Southworth Library Learning Commons
October Newsletter

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What’s Happening in October...

- Great Ghosts Week will be Monday, Oct. 29 to Friday, Nov. 2. There will be candy and activities about ghosts—famous, local, and/or fictional.
- The Living Author’s Series will continue in October.
- The Book Club has started reading Mary Karr’s Liar’s Club. It is not too late to join. E-mail the library at library@canton.edu or call 315-386-7228
- October 18 is Civility Day. It is a joint celebration between SUNY Canton’s CARES Committee and SUNY Potsdam’s BEAR Committee. The library will have displays and participate in activities initiated by CARES. Come take part in a sit-in on the plaza!
- Banned Books Week is 30 years old! The American Library Association is asking volunteers to upload a 3-minute reading from among the hundreds of books that get challenged or censored each year. Please contact Loreen Murphy in the library for more information. Banned Books Week is September 30 to October 4 this year.
- The Writing Center is extending their hours even later! The following is their current hours:
  ⇒ M-Th: 9AM – 3PM AND 5PM-7PM
  ⇒ F: 12PM – 3PM
  ⇒ Additional hours will be
  ⇒ Sunday: 1PM – midnight
  ⇒ Monday: 6PM – midnight
  ⇒ Tuesday: 6PM – midnight
  ⇒ Friday: 3PM – 8PM

Black Studies in Video Database Trial

Southworth Library Learning Commons has a new trial database from today through October 17, 2012. All students, faculty, and staff may access Black Studies in Video by clicking on the following: image

Please let us know if you think this video will be useful to you and should be considered for a future purchase.
American Board of Funeral Service Education Visit

Over the past 9 months, the Funeral Services Administration program at SUNY Canton has been working on national accreditation with the American Board of Funeral Service Education. In order for this program to be viable at SUNY Canton, this accreditation is extremely important. There are 15 standards that need to be addressed in the self-study prior to submission to the American Board. Once the self-study was submitted, a visit and inspection of the facilities was scheduled. On September 10th and 11th, the ABFSE Accreditation Visiting Team was on campus for this inspection and review of the self-study.

One of the standards that was examined in their inspection of the facilities was the library and the resources they provide for the students at SUNY Canton. In the words of one of the team members, "SUNY Canton's resources are by far the greatest asset that this campus has for their students and it is the best example of what resources should be for a mortuary science program." Dr. Penepent commented to the Dean of the College of Health, Science and Criminal Justice after the visit that, "We need to be very proud of the fact that our library and resource center is the hub of where learning is enhanced at SUNY Canton."

The FSAD Director Penepent also stated that, "We anticipate becoming a fully accredited mortuary science program on October 7th, 2012 after I appear in front of the ABFSE Board of Accreditation conference in Charlotte, NC. Once accredited, the program will be national recognized as a mortuary science program in the United States," Penepent added.

The Funeral Service Administration program at SUNY Canton is the only 4 year program in New York State and one of the very few institutions in the United States that offer a Bachelor of Technology degree. There is currently 32 students in the four year degree program and 10 licensed funeral director students in the Bachelor completion program at SUNY Canton. Next year, the program will be unveiling their new learning center in Cook Hall which will include an arrangement office, chapel, restorative art classroom, classroom, computer center, and new offices for the faculty.

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Director of Funeral Service Administration

Thank you for all the donations!

Thank you!

♦ Thank you to Beth Gooder and the College Association for supplying us with so many cases of fresh apples during Apple Week! We absolutely could not offer this popular event without your continued, generous support!

♦ Thank you, also to Farren Davis from Health Services for her work on Healthy Hops and LaShawanda Ingram from Diversity Affairs for the extremely popular diversity activity featuring a variety of apples, offered in deliciously, diverse ways.

♦ Thank you to everyone who has donated DVDs and books for use in our “popular” collections. We get a lot of positive feedback from users who are grateful to borrow something entertaining for relaxation. We do accept DVDs and fiction books that are in very good condition. Our movie collection is eclectic, so don’t worry if you think a movie’s too old or is geared to children. Books should be relatively current to be included in our popular reading collection.
The principles for finding information on a research question are the same whether one is actually in a "bricks-and-mortar" Library Learning Commons or sitting at home in front of a computer. Wherever you are located, Southworth Library Learning Commons will assist you with your academic activities.

E-books on Overdrive!

If you are looking for something fun to read on your Kindle, Nook, or other e-reader, look no further! The Southworth Library Learning Commons’ e-book collection on Overdrive has many popular titles.

Some scary ones for October include:

- **World War Z** by Max Brooks
- **After Midnight** by Lynn Viehl
- **Zone One** by Colson Whitehead

In addition to lots of popular fiction, we have a wide variety of non-fiction.

If you would like to access the collection go to the Overdrive site. You will need your Canton User ID and password.

If you need help loading books onto your e-reader, you can get help from the Overdrive site or stop by the Learning Commons and a librarian can help you.