College Announcements

- Cathy Altmeyer, German lecturer in the Modern Languages Department, has been awarded the Goethe-Institut/American Association of Teachers of German Certificate of Merit. This award honors those who have demonstrated achievement in furthering the teaching of German in the U.S. She will receive the award at the ACTFL Convention in Orlando, Fla., in November. AATG is the American Association of Teachers of German.

- John A. Swanson, Ph.D., a member of the National Academy of Engineering and founder of ANSYS, will discuss “The Future of Small Scale PV Solar Energy” at a public lecture on Thursday, Oct. 3, at 7 p.m. in the Howard J. Burnett Center’s Yost Auditorium. Swanson’s lecture is the first of five presentations that will take place this academic year as part of the W&J Energy Lecture Series, presented by W&J’s Center for Energy Policy and Management (CEPM).

News

- Karin Maresh, associate professor of theatre and communication, is directing the play "Murdered to Death," by Peter Gordon, at the Apple Hill Playhouse in Delmont, Pa. This hilarious spoof of the best Agatha Christie traditions is set in a country manor house with a cast of characters guaranteed to delight, including Bunting, the butler, an English colonel with a stiff upper lip, a shady French art dealer and his moll, the bumbling inspector and a well-meaning local sleuth who seems to attract murder wherever she goes. They’re all here, and caught up in the side-splitting antics which follow the mysterious death of the house’s owner. Will the murderer be unmasked before everyone else has met their doom, or will audiences die laughing first? Performances run Oct. 3-5 and 10-12 at 7:30 p.m., and on Oct. 13 at 2 p.m.

- Candy DeBerry, Ph.D., associate professor of biology, gave a presentation on “Attracting Pollinators to Your Garden” at the 4th annual Mother Earth News Fair at Seven Springs, Pa., on Sept. 22. The Fair, sponsored by Mother Earth News magazine, is one of the premier sustainable living events in the United States, covering all aspects of living more lightly on the Earth. DeBerry also gave a presentation on “Native Plants For Your Garden” for the Penn State Master Gardener Program of Washington County in Canonsburg, Pa., on Sept. 14.
Human Resources News

- **New Faces**: Alan DePew - Database Administrator, 9/19

- **Farewells**: Steve Anderson, 10/18; Karen Crenshaw, 10/11; Justin Krehel, 9/20; Jody Lambright, 9/28

The Benefits Open Enrollment Fair will be held Wednesday, Nov. 13, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Rossin Campus Center Ballroom. The Fair will be an interactive opportunity for employees to learn more about their benefits at W&J. There will be over 15 different vendors, FREE Flu Shots, Health Screenings, Chair Massages, Raffle Prizes, Giveaways and Healthy Snacks. Human Resources will be present to answer questions and assist employees with benefits education including changes for 2013, new rates, and enrollment procedures. The Open Enrollment period will run from November 13 through December 13. Changes made during Open Enrollment are effective January 1.

- A PNC Budgeting Lunch and Learn will be held Wednesday, October 30, from noon to 1 p.m. in the Media Room. Living within a budget is an important skill to master. Those who learn to spend within their means and save for their future are better prepared to achieve their financial goals. This class shows you how easy it can be to create a personal budget that fits your lifestyle. Learn how to reduce your debt and discover some practical cost-cutting ideas to help you achieve your financial goals.

**Featured Library Resources**

The Library currently has a trial subscription to several Archives Unbound databases. These databases contain digitized primary source documents and are organized by topic. Among the eight databases, they provide tens of thousands first-hand account articles and images of documents and correspondence from key periods in U.S. history. Source institutions include authoritative government departments, libraries and archives.

Here are more details about three of the included collections:

- **American Indian Correspondence 1833-1893** - a unique view of Native American culture provides new perspective for scholars.


- **The War Department and Indian Affairs, 1800-1824** - with rare primary sources that chronicle the relationship between the U.S. government and Native American nations.

The trial runs through Oct. 23. Please contact Alexis Rittenberger, Director of Library Services, at arittenberger@washjeff.edu with any questions or comments.

*Note: Because these collections are currently trials, they are not accessible off-campus.
### New Acquisitions

You can find the following books recently added to our New Book Corner:

- *A House for Mr. Biswas* (V.S. Naipaul)
- *Men Without Women* (Ernest Hemingway)
- *Potato: A History of the Propitious Esculent* (John Reader)
- *Presidencies Derailed: Why University Leaders Fail and How to Prevent It* (ed. Stephen Joel Trachtenberg)

Some of our more recent DVD acquisitions include:

- *Downton Abbey-Season 3*
- *Windtalkers*
- *Occupied Minds*
- *Fahrenheit 9/11*

### Recent Donations

Many thanks to Mercer University in Macon, GA, for the return of football players' photos sent to the university in 1934 to help promote a game between W&J and Mercer. The photos were recently discovered in Mercer's archives and sent "home" to our archives.

Thank you, also, to Megan Lewandowski '14 for the donation of an 1898 yearbook discovered and passed on to her by a family friend.

### Scholarship

- Barry Chametzky, Ph.D., adjunct faculty in modern languages, published an article regarding his theory of offsetting the affective filter and the online foreign language learner through the IGI-Global website. Chametzky is also working on an article about generalizability, classic grounded theory, and offsetting the affective filter. His article, "An evaluation of student outcomes by course duration in online higher education" is forthcoming.


### CoLET Corner

The Committee on Library and Educational Technology is here to look at academic uses of Library and Technology Resources. [Let us know how we can help you!](#)

Bookmark our [libguide](#) for room recommendations and information about using technology inside and outside the classroom.

- ITS will be broadcasting a webinar being presented by Dr. Julie Schell on October 8 from 11 a.m. to noon titled Using Clickers with Peer Instruction; the webinar will be held in Room 103a in the Technology Center. There will be a 30 minute introduction to using clickers immediately before the webinar (10:30 – 11:00) and following the webinar (12:00 – 12:30).
  - For more information and to sign up, please see the registration form here: [https://washjeff.co1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_51EKjbZZ76kbMgt](https://washjeff.co1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_51EKjbZZ76kbMgt).
- Need an iPad? [Borrow one from our ITS Department](#).
Library Calendar

Find your friendly Library staff at the following events - in and out of the Library -- this month.

Wednesday, Oct. 2
- Librarian on Location, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., George & Tom’s
- Open Archives Hours, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., Learned T. Bulman ’48 Historic Archives & Museum (lower level, U. Grant Miller Library)

Wednesday, Oct. 9
- Librarian on Location, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., The Commons
- Open Archives Hours, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., Learned T. Bulman ’48 Historic Archives & Museum (lower level, U. Grant Miller Library)

Thursday, Oct. 10
- First-Year Expo, 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., Alexander Hall

Friday, Oct. 11
- Feel-Good Friday, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., outside The Commons

Sunday, Oct. 13
- Open Archives Hours, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Learned T. Bulman ’48 Historic Archives & Museum (lower level, U. Grant Miller Library)

Wednesday, Oct. 16
- Librarian on Location, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., George & Tom’s
- Open Archives Hours, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., Learned T. Bulman ’48 Historic Archives & Museum (lower level, U. Grant Miller Library)

Wednesday, Oct. 23
- Librarian on Location, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., The Commons
- Open Archives Hours, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., Learned T. Bulman ’48 Historic Archives & Museum (lower level, U. Grant Miller Library)

Sunday, Oct. 27
- Open Archives Hours, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Learned T. Bulman ’48 Historic Archives & Museum (lower level, U. Grant Miller Library)

Wednesday, Oct. 30
- Librarian on Location, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., George & Tom’s
- Open Archives Hours, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., Learned T. Bulman ’48 Historic Archives & Museum (lower level, U. Grant Miller Library)

Faculty-Staff Book Club

The Faculty-Staff Book Club's October selection is Alone Together: Why We Expect More from Technology and Less from Each Other by Sherry Turkle.

Here's a summary of the book from Goodreads.com:

Consider Facebook—it’s human contact, only easier to engage with and easier to avoid. Developing technology promises closeness. Sometimes it delivers, but much of our modern life leaves us less connected with people and more connected to simulations of them.

In Alone Together, MIT technology and society professor Sherry Turkle explores the power of our new tools and toys to dramatically alter our social lives. It’s a nuanced exploration of what we are looking for—and sacrificing—in a world of electronic companions and social networking tools, and an argument that, despite the hand-waving of today’s self-described prophets of the future, it will be the next generation who will chart the path between isolation and connectivity.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 16, from noon to 1 p.m. in the Parcell Room in The Commons. Look for a reserved table for the book club. Please come join the conversation for any upcoming book that piques your interest.