Message from the Director

“O, wind, if winter comes, can spring be far behind?” (Percy Bysshe Shelley)

Spring is nearly here, so why not jump-start your spring cleaning? This is a great time to prune your book collection and see your gently used discards metamorphose into funds for the HCC Library Textbook Scholarship. Read on to learn the details for our perennial National Library WeekUsed Book Sale and other ways to celebrate libraries in April.

Many seeds that we planted last year will bear their fruit in March and April. The Digital Media Classroom (L111) is open now; look for workshops in March, April and May. March will also herald the opening of our One Button Studio (L125); watch News & Whoos for more information. On April 3, the Learning Center will open in their beautiful new space in the Library (L115); please stop by to check it out. We think you will agree that Jennie Towner, Diane Resides, and Steve Garey did a great job!

This spring also brings some unexpected fruit. During the week of spring break, we are replacing two small study rooms located near the second floor entrance with two larger group study rooms, adjacent to L212 and L213. We are also bidding farewell to eLearning and Institutional Planning as they move next door to Maryland Hall. And, in early April, I’ll be moving to a new office on the second floor (room number to be assigned). Stay tuned for more changes in summer.

Lots of changes are going on in your Library, but one thing remains constant – namely, our commitment to delivering to you and your students the very best collections, resources, and services we can provide. Is there an information resource you need? Just ask!

Did you know…?

Subject Guides

The HCC Library currently provides over 140 online subject guides, with additional guides being created every year. What is a subject guide? Some might recall the old “library pathfinders,” bibliographic guides designed to help researchers find the best sources of information for a given topic. The HCC Library still creates such guides using the online platform LibGuides, which allows for additional functionality such as linking to websites, embedding videos, uploading data from the online library catalog, usage statistics, and much more. We have general guides for each curriculum area as well as guides developed for specific courses and their research assignments. We also develop guides on a range of topics, from Black History Month to the Star-Spangled Banner to Pi Day to the Exxon Valdez spill. Visit harford.libguides.com to see what we have available. Librarians will create guides upon request – just ask!

The 2017 National Library Week celebration begins on Monday, April 10. This year, we want our customers to Explore Treasures @ Your Library! Participants will discover sparkling treasures of all kinds and will have the opportunity to enter our annual drawing, which this year will be for free passes to Harford County museums and gardens.

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Virtual Reality Comes to the Library

On January 23, the HCC Library hosted a “Virtual Reality Road Show.” The event included a presentation by Liz Sundermann from the Maryland State Department of Education, who discussed how virtual reality gaming devices will impact K-12 and higher education in the future. After the presentation, Sundermann demonstrated the virtual reality equipment and allowed library staff to try it out. The Library continually looks for ways to explore new technologies that might expand our reference and instruction services; let us know what YOU would like to see @ your library!

New Volunteer

We welcome Sammantha Johnson as our new library volunteer in Technical Services. Sammantha wanted to volunteer with the Library because she likes to read. She wants to one day work in or own a bookstore.
We are planning an interactive “treasure quest,” led by none other than Benjamin Franklin! “Little Ben” is appearing at HCC Library to promote government documents as a national treasure and to kick off the upcoming 50th anniversary of the Library’s participation in the Federal Depository Library Program. Students can pick up their Ben’s Treasure Quest Kit at the Library Reference Desk during National Library Week.

Hello, my name is Suzanne Linebaugh, part-time Reference and Instruction Librarian. I have a BA in Liberal Arts from Sarah Lawrence College, an MA in history from UNC-Chapel Hill, and an MS in library science from Catholic University. Over the course of my career, I’ve worked as a reference librarian in academic, public, and special collection libraries. In addition to my library work, I currently teach history and college success classes at Harrisburg Area Community College in York, Pennsylvania.

My husband Don is a professor at UMD-College Park and my daughter Claire is a sophomore at Sarah Lawrence. After living in the Southeast for a number of years, we’ve settled down on a small farm in south central Pennsylvania, where we take care of two horses, a goat, many chickens, a dog, and four cats. After finishing work and chores, I enjoy gardening, horseback riding, and reading.

I’m very happy to have joined the library staff at HCC and look forward to working with students, faculty, staff, and the community.

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USED BOOK SALE
April 10—April 17

Have books lying around your home that haven’t been read in years? Give them the chance to become someone else’s treasure! Donate your gently-used books, as well as CDs and DVDs to the HCC Library Used Book Sale, to be held April 10–April 17. Donations accepted now through March 31. Please, no encyclopedias, textbooks, or magazines.

Bring donations to the Library 2nd floor, near the Circulation Desk. Tax deduction letters may be provided upon request.

Every dollar earned from the sale will go to the HCC Library Textbook Scholarship fund, which is granted to HCC students to help them purchase textbooks for their courses.

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Upcoming Exhibit and Event Schedule
February 28, 2017
I Remember When: Uprooting and Relocating (Community Discussion)
Moderated by: Iris Barnes, Curator, Lillie Carroll Jackson Civil Rights Museum, and Executive Director, Hosanna School Museum
TIME: 12:30-2:00 p.m.

March 2, 2017
Stress on the Home Front: Life of a Military Family
Lecture presented by: Regina Roof-Ray, Assistant Professor of Psychology, HCC
TIME: 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

March 9, 2017
Rosie the Riveter
Living History Presentation: Interpreted by Mary Ann Jung
TIME: 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

March 15, 2017
I Remember When: Women at Work (Community Discussion)
Moderated by Sharon Stowers, Ph.D., Professor of Sociology & Anthropology, HCC
TIME: 12:30-2:00 p.m.

March 21, 2017
Military Tea
TIME: 12:30-1:30 p.m.
COST: $15 per person; free to HCC students with ID

April 6, 2017
Casus Belli: The United States Enters World War I
Lecture presented by: Andrew Kellett, Ph.D., Associate Professor of History, HCC
TIME: 12:30-2:00 p.m.

African American Read-in
Tuesday, February 28, 2017
11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (drop-in)
Library, Room 214
Join us to read and listen to excerpts from books and poems written by and about African American authors.
Snacks Provided!

Library Hours
Spring Semester
(January 25-May 20)
Mon-Thurs: 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.
Fri: 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Sat: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sun: 12 p.m.-4 p.m.
March 26-31: Closed
April 16: Closed
See the Library website for exceptions to these hours: http://www.harford.edu/academics/library/about/hours.aspx

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