students in the Manhattanville Advancement Program (MAP) worked together to develop educational gaming programs. Working under the direction of Kate Todd, Emerging Technologies Librarian, the students were introduced to the Library's resources and services and to the gaming program Scratch. This gaming program was used to teach the students about design, working with different types of media, and basic programming concepts.

The MAP students were then divided into five groups, with each group designing a specific game to introduce students to various ways in which to use the Library's resources: finding a book, using a general database, asking for reference help, navigating the Library website, and developing a time management plan. In speaking about the purpose of the program, Kate Todd stated that “It was a remarkable and unique way to help foster academic success through the use of educational gaming tools.” The MAP students will continue to meet during the Fall 2009 semester.

This program was made possible by a grant from the American Library Association's (ALA) Libraries, Literacy, and Gaming Initiative, funded by the Verizon Foundation. Ten libraries out of 390 applicants were chosen to receive this grant. The Manhattanville College Library was the only academic library to receive a grant.

Illustration courtesy of Literacy Foundation
Archives and Special Collections

In addition to its large circulating collection, Manhattanville Library is home to the Special Collections as well. The Special Collections refer to our non-circulating materials that are kept within the Library because of their rarity or importance to the historical record of the school. The non-circulating book collection includes rare publications and books that document the history of printing and publishing, some of which date to over 500 years ago.

Special Collections also house the college archives which preserve, organize, and make Manhattanville records available to researchers. These records include photographs, school publications, and papers documenting individuals, organizations, and events from Manhattanville history.

The Special Collections are overseen by librarian Lauren Georger. Prior to joining Manhattanville last October, Lauren received her Masters of Library Science from Syracuse University and completed internships with the History Center of Tompkins County, Syracuse Law Library, and New York Public Library.

The Special Collections are open to any and all researchers. The resources found within these collections can prove to be wonderful primary resources and add depth to many projects. To set up a visit simply email Lauren Georger at georgerl@mville.edu or call 914.323.5422.

Exhibits

In recognition of reunion weekend (Sep 25-27), the Archives will present two new exhibits of photographs commemorating Manhattanville history.

The first exhibit, in Reid Hall, will feature photographs of reuniting classes at this year’s reunion. This includes class portraits, candid moments, and images to recall a fond memory or two. The exhibit will trace the evolving student body from 1939 to the present, while celebrating the unfailing Manhattanville spirit.

The second exhibit, Arrivals: The Move to Purchase, to be located in the Current Periodical and Index Rooms of the Library, will focus on a pivotal moment in the history of the school: the move to Purchase from New York City. Manhattanville has the rare distinction of being among the first colleges in the nation to relocate its entire campus. From 1847 to 1952, the college was previously located on 133rd Street and Convent Avenue. Images of the New York City campus, along with newspaper accounts of the events leading up to the relocation will be on view. The exhibit will also feature photographs documenting the construction of new buildings on the Purchase campus in a mere fifteen months.

Librarians of the Future

The Manhattanville College Library is an incubator for future librarians. Over the past ten years, eleven Manhattanville students have gone on to graduate library school. All of these students worked at the Library, where they became acutely aware of the importance of information and of using technology to find this information. They also witnessed the best in public service and learned how to make everyone feel welcome in a library.

In addition to our former students, the Library has had over the last decade, seven staff members enrolled in library school and currently has two staff members in graduate library school and two more about to start. There is usually at least one library school intern working at the Library each semester. This is a remarkable achievement for a small college library and has made us a strong center for teaching and learning.
Meet New Staff

**Joe Colavito**  
**Media Assistant**

Joe received his Bachelor of Music degree from Manhattanville College in May, 2009. He is currently working on his Masters in Music Education through the Five Year BMUS/MAT program here at Manhattanville. His passions include music, cycling, and Batman. Joe also works at the Men’s Warehouse, where he is quite certain that after leaving his store, you will in fact, like the way you look, although no personal guarantee is attached. After completing his Masters, Joe plans to move either west or south in search of a place where snow never falls.

**Selfija Azirov**  
**Circulation Supervisor**

Selfija’s interest in a library career began at the Manhattan College Library, where she was offered a position at the Circulation Desk. She spent about two years at Manhattan before coming over to Manhattanville College Library. She plans to pursue a degree in early childhood education. Selfija dedicates most of her free time to her family. Some of her hobbies include cooking, websurfing and shopping.

CCD Workshops

The Center for Career Development will offer its Career Workshops on the following Wednesdays from 2:00 pm-3:00 pm in the Library Conference Room:

**September 9**  
*True Life: I’m an Intern* (get advice about internships)

**October 7**  
*Professional Networking*

**October 14**  
*Should You Go to Grad School?*

**November 4**  
*The Major Dilemma* (get help choosing your major)

**November 11**  
*Interviewing Skills for International Students*

Events

**Wednesday, September 9, 4:30 pm**
Faculty Lecture- Prof. David Lugowski of the Communications Studies Department  
*Pintelle Queer: The Performance of Jewish Heterosexuality in Yiddish American Cinema of the Great Depression, plus...My Passage to India*

**Wednesday, September 16, 4:30 pm**
Faculty Lecture- Prof. Kristin Rainville of the Literacy Department  
*Rethinking Resistance: Compassion and Humility in Literacy Coaching*

**Wednesday, September 23, 4:30 pm**
Faculty Lecture- Prof. Theresa Kelleher of the Asian Studies Department  
*The Rocky Road to Sagehood: The Diary of a Confucian Scholar, Wu Yubi (1392-1469)*

**Wednesday, September 30, 4:30 pm**
Faculty Lecture- Prof. Robin Cautin of the Psychology Department  
*The Founding of the APS: A New Voice for Psychological Science*

**Wednesday, October 7, 10 am-5 pm**
Faculty Open House- CastleCat Community: See the New Subject Guides Designed for Your Department

**Wednesday, October 14, 4:30 pm**
Faculty Panel- Prof. Nancy Harris, Chair of Women’s Studies, Moderator and Profs. Nada Halloway and Juliette Wells of the English Department  
*The Future of Women’s Studies*

**Wednesday, November 4, 4:30 pm**
Faculty Lecture- Prof. Jane Gangi of the Literacy Department  
*Multicultural Literature for Children: The Missing Link in Teaching Children to Read and Why it Matters*

**Wednesday, November 11, 4:30 pm**
Faculty Lecture- President Molly Easo Smith of Manhattanville College  
*Surprise- A Short Story*

**Wednesday, November 18, 4:30 pm**
Faculty Lecture- Prof. Billy Joe Lucas of the Philosophy Department

**Wednesday, December 2, 4:30 pm**
Faculty Lecture- Prof. Raymond Langley of the Philosophy Department  
*Is an Existential Philosophy of History Possible?: Jaspers and Sartre*
ACCESS TO THE LIBRARY BUILDING

The Library’s mission is to service the information needs of the Manhattanville Community. On September 8, 2009, the Library will be open 24 hours a day. The Library’s extended hours apply only to Manhattanville College ID holders. After 8:00 pm, a Manhattanville ID card must be swiped to enter the Library building. Members of the public may visit the Library by appointment, weekdays from 9:00 am-8:00 pm and weekends from 10:00 am-6:00 pm. Call the Reference Desk at 914.323.5282.

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BORROWING

All Manhattanville College students, faculty and staff may borrow materials from the Library at the Circulation Desk with a valid College ID. College alumni and adult members of the community can purchase borrowing privileges at the Circulation Desk: recent graduates for $35.00/year; alumni for $75.00/year; members of the community for $125.00/year.

LOAN PERIODS

- Books: Students/Staff/Alumni - 28 days; Faculty - end of semester.
- Book/Video/DVD Reserves: 3 hours for in-library use; no overnight loans.
- Audio Cassettes/CDs/Videos/DVDs: Students/Faculty/Staff - 3 days

OVERDUE FINES

To guarantee access to library materials, the following overdue fines are in effect. (Please note that a replacement charge and processing fee will be added to these figures for lost, damaged, and long-overdue items. After items are returned, the replacement charge and processing fee will be cleared, leaving the borrower responsible for the late charge only.

- Books: $.50/day up to $25.00.
- Book/Video/DVD Reserves: $1.00/hour up to $50.00.
- Audio Cassettes/CDs/Videos/DVDs: $5.00/day up to $30.00.
- Fines payable by cash or check at the Circulation Desk during normal business hours.

PHOTOCOPY/FAX SERVICES

- Two copiers and a fax machine are located on the main level of the Library.
- Black/white: $.15 copy; color: $.30 copy.
- Fax: payment by credit card only.

MICROFORMS

A microfilm/microfiche reader is in the second floor computer lab of the Library. Information about the microform collection is available at the Reference Desk.

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