A WEEK IN PICTURES

AT THE ELIHU BURRITT LIBRARY
A picture really is worth a thousand words. Using far fewer words in this issue of The Burritt Connection than in the past, we present a week in pictures... but not just any week. Photos were taken during National Library Week, April 3-9, 2022.
CCSU President Zulma Toro, Provost Kimberly Kostelis, and Library Director Carl Antonucci kick off National Library Week 2022 by taking a photo together with their favorite books.
The circulation desk is the first thing you see when you enter the doors of the library. Our student workers - such as Ana (left) and Ayesha (above) - provide great help to patrons in locating and checking out items. Since Jan. 1, over 4,300 physical and digital items have been borrowed.
As Head of Access Services, you may find Kim Farrington working on projects in the “stacks”.

Dave Bretthauer, Nighttime Supervisor & Stacks Maintenance, oversees the evening shifts so students can use the library well into the night.

The library welcomed over 72,000 first-time and repeat visitors between January and April 2022.
What happens when you need information that our library happens to not have access to? You place an interlibrary loan request with Sarah White, Library Technician. Since the beginning of 2022, she has filled over 900 article requests - 93% were filled within a day and 37% were filled within an hour!

Jaime Ortiz oversees Courses Reserves; that is, assigned class readings and other materials put on reserve by faculty members so that all students have access to the materials; some in print, some in digital form.
Renata Vickrey, University Archivist, Special Collections and Community Outreach Librarian discusses an archival project with intern, Gyan Irizzary, a student in the Public History Program.

(left) This is Bond of Brotherhood, one of many publications by Elihu Burritt, housed in Special Collections. (right) Special Collections holds many first editions of Mark Twain books.
For students, it was 'business as usual' as they settled into their ideal study spaces and made use of library resources and services.
Our “Picture Yourself in a READ Poster” event was an overwhelming success! Almost 100 faculty, staff, & students from across campus chose their favorite book, and we took their pictures and inserted their photos into READ posters. (above) Dr. Wangari Gichiru and students from the Center for Africana Studies were photographed individually and together. (above right) Gretchen Gallagher, Library Technician, lines up the shot. (near right) Sarah Lawson, E-Resources, Acquisitions and Steven Bernstein, Acquisitions Librarian, Acquisitions/Serials Dept. manage the check-in table for the event.
During National Library Week, librarians at our busy 2nd floor reference desk responded to 167 in-person, chat, text, and phone requests for assistance with research, equipment use, and technical questions.
Our Archives and Special Collections Department hosts many classes from a variety of different programs. Here Ewa Wolynska, Head, Special Collections, discusses various letters, yearbooks, and a book from the 1400s with Dr. Evelyn Phillip’s Anthropology 374 class.
Every month, you will find library displays on interesting and important topics such as these: All About Ukraine & April is National Poetry Month.

(left) A visually informative display on the 2nd floor titled "Fibers & Textiles: Books from the Burritt Library Special Collections and Archive". This is a supplemental exhibit with materials from the University Archives and Rare Books to CCSU Art Galleries’ “Fibers 2022” exhibition that featured works by four contemporary fiber artists and historic quilts, embroidery, and other fiber works.
Jessica writes on the week’s Connection Wall that asked “How do you connect with your library?” Her answer: great study space!

Jie and Jiawei, frequent visitors to the library, prefer the study atmosphere on the 2nd floor.
Graduate student Daniel MacNeil examines film that will be scanned and included in the digital archive of muralist and CCSU Emeritus Professor Mike Alewitz.

Digital humanities librarian Brian Matzke looks over pictures of murals painted by CCSU students that have been uploaded to the university's collections on the Connecticut Digital Archive.
As Head, Information Systems & Resources and our cataloger, Dana Hanford’s goal is to create the best descriptions for and access to the library’s physical collection. Her work ensures that students are connected to the most relevant results while searching the library’s online catalog, Central Search.

Digital Resources Librarian Sharon Clapp works on coding of the library’s website and catalog. The library’s website had 1,362 users and the catalog had 881 users during National Library Week.
Instructional librarians create lessons and deliver information literacy classes in person and online to a variety of academic disciplines each semester. At left, Joy Hansen, Reference & Instructional Design Librarian, works with a Writing 110/105 class.

Our new digital sign alerts students in a colorful way to information they need, such as how to book an appointment with a librarian…in fact, 50 appointments have been booked so far this year.
It's that time of year. Library Director, Carl Antonucci, reviews budget items with his assistant, Kimberly Brown Smith.
The Latin American, Latino, and Caribbean Center is housed within the library building. Here, Mildred Guzmán-Young, University Assistant, poses with students. Librarians have collaborated with the Center to review library resources for student visitors, catalog the Center’s unique collection, and present leadership skills as part of their weekly series.
As one of her many responsibilities, Martha Kruy, Reference/Instruction & Assessment Librarian, oversees the Diversity Collection, which is housed in the Curriculum Lab on the 4th floor.

While studying in the Lab, Matthew is able to access a wealth of online resources both on and off campus including 173 library subscription databases; 55 course, subject, and topic guides; and over 545,000 e-books.
Anthony, studying on the quiet 4th floor, searches the library's online catalog, Central Search, to find location info for the over 450,000 physical items located in the 'Stacks'.
From the Administrative Office to Acquisitions, to Reference & Instruction, Information Systems & Resources, and Special Collections, to Access Services ... we are here to support our students, faculty, staff, and community.
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