A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

The Library and the Music Department have a joint project: Midday Music at the Library. On Friday afternoons, at least twice a month, between 1:00 and 1:30 pm, music students and musical faculty will perform. Come into the Library Café, have a cup of coffee or a sandwich and prepare to be entertained by some of Manhattanville’s most talented musicians. The season opens on October 29th, with the senior Musical Theatre majors presenting a preview of their upcoming Broadway Sings Classical concerts. The program will feature duets from opera and oratorio, choral selections from opera and operetta, and several choice solos. The singers will be accompanied by Artist-in-Residence, Mark Cherry. The Library would like to thank Prof. Frank Brancaleone, Chair of the Music Department, for making this possible.

The Library is now offering two new services: Scanning and Texting. There are now two high tech scanners in the Library’s copycenter, for the community. These easy to use, touch screen machines will scan both books and documents into pdf, Word or Excel files. The scanned files are automatically stored to your USB drive. The book edge will capture full pages of text without text distortion. To use the scanners, you can purchase a swipe debit card at the Circulation Desk.

If you have a smartphone and have a question for a Manhattanville librarian, then you can text us through our latest service: ASK US! Do you have a question? We have an answer. This wonderful new service is available to patrons every day from 10:00-6:00 pm. You can text to: 914-288-6288, or ask a question from the Library website: http://www.mville.edu/library/. You will receive an answer within 12 hours.

Let me know how things are going for you in the Library. My door is always open and I would love to hear from you.

Rhonna Goodman
Director, Manhattanville College Library
In April 2010, the Manhattanville College Library received a generous donation of children’s books from Dr. Patricia Lee Gauch, longtime Vice-President and Editor-in-Chief of Philomel Books, a division of the Putnam & Gosset Group. During her career with Philomel Books, Dr. Gauch edited children’s books by Eric Carle, Patricia Polacco, Ed Young, Davis Small, Brian Jacques, Andrew Clements and many more. Dr. Gauch gave a book talk and reading in April focusing on what these authors taught her about creating a great book. This event was sponsored by the Manhattanville College Library, Masters of Arts in Writing Program, and the Literacy Department of the School of Education.

Dr. Gauch received a B.A. in English literature from Miami University in Ohio, a master’s degree in teaching from Manhattanville College and a doctorate in English literature from Drew University. She currently teaches in the Manhattanville College Master’s of Arts in Writing program. We in the Library are very appreciative of this very generous donation from Dr. Gauch. The books are shelved in the Library’s Education Resource Center.

Everyone dreams of a database that delivers just about everything needed for a research topic. Is it really Wikipedia? We don’t think so! When asked, almost any librarian will tell you, maybe again and again, that the best way to begin research is to use an authoritative reference source to gain background on the topic. Our newest database, *Credo Reference*, comes a long way to making that dream real. It’s the closest thing to “one-stop shopping” in the marketplace today, and is designed to counteract the Wikipedia phenomenon: all that information but no way to check credibility. *Credo Reference* begins with its own collection of almost 500 authoritative reference books and then, in addition, it can connect your specific search directly with many of our great databases (JSTOR, Academic Search Premier, NetLibrary, etc.), providing the easiest access to the very best materials. It can be accessed directly from the web as well as the Library’s database page. Try it! Let us know what you think at reference@mville.edu.

Another new electronic product the Library has available through the databases listing page is *Films on Demand*, a web-based digital video delivery service that allows you to view high resolution, full screen streaming videos anytime, anywhere. Right now, the Library is offering the Humanities & Social Science collection with 4000 titles with 49,000 segments in numerous subject areas, from anthropology to world language. The *Films on Demand* database is searchable by course area and specialization and is linked to the Library catalog. Playlists with tailored content can be created, organized, and posted to the Blackboard coursepage.

This semester the Library presents *The Royal Visit: Crown Princess Michiko Meets Manhattanville*, an exhibition commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of Japanese Crown Princess Michiko’s visit to Manhattanville. Located in the Library Index Room, the exhibit features photographs and documents from the Library Archives.

In early fall 1960, the Japanese Crown Prince and Princess celebrated the 100th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Japan and the United States with a goodwill tour of America. The trip was also an important indicator of the strengthening friendship between the two nations in the years following World War II. Among the stops on the tour, Crown Prince Akihito and Crown Princess Michiko (today Emperor and Empress of Japan), visited Hawaii, California, Washington DC, New York City, Chicago and Seattle.

Crown Princess Michiko, a graduate of the Sacred Heart University in Tokyo, which was affiliated with Manhattanville, dedicated an afternoon to visiting the campus and addressing over 1000 students and alumni. Of her visit to the Manhattanville campus, the Crown Princess noted, “The day will be one of my most precious memories.” The Library exhibit demonstrates how Crown Princess Michiko’s visit remains as exceptional today as it was fifty years ago.
FALL FACULTY LECTURES

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 7:00PM
Prof. Billy Joe Lucas, Ph.D., Professor of Philosophy
*Working on a Dream: Am I a Philosopher Yet?*

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 4:30PM
Prof. Gillian Greenhill Hannum, Ph.D., Professor of Art History
*Dream Children and Pretty Babies: The Photographically-Illustrated Books of Elizabeth B. Brownell*

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 4:30PM
Prof. Randolph A. Williams, M.A. Professor of Studio Art
*The Uneven Terrain of America’s History: Reflections and Resuscitation*

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 4:30PM
Prof. Nancy E. Todd, Ph.D., Professor of Biology
*Teaching During the Semester, Great: Grading Papers, Wonderful: Field Course and Research in the Caribbean in January, PRICELESS*

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 4:30PM
Prof. Karen Steinmetz, M.A.C.W., Lecturer in Writing
*Book Talk and Reading in celebration of her recently published book, The Mourning Wars*

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 4:30PM
Prof. Benita Mehta, Ph.D., Professor of French
*Connecting Training and Teaching: The CIEE Faculty Development Seminar, Religious Diversity in France: Jews and Muslims, Anti-Semitism and Islamophobia*

All lectures take place in the Current Periodical Room at the Library and are sponsored by the Faculty Library Committee, the Faculty Service Committee, and the Manhattanville College Library.
Nancy Bobrek is a familiar face within the School of Graduate and Professional Studies at Manhattanville, having worked as an Adjunct Instructor in the Leadership and Strategic Management Program for over 15 years. She also worked as a part-time librarian at the Manhattanville College Library, from 1995-2004, and is “thrilled to be back” and to once again be given an opportunity to teach Library Research in the undergraduate Information Literacy Program. During her extensive career, she has accumulated more than 30 years of experience in online database and library research, while serving in a variety of library research and management positions in major corporations, including American Cyanamid, Pitney Bowes and Kraft General Foods. Her academic library experience was gained while serving as Head of Reference & Information Services at the Mortola Library of Pace University, Assistant University Librarian for Collection Development at Pace, and most recently Collection Development/Acquisitions Librarian at Southern Connecticut State University in New Haven. Nancy received a B.A. in English from Wells College and an MLS degree from the University of Michigan. When not on campus, she has a tranquil life in her Connecticut home and enjoys walking, cooking, and traveling in the Berkshires whenever possible.

No stranger to the Library’s Media Services Department, Juan Lora assumed the position of Media Services Assistant in August. Juan graduated from Manhattanville College in May 2010 with a bachelor’s degree in Finance and a minor in Studio Art. While an undergraduate student at Manhattanville College, Juan was a valuable member of the Media Services’ student staff working there for three years. Juan is interested in photography and is a devoted Yankees fan. Juan is from Manhattan and in the future plans on pursuing his MBA at Baruch College.