College Announcements

- Sing the Mozart Requiem with the W&J Choir! Rehearsals begin Feb. 3, 11:45-12:50 p.m. in Olin 211. (If you can't come that day and still want to sing, just e-mail Susan Medley at smedley@washjeff.edu.) Don't miss this chance to sing one of the greatest choral works ever written!

- The Office of Communications will be holding a second faculty photo shoot on Friday, Feb. 21, in the U. Grant Miller Library Walker Room for those whom were unable to attend the first session in January. The shoot will take place from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and the time slots will be in 15 minute intervals. We will be trying to complete all subjects by 3:30 as to not interfere with the faculty meeting, but please feel free to use the time slots after 3:30 p.m. if necessary. Please sign-up at your convenience and thank you for your participation in advance.

- The Center for Energy Policy and Management will host two programs in February, both open to the public: Impact of Climate Change on National Security, Presenters: Brigadier General Stephen A. Cheney, USMC (Ret.) and Rear Admiral Dr. David Titley, USN (Ret.) (representatives of the American Security Project), February 10, 7 p.m.; Burnett Center, Room 103; Thirst for Power: The Nexus of Energy & Water, Presenter: Dr. Michael Webber, associate professor of mechanical engineering and deputy director of the Energy Institute, University of Texas at Austin, Feb. 27, 6:30 p.m., Burnett Center, Yost Auditorium.

- The 2013-14 arts series season continues this month with the Tom Roberts/Charlie Chaplin Project Feb. 4 at 7:30 p.m. in the Olin Fine Arts Center. In 2011, the Pittsburgh Symphony approached pianist, arranger, and composer Tom Roberts to compose new scores for three of the Chaplin Mutual masterpieces: One A.M, The Pawn Shop, and The Rink. For his scores, Roberts used musical styles and genres that would have been appropriate for 1916. In addition to ragtime, foxtrots, tangos, and waltzes, he utilizes more exotic elements such as the French “Vals Musette” and Brazilian “Choros,” both styles that would have perhaps been performed with these scores in their respective countries. This concert includes a lecture on Tom Roberts’ revelations concerning Chaplin’s musical timing. OSCAR® Nominated Short Subjects-Live Action, will be held Feb. 28 and Animated March 1, 7:30 p.m. You and your guests are cordially invited to our fourth annual Oscar® Nominated Short Subjects Feb. 28 and March 1. Dress in your awards season best, bring your camera, and walk our red carpet on both nights, then root for your favorite during the Academy Awards on Sunday, March 2.

Human Resources News

- Promotions and New Titles: Sara Kochuba, Director of Study Abroad; Michael Shaughnessy, Associate Dean of Graduate Studies and International Programs
College Announcements (cont.)

- The Office of Alumni Relations is seeking nominations for the Alumni Executive Council Distinguished Service Award, Alumni Award for Achievement and Outstanding Young Alumni Award.

If you know someone who is worthy of receiving one of these prestigious acknowledgments, please forward your nomination to alumni@washjeff.edu or complete this brief nomination form: https://washjeff.co1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_9EU4wDjYM9Lv4SF

The following is a description of each of the awards:

**Distinguished Service Award** - The Washington & Jefferson College Alumni Association has presented the Distinguished Service Award annually since 1965. It is awarded in recognition of alumni or friends of the College who have distinguished themselves through unparalleled loyalty and service to the College. Up to three recipients can be chosen annually.

**Alumni Award for Achievement** - Presented since 2001, the Alumni Award for Achievement is given to an alumnus or alumna who has reached the pinnacle of his or her chosen field and through this achievement has brought recognition to the College.

**Outstanding Young Alumni Award** - The Outstanding Young Alumni Award is presented to an alumnus or alumna who is within 15 years of his or her graduating class and who has made a significant contribution either to his or her chosen field, community and/or the College.

News

- Bob East, Ph.D., and Yongsheng Wang, Ph.D., will lead a group of six students this summer to investigate the environmental practices and economic efficiency of the automobile industry in Japan and China. They won this student-faculty grant from ASIANetwork/Freeman Foundation, one of eight awarded nationally.

- Jill Walters, a coordinator in the Office of Residence Life, will be performing with the Pittsburgh Savoyards in their upcoming production of Gilbert and Sullivan's “Utopia Limited.” The show will be performed March 7-16 at the Andrew Carnegie Free Library and Music Hall. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please contact Jill at jwalters@washjeff.edu. Tickets purchased through a cast member are $15, a $10 savings over those purchased at the door! For additional information, visit the Pittsburgh Savoyards.

- President Tori Haring-Smith, Ph.D., participated in the recent White House Summit designed to discuss opportunities that provide broader access to college. The initiative received extensive national media coverage and W&J and Haring-Smith were a focus in local and regional coverage, including Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review, Pittsburgh Business Times and Washington Observer-Reporter. The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette also covered the issue in an editorial.

- Two dozen students from all over the world are now Presidents, officially joining the Washington & Jefferson College (W&J) campus community at the College’s annual mid-year Matriculation ceremony Jan. 27.
News (cont.)

- The *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* and Washington *Observer-Reporter* each featured last month a story on the "Art of Cheese-making," a new intersession course designed to allow students to put their scientific research skills to use in a different way.

Scholarship


- President Tori Haring-Smith, Ph.D., will be presenting at a symposium on "The Future of Liberal Arts" at Swarthmore College Feb. 22.

- Dean Catherine Sherman attended the annual meetings of the American Conference of Academic Deans and Association of American Colleges and Universities Jan. 22-25 in Washington, D.C.

Database of the Month

The Library has added a new electronic database titled *Environment & Energy Publishing*. This full-text searchable database is an objective source of information for those who track environmental and energy action in Congress. Find information on clean air legislation, public lands policy, even pending Congressional legislation on these issues. Includes some video reports. Information is updated daily and covers 1996 through current. You can also sign up for daily alerts on topics of interest.

Work Study Jobs Available

Do you have an advisee looking for a work study job? The Library is looking for a reliable student to work in Technical Services (Federal Work Study-Approved only) processing books and periodicals. Students can apply online here and see more details about the job.

Pie Day

Thank you to everyone who braved the cold and visited the Library for National Pie Day. We served up at least 125 pieces of pie (it was going out the door so fast, it was hard to keep track) to faculty, students and staff -- out biggest year yet! We're also very happy that 36 new people signed up for the Sustainability Committee's reusable "clamshell" containers, the perfect size for a piece of pie, and take-out from George & Tom's in the future.

EZ Proxy Updates

Our server move was a success! Please contact Jeffery Bruner (jbruner@washjeff.edu or X-6539) if you experience any problems accessing the Library's electronic resources.

Library Land

Library Land officially returns to WNJR on Thursday, Feb. 13, at 1 pm. Tune in to hear about what's going on at the Library, hear interviews with students, staff, and faculty about their projects, and catch up on cultural events around town.
**New Faces**

**New Employees:** Dale Boring, Head Track and Field/Cross Country Coach; Emilie Gilbreath, Systems Analyst/Programmer; Kaleb Yandrick, Assistant Technical Director

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**CoLET Corner**

The Committee on Library and Educational Technology is here to look at academic uses of library and technology resources. Visit our [libguide](#) to contact us, learn about technology inside and outside the classroom, and for room recommendations.

- The Sustainability Committee, in collaboration with Information Technology Services, is piloting the conversion of the default printer setting to duplex (double-sided). We are trying this in the Tech Center ground floor computer lab (TC103). If successful, we will expand the program to all public computer labs. Directions on how to change the setting to single-sided are posted near the printers and can be found [here](#). Please contact Jamie March with any questions or complaints.

- Do you have something you would like CoLET to discuss? If so, contact Amanda Holland-Minkley, the committee chairperson.

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**New Acquisitions**

The following books have recently been added to our collection:

- *Burning for Buddha: Self Immolation in Chinese Buddhism*, by James Benn
- *Year Zero: A History of 1945*, by Ian Buruma
- *Woman Critiqued: Translated Essays on Japanese Women's Writing*, edited by Rebecca Copeland
- *Fueling Up: The Economic Implications of America's Oil and Gas Boom*, by Trevor Houser

Also, we have added the following foreign language films in German:

- *The Legend of Paul and Paula*
- *Vison: From the Life of Hildegard Von Bingen*

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**Recent Donations**

Many thanks to an anonymous donor who gifted two diplomas to the Archives. The items belonged to William G. Bartlett, an 1837 graduate of Jefferson College. Two diplomas may seem strange, but it was common practice in the 19th century -- one is his college diploma, while the other is his Franklin Literary Society diploma.
Library Calendar

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

Wednesday, Feb. 5

- Librarian on Location, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., The Commons
- Archives Walk-In Hours, 3-5 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 12

- Librarian on Location, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., George & Tom's
- Archives Walk-In Hours, 3-5 p.m.
- Student Wellness Fair, The Ballroom, 3-6 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 19

- Librarian on Location, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., The Commons
- Archives Walk-In Hours, 3-5 pm

Thursday, Feb. 20

- Film Screening: Inequality for All, followed by a live webcast discussion with Robert Reich, former U.S.Secretary of Labor, 5 p.m., Yost Auditorium

Wednesday, Feb. 26

- Librarian on Location, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., George & Tom's
- Archives Walk-In Hours, 3-5 p.m.