# **Greetings from the University Librarian**



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Dear Students, Faculty and Staff -

Please enjoy our Nov/Dec newsletter. As we near the end of the semester and papers and projects come due, please remember our librarians are here to assist you and make your research journey a lot less arduous! And as always we are open 24 hours the week before and during finals and we provide a number of services to keep your spirits and body up and ready to tackle finals!

Advances in technology, changes in higher education and expectations of today's college students are transforming academic libraries. At Wilson Library we are trying to keep up with the trends! However if you would like us to consider taking on something new, please drop us a line either using our in house suggestion box (located at the Service Desk) or via email at <u>library@laverne.edu</u>

Happy Holidays!

### Ask Us

Call Us: 909.448.4301 Text Us: 909.638.1882 Chat with us Tweet with us Friend us on Facebook

### Hours

## De-stress at the Wilson Library

Finals Week is fast approaching. December 6th through December 19th, the Wilson Library will be open 24/7. We know you've got a lot going on around finals time. Take a break, fuel up, and de-stress at one of the many events being held by the Wilson Library!

## Therapy Dogs



The therapy dogs were at the Wilson Library the first week of school and are returning just in time for finals. What better way to de-stress before your finals than to play with the therapy dogs!

Make sure to keep an eye out for exact days and times the dogs will be visiting the Library.

### Coffee and Tea

Free coffee and tea is sponsored by the Wilson Library to help students stay energized while studying. Coffee and tea are provided nightly (when we are open 24/7) starting around 11p.m. Due to its popularity, we have been known to run out after a couple of hours, so get here early!

### Puzzles and Games



Take a break from studying, grab some friends, and relax with some of our puzzles and games! Find them on the Eastern side (close to the large windows) of the library.

### Crafts Table

We are introducing a new event this semester. Come de-stress at our craft table where you will be able to put your creativity to use. The craft table will allow students to create various projects in between studying. Stop by the table and try your hand at creating something with a 3D drawing pen!

### Question of the Week Board



The library is trying something new this semester. We have been asking students weekly questions as a way for the La Verne community to interact and communicate with each

other. We would like to thank those who have been participating and making this very successful. So, the next time you're in the library, stop by the "Question of the Week" board and answer that week's question. If you have a question you would like to see on the board or want to see answers to previous questions, visit <u>laverne.libguide.com/questionboard</u>.

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# Librarian's Column

This edition of the Librarian's Column is edited by:



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Libraries are more than a place to study or find books and articles; you can also find skilled research librarians. The best part of being a librarian is helping **YOU** with research.

There are many ways you can connect with a librarian. You don't even need to visit the library!

Chat with a Librarian is available 24/7. Find the chat box on the library homepage. You will either chat with a La Verne librarian or an academic librarian from another university who has access to our resources and can help you with your research needs.

Book an appointment with a librarian for 30-60 minutes to discuss search strategies, keywords, or best bet databases. Appointments are in person, via WebEx, or by phone. Schedule online or email a librarian: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/ulvappt">http://tinyurl.com/ulvappt</a>.

On campus? Swing by the library desk. A librarian is available 9am-8pm weekdays and noon-5pm on weekends. Come ask us a question!

#### **Fun Facts**

Top 5 checked out POP READS

- 1. A Long Way Down
- 2. Hyperbole and a Half
- 3. All the Light We Cannot See
- 4. The Goldfinch
- 5. The Night Circus

## Workshops

The Wilson Library sponsored various educational workshops in October. Our Academic Technology student workers and librarians taught students, faculty, and staff software applications and also demonstrated different methods to conduct one's research. There's one more workshop available in November, so sign up today at laverne.libcal.com.

### Librarian Outreach



At the beginning of the semester, our subject librarians reached out to freshmen and transfers students. This allowed the new students to know who to contact in regards to their research. The email that was sent out also allowed the student to become familiar with the different library services that are

available to them while at the University of La Verne. Don't know where to start for your research paper? Make an appointment with a subject librarian at http://tinyurl.com/ulvappt.

### **New Tables**

Have you noticed the new tables? During the middle of October the Wilson Library replaced some of the older rectangle tables on the Eastern side of the library on the first floor. The library has added in their place ten round tables and four square tables. Along with the new tables the library has also added portable desks for students who are sitting at the green s-curved seating area.

#### **3D Printer**

The Wilson Library has been busy printing various projects for students and faculty. We are still taking requests for objects to be printed. Starting January  $4^{\rm th}$  there will be a fee associated with each print job. For up-to-date information or to make a request, visit

library.laverne.edu/services/compute-print-copy-scan/.

## **Archives & Special Collections**

Since the beginning of the new school year, Archives and Special Collections has undertaken many new projects. Multiple La Verne students have donated their time and talents to prepare the archives for more visitors. **Gerardo Cuevas** has made a detailed inventory of historical newspapers and yearbooks. Alumna **Lisa Beaudoin** has begun to catalog the lengthy Church of the Brethren Collection, while **Alejandro Rasch** has organized the papers of Professor Herbert Hogan.

Archives and Special Collections is a cultural jewel for the University of La Verne. A full run of the *Campus Times*, yearbooks dating back to the earliest years of the University, and an enormous photograph collection that visually depicts the campus and its history are all available in the archives. This is just a small slice of what is available to students. Visit <a href="laverne.libguides.com/archives">laverne.libguides.com/archives</a> for more information. We hope to see you soon!

## **Advertise With Us**

Does your club or Greek organization need a means to promote its event? Promote it on the library's digital display! With over a 1,000 visits a day, your event will get the attention it deserves. Email Amy Jiang today at, ajiang@laverne.edu.