

## Dates to Remember:

### January:

- **13th**  
Health & Wellness Event:  
Yoga
- **19th**  
Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- **20th**  
Presidential Inauguration

## Check these out:

### New Books:

**Becoming King:** Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Making of a National Leader

**Can't Buy Me Love:** The Beatles, Britain, and America

**Cracking the GRE**

**U.S. Supreme Court Education Cases**

### New Videos:

The 10th Kingdom

The Goonies

Kung Fu Panda

Sick Around the World

## Join the discussion this semester

Christian Urban  
Novel Book Club

Graphic Novel Book Club

Kid's Reads for Adults  
Book Club

Mystery Book Club

Non-Fiction Book Club

# You're Welcome

It really doesn't matter what your major is, if you are a college student you will eventually have to do some research. Yes, this is an undisputable fact. Unfortunately, your friendly library staff has found that by the time most students realize the library is to graduation as water is to life, it is much too late in their college career to take advantage of our resources.

If for some reason books make you uneasy, there are other ways to get hold of acceptable sources for your papers. The library webpage is jam PACKED with a great assortment of tools. The **Online Resources** link is what you need to click on so you can

find journal articles pertaining to all sorts of topics. The **Quest Catalog** is also located on the library page. Quest not only shows all of our books, but books which



*It's not a labyrinth, it's the stacks.  
Image by Brian Hampton*

can be borrowed from all the colleges connected to Quest. There's even a link to your personal **library account!** You can see what you have checked out, or even renew with a simple click (so you

don't accrue those unnecessary fines. If a time comes when you have gathered your courage and decide to physically come into the building, possibly to use a computer, print, get a cup of coffee, study, or even check out a book or movie, have no fear a friendly staff member is always near. The staff members are here to help you find what you are looking for, because if they do not they are sent to clean the basement (it is a truly dreadful task).

Please find a way to get yourself to the library, so we don't have to hear, "OMG, this would have totally helped me like four years ago." Don't wait until senior seminar to utilize the library.



## Work Study that Work

The New Year has arrived! And so has the next Awesome Work Study.

Guess who is starting off the library awesomeness? None other than super spunky sophomore Ryan Havicon.

This Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity brother has all the enthusiasm and dedication to his required duties in order to be considered

AWESOME!

Ryan is one of those lucky work study that no matter how slow the day has gone when he arrives something is always asked of him. It is not intentional, I promise! He is just a dependable person with a great attitude.

Though he does not consider himself a "jokester," he really has an amazing sense of humor which makes the time spent with him nothing

short of pleasant. Don't get the wrong idea, he's no slacker. Ryan is a GREAT worker bee who never hesitates to offer help or enforce library policy.

Ryan you **ROCK!!!** Keep up the great work!



**Ryan Havicon**

# Squiggie Who?

In honor of **Children's Book Week** the Murrell Memorial Library hosted a book signing with the local children's author Alice Gensler, on the 18<sup>th</sup> of November.

Mrs. Gensler described the interesting process in which her book "**Squiggie's Night Out**" came to be, answered many questions, and even revealed the synopsis of the sequel in progress. Shortly after the Q&A Tiffany Bergman

dazzled the crowd with a short reading from the book.

Mrs. Gensler always enjoyed writing. Her husband gave her a computer as a gift and she immediately began her journey with Squiggie. The story began as an essay and eventually developed into a 71 page adventure. Her motivation was simple; Mrs. Gensler sought to compose a book which would attract those kids distracted with video games

and TV. She hoped her book would get children to **want** to read.

Come check it out, or shop for it on Amazon.com.

*Special thanks to Tighe Reeder for his hard work on the wonderful window art for the event.*



Above: Alice Gensler & her cute young fans (the Bergman boys)

Top Left: Tighe Reeder & his reproduction of the cover art



Dear Libby,

Quick question, did this last break feel a lot shorter than usual? I think it was.

For a while there I thought it was one of my fraternity brothers pulling some kind of elaborate prank, you know messing with the website or at least the school clocks, but you know what? I've begun to think the whole college is in on it. Is that at all possible? Is the college the one messing with me? And what's up with classes starting

## Libby the Librarian

on a Thursday? A Thursday! Are you kidding? What's really going on? I'm freaking out man!

One Confused Dude

Dear Dude,

I'm no conspiracy theorist, but I have sat in on a class or two back in my day. What I believe has actually occurred is that some one in the college *needs* people to populate the campus, or else

something terrible will happen! See what the students don't know is that when they aren't here staff don't get to eat in the cafe. This may not sound like that big of a deal, but the truth is packing a lunch every day is absolutely dreadful! I'm truly just kidding. I can finally say I haven't the slightest idea.

Revitalized Libby



Should auld acquaintance be forgot, and never brought to mind?

Should auld acquaintance be forgot and days of auld lang syne?

Robert Burns

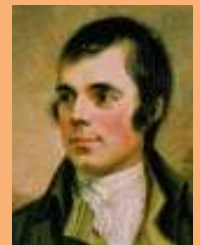


Image from Alan Moore's *Watchmen*

## A thing of the Past? No way!

Keep up with the news? Regardless of your response NewsBank is the answer.

NewsBank is one of Murrell Library's coolest online resources which can help in and out of class. This resource provides full text issues of U.S. and international newspapers (news magazines included) all in ONE "easy-to-use" database.

Dive right into one of the listed papers and select the desired publication date, or just browse through the current events and the special reports.

Saving yourself a few quarters and keeping yourself informed is easy! Simply visit the library's webpage and click on "Online Resources."

[www.moval.edu/library1](http://www.moval.edu/library1)

**FYI**

The Murrell Library has recently received GREAT news. Their efforts toward receiving a Gilder Lehrman Institute traveling panel exhibition, "**Looking at Lincoln: Political Cartoons from the Civil War Era,**" have been successful! You will get to view several reactions to the Emancipation Proclamation, as well as see how racism fit into 19<sup>th</sup> Century American society.

**Stay tuned for more details!**

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