# Letter from the **University Librarian**



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Dear Students, Faculty and Staff -

Welcome back! Hope you had a restful yet productive summer! Librarians and Staff at Wilson Library have been busy over the summer adding new resources, services, new furniture and new study spaces to meet all your learning, teaching and research endeavors. We are eager to share with you all the exciting happenings in our newly redesigned newsletter. If you have a research question, please contact our librarians or if you have suggestion on how to improve any of our services, please feel free to contact me directly at

vtirpuraneni@laverne.edu. As always we welcome your suggestions and comments because we are here for YOU!

Help me welcome the newest members of our Library staff:

- **Cathy Johnson**
- **Keren Darancette**
- Sabrina Mora
- **Benjamin Jenkins**

Meet all our staff at: library.laverne.edu/library-info/staffdirectory/

#### Ask Us

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#### **Hours**

## **New Library Materials**

During the summer the library added 241 printed books. We have also expanded our online eBook and e-journal collection, adding 254 and approximately 2,400 respectively.

Whether it's learning a new language or researching scholarly articles, you can make use of the library's newly expanded database collection. 25 databases (see below) were added during the summer, just in time for the fall semester.

- Book Review Digest Plus
- American Film Institute Catalog
- Academic Video Online Premium
- ARTBibliographies Modern
- Arts & Humanities Full Text
- Cabell's Math and Sciences Directories
- Chicago Manual of Style Online
- Cochrane Library
- Design and Applied Arts Index
- Education Week
- FIAF International Index to Film Periodicals Plus

- Film Index International
- IBIS World iExpert Collection
- ICPSR
- International Bibliography of Art
- International Index to Music Periodicals Full Text
- International Index to Performing Arts Full Text
- Mango Languages
- Medline Full-Text
- New York Times
- PrivCo
- Resources for College Libraries
- Standard & Poor's Net Advantage
- Taylor & Francis Online
- Web of Science

### **New York Times**

Students, faculty, and staff now have access to the New York Times online, which was funded by the Provost's office and ASULV. NYTimes.com covers a variety of topics with breaking news articles, blogs, videos and interactive features. In addition, you can share the content on social networks.

To access the journal, register online at <u>laverne.libguides.com/nytimes</u>. Register today with your University of La Verne email.

## Rapid ILL

The library understands that students and faculty do a lot of research. We know it's important to have speedy access to any and all materials needed for papers, senior theses, and dissertations.

The library has enhanced its Inter Library Loan program (ILLIAD), adding a feature called Rapid ILL. This allows for **some** articles to be delivered within 24 hours. With an average of 500 article requests a month, this feature will help increase our turnaround time, dramatically.

To learn more about ILLIAD, visit:

library.laverne.edu/services/borrow-from-other-libraries/about-illiad/

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## Librarian's Column

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



Donna Bentley Research and Instruction Librarian dbentley@laverne.edu

(Donna received her MLS at UCLA in 1981 and has been working at Wilson Library since December 1992. Chocolate, coffee, and cats are just some of her favorite things.)

At the age of 10, my career goal was to be an author and illustrator of children's books. I read 10+ books each week, with frequent visits to the Ontario City Library to refresh my supply. The *Little House* book series by Laura Ingalls Wilder was a favorite.

Several years ago I stumbled upon The Wilder Life: My adventures in the lost world of "Little House on the Prairie" (Wilson Library Popular Reading "MCLU"). I loved Wendy McClure's account of her obsessive pursuit of "the Laura experience". Currently I am reading Pioneer Girl: the annotated autobiography of Laura Ingalls Wilder (http://csul.iii.com/record=b38051682~S0).

Perhaps I will visit the Laura Ingalls Wilder Children's room at the Pomona Public Library in early February 2016 to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Laura Ingalls Wilder Gingerbread Sociable (pictures of 49<sup>th</sup> sociable: <a href="http://friendspomonalibrary.org/">http://friendspomonalibrary.org/</a>).

# **Fun Facts**

The Wilson Library received a large book donation over the summer. Books that we were not able to be put in our collection were put on sale, where the library has raised over \$150.

### Top requested Popular Books:

- Go Set a Watchman
- Gray Mountain
- Everything I never Told You

## **New Study Area**



With the growing student population at the University of La Verne and increase in library usage, the Wilson Library decided to create another study area for students.

Over the summer we eliminated some of the shelving in the reference section (south eastern side of the library on the first floor).

This enabled the library to create a semi-secluded area (with seating for 16) for students to study or simply take a break between classes.

This new study area is not entirely visible when walking down the main walkway towards the large windows on the eastern side of the library. Give this new study area try; it just might be your new favorite spot in the library.

#### **New Chairs**

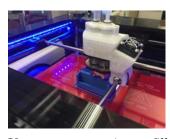


Last semester students were given the opportunity to test out some chairs and vote for their favorite.

The results came in and the chairs pictured on the left were one of the preferred chairs.

On August 28th, 100 chairs with wheels and meshed backs replaced 18-year old wooden chairs.

# **3D Printing**



Students can use the 3D printer to enhance their projects or presentations. Just curious and want to create something just for fun? That's okay too!

Students are able to print small objects for free until December 23, 2015. After January 1, 2016, a fee will be associated with 3D printing; the cost is yet to be determined.

If you want to try it out, fill out the request form online at: <a href="library.laverne.edu/services/compute-print-copy-scan/3d-printer-form/">library.laverne.edu/services/compute-print-copy-scan/3d-printer-form/</a>. If you have any questions regarding the 3D printer, feel free to contact Alvaro Alvarez at <a href="mailto:aalvarez@laverne.edu">aalvarez@laverne.edu</a>.

#### **New Loan Rules**

Over the summer the library staff decided to extend book loan privileges to some of our patrons. Below are the new changes:

- Master's students [60 days → 90 days]
- FT Administrative and Classified staff [35 days → 180 days]
- PT Staff and PT Faculty [35 days  $\rightarrow$  60 days]
- Contracted employees are now eligible to check out materials for 35 days with 1 renewal

We also made some changes to our electronic reserves. iPads, flash drives, headphones, and chargers that were previously on a 2-hour reserve have been extended to 4 hours.

For more information visit: library.laverne.edu/library-info/borrowing-policies/

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# What's Going On?

Want to promote your event? Make use of 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.

## **Library Tour**



Two of the library's student workers, Henry Medina (pictured above) and David Vorobyov, gave tours to incoming freshmen and transfer students on club day.

Approximately 120 students participated in the tour where they learned about the different services the library offers to the students.

# Academic Technology Help

Over the summer Blackboard Help changed its name to Academic Technology Help, to better reflect the services it provides.

Academic Technology Help assists students, faculty, and staff with the following programs and services:

- Blackboard
- Digication
- Qualtrics
- iMovie
- GarageBand
- Photoshop
- MS Office
- Video creation
- Graphics

For more information visit: <a href="https://library.laverne.edu/help/academictechnology-help">help</a>

## Internship Available

Special Collections and Archives is working on a variety of projects, and could use your help.

If you are interested in receiving academic credit from the Department of History and Political Science for completing an internship in the archives, please contact the university archivist, Benjamin Jenkins, at bjenkins@laverne.edu.



# **Special Collections & Archives**



If you have ever wandered up to the fourth floor of Wilson Library, you might have noticed a mysterious caged area. You might wonder why the library has sectioned off this area. It isn't a miniature zoo or construction zone. Rather, it is

home to the Special Collections and Archives of the University of La Verne.

This unique division of the Wilson Library contains gems from the history of the University and city of La Verne. Unlike other library materials, items from Special Collections and Archives cannot be checked out. They are too rare, and in some cases too fragile, to leave the library. Many of the books here stretch back to the eighteenth century, when the German Baptist Brethren Church (which would eventually found the University of La Verne) first formed.

Special Collections and Archives has a wealth of materials from throughout La Verne's history. As well as countless photographs of La Verne from the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, it also has old projector slides, VHS tapes, microfilm reels, and

museum-quality artifacts. Visitors can explore brochures, leaflets, and maps from throughout the University's history, as well as commencement speeches and even notebooks kept by students at the university in the early-twentieth century. Specific areas of focus in Special Collections and Archives include the history of the Church of the Brethren in California, photographs of the University, and documents from the school's past, such as minutes from executive meetings, research and lecture materials from faculty, and yearbooks from the earliest days of the school.

For years, Special Collections and Archives was closed to the University community. However, an archivist was recently appointed to oversee this department fulltime. Special Collections and Archives at the University of La Verne is now open Monday through Wednesday from 9:00am to noon. No appointment is necessary; visitors can simply step into the cage and immerse themselves in the history of the University of La Verne.

If you have ever wondered what is inside the cage, or just want to learn more about the history of your school, come to Special Collections and Archives. With the wide variety of material documenting the University's history, you never know what you will find.

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