

## MILLSTEIN MATTERS

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## EXCITING TIMES @ MILLSTEIN LIBRARY

It's hard to believe that summer is more than halfway over and we'll be welcoming the students back to campus in just over a month! I guess this is partially because time flies when you're having fun, and we've been enjoying the work we've done this summer to get Millstein ready for the upcoming academic year. As you'll see in the next couple of pages, we'll be hosting *Flight 93* author Tom McMillan for our One Book event in September and we're also launching a Research Collaboratory for librarians to meet with students.

In addition to this work, the librarians have been working this summer on developing an information literacy road map of sorts to help guide our collaborative work with faculty and students. This work has been exciting! We've discussed what information literacy means at the Greensburg campus and how the Millstein librarians intend to collaboratively develop the information literacy skill of Pitt-Greensburg students throughout their time here. We've also re-envisioned our Freshman Seminar classes and

how these build the foundation for subsequent classes. I'm excited to share the fruits of our labor in one of the future issues of *Millstein Matters*! -Amanda



## 2015 CHILDREN'S LITERATURE CONFERENCE

The 19th Annual Pitt-Greensburg Children's Literature Conference was held on Friday, May 1st. Author Marc Tyler Nobleman and Mazza Museum Director Benjamin E. Sapp were the featured speakers.

Next year's 20th anniversary Children's Literature Conference will be held on May 6, 2016, and feature the return of author Jack Gantos, as well as illustrator Paul O. Zelinsky.



Speakers, presenters, and staff at the Children's Literature Conference

## SUMMER WINDOW DISPLAYS



Amanda Miller's entrance display featured books for summer leisure reading.



The exit display featured books & items from around the world to highlight the study abroad program.

Amanda Miller created the window displays inside the library's main entrance and exit for May through June.

## WPWVC ACRL

Millstein Library's librarians (aka The "A" Team) presented at the Western Pennsylvania West Virginia Chapter of the Association of College and Research Libraries spring meeting on June 5, 2015 in Clarion, PA.

The group (*below left*) -Anna Mary Williford, Kelly Bradish, Amanda Miller, and Amanda Folk – collaborated on two presentations. The first,

"#Trendy or #Targeted: Developing Your Outreach Plan" was a 45-minute session highlighting the development of The "A" Team, considerations when choosing a social media platform for library promotion, and helpful outreach resources. The second, "Dynamic Duo: Reference and Instruction are Better Together" was a ten-minute lightning round

talk about developing formal and informal teaching and learning opportunities via coordination of reference and instruction services.

Amanda Miller (*below right*) presented a lightning round talk titled "How Does Your Graphic Novel Garden Grow? Harvesting the Benefits of Outreach and Collaboration." Her presentation highlighted her efforts to enhance

Millstein's graphic novel collection, including moving it to a more prominent location, increasing promotion on social media, and partnering with a local store to provide free comic books in the library.

All three presentations can be found on Slideshare: <http://www.slideshare.net/millsteinlib>.





## NEW MATERIALS

NOTE: ACCESS TO ULS DATABASES IS RESTRICTED TO CURRENT PITT FACULTY, STAFF, AND STUDENTS

### ULS Databases

*Global Commodities: Trade, Exploration and Cultural Exchange*

### Books at UPG

*American Titan*  
*The Last Unicorn*  
*Sea Fever*  
*Mindwise*  
*Broadcast Hysteria*  
*Juvenescence*  
*A Curious Mind*  
*The Daemon Knows*  
*Bad Faith*

### DVDs at UPG

*American Sniper*  
*House of Cards: Season 3*  
*The Imitation Game*  
*Whiplash*  
*Still Alice*  
*Unbroken*  
*Big Eyes*  
*Big Hero 6*  
*Selma*



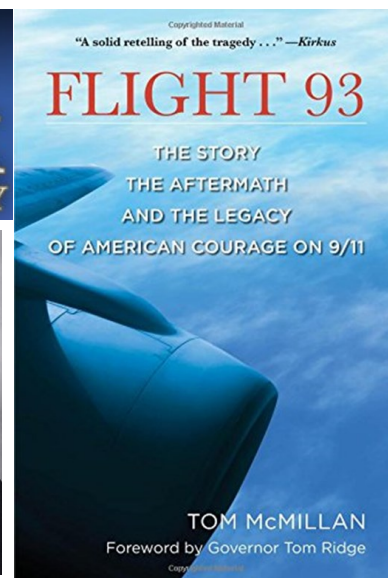
## ONE BOOK, ONE COMMUNITY

The fall 2015 One Book, One Community event will feature *Flight 93, the Story, the Aftermath, and the Legacy of American Courage on 9/11* by Tom McMillan, with a foreword by Tom Ridge, former Pennsylvania Governor and first U.S. Secretary of Homeland Security.

The event will be held on Thursday, September 24 from 7:00-8:30pm in Village Hall.

Join faculty, staff, students, and members of the community to meet Tom McMillan and discuss *Flight 93*.

Several copies of *Flight 93* will be available in the Millstein Library for attendees to check out and read before the discussion. This One Book, One Community event is sponsored by the Friends of the Millstein Library.



## LIBRARY UPDATES

The copier room has been converted into a new Research Collaboratory where students can meet with "A" Team Librarians for reference consultations. The Research Collaboratory features several new desks and a computer workstation.

The copier has been relocated near the curriculum collection on the first floor of the library.

The Millstein Library is also being re-wired this summer for a large boost in internet speed and connectivity. The new wireless signal will be faster and stronger in all areas of the library. Other campus buildings are also being re-wired as part of this project, which will vastly improve students' internet access at the beginning of the fall term.

