FROM THE DIRECTOR

Our library utility, OCLC this year grew to over 430 million records (that means 430 million unique items) which translates to over 2.6 billion holdings when you count all of the copies of each of those unique items in the libraries that are a part of the cooperative worldwide. Just how much is 430 million? If each unique item were a book exactly one inch thick, they would take up over 6,786 miles of shelf space. If you count all of the copies of all of these items (2,684,727,134 as of August 2018 to be exact), using the same thickness for each, they would require over 42,372 miles of shelving. That would circle the earth about 1.7 times.

Of the libraries that contribute their records to this massive database, 10,383 participate in interlibrary loan. What this means for you is that the majority of these items are available through interlibrary loan. Whatever you need that has been published, unless it is extremely valuable, we can get an actual physical copy for you to use for a while. Libraries, through modern interlibrary loan really do put the world at your fingertips.

- Dr. Gary Fitsimmons

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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.

THANKSGIVING BREAK

The library will be closed for Thanksgiving Break, November 21st-24th. Normal hours will resume Sunday night, November 25th.