FROM THE DIRECTOR

"...this is the year that millions of consumers start to feel it is possible to have a meaningful conversation ( konuşה, 연결) with virtual entities that entertain, educate, heal and even befriend."

This quote from trendwatching.com’s article on 5 Trends for 2018,∗ shows a disturbing trend! If the trend watchers are correct, millions of people will actually trust virtual reality as much (if not more, heaven forbid) than acquaintances, friends and even family. In short, they are losing the ability to separate truth from fiction. If this transformation continues, we will be ripe for any dictator or other malevolent who can paint the most compelling picture using social media. There could not be a better argument for the need for intensive information literacy. This is what librarians teach: how to think and learn. The BC library is gradually developing discipline-specific sessions for each area of study available at Bryan to keep reinforcing the principles of information literacy throughout our students’ college careers. When we contact your department, we hope you will collaborate with us to give our students the tools they will need to stay grounded in the truth.

- Dr. Gary Fitsimmons

DATABASE SPOTLIGHT

With over 60,000 articles written by over 6,000 music scholars, Grove Music Online (GMO) is the authoritative resource for music research with an ongoing mission to chart the diverse history and cultures of music and musicians from around the globe.

Watch this video for a guided tour of Oxford Music Online.

LIBRARY SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS

ATTN: SENIORS
Are you writing your senior thesis next semester? Come by the library before this semester ends to reserve a locking study carrel to use for your research and writing.

REMINDER FOR DECEMBER GRADUATES
Don’t forget to go into your RightNow Media account and change your email address from your Bryan account to your personal email address so that you will still have access to your account after leaving Bryan.

Merry Christmas!

HAPPENING IN THE LIBRARY THIS MONTH

Christmas in the Library, Stop by the library during the month of December to see our “book Christmas tree” and various Christmas displays!

Christmas Break, December 22nd-January 1st -- The library will close at 5pm on December 21st and reopen at 8am January 2nd. Until classes begin again on January 10th, the library will be open from 8am-5pm and will be closed on weekends.

REGULAR SEMESTER HOURS

Sun 6pm - Midnight
M - Th 7:45am - Midnight
Fri 7:45am - 5pm
Sat 1pm - 5pm

THE STUDY GRIND
is open from 8pm - 11pm Monday through Thursday.

FINALS WEEK HOURS

Monday - Wednesday - 7:45am-Midnight
Thursday - 7:45am-7pm
Friday - 7:45am-5pm
Saturday - Sunday - CLOSED