

PARKER LIBRARY

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Name the Parker Library Newsletter Contest!

Here is your chance to leave a paw print as a Wolverine: name our brand new newsletter! Contestants should come up with a clever and appropriate name for this newsletter and then send your suggestion(s) to alex.dellobuono@wesley.edu.

The library staff will pick their favorite, but all entries will be entered into a drawing to win a prize such as gift cards for the bookstore, travel coffee mugs, and more. Entries must be submitted by 10/27/14 at 11:59 pm.

Blast from The Past



The Former Wally the Wolverine Head

Parker Library is filled with more than just books and computers. The Library's Archives contain many pieces of Wesley College's history, both educational and bizarre. Seen above is the head of the previous Wally the Wolverine mascot costume. Parker Library will be displaying other odd and intellectual novelties from our past in future Newsletters.

Changes at Parker Library

Parker Library has made a few changes in preparation for Fall 14'. The Group Study area on the lower level has been refurbished and rearranged. The new set up will accommodate more productive group study and can be found down the stairs at the back of the library.

Also a new and more user-friendly electronic resource, ProQuest, is now available. This new database can be found under the link [Electronic Resources](#) on the Parker Library homepage. Try both resources out for your research and study needs!



Improvements in the group study area provide a better space for students to work on group projects or study sessions

NEW BOOK LIST



The Twisted Root-
Anne Perry F P462T

Future Perfect-
Steven Johnson
303.48 J69F

*The Battle: How the
Fight Between Free
Enterprise and Big
Government Will
Shape America's
Future-* Arthur
Brooks 322.30973
B873B

*The Fall of the
Faculty: The Rise of
the Administrative
University and Why
it Matters-*
Benjamin Ginsberg
378.1 G393F

*Screen Nazis:
Cinema, History, and
Democracy-* Sabine
Hake 791.436 H155S

First into Nagasaki-
George Weller
940.5425 W448F

*In The Garden of
Beasts-* Erik Larson
943.086 L334I

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

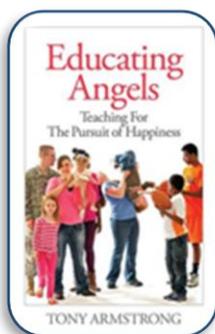
-Robert H. Parker Library Mission Statement

Featured Wesley Author- Dr. Tony Armstrong

***Educating Angels: Teaching for the Pursuit of Happiness* is available in the New Book Section in the front of Parker Library. 370.11 A738E**

“We tell our children that each one is a gift, maybe even that each one is gifted. And then we sent them to schools whose dictates encourage very little critical thinking. As one longtime K-12 Superintendent said recently, ‘We turn out excellent counter workers for McDonalds, but very few who can think like a middle manager.’ Are we really valuing our babies highly if we neglect their inner directions, their personal aspirations? Our typical success story is not the excelling student who performs well in the classroom, but the garage-workshop entrepreneur who is often a dropout. Professor Armstrong urges parents, school boards, and policymakers to spend more time focusing on the student as a unique individual, rather than as a potential cog in the machinery of society.”

(Book Description. *Educating Angels: Teaching for the Pursuit of Happiness*. Parkhurst Brothers, Inc., 2013)



Meet the Staff- Jessica Olin



Jessica is seen here hamming it up, wearing a tiara that was a gift from a friend of hers

Where were you before Wesley College?

Prior to Wesley, I worked at another small liberal arts college – Hiram College in Hiram, Ohio. I’ve actually moved around a lot, both for my career and before that. Delaware is my 7th state so far!

How long have you been at Wesley?

I’m closing in on my second anniversary. I started here on 2/1/13.

What is your favorite thing about working at Parker Library?

Definitely the students. The students at Wesley College are the most welcoming group I’ve ever encountered.

What’s your favorite book(s)?

Wow, I’m not sure I could pick my favorite book of all time. I can tell you, without a doubt, that my favorite thing I’ve read in the last year was *The Serpent of Venice* by Christopher Moore. It’s a retelling of two Shakespeare tales in one (*The Merchant of Venice* and *Othello*) with a little bit of one Edgar Allan Poe story thrown in for good measure (“The Cask of Amontillado”). I laughed out loud so many times while reading it that I lost track.

Hobbies/interests?

I love to go hiking when I can find the time. Killens Pond, about 30 minutes south of the college, is my favorite local place. I also do cross stitch and am a somewhat obsessive *Doctor Who* fan.

Anything else you want to share?

I’m so excited about the recent changes we’ve been making in the library. We created our new mission statement (at the top of this page) to reflect how important supporting our students as whole people is to the staff of the Parker Library, and we really want to hear everyone’s suggestions for future changes.



Dover Public Library

Not quite getting your nerd fill at Wesley College? Explore some of the weekly options for clubs and events at Dover Public Library including:

- Foreign Film Thursdays
- Anime/Manga Club Fridays
- Pokémon League Saturdays
- Double Dueling Magic and Yu-gi-oh Sundays

For more information visit <http://www.cityofdover.com/Home-Library/>



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