In terms of object creation, we provided members of our campus with 44 free posters and 806 free color prints in the fall semester! —Amanda Folk

I was recently asked to review a forthcoming book called Bibliotech: Why Libraries Matter More Than Ever in the Age of Google by John Palfrey, which argues that libraries are still essential to their users for a variety of reasons, including getting help from librarians and creating both analog and digital materials.

In terms of getting help from a librarian, we are so excited to be fully staffed this semester. New librarians Kelly Bradish and Amanda Miller have joined our team, and we are already seeing great things from the two of them.

We’ve also implemented online scheduling for making research appointments with a librarian (see http://pitt.libguides.com/ateam). Students and faculty can view our availability in real time and schedule an appointment when it’s most convenient for them.

We’re also going to be piloting extended/modified hours for the last week of classes and the beginning of finals, so that students have more options for finishing up their assignments and studying.

The featured speakers for the 2015 Pitt-Greensburg Children’s Literature Conference on Friday, May 1 will be author Marc Tyler Nobleman and Benjamin E. Sapp, Director of the Mazza Museum.

Marc Tyler Nobleman is the author of children’s books such as Vanished: True Stories of the Missing, Boys of Steel, Bill the Boy Wonder, and The Johnstown Flood.

According to their website, www.mazzamuseum.org, “The Mazza Museum is the largest museum of original artwork by children’s book illustrators in the world.”

For information, registration, and updates, visit the Pitt-Greensburg Children’s Literature Conference website: www.library.pitt.edu/UPG-childrens-literature-conference
WINTER WINDOW DISPLAYS

Samantha’s display featured books and DVDs from a variety of winter holidays. Amanda’s display featured books of poetry including works from the Pitt-Greensburg faculty.

ONE BOOK, ONE COMMUNITY

The Millstein Library is pleased to present our tenth One Book, One Community Event. Join faculty, staff, students and community to read and reflect on When Opposites No Longer Attract by Michael Testa, distinguished alum of Pitt-Greensburg.

The event will be held on Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at 7:00 PM in Village Hall - Room 118 on the Pitt-Greensburg Campus. Sign up now to read the book, and stop by the library to check out a copy. The event is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Millstein Library, the Academic Village, and Pitt-Greensburg’s Gay Straight Alliance. For more information on the event, contact Sheila Confer at 724-836-9905 or sec10@pitt.edu.

FEATURED DVDS IN THE LIBRARY

Breaking Bad: The Complete Series is now available on DVD in the Millstein Library. Check out all five seasons of the multiple Emmy award-winning series today.

Breaking Bad chronicles the transformation of meek high-school chemistry teacher Walter White (Bryan Cranston) into the fearless drug lord “Heisenberg.” After a cancer diagnosis, Walter teams up with former student Jesse (Aaron Paul), to make and sell crystal meth so Walter can pay his medical bills and support his family. Walter’s brother-in-law Hank (Dean Norris) is a DEA agent obsessed with finding “Heisenberg” and bringing him to justice. Filled with outstanding performances from the entire cast, Breaking Bad is thrilling, funny, sad, and insightful. The series also stars Anna Gunn, RJ Mitte, Betsy Brandt, Bob Odenkirk, Jonathan Banks, Giancarlo Esposito, Krysten Ritter, and Mark Margolis.
NEW MATERIALS
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ULS Databases
- JoVE Science Education Database: General Laboratory Techniques
- United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) Industrial Statistics Database at the 4-digit level of ISIC (INDSTAT4)
- Investor-State LawGuide (ISLG)

Books at UPG
- Speed Limits
- Iraq After America
- Carbon Nation
- Doctors Without Borders
- Exit Berlin
- Steroids
- Protest
- Balancing Liberty and Security
- Vintage Game Consoles

DVDs at UPG
- Breaking Bad
- Noah
- Prisoners
- Oblivion
- A Most Wanted Man
- Edge of Tomorrow
- The Fault in Our Stars
- The Giver
- Lone Survivor

MEET THE STAFF

Kelly Bradish joined the staff this winter as the Reference/Public Services Librarian. She graduated from Penn State with a B.A. in Communications and earned a Master of Library and Information Science degree from Pitt.

Before joining the Millstein team, Kelly was Emerging Technologies Librarian at Fairmont State University and Pierpont Community & Technical College in West Virginia. She also worked at Trib Total Media for 10 years, maintaining the website and social media content.

Kelly considers working with the campus community the best part of her job, with the variety of learning opportunities being a close second. "Showing students, faculty and staff how library resources can help them reach their goals is rewarding," she said. "They discover search strategies and credible sources to use now and in the future, and I learn more about course topics and teaching methods at the same time."

When she’s not on campus, Kelly can be found reading; spending time with family, friends and her cat; traveling with her fiancé; and catching up on Twitter and Pinterest.

Amanda Miller joined the staff this winter as the new Public Services Librarian. Amanda graduated from Westminster College in 2009 with a B.A. in English, from Duquesne University in 2013 with a Master of Arts degree, and from the University of Pittsburgh in 2014 with a Master of Library and Information Science degree.

She presented at the MLA Conference in January 2014 on a panel entitled “Virginia Woolf and Book History.”

Before joining the Millstein Library staff, Amanda worked at both Duquesne and Chatham University libraries. Prior to earning her two graduate degrees, Amanda worked in public libraries. She has always enjoyed talking to people about books, how to find the right resources, and all the cool stuff that is available for free in libraries!

In her spare time, Amanda enjoys reading, learning how to knit, and hiking. Look for Amanda this coming year in some of the library instruction sessions or at the information desk of the Millstein Library.