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Movie Night at the Library

Some may be surprised to know that CSU Libraries offers access to a wide range of films. In addition to our physical DVD collection, CSU Libraries subscribes to KANOPY, a film database providing independent, international, and some feature films along with first rate documentaries. KANOPY reminds lots of users of Netflix with its offerings. Most students are shocked to know they too can access these same films via our KANOPY database from their dorm room, while at home for the weekend, or at a cafe. According to Paula Adams, head of reference services, "informing patrons that GALILEO is more than just an article database collection is part of a new outreach initiative."

In an effort to promote this service, this semester the library took part in International Education Week by hosting its first annual International Film Festival. Three international films were shown on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday. Films shown were from Nigeria, South Korea, and Sweden. Students enjoyed each film with attendance for the final film reaching thirty students. More plans are underway including a staff movie night as well as establishing a film club. The CSU Film Club will be open to students, staff, and faculty beginning spring 2018. Those interested should contact Paula Adams at 706.507.8685 or by email: adams_paula@columbusstate.edu.

Civil War Goes Digital

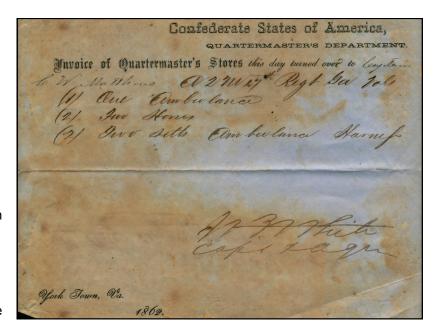
The Columbus State University Archives earned one of the inaugural Digital Library of Georgia digitization grants that will allow online access to the Civil War era letters and documents of General Henry Benning, for whom Fort Benning was named.

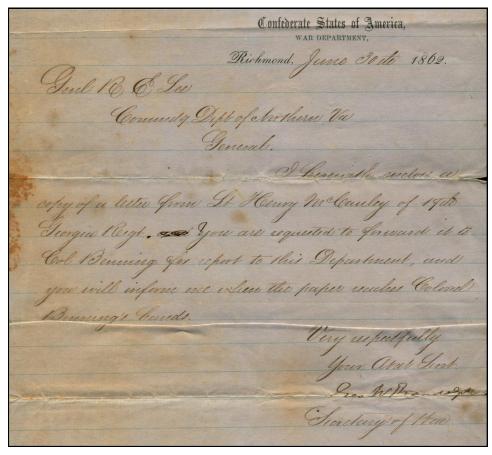
"We are excited to receive this grant allowing us to increase access to our collections by making General Benning's involvement in this important period of our history available online," said University Archivist David Owings. "The collection will be keyword searchable facilitating in-depth research for scholars or anyone with an interest in the Civil War era."

Benning was a prominent figure in the Civil War who participated in twenty-one engagements including Antietam, Gettysburg, and Chickamauga. His regiment was at first part of the Army of northern Virginia under Robert E. Lee

and later under Braxton Bragg in the Army of Tennessee. During the Battle of Antietam he earned the nickname "Old Rock" due to his regiment's unfaltering defense of the Confederate right flank. By 1863, he had been promoted to Brigadier General. He continued to serve in that capacity until Lee's surrender at Appomattox. After the war, Benning returned to Columbus and resumed practicing law until his death in 1875.

The project will digitize approximately 120 documents, mostly letters from Benning that were donated to the CSU Archives by the Columbus Museum. The DLG will provide the library with standardized meta-data, meaning the collection will be fully described for people all over the world to view online. Once complete, the project will be hosted on the CSU Digital Archives website and the Digital Library of Georgia website.





Above: Quatermaster's Report, 1862; **Below**: Letter to General Robert E. Lee from Confederate Secretary of War George W. Randolph.

Exploring Space with CSU Libraries and Coca Cola Space Science Center

This fall, the Simon Schwob Memorial Library and Coca-Cola Space Science Center (CCSSC) partnered on two programs, bringing the excitement of Space Science to Columbus State University's main campus. First, on August 7th, 2017, CCSSC Observatory Director Dr. Rosa Williams presented a talk on the *Great American Eclipse* in the library forum with over 90 attendees. This eclipse preview provided helpful information on how, when and where to see this epic solar eclipse safely. The presentation served as a prelude for the Space Science Center's national webcast and observing event on August 21, 2017.

Additionally, on display throughout the month of October in the library 1st floor gallery are artifacts from the Space Science Center's collections. Visitors can view historic pieces, which include components of space experiments that flew on the Space Shuttle and the Russian *Mir* Space Station. One such artifact is a component of the Medilog Sleep Research Recorder which flew with NASA astronauts aboard Mir in a historic collaboration to study the long-term effects of microgravity on astronauts' sleep patterns. Additionally, guests to the library can see a Continuous Blood Pressure Device (CBPD) from the Space Shuttle era. This non-invasive device measured the astronauts' blood pressure at the finger and provided data to better understand the function of the cardiovascular system in the space environment.

The display also features the front tire from John Glenn's Space Shuttle *Discovery* flight, STS-95 which landed this astronaut's crew safely in November, 1998. A U.S. Senator (D-OH) and one of America's most famous astronauts, John Glenn was a member of the original Mercury Seven, NASA's first astronaut class. He was the first American to orbit the Earth aboard *Friendship 7* in 1962. As part of the STS-95 crew at the age of 77, Senator-Astronaut Glenn participated in numerous studies, including experiments on vestibular functions, immune system, sleep monitoring and protein use.

To complement these artifacts, unique retro-style travel posters, designed by artists at NASA's the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, are on display. These Sci-Fi inspired space-tourism posters highlight the latest discoveries in the world of astronomy and space exploration. Also on display are astronomical images taken by CSU students working in CCSSC's WestRock Observatory. These students have captured amazing images of the Sun and various objects in the nighttime sky.

The CCSSC is excited to partner with the Simon Schwob Memorial Library providing unique experiences for patrons, and providing a window into what we offer at the CCSSS for the public and student community.

- Dr. Shawn Cruzen, Executive Director, Coca-Cola Space Science Center





The CSU Libraries Celebrates Banned Books Week

The CSU Libraries held its annual Banned Books Week Read-Out event on September 28th in the library forum in the main campus Schwob Library. Participants signed up to read from one of their favorite banned books while also providing the reason the booked was banned. An audience of about twenty-one students, staff and faculty, received CSU Library swag from librarian Michelle Jones and participated in a contest to vote for the best reader by ballot. Paula Adams, began the program by highlighting the history of Banned Books Week which began in 1982 by the American Library Association to draw attention to the growing number of books challenged across America. Since then, libraries of all kinds across the country celebrate BBW each September to honor our right as American citizens to read and inform ourselves of multiple viewpoints about anything from ideas, theories, innovations, human development, literature, sexuality, history, and even learn more about each other. Paula goes on to say, "people need to know there are others in our country who would like to not only limit what their children read, but other children as well as adults. What would you think about visiting your local public library to find books you wanted to read are not available because community members were successful in banning those titles from library shelves? The individual right to read what you want, to learn, to broaden your perspectives about anything, should remain just that, an individual right, not a group decision by others afraid of what you might learn."



Paula Adams (left) and Michelle Jones (right) with Banned Books Read Out Winner Evan Gordan (center).

Traveling Librarians Host Workshop on River Park Campus

On September 18, librarians Michelle Jones and Paul Luft hosted a nearly two hour long workshop for education and nursing students on the River Park Campus. They presented on available library services and resources and assisted students with research projects, reassuring students that the CSU Libraries has the best resources needed to help support their academic success at CSU. They hope to continue doing these workshops with planning underway for more next semester.



CSU Libraries has long embraced information trends in providing access to current digital

resources such as JSTOR, ProQuest, EBSCO, Science Direct and Kanopy, all are databases available via the GALILEO database collections as well as ebooks and digital films on demand. While these resources can be accessed online by all students, even more resources are only available at the CSU Main Library. Since the opening of Frank Brown Hall, CSU Libraries has worked vigorously to bridge this divide not only by travelling between campuses, but also by offering "virtual reference" services, allowing patrons to contact librarians via text, chat, and email. Librarians are also available for online video conferencing to help patrons navigate the most complex databases. Librarian and Head of Reference Services, Paula Adams, expressed concern about this information not reaching enough users, "many students, staff, and faculty are not aware they can, for example, chat with a librarian Monday-Thursday from 8:30am-1:30am! As librarians, we try to reach students where they are, whether in a workshop, classroom or one-on-one research consultation. This also means other locations, in dorm rooms, Starbucks, home for the weekend, or even if they're on the third floor of the library, we are here to provide assistance."

In addition to these services, CSU Libraries also offers pick-up of main campus library material at the RiverPark Music Library, providing a convenient option for those not regularly traveling to main campus.



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Hot Off the Press: New Databases at CSU Libraries

CSU Libraries is happy to announce that it acquired three new databases over the summer.

EBSCOHost Academic Search Ultimate

EBSCOHost's new Academic Search Ultimate is an upgrade to CSU Libraries' popular Academic Search Complete

database. It offers students and faculty a huge collection of peer-reviewed, full-text journals. Academic Search Ultimate also features a large collection of magazines, reports, and books in many different disciplines, such as anthropology, literature, mathematics and women's studies. It also contains a large video library that includes more than 67,000 videos from the Associated Press with footage from 1930 to the present.

Business Source Ultimate

EBSCOHost's new Business Source Ultimate offers peer-reviewed, full-text journals and other resources that highlight historic and current business topics. Subjects include Accounting, Administration, Banking, Economics, Finance, and Human Resources. With an emphasis on global perspectives, Business Source Ultimate also contains case studies, company profiles, and in-depth interviews with business leaders. Through its "Company View" feature, users can access detailed company information on more than 1.1



million businesses. Its "Content in Context" section provides access to case studies, SWOT analyses, and product reviews. Business Source Ultimate is a great tool for students wanting to enter into the business world after graduation.



Issues & Controversies

Issues & Controversies is a database of current-day analyses of "hot topics" in several subject areas, such as politics, crime, law, culture and societal issues. Updated weekly, Issues and Controversies features news from *Reuters* and editorials and opinion pieces from the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Washington Post*, and *Atlantic*. It also contains primary documents, pro/con discussion pieces, chronologies, and statistics. Issues &

Controversies is a great resource for students writing about current events and controversial issues. It is also a great tool for faculty who want to provide access to a wide range of issues and controversies to engage students in real-world problem-solving activities.

As always, you can access these databases by visiting library.columbustate.edu or going directly to galileo.columbusstate.edu. If you need any assistance accessing these or other databases please contact us at 706-507-8671 or by text at 706-410-1963. You can also email or chat with us online.



Library Events and Exhibits

Come Explore With Us, September 1 — October 31

On display in the First Floor Schwob Library Gallery is an exhibit curated by the Coca Cola Space Science Center showcasing objects from their extensive collections.

Monday - Friday, September 25th - 29th Banned Books Week

Monday, September 25, 8:00pm-10:00pm

The CSU Library International Film Festival Celebrating International Education Week

Tuesday, September 26, 8:00pm-10:00pm

The CSU Library International Film Festival Celebrating International Education Week

Thursday, September 28, 8:00pm-10:00pm

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Tuesday, October 3, 12:00pm-1:30pm

Rites of Passage presentations by Dr. Larry Dooley and Dr. Deidre Greer at the Studio Theatre, Riverside Theatre Complex. A light lunch will be served beginning at 12:00pm with presentations starting at 12:30pm.

Tuesday October 10, 12:00pm-1:30pm

Rites of Passage presentations by Hannah Israel at the Studio Theatre, Riverside Theatre Complex. A light lunch will be served beginning at 12:00pm with presentations starting at 12:30pm.

Thursday October 12, 12:30pm-1:30pm

ILC Faculty Workshop Lunch & Learn Series featuring Clayton O'Dell on "Class Migration in Austen's England" and Joe Miller on "What Journalism Can Teach us About Migration." Lunch will be provided.

Tuesday October 24, 12:00pm-1:30pm

Rites of Passage presentations by Dr. Rosa Williams and Dr. Zdeslav Hrepic in the Schwob Library Forum, Main Campus. A light lunch will be served beginning at 12:00pm with presentations starting at 12:30pm.

Thursday, October 26, 5:30pm-8:00pm

Rites of Passage presentations by Dr. Mariko Izumi and Dr. Kevin Burgess in the Schwob Library Forum, Main Campus. A light lunch will be served beginning at 12:00pm with presentations starting at 12:30pm.

Thursday, October 26, 5:30pm-8:00pm

3rd Annual *Kiss of the Tarantula* screening sponsored by the CSU Archives and the Columbus Museum. This year's showing will take place at the Columbus Museum in their auditorium. There will also be a scavenger hunt and costume contest. Snacks will be provided.

Thursday, November 2, 12:00pm-1:00pm

Celebrate International Games Week, October 29th-November 4th, by participating in a Rubik's Cube Competition. The first person to solve a Rubik's Cube in 5 minutes will win a Multifunction Breakfast Center. CSU Students, Faculty, and Staff can sign up for the competition by e-mailing Sunshine King by October 29th at king_sunshine@columbusstate.edu. Contestant spots are limited.







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