LIBRARY NEWS

FROM THE DIRECTOR

Have we reached our digital future online? Pew Research has found that the reach of the Internet, social media use and mobile device or computer ownership have all stopped their skyrocketing upward trend and are now remaining relatively stable from year to year, and in some cases have even fallen off a little.* The market is pretty much saturated in these categories although there still are those who would like to participate, but cannot due to the costs involved or because of where they live. This raises another interesting question. Do we consider basic internet access or cell phones as a basic need, much the way land line telephones used to be? Is Internet access now as ubiquitous as having electricity, and now therefore a basic need in our society?

- Dr. Gary Fitsimmons

*Hitlin, Paul. FactTank: News in Numbers: Internet, social media use and device ownership in U.S. have plateaued after years of growth. Online at https://pewrsr.ch/2Q79jMU.

HAPPENING IN THE LIBRARY THIS MONTH

Library Game Night + Pizza!

Friday, April 12th from 7pm-10pm. Join us at the library Friday night for food, fun, and games! In addition to board games, the night will include a Super Smash Bros. and Mario Kart tournament as well as a Chess tournament! More info will be coming to your emails.

National Library Week

April 8th-12th. Sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA). This week celebrates and promotes library use. There will be a table set up in the library with an opportunity to show your support for the library, student assistants, and staff. We will also have a treat to show our appreciation for you!

Money Smart Week (MSW)

April 22nd-26th. MSW is a week observed every year by libraries across the country to promote financial literacy. The library will have a central table set up with money management topics changing each day.

National Poetry Month

Celebrate poetry’s impact on our culture with the library! Poetry books will be on display, and a “Take a Poem, Leave a Poem” wall will be up for use. You are encouraged to leave a favorite poem, be creative and write your own, and be inspired by others!

Also, make an appointment with Luke Morris in Career Services for more help with resumes and the job hunt. careerservices@bryan.edu

Access Career Transitions here: https://library.bryan.edu/career-transitions

REMINDERS

Summer Hours:

Summer hours begin on Monday, May 6th.
Monday – Friday, 8am-4:30pm
Closed on weekends.

Current Juniors:

Will you be writing your thesis next semester? Reserve a locking study carrell at the library front desk.

RightNow Media:

Spring has sprung, and RightNow Media’s Easter campaign has begun! Easter resources are available now! Have you signed up yet to access the “Netflix of video Bible studies?”

Note to seniors & anyone not returning next semester:
Change the email address associated with your RightNow Media account to ensure you still have access once your Bryan email is deactivated.

https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/BryanCollege

EASTER BREAK HOURS

The library will close at 5pm on Thursday, April 18th and remain closed through Sunday, April 21st. Regular semester hours will resume Monday, April 22nd.

FINALS WEEK HOURS

Sun. 4/28 6pm - Midnight
Mon. - Th. 4/29-5/2 7:45am - Midnight
Fri. 5/3 7:45am - 5pm
Sat. - Sun. 5/4-5/5 CLOSED