March 14 is Pi Day!
We’re having pie with our pi and so can you. Thank you to College Association for catching the Pi Day spirit.

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Note:
Southworth Library Learning Commons will be open 24/7 for midterms week, beginning 8 a.m., Sunday, March 10 and ending at 8 p.m. on Friday, March 15.

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Call it Pi Day for the date (3.14) but it’s a Pie Fest nonetheless

This may be Southworth Library Learning Commons’ very first Pi Day celebration, but it’s sure to be an annual event if it proves as popular as the plans indicate! On March 14, math fans all over the world recognize one of the most fascinating number relationships there is, that is pi, symbolized by π.

Pi represents the ratio of a circle’s circumference to its diameter, which is the same for all circles: 22/7 or 3.14. It’s an irrational number, which is a real number with a nonrepeating infinite decimal. It goes on forever. Fascinating, right?

March 14 is also Albert Einstein’s birthday.

To celebrate Pi Day, there will be an Einstein look-alike contest in the library learning commons. Additionally, we’ll have a pi recitation challenge. How many decimal points can you recite from memory? Plans are also underway for a Pi Day scavenger hunt.

Those events alone would be enough to make it a party, but College Association has caught the fever and made sure that you’ll be able to find π for lunch whether or not you have dessert.

College Association is providing pies for contest winners. The Cyber Café will host a pie sampling between 2 and 3 p.m. The dessert case will be filled with pie.

If you don’t like to share, you can order pies in advance (please give two days notice). The feature pie this month is lemon meringue. More information will be sent by College Association, so be sure to watch your email.

Lunch specials on Pi Day include:

**Cyber Café**
- ½ Reuben Panini with chips or salad $3.14 (includes tax) 11am – 2pm
- Pi (Pie) Sample Day 2 – 3pm
- Pie of the Month is Lemon Meringue for $6.99

**JT’s**
Large Irish Stew with Biscuit & Medium Fountain Soda $3.14 (tax included) 11am – 2pm

**Deb’s Corner**
Sloppy Joe in a Bread Bowl with Medium Fountain Soda $3.14 (tax included) 11am – 2pm

**Serendipity**
Deli Sandwich with Large Popcorn $3.14 (tax included) 11am – 2pm

And, if you’re looking for bargains, be sure to check out the **Campus Store** where it will be 3.14 x 3.14% (π²%) off all clothing, plus an All Items For Sale at $3.14 ($3.14) Table – all day, 8am – 4:30pm

We hope you’ll join in the fun. Contest details will follow. Just remember, it will be pi, π, and more pie!

March 14 = 3.14 + Π + pi + pie + look-alikes

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I keep wanting to write, “Π Day, be there or be x²!” But that would just be silly, so I’m putting it in the fine print to see if anyone notices.
New library online tools are ready

It’s a digital world and at the Southworth Library Learning Commons we’re doing what we can to provide many digital tools to help our patrons find the information needed whether they visit us in the building or access our services online.

One of the busiest areas of the building is the first floor conference room, nicknamed “The Fishbowl.” We often get calls asking us if the room is available to be reserved. The calendar of Fishbowl reservations is now visible from the library home page online. And, along with the calendar is a simple room request form that generates an email to staff that can be handled even during off hours. Please have a look at this handy new tool.

While you’re viewing these new tools, be sure to check out the new information literacy tutorials and faculty e-textbooks. This feature is not yet linked to the library home page. However, the address is: researchguides.canton.edu/etext. The tutorials allow faculty to embed information literacy right into classroom curricula. The tutorials are self directed and are supported by faculty e-textbooks containing the different modules. There is also an instructor feedback form on that page. We welcome your input.

Finally, the Library Learning Commons tab is now available across all ANGEL courses, although you won’t be able to see the tab if you are only accessing an ANGEL campus Group.

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Nursing Video on Demand

Free Trials Now Available

Clinical Nursing
- Allied Health
- Anatomy & Physiology

Positive feedback for INTELECOM Online Resources Network trial

**Trial expires on March 23rd, it’s not too late!**

We have a new trial database we would like you to try. All students, faculty, and staff may access INTELECOM Online Resources Network at http://www.intelecomonline.net/ (Username: canton, Password: guest):

Some feedback we’ve received includes these comments:

- The videos seems to embed nicely into the ANGEL online environment. This would be a useful resource for faculty to utilize for online, F2F and Blended classrooms.
- Some of the features that I think makes this most appetizing: citations, closed-captioning(+) and URL’s.
- It seems like the videos for nursing, medical, science and math are the strongest topics. The education videos were relatively sparse.
- It is very helpful for IT to not have to house this on a separate server, which will need to be maintained.

- I really liked that it incorporated the closed captioning feature to the videos. This is something that we have been trying to solve in online learning environment.

The INTELECOM Online Resources Network doesn’t add to our campus server load because it is fully-hosted. It is a searchable collection of media rich materials that support online, hybrid and face-to-face classes. The content is designed to enrich instruction with curriculum-aligned content.

INTELECOM Online Resources Network reportedly offers a reliable “streaming-as-a-service” content solution that is simple, affordable and easy to use.

We would like to know if you agree. Please take a few moments to test their offerings.
March is:
I Irish American Month
National Craft Month
National Nutrition Month
National Women’s History Month

Some March days worth noting:
8 International Women’s Day
10 Daylight Savings Begins at 2:00 a.m.
14 Pi Day
17 St. Patrick’s Day
20 Spring (Vernal) Equinox & International Earth Day

Library Reserves Has What You Need!
The following is available to borrow at the circulation desk:

- Many Textbooks (Print and Electronic)
- Apple Adapters and Dock Connector Cables
- DVDs and CD-ROMs that accompany textbooks
- Movies
- Anatomical Models and Anatomy charts
- Calculators
- Microscope
- iPads
- Kindle
- Headsets
- Portable microphones
- Cube Laser Virtual Keyboard
- Camera
- Yearbooks
- Remote controls for Google TVs
- Laptops (during evening hours. During the day see the IT Help Desk)

A Special Thanks for Love Your Library Day

We at the learning commons want to thank you all for your enthusiasm and participation during Love Your Library Day. Please check out the photos on our facebook page.

Thank you especially to College Association, Admissions and the local vendors who donated all of the gift certificates and goodies we were able to give away in our prize drawings. If you were one of the lucky winners, please be sure to thank the donor when you visit their business. Local businesses include: Glow, Nature’s Storehouse, The Pear Tree, Hair Design, Blackbird Café, A Curious Life, JS Cinemas, Josie’s Pizza, The St. Lawrence Chamber of Commerce, and NYSARC G.O.A.L. Art Gallery.

Also, thank you to Catering for whipping up that delicious Cupid’s Crunch mix to go with the brownies and cupcakes. You’re super.

We really felt the love and appreciate all of the feedback we got. We’re busy going through all of the comments and looking for ways to build on some of the suggestions you made.

Thank you again from all of us,
Library Learning Commons Staff