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## Focus on the Archives







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Over the last couple of years, the library's archives had sustained some water damage. Once the necessary repairs were made, the Library Director, Diane Ambruso, decided to have the room repainted using the school's colors, maroon and gray. The resulting effect is that the artifacts are even more strikingly showcased in their "new" surroundings. Future plans for the archives include a timeline of Stevens's life and staffing the archives on Sunday afternoons with volunteers from the Thaddeus Stevens Society.



The painting above is an acrylic on canvas painting of Thaddeus Stevens by artist Deidre Citro Foley. Commissioned by the Alumni Foundation, this painting will be used as the basis for a bronze sculpture that the Alumni Foundation is also commissioning. The plan calls for the life - size statue to be built on the front lawn of the campus.



The pennant shown above was donated to the college by Nancy Fasolt, whose great-uncle, Elmer Boose, was a member of the first graduating class of Thaddeus Stevens. It currently hangs above the circulation desk in the library.



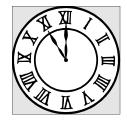
This room in the archives was set up last spring in order to conduct interviews of Stevens alumni. To date, Tim Creamer has interviewed five alumni and preserved their stories on video.

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#### Library Hours

Sunday 2:00 pm - 10:00 pm Monday 7:00 am - 10:00 pm Tuesday 7:00 - 10:00 pm Wednesday 7:00 - 10:00 pm Thursday 7:00 - 10:00 pm Friday 7:00 - 5:00 pm Saturday Closed

#### **Know Your LRC Student Workers**

### Jason Rodriguez



How can you tell which student worker behind the circulation desk is Jason? He's the one who has mastered the fine art of Bluetooth technology. Jason (1st year Business) is attending Stevens as part of the McCaskey program, which means that his credits will count towards graduation from McCaskey High School. Perhaps his decision to major in Business was influenced by his mother, Paulina, who graduated from the same program last year In addition to his hours as an intern at the library, Jason works as a tutor in Accounting.

Favorite ways to spend his leisure time are chatting online and playing video games.

Jason has lived with his family in Lancaster city since 1998, when they moved here from Manhattan, where he was born.

### David Bilger



David came to Stevens to study computers (he's in his first year of CNSA) after graduating from York VoTech, where he studied drafting.

In addition to the hours he logs at the library, David works the salad bar and washes dishes at Ruby Tuesday. Over Christmas break he'll be trained to cook at the restaurant.

David played soccer through high school and continued to play in a local league after he graduated. Once he reaches the age limit for league play, he wants to be an assistant coach or train to be a referee.

For most of the fall semester, David commuted from his parents' house in Peach Bottom Township. But when his parents offered to let him live in their cabin that they recently bought, he jumped at the chance to be on his own.

## Holiday Hours for the Learning Resources Center



## Fall Round Up @ the LRC



Fall unofficially began at the library during **Homecoming** week-end when the college held its Open House. Traditionally, the library is decorated for such occasions according to the season. For the fall, Library Director Diane Ambruso set out a display of gourds and brought in maroon mums for the circulation desk. Staff also provided apple cider and muffins for the returning alumni who like to browse through the yearbooks, which are set out on the circulation desk, when they visit our campus.



Hispanic Heritage Month, celebrated during the fall, was observed in the library with a display of new Latino poetry books and also the appearance of the first guest lecturer this year. Ms. Veronica Castillo-Perez, right, with Library Director Diane Ambruso, spoke on diversity



within the Latino community.

Those in attendance were treated to a Latino-inspired luncheon that included *pollo asado* (baked chicken), *arroz amarillo con abichuelas* (yellow rice and beans), and *empanadillas* (fried stuffed dumplings).





Puzzle enthusiast, Eric Pajrowski, completed yet another puzzle, using his foolproof method of dividing the pieces into distinct piles.









# Halloween Happenings



Tim Creamer was the official judge of the school's pumpkin carving contest held on Monday, October 23. Electrical Technology produced the winning pumpkin, above, third from left. Meanwhile, Suzanne Waddell was the only member of the Book Club who took advantage of the opportunity to dress up for the club's Halloween meeting.



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# Kenneth W. Schuler Learning Resources Center

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.



#### Book Club Chooses Next Year's Picks

December - - - - The Drowning Tree by Carol Goodman January - - - - - The Black Dahlia by James Ellroy February- - - - - Lost Hearts in Italy by Andrea Lee March - - - - - Teacher Man: A Memoir by Frank McCourt

April- - - - - - - - The Natural History of Uncas Metcalfe by Betsey Osborne

May - - - - - The Worst Hard Time: The Untold Story of Those Who Survived the Great American Dust Bowl by Timothy Egan

June - - - - - Call of the Mall by Paco Underhil
July - - - - - Gifted Hands: The Ben Carson Story
by Ben Carson and Cecil Murphey

August - - - - - Love in the Time of Cholera by Gabriel Garcia Marquez

September - - - - The Memory of Running by Ron McLarity

For the reading list in electronic format, along with book summaries and future meeting dates, please email Diane Ambruso at ambruso@stevenscollege.edu

# Featured Web Site—Bookcrossing http://www.bookcrossing.com

What if.....the whole world joined one big book club? That's the idea behind Bookcrossing, where members leave their books in public places for others to pick up, read, and then, hopefully, do the same. Ron Hornbaker, creator of the site, first had the idea of tracking books when he was looking at similar tracking sites, such as phototag.org,

which tracks disposable cameras "in the wild" and wheresgeorge.com, which tracks U.S. currency by serial number. Started in April 2001, Bookcrossing has grown to over half a million people worldwide.

To look for books "in the wild," click on the "Go Hunting" link. Next, narrow your area geographically by choosing a country, state, and city. Re-

cently, books in the Lancaster area were left in the train station and the court house.

If you want to "release" books for others to "catch," you need to register the book first. Once a book is registered, it receives a BCID (Bookcrossing ID), a unique number assigned to the book for tracking purposes. Then, you can

follow your book's travels through the world.

It's also possible to sign up for release alerts, automatic emails to your inbox whenever a book is released in your area.

According to the Web site, there are more than 3.5 million books registered, and the good karma produced has been "priceless."