

SECOND STORY NORTH

The Newsletter of the LeRoy M. Douglas Sr. Library

Library



Hours

Fall Semester 2007

Mon-Thurs 8:00 am-7:00 pm

Friday 8:00 am-4:00 pm

Media closes at 6:00 pm M-Th

Closed

November 22-23—Thanksgiving

Intersession

See library website for details

Virtual Library Hours

24/7

www.clinton.edu/DouglasLibrary



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The Green Library

I buy as many green products as I can. My dish soap, laundry detergent, paper towels are all formulated to keep chemicals out of the environment or are recycled. I take my own bags to the grocery store. I'm currently struggling with the environmental aspects of bottled water, because I love the convenience of the bottles but recognize that burning fossil fuels to haul water around doesn't make much sense. I walk a lot more than I used to and I buy as many organic and free trade products as I can.

It has never occurred to me, though, that I work in a green career field. Here are three ways that libraries are green and getting greener.

First, the very concept of a library is green. I often think

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of libraries as intellectual cop-ops. You return items so I can use them, and vice versa. Imagine the cost, to the environment, that is, if each of us were to buy all of the library materials that we used. Just in one year on this campus, that would equal thousands of pounds of raw materials used, and a huge carbon footprint made in getting them into our hands. Each item purchased by the library represents dozens of items not produced or transported each year.

Second, we librarians pioneered a green concept back in the 1970's, though we maybe didn't think of it that way, by putting our card catalogs online and networking them. We save paper and space, and you save gasoline when you search the catalog from home, and that concept has been magnified a hundred

fold as we've offered internet-based resources.

Third, the way our world will successfully address global warming is through community development. We'll have to pull together as a planet, and it's not too grand to say that libraries are a major element in that kind of community development through their support of informed dialog. To "solve" global warming we need leaders with political will; we need businesses willing to innovate; we need the awesome collective power of many individuals doing their parts. All of those elements have informed dialog at center, the kind that can start with a trip to the library . . . which you can do online!



Circulate = Recycle

Libraries have been in the recycling business since the earliest known library was founded at Alexandria, Egypt in 288 BCE. We've gradually evolved from circulating scrolls to lending books but the concept remains the same. Use your library card to save trees and cut back on pollution.

What "is" new in the library is paper consumption. In

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recent years, thousands of reams of paper have been digested by printers and photocopiers. In order to reduce paper waste the library staff have:

- set printers for duplex printing.
- discontinued cover sheets for print jobs.
- posted instructions for saving information electronically (see Reference Desk article for details).

- made use of natural light when possible.
- placed recycling bags in strategic places around the library.

In addition, the library has an extensive collection of plants, cared for by senior library clerk, Mary Hebert. Plants freshen the air, delight the eye, and remove carbon dioxide as well as other toxins.

FAQS

? I can't print my paper from MS Word and it's due in five minutes. Help!

A. Try this: save your document, then close MS Word. Reopen MS Word, and then open your document. In the taskbar, click "File" > "Print Preview" > "File" > "Print."

If your document still won't print, save your document to your H: drive or flash drive, close MS Word, log off your computer, move to another computer, and open it there.

? I saved my term paper at home in a file format that doesn't work on campus. What can I do?

A. If you have saved your term paper in a format that is not supported on this campus, such as Microsoft Works (.wps), you can convert your file by going to the Zamzar website: www.zamzar.com/ Follow the four easy steps and you're done. It is best to save your word processing file as a .doc or .rtf.



MEDIA SERVICES DESK

Foreign Language Films

Want to see the world and save fuel at the same time? Take home one of our foreign films. Our media collections support the foreign language curriculum. We have foreign language films in French, German, Spanish, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Mandarin, Tibetan, Russian, Afrikaans, Zulu, Aramaic, Romanian, and more:

- *Amelie*
- *Cidade de Deus*
- *China Blue*
- *Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon*
- *Cyrano de Bergerac*

- *Il Postino*
- *Joyeux Noël*
- *Kekexili*
- *La Dolce Vita*
- *Laberinto del fauno*
- *Les Invasions Barbares*
- *Jesus de Montréal*
- *Spirited away* (anime)
- *Tsotsi*
- *Vitá e bella*
- *Volver*
- *Y Tu Mamá También*

Selected New DVD Titles



* *Anne of A Thousand Days* / *Mary Queen of Scots*
Two classics

back-to-back. Outstanding acting and drama.

* *Dying to Be Thin*—NOVA documentary on the prevalence of anorexia nervosa and bulimia disorders.

* *Mickey Mouse Monopoly*—critically examines Disney corporation's power and influence.

* *Simon Schama's Power of Art*—In this 8-part series Simon Schama, Columbia professor of art history and history, focuses on eight iconic works of art: created by Caravaggio, Bernini, Rembrandt, David, Turner, Van Gogh, Picasso, and Rothko.



REFERENCE DESK

Save Trees by Saving Articles Electronically

It isn't necessary to print out that article that you need for your writing project. Once the project is done, you're just going to deep six the article, aren't you? Here are some alternatives that will save a tree or two. Saving electronically will also help prevent exceeding your paper quota of 400 sheets.

1. Save the article to your folder on CCC's network.

It's easy. Click **File, Save As**, and select \\fp1 \homes\ your username from the drop-down menu. To retrieve your article, click **File, Open**, select \\fp1 \homes\your username from the drop-down menu, and click on the article title.

2. E-mail the article to yourself.

Click the "E-mail" icon, and

enter your e-mail address.

3. Save the article to a USB drive (aka flash drive, thumb drive, etc.).

Click **File, Save As**, and select the name of your USB drive from the drop-down menu. To retrieve your article, click **File, Open**, select the name of your USB drive from the drop-down menu, and click on the title of the article.



TECHNICAL SERVICES DESK

Tech Green

Technical Services staff have also started going green by recycling and moving processes from print to electronic formats.

- Instead of using book order cards, we order books directly from vendors' online websites.
- We have requested that vendors send catalogs

and sales sheets electronically instead of by snail mail.

- The "New Books" list is published exclusively online.
- We participate in book recycling by accepting book donations that will complement our print collections.
- We recycle corrugated

cardboard book boxes by offering them to the college community.

