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What's New?

Between the World and Me, Ta-Nehisi Coates [305.8009 C652B]

"...one of the great joys of reading Ta-Nehisi is being challenged in ways you didn't expect or imagine." -NY Times

Furiously Happy, Jenny Lawson [070.92 L425F]

"[Lawson] writes with rambling irreverence that makes you wish she were your best friend." -Entertainment Weekly

Greenglass House,

Kate Milford
[CUR M642G]
"...will delight and intrigue readers of any age, from the first ring of the guest bell to the astonishing twist at the end." -Common Sense Media

Takenoko (Game), Antoine Bauze [GAME T136]

"Between the fantastic components, the easy to learn rules and the quick play time ... [it's] a game that can be brought out for just about any group sitting at the table." -Board Game Quest

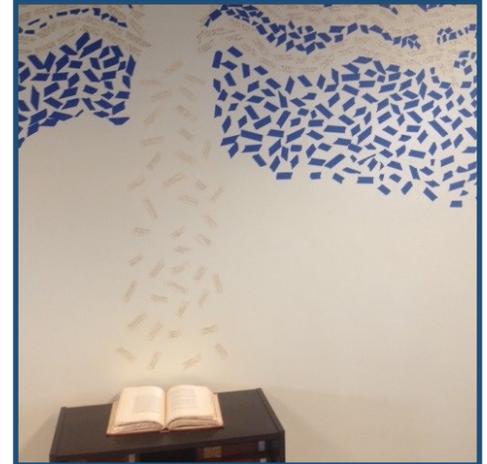
Art in the Library

This past March, the first floor of the Parker Library became a little more colorful, with the addition of an installation piece made by students from Wesley's Arts in our Environment course.

The piece, entitled "Parker's Tree," was the result of the combined efforts of freshman Jasmine Jackson, and sophomores Brittany Hudson and Anita Brown. The installation depicts a book placed

on a bookshelf, out from which is growing a tree made of painter's tape. The branches are meant to represent "power and harmony," and the individual pieces display various book titles the trio have read throughout their times as students and in their daily lives.

The piece will be on display in Parker Library through April and is part of a larger group of installations from the Arts in the Environment course, all of which can be found throughout the Student Center and Longwood Hall.



Therapy Dogs Give Students PAWS

In December, finals loomed close, and the campus was filled with stressed students working their hardest and studying until all hours of the night. The Parker Library became an oasis for a few hours with a visit from the therapy dog group PAWS. There were purebreds and mutts, little lap dogs and huge hounds, but all were friendly, happy reminders of home. Everyone who came to give them a hug or toss them a treat left with a smile.

Whether it's watching a movie, playing a quick board game with your friends, or petting a cute dog, take a moment to relax during finals this spring. If you would like to learn more about the PAWS organization, check out their website: www.pawsforpeople.org.



People in the Library

"I love that I can get books and videos from libraries all over the state delivered right to Wesley College! The depth and breadth of the Delaware libraries is most impressive!"

- Dr. Cynthia Newton

"I use the library as a place to focus and get all of my work done between class and my job. It's a great resource."

- John Wolgamot

Our Mission Statement

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

Spotlight on the Staff



(Lauren in the Rocky Mountains)

Lauren Connolly, Library Associate

What is your favorite thing about the Parker Library?

I just love the environment of academic institutions; everyone's focus is on learning. It's an invigorating feeling to be surrounded by that mentality.

What's your favorite book(s)?

I read a range of genres, but I get lost in fantasy novels. *Daughter of the Forest*, by Juliet Marillier is a fantastic re-imagining of the classic fairy tale *The Six Swans*, and I've read it at least four times.

Are you binge-watching anything right now?

The new season of *Daredevil* just came out on Netflix and I am demolishing it.

Hobbies? Interests?

Other than reading, I write almost every day, knit when the weather is cold, and swim whenever I have access to a large body of water. When I have money and free time I travel, in and out of the country.

What's your favorite word? What's your least favorite word?

I think the word "chameleon" is cool, especially when pronounced in the manner of Ted Mosby from *How I Met Your Mother*. I hate the word "pus" and the images it brings to mind.

Tell us two truths and a lie.

I explored shipwrecks while scuba diving off the coast of Emerald Isle, NC. I crossed the Serbia-Hungary border in a van with five men who didn't speak English. I drank a Guinness in a pub in Galway, Ireland on my 23rd birthday. Ask me which is false!

Anything else you want to share?

I am a big supporter of adopting animals from shelters, so if you have a cute pic of your rescue animal, I would love to see it!

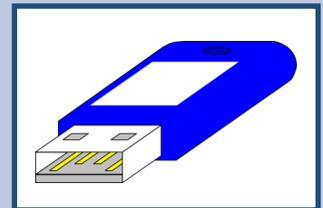
Win a Prize!



If a student forgets his/her flash drive in the library, we send them an email so they know to come pick it up. After a while, if the owner never comes, the flash drives get wiped, and the library director keeps them to give out as prizes at events.

Can you guess how many flash drives Jessica has collected? Email connola@wesley.edu your guess by April 29th, and whoever guesses closest gets to pick a flash drive from the collection!

Did You Know?



Parker Library offers flash drives to check out for in-library use! Just bring your library card or your Wesley ID to one of our staff at the circulation desk to get started.

What is the Wolverine Reading?



This month, the Wolverine is reading **Stephen King**! He found him in on our shelves, but we hope he doesn't have any nightmares...

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We want to hear from you!