FROM THE DIRECTOR
This month I have a couple of quotes for you to reflect on, related to the most basic skill we try to teach in information literacy: Critical Thinking.

"It is the mark of an educated mind to be able to entertain a thought without accepting it." — Aristotle

"Critical thinking is the ability to evaluate the connection between evidence and potential conclusions. It is the ability to make logically sound judgments, identify assumptions and alternatives, ask relevant questions, and be fair and open-minded when evaluating the strength of arguments." — Ben Paris

If you can learn this skill and how to apply it well, you will be able to stand under the most withering intellectual attack. Above all, know your assumptions and why you accept them as assumptions. As people of faith, we do accept certain assumptions (i.e. the Bible is true and is the Word of God, etc.) Most of the people who attack these assumptions have not adequately identified or assessed their own assumptions. Always ask them to identify their assumptions and be ready to suggest a few if they cannot think of any. Then ask them why they think their assumptions should be considered more valid than yours. If nothing else, it makes for an interesting conversation!

—Dr. Gary Fitsimmons

DATABASE SPOTLIGHT

ARTSTOR
The Artstor Digital Library is a database of 2 million images for use in the humanities. Comprised of nearly 300 collections from museums, archives, scholars, and artists, the Artstor Digital Library makes available high-qualities images for download, along with tools for exporting images into PowerPoint and creating citations.

Faculty: This might be of special interest to you this month as it is Women's History Month. ARSTOR has a wide selection of images related to the women's suffrage movement.

LIBRARY SPRING SURVEY
Available through March 9
The library survey is now open! ✓
Each new school year we seek out new ways and new services that will better serve the Bryan community, and your opinion matters to us!

Please take a few minutes to give us your feedback by following this link to the survey:
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BCLibsurvey

Three participants will be entered into a drawing for a $25 gift card to one of the following restaurants of your choice: Captain D’s, Steak ‘n Shake, or Delia’s. Make sure to read the last page of the survey. There you will find the instructions for how to enter the drawing.

HAPPENING IN THE LIBRARY THIS MONTH
Women’s History Month, March is Women’s History Month. Come by the library to see a collection of books highlighting the lives of strong women who have had important roles in the women’s suffrage movement.

Nutrition Month, For the month of March, the display area near the first floor restrooms will feature books on nutrition, eating healthy, and exercising.

NEW IN THE LIBRARY
Online Room Reservation Form!
You can now request to have a space in the library reserved by filling out a form on the library’s website. Visit this link to submit a request: http://library.bryan.edu/room-reserve

SPRING BREAK
The library will be open during Spring Break, March 12th-15th from 8am-5pm. We will be closed on Friday, March 16th and reopen on Sunday, March 18th at 6pm.