"Libraries are a legacy to each generation, offering the heritage of the past and promise of the future."

-- The Council of the American Library Association

From The Director’s Desk

Welcome to the latest issue of The Library Link!

The summer was a time for the library staff to collaborate with many other college departments.

At the Lynn Campus Library, the staff teamed up with the Facilities Department to reorganize space in order to provide separate areas for quiet study and for small group study space. Over this next year, we will be paying close attention to our patrons’ feedback on the new arrangement.

Both libraries worked with the Information Systems staff to provide new computers for patrons’ use. The new computers have the same imaging as the computers in the computer labs, so students can do their research, write their papers, or use course-specific software from any of the public access computers.

Last fall we began collaborating with faculty in developing and using LibGuides in all of our information literacy classes. By the end of the spring semester, the library staff had published 137 LibGuides. Over the summer, we worked hard to update those guides and to think of new ways to adapt LibGuides in your classes. Torrey Dukes has moved the online Information Literacy Tutorial to a LibGuide, which can be used in coordination with Angel, using automatically graded quizzes to assess students’ knowledge of information literacy. Be sure to make early contact with a librarian about scheduling an information literacy session and developing an appropriate LibGuide for your class – before the research paper or assignment is due!

We now have access to four health-related journal titles in a new, online format. In this issue of The Library Link, Bill Meunier writes about electronically-delivered Journal of the American Medical Association, the New England Journal of Medicine, the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition, and the American Journal on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. Talk to Bill about how he can embed specific features of these journals in your LibGuide.

Your Library is the intellectual crossroads of North Shore Community College, both in its locations and in its mission to support the students, faculty and curriculum. Talk to us – you’ll be amazed at what we can do for you and your students when we all work together.

— Karen Pangallo
From the Circulation Desk

Library Displays

Check out the display in the Library celebrating National Hispanic Latino Heritage Month September 15th through October 15th.

If you are interested in more information on Latino history, please stop by the Reference Desk.

We also have a display highlighting over 40 websites ranging from environmental literacy to environmental graphic designers and artists. This display goes hand-in-hand with our new green building opening soon!

We welcome your input!
— Edie Saranteas

From the Reference Desk

Journals Available Online

The journals listed below are now available in full text online. Three of these journals, JAMA, New England Journal of Medicine, and Physical Therapy, also provide streaming video content. To access the journals, type in the name of the journal in the FIND IT box on the Library’s main page and select the Books & Media button. You will be directed to the catalog page containing the record. If there is more than one listing for the title, choose the title that has [electronic resource]. An NSCC ID is needed to access the full text off campus.

American Journal on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities: Full text for current three years.
Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities: Full text from 1997 to present.
Physical Therapy: Full text from 1980 to present.

— Bill Meunier

Looking for photos, art, or videos? Checkout the free Wikimedia Commons, a database of 11,175,270 freely usable media files to which anyone can contribute. Everyone is allowed to copy, use and modify any files here freely, as long as they follow the terms specified by the author. This is a great source for images!

Looking for recordings? The National Jukebox project, from the Library of Congress, has made its archive (over 3 million music and spoken word recordings) available for streaming. These pre-1925 recordings of music, speeches, and skits are a great addition to the classroom or just to reflect back on the good old days.
The Library is introducing a new citation generator tool called EasyBib. EasyBib helps to create a Works Cited or References page for research projects, with the option to open the page as a Google Doc or export it into Word to print. Create an account with the site to save and store your bibliographies. EasyBib also includes help with parenthetical citations.

The Library will continue to offer its other citation generator tool, NoodleBib, through the Spring Semester. Some of the advantages of EasyBib over NoodleBib include an easier interface to use with less questions and clicks to get to the right citation template; an autocite feature that allows you to use the title of an article, a website address, or an ISBN to automatically generate a citation; and a quick conversion feature that enables you to change a bibliography from the MLA to the APA bibliographic style.

— Christine Goodchild

Information Literacy Videos

Over the Summer we began recording videos that show students how to use our resources. Some are specific to a course or assignment, while others are general guides to using the Library’s website. During the information literacy sessions, we demonstrate how to use the Library’s resources. Each class focuses on different resources, depending on the assignment or class topic.

One thing we’ve learned is that many students will not remember how to use library resources when they start their research. Our video tutorials are designed to help students navigate the databases at the time of need. Often classes come to the Library well before their assignment is due, and as the due date approaches we see these students again as they struggle with their research. These videos are available in our course LibGuides. The videos also serve as a valuable teaching tool for online students.

The Library’s Information Literacy instruction program is designed to help students become independent and successful researchers. LibGuides, the Information Literacy Tutorial, and these instructional videos are important tools for students’ learning. Check out some of our videos, and ask us about creating resources for your students.

— Torrey Dukes
New Information Literacy Tutorial — As A LibGuide And In Angel!

The Library is introducing a new Information Literacy Tutorial this fall in the form of a LibGuide. Our hope is that this tutorial can make the acquisition of information literacy skills an easier task for our students. Information literacy, as defined on the tutorial LibGuide, is:

“…the ability to choose, use, and evaluate the wide range of sources currently available to answer your specific information needs. More specifically, the tutorial is meant to familiarize students with research tools and techniques necessary to find support and documentation for course presentations and research papers.”

Once acquired, these skills translate into more success in schoolwork, careers, and personal life. Sections of the tutorial include:

- The Research Process
- Defining Your Topic
- Organization of Information
- Finding Books
- Finding Articles
- Internet Resources
- Evaluating
- Citing and Plagiarism
- Understanding the Library's Resources

Like the previous tutorial, the new edition has quizzes for assessment. These quizzes are available via your Angel class posting. Students log in and have access by choosing “Lessons”, then the tutorial. In order for your class to take the quizzes and for you to receive the grades you need to sign up with Torrey Dukes in Lynn, or with Christine Goodchild in Danvers.

For individual use without the quizzes the tutorial can be viewed as a LibGuide, or via the Library homepage. From the “Find It” box choose “LibGuides” and enter “IL tutorial.”

— Carolyn Johnson

Did you know…

- that your students can create stress free citations in a variety of formats?
- that the Library can help faculty with their own research and studies?
- that the Library is there to support faculty when it's time for programs to be re-accredited?
- that the Library can create assignment-related LibGuides that include links to e-books and streaming videos?
Happy Birthday, OCLC WorldCat

August 26th marked the 40th anniversary of the launch of WorldCat, the world’s most comprehensive online library database. Few of those involved in the creation of WorldCat would have guessed that 40 years later, thousands of librarians and catalogers around the world would have cataloged more than 1.7 billion items.

Contributions to WorldCat from individual libraries, like North Shore Community College, allow many libraries to get most of the records in their local catalogs from this shared resource. WorldCat is a singular achievement. It represents the cooperative spirit at the heart of what makes libraries unique among cultural, educational and civic services. It is a shared resource that is built and maintained by thousands of members for the good of all.

At one point in the history of OCLC, Irascope LTE terminals were used to send library information over dedicated, leased telephone lines. Today, that information moves in and out of WorldCat via the Web. People now access WorldCat from desktop computers and laptops that are far more powerful than the dedicated servers of the 1970s and ‘80s. And with tablets and smartphones, our users are staying connected to member libraries at any time, from almost anywhere on the globe.

The technology has obviously changed, but the vision has not: furthering access to the information in the world’s libraries. North Shore Community College has a dedicated website giving access to WorldCat. At this site, a search of WorldCat shows not only the holdings of NSCC, but also of 72,000 other libraries around the globe.

— John Koza

Library News and Features

The Library News section of our web page is a link to the Library blog. Maintained by Christine Goodchild and Torrey Dukes, the blog is always bringing you something new to learn about the Library.

The Featured Items section of our web page is where you will want to read about any product trials that the Library is running, as well as any new resources that we’ve added to our collection.
**Staff Favorites —**

In the 2010 Sundance award winning documentary *Waste Land,* artist Vik Muniz re-creates famous paintings out of trash from the Jardim Gramacho landfill in Brazil. This film not only explores the creative process of Muniz’ art, but it also profiles the *catadores* (collectors) who work as recyclers in the landfill. This was an extremely interesting film that would be relevant for art, sociology, and green-curriculum classes — Karen Pangallo

Ever want more information on birds, or a particular bird you encounter? There are a number of web sites that can help you out, but one of the best and most reputable is the one maintained by the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology. You’ll find photos, brief histories, recordings of bird songs, range maps, and helpful videos. Good birding! — John Koza

*Moneyball* is the story of Oakland Athletics general manager Billy Beane (Brad Pitt). Set in 2002, Beane went against traditional baseball wisdom and rebuilt his team by acquiring undervalued players using a detailed sophisticated statistical analysis. Assisting Beane is Peter Brand (Jonah Hill) a recent Yale graduate, with no baseball experience, who crunches the numbers. Together they take on the baseball establishment including veteran Oakland manager Art Howell (Philip Seymour Hoffman). This is a baseball movie that’s not just about baseball. A nice script with good acting (especially Pitt), you do not have to be a baseball fan to enjoy *Moneyball.* At the end of the movie, there is a nice little Boston twist. 3.5 out of 4 stars. — William Meunier

*Temple Grandin,* played by Claire Danes, is “different,” and not like other people. Grandin, now in her 60s, is autistic, but has accomplished more than most “normal” people. Diagnosed at age 4 with autism, this film captures Temple’s determination and challenges while showing her talents and extraordinary visual acuity which enables her to remember everything she’s ever seen. Grandin earned her doctorate and became a best selling author, as well as a pioneer in the humane treatment of livestock. Watch for viewings of this incredible true story in Danvers, DH119 on November 25th from 9:30—11:30am and in Lynn, LE303, on October 26th from 1:30—3:30pm as part of the 28th Forum on Tolerance, “*Weaving Autism into Our Social Fabric,*” which will be held November 3rd, 8:00—12:30, in the Lynn Gym. — Kathy Sullivan

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- NSCC CAMPUS LIBRARIES in Danvers and Lynn are free and open to the public
- Community residents and alumni can use public library cards to borrow materials and access databases
- Current NSCC students can use student photo IDs to borrow materials and access databases

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