“A Century of Black Life, History, and Culture” is the theme for Black History Month for 2015. It was 100 years ago that Carter G. Woodson founded the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History, now the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH). Dr. Woodson was an African American historian and author who, in 1926, first proposed setting aside a week to recognize the achievements of African Americans. He chose the second week of February, since that is when the birthdays of both President Abraham Lincoln and the abolitionist Frederick Douglas occur. Eventually, this week-long event was expanded to the entire month of February and became known as Black History Month.

Mr. Timothy Creamer, librarian, developed the display. The library and college are grateful to Dr. Vincent Miles, who generously donates a significant portion of the new materials purchased for the display each year.
Don Dagen is an instructor in the new Electro-Mechanical Technology program at Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology. Don earned a BS in Mechanical Engineering from Penn State and is a licensed Professional Engineer in Pennsylvania. He serves as a member of the Curriculum Review Committee at Stevens.

This year, Don celebrates 25 years of marriage to his wife, Regina! They have a daughter who lives and works in North Carolina while studying early childhood education and a son who is studying to be a chef.

Don enjoys Philadelphia sports and many outdoor activities such as archery hunting, fishing, and hiking.

Rework ........................................................................................................by Jason Fried and David Heinemeier Hansson
How Not to Be Wrong ......................................................................................by Jordan Ellenberg
The Goal: A Process of Ongoing Improvement ......................................by Eliyahu M. Goldratt and Jeff Cox
The Hobbit ......................................................................................................by JRR Tolkien
Lord of the Rings Trilogy: The Fellowship of the Ring, The Two Towers, and The Return of the King .............................................by JRR Tolkien
Space Trilogy: Out of the Silent Planet, Perelandra, and That Hideous Strength .... by CS Lewis
Blue Like Jazz ....................................................................................................by Donald Miller
Loving God ........................................................................................................by Charles W. Colson
The Walking Drum ............................................................................................by Louis L’Amour
The Doolittle Raid: America’s Daring First Strike Against Japan .................by Carroll V. Glines
The Long Walk: The True Story of a Trek to Freedom ..................................by Slavomir Rawicz
Blink: The Power of Thinking Without Thinking ......................................by Malcolm Gladwell
Makers: The New Industrial Revolution ....................................................by Chris Anderson
Born on a Blue Day ...........................................................................................by Daniel Tammet

“You can never get a cup of tea large enough or a book long enough to suit me.”

.....C. S. Lewis
BOOK CLUB @
THE WOMEN’S CENTER

FEBRUARY 11,18,25TH
11:45-12:45
CROCK POT LUNCH INCLUDED
Discuss *Lean In* by Sheryl Sandberg

Recipe: Librarian’s Cannoli Dip

**Ingredients**
- 2 c. ricotta cheese
- 8 oz. cream cheese
- 1 1/2 c. confectioner’s sugar
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 c. mini chocolate chips
- waffle bowls or cones

**Directions**
Mix all ingredients together except for waffle bowls or cones.

Chill.

To serve-
Break waffle bowls or cones into chip size pieces.
Dip into cannoli dip and enjoy.

Coming next month

March is Women’s History Month and the theme this year is...

*Weaving the Stories of Women’s Lives*
Our goal is to help you find the information you need at a time and place that's convenient for you. Our promise is to help you understand when information is needed, recognize where it is, and master methods to retrieve it.

Library Staff

Suzanne Waddell - Librarian
Timothy Creamer - Librarian
Brenda Smith - Library Technician

On Display @ the LRC

This Shaker style chest of drawers was made by cabinet-making student Kyle Dunn-Devine. It was built from walnut and maple with a curly walnut and maple veneer.

Featured Web Site - Better Money Habits
http://www.bettermoneyhabits.com

When the Bank of America conducted a study that found 32% of Americans believe a lack of financial knowledge led them to make bad financial decisions, the company wanted to help educate everyone about personal finance. So the people at Bank of America approached Sal Kahn, creator of Khan Academy (the great educational website), about a partnership; their partnership resulted in a similar self-paced learning experience that will help you build your financial know-how. The free tools and information found at Better Money Habits are designed to help you make more confident decisions about how to manage your money.

You can access the information by clicking on “choose a goal,” using the tabs at the top of the home page, or clicking on one of the “popular topics” presented at the bottom. Some of the popular topics include “how to set a budget and stick to it,” “intro to student loan repayment options,” and “anatomy of a paycheck.” Each topic is broken down into manageable, bite-size lessons with an accompanying video. Some videos are from Khan Academy and some were made by Bank of America in the similar conversational style as Khan Academy that get right to the facts. After watching the videos, click on “key takeaways” to find a summary of that topic’s main points. Then test your knowledge by taking the bonus quiz. Watch the videos under the section “starting out on my own” and you’ll know the answer to the question: other than rent, what will usually be your biggest housing cost?

If you want to read even more on this subject, check out HuffPost’s Financial Education section, another collaboration of Bank of America. There, you’ll find articles contributed from a community of reporters and bloggers on personal finance.