Message from the Director

Happy (almost) spring! We hope your semester is going well and that you are planning for a great spring break. While spring cleaning, why not plan to donate books to our Used Book Sale? More details on page 2.

Last fall we conducted our biennial "point of service" customer satisfaction survey. I’m pleased to report that in each of six areas of service, 97% to 100% of respondents said they were "Satisfied" or "Very Satisfied." In February we conducted student focus groups, which revealed that students are not fully aware of the resources we offer. We invite you to help students learn about library resources and always welcome your suggestions for new resources we could provide.

We are moving forward with our phased plan to create more space for users and address building acoustical problems. In May we will replace the shelves on the second floor with low, curved shelving and will reconfigure space for reading periodicals and student study. Please pardon some disarray during the summer renovations. We hope you will agree that our “new look” at the start of the fall semester will be worth it.

The Library and Hays-Heighe will offer events this spring about different cultures, including military families and Native Americans; learn more below and inside. You can also read about our databases PolicyMap and Go2Knowledge. Look for an announcement later this spring about another exciting addition: a major collection of streaming videos from the Alexander Street Press.

Thanks, and enjoy the semester!

National Library Week

By Janis Jordan
Reference & Instruction Librarian

National Library Week 2015 begins on April 12 and ends on April 18; the HCC Library will celebrate through the month of April.

This year’s theme, Uncovering Maryland History, gives us a reason to celebrate Native American Culture Month. The Archaeological Society of the Northern Chesapeake, Inc. will sponsor an exhibit of objects used by Native Americans and the colonists for food preparation, eating, cooking, and serving. The exhibit will be on the 2nd floor of the Library.

On April 6, there will be free hot beverages available on the 2nd floor of the Library from 10 AM to noon or while supplies last. According to the British Museum website, hot chocolate was a traditional drink of Aztec (continued on page 2)
Library Used Book Sale Supports Scholarship

By Gina Calia-Lotz
Instructional Services Librarian

Have books lying around your home that haven’t been read in years? Give them the chance for new life!
Donate your gently-used books, CDs, and DVDs to the HCC Library Used Book Sale. The Book Sale will be held during National Library Week.

Donations are being accepted through March 31. Drop off donations in the bin on the 2nd floor of the Library, near the Circulation Desk. All book donors may also fill out a slip to be entered in the Library's National Library Week drawing for an ASUS Vivo Tab 8!

The Used Book Sale will be held April 13-19, 2015, on the 2nd floor of the Library. All items are priced between $1-$2; Friday is half-price day, and on Saturday and Sunday all remaining items are $1 per bag.

Every dollar earned from the sale will go to the HCC Foundation Library Book Scholarship fund, which is granted to HCC students to help them purchase textbooks. Last year, the Library’s Used Book Sale raised over $1,000 towards this scholarship fund; help us raise another $1,000 this year!

National Library Week
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people in Mexico, so we will offer Aztec hot chocolate, coffee and tea.

The annual Used Book Sale begins on April 13 and ends on April 19. The Sale takes place on the 2nd floor of the library. Proceeds benefit the HCC Foundation Library Book Scholarship Fund, which provides students with financial aid for textbook purchases.

You forgot and we forgive. The Library will accept overdue materials in good condition and take 50% off your fines between April 13 and 17.

Between April 1 and April 17, students are invited to Take Your Place in Maryland History.
Participants will take selfies at their favorite historic spots throughout Maryland. They will post their photos on the Library Facebook page, naming the location and why it is important to Maryland history. The student with the most “likes” from peers, faculty and staff will be the winner. The prize is an ASUS Vivo Tab 8 M81C-B1-MSBK Signature Edition Tablet valued at $150.00.

Award-winning actress Mary Ann Jung will perform Margaret Brent and the Indians on Wednesday, April 15 at 12:30 PM in Student Center Room 243. Margaret was an influential colonist who believed passionately in the power of education and was a true friend of Maryland’s native people. Reservations are recommended. RSVP to vcorkran@harford.edu or call 443-412-2316.

Participants in selected events will be eligible to enter a drawing for a Maryland Park Passport.

Answers to puzzle on page 8:
1D, 2F, 3H, 4C, 5I, 6E, 7A, 8J, 9G, 10B
On a Heighe Note: Spring Exhibit & Programs

Through March 13, the Hays-Heighe House is hosting *Unclassified: The Military Kid Art Show*, the first traveling museum exhibit of its kind, showcasing the life of a military child through art. Powerful, playful, and sometimes painful, this exploration of the military child subculture through 50 years of blue ribbon art illuminates the strength, compassion, creativity and challenges faced by children of military parents through multiple generations.

With five thematic galleries containing works in mixed media, painting, video and photography, as well as historical artifacts, *Unclassified* is sure to inspire everyone and engender a deeper understanding between military and civilian communities. In the sixth gallery, the Hays-Heighe House is displaying framed artwork created by military children now living in Harford County.

The exhibit’s subject matter includes mobility, war and deployment as well as living overseas, race relations and transitioning out of the military as an adult. It also introduces the topic of primary and secondary Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) in military children and how one Marine family used art to help heal the wounds of the Vietnam War.

**Exhibit hours for Unclassified:**

- **Mondays:** 4 to 6 PM
- **Tuesdays:** 12 Noon to 3 PM
- **Wednesdays:** 10 AM to 12 Noon
- **Fridays:** 10 AM to 1 PM
- **Sat. Feb. 7 & 14 & Mar. 7:** 10 AM to 2 PM
- **Mon., Feb. 16:** 10 AM to 2 PM & 4 to 6 PM

Several educational programs related to the exhibit will take place; all will be held in Room 201 of the House:

- Feb. 18, 12 noon to 1:30 PM: “Poetry is an Act of Peace” – poetry reading
- Feb. 24, 11 AM to 12:30 PM: film screening of *Our Own Private Battlefield*
- Mar. 6, 12:15 to 1:30 PM: presentation by Manolya Bayar & Regina Roof-Ray on "When Mom or Dad is a Soldier: The Mental Health Consequences of Being a Military Kid"
- Mar. 10, 11 AM to 12:30 PM: discussion by Diane Dillard-Broadnex of the Military BRATS comic book

For more information, see [www.harford.edu/hays-heighe-house/events](http://www.harford.edu/hays-heighe-house/events).
In February 1970, the Black Student Union, Harford Junior College’s new student organization, waited for its final approval from the Student Government Association. It was a local part of a nationwide urgency that grew out of the Civil Rights movement and into Black Power in the 1960s and 1970s. This push brought students and professors to create Black Studies departments and Black Student Unions across the country.

Before the Student Government Association could approve the Black Student Union, the College’s Board of Trustees was made aware of the wording of the organization’s charter, and went into closed session to decide what to do. The original charter of the Black Student Union stated that only Black students could be full/active members, and that while others could participate, they would be associate members and receive only 2/3 of a vote.

In defense of the organization, faculty advisor Richard O’Connell pointed out that “the white community has dominated patterns of life to such an extent that black awareness had been manifested in mostly negative terms.” Corresponding secretary Febbe Brown felt the need for such a policy was “obvious when one recognizes the need of a minority group to have an awareness and a cohesiveness before it can truly be of benefit to itself or to the majority group.”

The Board of Trustees chose not to comment specifically on the issue of the Black Student Union, but reaffirmed its policy that all organizations on campus must be open to all students, regardless of race or religion. If the Black Student Union wanted to be an official organization, it would have to change its membership policy. The new charter acknowledged that the Black Student Union would be open to all students, so long as they submitted to a “brief interview” by existing members first.

New Books @ Your Library

New materials are added to the Library’s collection each week. Come check out our new books!

**The Poet Edgar Allan Poe: Alien Angel**
by Jerome McGann (Author)

"The Poet Edgar Allan Poe takes its own readers on a spirited tour through a wide range of Poe’s verse as well as the critical and theoretical writings in which he laid out his arresting ideas about poetry and poetics.” (Amazon.com)

**Vaccine Nation**
by Elena Conis (Author)

"By setting the complex story of American vaccination within the country’s broader history, Vaccine Nation goes beyond the simple story of the triumph of science over disease and provides a new and perceptive account of the role of politics and social forces in medicine.” (Amazon.com)

**MOOCs (MIT Press Essential Knowledge)**
by Jonathan Haber (Author)

"Haber urges us to avoid the fallacy of thinking that because MOOCs cannot solve all educational challenges they are not worth pursuing, and he helps us understand what MOOCs -- despite their limitations -- still offer the world. His book is required reading for anyone trying to sort out the competing claims, aspirations, and accusations that color the MOOC debate.” (Amazon.com)

**What Excellent Community Colleges Do: Preparing All Students for Success**
by Joshua S. Wyner (Author)

"Joshua S. Wyner draws on the insights and evidence gained in administering the inaugural Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence. The book identifies four domains of excellence — degree completion, equity, student learning, and labor market success — and describes in rich detail the policies and practices that have allowed some community colleges to succeed in these domains.” (Amazon.com)
Check Out Our Curves!

Returning students will notice some big changes underway on the Library’s 2nd floor.

We’ve identified multiple reference book titles that can now be accessed online through our databases, allowing us to make many items available for check-out and eliminating the need for the tall shelving that currently divides up the 2nd floor.

In the coming months, we’ll introduce more compact, curved shelving for our legal book collection and remaining reference material, providing increased study space and addressing acoustic issues. The project is currently underway and is expected to be completed before the start of the fall 2015 semester. Library materials will be on the move as we shift, sort, and swap shelving locations; please don’t hesitate to ask a librarian for assistance if you need help finding something.

Featured Database: PolicyMap

By Marcia Simonetta
Reference & Instruction Librarian

PolicyMap is a mapping program that allows the user to visualize and analyze demographic, economic, educational data, and more. For example, one can view and compare data related to population density, household size, religious or political affiliation, crime, commute times, and health, to name a few. PolicyMap provided table-creating functionality that compares different locales or provides an overview of a census tract or county in several key areas.

If you are familiar with Google Maps or MapQuest, you will find it easy to get started with PolicyMap. However, it’s worth a look at the video and print tutorials available under the “Support” tab at the top of the page in order to understand and make full use of this powerful tool. There is a three-minute Quick Start video to get you up and running.

PolicyMap is accessible from the HCC Library website under Research Resources -- Articles & Databases; select the letter “P” to find it listed alphabetically, or find it listed by subject under Business, Economics & Finance, Government & Political Science, and Sociology.

If you are accessing PolicyMap from home, you will need the library card number located above the barcode on the back of your HCC ID. As always, if you need any help with this, or any other library resources, please “Ask a Librarian;” we are happy to help!
Looking for Professional Development Opportunities?

If you are looking for professional development opportunities, you might be interested in the Library’s subscription to Go2Knowledge, available to all faculty and staff.

Go2Knowledge is a database featuring 100 different trainings available on: At-Risk Populations; Campus Safety; Organizational Development; Student Success; Teaching & Learning; and Technology. To access Go2Knowledge, use the following link: https://www.go2knowledge.org/harford or find it on the Library’s Articles & Databases page under letter “G.” You will need the Username: harford and Password: Go2Harford. As always, if you have any questions please contact the Reference Desk at x2131.

Periodical Locator Tool

Use the Periodical Locator to see if the Library has access to a specific newspaper, magazines or journal title in print or online. From the HCC Library homepage, click on Research Resources, select Articles & Databases, and then click on the “Periodical Locator” link at bottom of page. When you are in the Periodical Locator, you can browse by title or subject, or conduct a keyword search. In your search results, pay attention to the dates available for the periodical. Once you see a date range that meets your criteria, you can click on the link to a subscription database where the issue can be found. The Periodical Locator also lists periodicals available in print at HCC Library. Of course, if you have any trouble locating a specific title, contact the Reference Desk for assistance at X2131.
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Library Hours
Spring 2015
Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
Friday 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Saturday 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Sunday 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
Closed March 22-28 for spring break.

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