

Library Info

Banned Book Week

October 5–11 is Banned Book Week. The American Library Association says, “Established in 1982, Banned Books Week brings together the entire book community in shared support of the freedom to read.” This year’s theme is “[Censorship Is So 1984. Read for Your Rights.](#)” Starting Oct 6, the library will have a banned book scavenger hunt that will continue until all the books are found. The books are free to keep and only ONE book per person. Have fun!

[Top 10 Most Challenged Books](#)

Library After Dark

LC Scares Club presents “Library After Dark,” a spooky, fun evening after hours in the library. Movies, Murder Mystery, Pumpkin Painting, a Haunted House, and more. Feel free to dress up! And prepare to be... SCARED! Library After Dark will be Oct 29, from 7pm to 10pm. Open to students, faculty, and staff.

Harriet's Ghost

Harriet Haskell was the beloved headmistress of Monticello College from 1867–1907. She loved the school so much, they say her spirit still roams the halls... Late at night in the library, you might hear some footsteps, feel a cold chill, or perhaps even catch a whiff of Harriet’s lilac perfume. Don’t be scared. Harriet just wants to make sure you’re studying!

Upcoming Events

- **Blazer’s Boos Clues:**
Oct 27–31
- **Library After Dark:**
Oct 29, 7pm–10pm
- **DIY Wand Craft:**
Nov 7/8, 1pm–4pm

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Liz's Traveling Research Roadshow

Don't have time to stop by the library, but you still need reference help? Liz Burns will be available on select days at N.O. Nelson in Edwardsville and the Commons at the Godfrey Campus.

Upcoming Dates

N.O. Nelson: Oct. 8, 14, 22, and 28

The Commons: Oct. 15, 21, and 29

From 8:00am to 1:00pm.

Director's Corner

Much like a garden, library collections need to be weeded from time to time. For me, this work brings mixed emotions. A bit of sadness knowing that the end has come for a book that is no longer needed or accurate. But there are also moments in this culling that can bring a smile. The latest was Nancy Foy's 1972 book, *Computer Management: A Commons Sense Approach*. Taking one last flip through Nancy's book I came across this on page 41, "Almost any paper of any size can be captured on microfilm making it possible to carry an entire library in a shoe box." Chuckle. This sentence took me back to a library course I took many years ago at the University of Missouri called Microfiche and Microfilms.

The professor had been the previous library director of Ellis Library (main library at MU) and a leading advocate for replacing printed books and periodicals with microfiche and microfilm in libraries. I think Ellis Library still holds the unfortunate distinction of having the largest microfiche and microfilm collection in the United States with 6 million micro-forms.

I bet those are some dusty shoe-boxes. The good news. We have shelf space for adding new titles to our Reid Library collection. Come on over and check them out (bad pun intended).

Happy reading!
Dennis



Research Tip

Choosing a research topic can be one of the hardest parts of any project, but the **Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center** makes it easy. This database offers ready-made topic ideas, reliable sources, and automatically formatted citations. To access it, visit **the Library Website**, click Online Databases → Current Events → Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center, and explore topics that interest you. As you find useful sources, use the quotation mark icon to copy the citation in your preferred format and paste it into your document to save time later. For more help with this or any other element of your research project, stop by the library, or contact Liz Burns (lburns@lc.edu) or Greg Cash (gcash@lc.edu).

Recommend an Item

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