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What Does the Library Mean to You?

The staff of Parker Library is curious about what the library means to students, faculty, and staff members. Do you have a favorite part of the library? A favorite resource? Something else you value about the library? We are interested in all your answers and responding will put your name in a raffle for a chance to win prizes. So send your responses to jessica.olin@wesley.edu about what the library means to you.

(If you responded to this request from the December issues, we apologize but we've lost your response. Thank you for your help, regardless.) - JO

Blast from The Past



The Wilmington Conference Academy on a 1903 postcard.

This postcard shows the college as it first started. Wesley College began in 1873 as the Wilmington Conference Academy. This building was constructed in 1877 to replace the original, which burned down in 1876. The pictured structure was replaced by "Old Main" and then by the current Henry Belin DuPont College Center in 1973, Wesley College's centennial year. -MB

New in the Library: Board Games!

Looking for something fun to do, but don't have any extra cash to go out? The library can help! We've purchased and added a small selection of board games that are now available for check out. Students, faculty, and staff who have cards for the Parker Library may check them out for a week. We are actively seeking suggestions for future purchases and would be happy to accept any donations of old board games.

Detailed descriptions are available at BoardGameGeek.com or you can always stop by and look at the games in person. They are shelved behind the periodicals on the first floor of the library. - JO



Games we have:

Apples to Apples; Carcassonne; Clue; Pandemic; Settlers of Catan; Ticket to Ride.

NEW BOOK LIST

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Blood of the Prodigal - P. L. Gaus
F G274b

The Traveling Death and Resurrection Show - Ariel Gore
F G666t

100 Sideways Miles - Andrew Smith
CUR S642o

Bioethics Beyond The Headlines - Albert R. Jonsen
174.2 J81b

A Woman's Book Of Meditation - Hari Kaur Khalsa
204.36 K45w

Partisan Journalism - Jim A. Kuypers
302.230973 K97p

Sharing The Prize: The Economics Of The Civil Rights Revolution In The American South - Gavin Wright
323.1196 W949s

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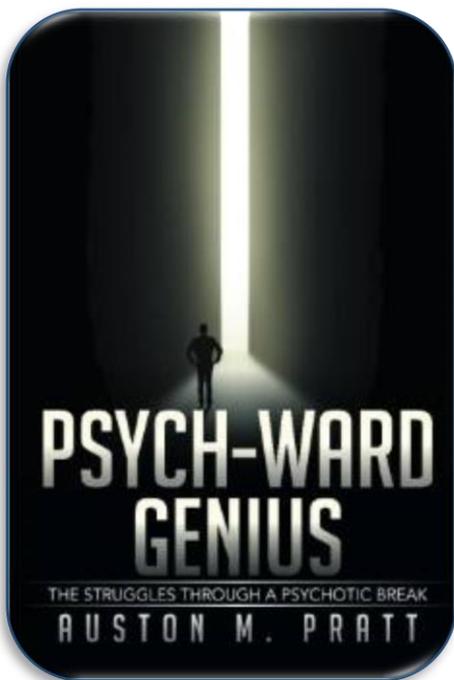
“The Robert Parker Library at Wesley College supports the academic and research success of our students, faculty, and staff, in the liberal arts tradition.”

-Robert H. Parker Library Mission Statement

Featured Wesley Author: Auston M. Pratt

Wesley College student, Auston M. Pratt, has written his first book, *Psych-Ward Genius: The Struggles Through a Psychotic Break*. This book can currently be found in the New Books section at the front of Parker Library. Its call number is 201.6 P913p. -MB

“This story offers you a chance to explore the struggle and internalize the triumphant fight of a young life interrupted by the day-to-day climb of battling with a mental illness. Travel with the author who, at the age of fifteen, presents a realistic account of the fear, uncertainty, and confusion of a life-altering illness he is determined to conquer. With sincere compassion, he offers hope to teenagers who may struggle to gain back the confidence that one day life will blossom again.” (Book description from Amazon)



Meet the Staff: Kastle Combs



Kastle, goofing off in his spare time.

Where were you before Wesley College?

I worked for a city library system in my hometown of Springfield, Massachusetts. More recently, I held a position at the Dover Post laying out pages for the newspaper.

How long have you been at Wesley?

1 year

What is your favorite thing about working at Parker Library?

The hustle-bustle of library patrons and seeing the happiness on patron's faces when a book they requested comes in.

What's your favorite book(s)?

I'd rate any book by Barry Gifford near the top of my list.

Hobbies/interests?

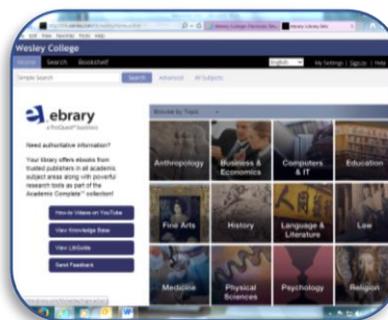
I tend to surround myself with artists and musicians, and drink up some of that creative energy by osmosis. That being said, I like making non-digital cut and paste collage work and am very slowly learning the drums.

Anything else you want to share?

I am jumpstarting the year 2015 by taking a crash course in Spanish, so come by the library to try your Spanish out on me and see how I am doing with it!

Electronic Books

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If you have any questions about finding or using this valuable resource, our librarians will be happy to help. -MB



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