



MORAVIAN COLLEGE

Reeves Library Annual News

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Fiscal year 2018 witnessed a lot of exciting changes in Reeves Library. The public libraries with whom we shared a catalog for over a decade moved to a public library system that does not allow one to upload batch files of user records which meant we had to go out on our own. The timing of the end of the consortium contract was in the middle of fall semester ... the worst possible time for any academic library to make a system change. I am very proud of my library colleagues -- with Jeff Dickens, electronic resources librarian, as team leader of the project, everyone pitched in and accomplished this daunting task!

Kim Demyan, Coordinator of Information Literacy, led the instruction team with a record number of 86 sessions held during fall semester reaching 1,587 students. Additionally, she partnered with Dr. Crystal Fodrey and implemented BEAM, a A Rhetorical Vocabulary for Teaching Research Based Writing in many of the sessions.

Elizabeth Young Miller, Seminary Liaison, collaborated with Tim Luckritz Marquis of the Moravian Theological Seminary on a curriculum mapping project. Elizabeth presented the project to a standing room only audience at the national Association of Theological Librarians Conference in June held in Indianapolis, IN.

Angela Cortez, Cataloging and Acquisitions Librarian, compiled statistical data on the usage of streaming video at Moravian College which was shared with an ad hoc task force during fall 2017 and later with the

faculty at a faculty meeting. Behind-the-scenes Angela negotiates pricing breaks on streaming video for the college. Angela also supervised a one-credit English intern on designing and implementing a virtual book discussion group in collaboration with Monique Everett, M.Ed., Library Media Specialist at Liberty High School.

Pam Johnson, Digital Resources Librarian, supervised a one-credit student with a double major in Art and Art History on the library's first traveling museum exhibit, *Women in the Sciences*. The exhibit features the Women's Female Seminary and the science curriculum from the 1800s until the merger in 1955. Several prominent alums are featured in the exhibit which will premiere on September 13, 2018. Stay tuned!

Kris Petre, Health Sciences Librarian, joined us in January and quickly made an impact in our nursing and rehabilitation programs with her knowledge and expertise. In the short time she has been with us, Kris has become an integral partner in the health sciences through constructing research guides, teaching information literacy sessions, and weeding the collection. Kris also organized a sock collection which Gillian Sharkey donated to a organization working with the homeless.

Janet Ohles

TRAVELING EXHIBIT: WOMEN IN SCIENCE



DeAnna Stocker, '20, worked with Dr. Diane Radycki, Art, and Pam Johnson, Digital Resources Librarian on a one-credit internship in the library during spring 2018.

“Women in the Sciences at Moravian College for Women, 1913-1954” provides background on the Moravian philosophy of education and societal trends in science education and careers for women. Moravian female science faculty and alums who hold science degrees and worked in the sciences are highlighted in the exhibit.

The exhibit will premiere in fall 2019.

ORAL HISTORIES ONLINE

Fourteen oral histories of our alums are now available from the library’s special collections page at <https://www.moravian.edu/reeves/special-collections>

These streamed oral histories range from 1938 alums Leona B. Quinn and Mary C. McElroy who majored in secretarial sciences and Ollivia Pauline Musselman Barnes who majored in history and French to Mary Ann “Polly” Rayner who graduated in 1953 with a B.A. in social studies.

ONLINE BOOK DISCUSSION

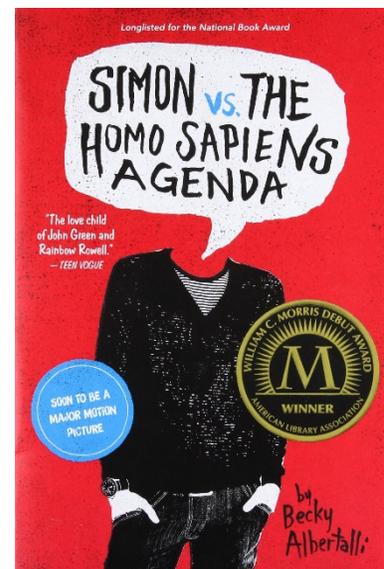
Olivia Killian, '19, completed a one-credit library internship under Dr. Joyce Hinnefeld, English and Angela Cortez, Acquisitions Librarian. Olivia planned a book discussion that was posted online to the Liberty High School students by their Media Specialist, Monique Everett.

The project entailed the consideration several topical areas that would be of interest to teenagers. She researched book discussions for teens for background information, learned how to select potential books through reading book reviews. The book topics she identified were multicultural characters, mental illness, LGBTQ+, and different body types. Olivia selected LGBTQ+ as her topic and chose the book, *Simon vs The Hono Sapiens Agenda* by Becky Albertalli.

Olivia created a flyer for Liberty High School and wrote and taped a Youtube video, <https://youtu.be/aDvHsqpHh5s>, about the book which Monique Everett shared with the high school English teachers with a link from the library’s webpage.

More details about the project can be found on Olivia’s research guide, *Diversity in Young Adult Lilterature*, available from

<http://moravian.libguides.com/Diversity-Young-Adult-Literature>

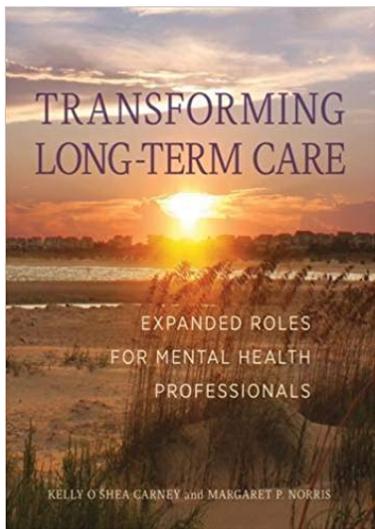


BOOK DISCUSSION AT REEVES

Kelly O'Shea Carney, Ph.D., captured the attention of an audience of Moravian students, faculty, administrators, and community members at Reeve's library during an evening in April. Dr. Carney interspersed personal stories and problem-solving that went into working with individuals with reading passages from the book she authored with Margaret P. Norris, published by the American Psychological Association in 2017. The audience had a lot of questions for Dr. Carney and attendees found the discussion helpful and full of practical advice.

After reading the book, one student said, "Someday, I'll be the administrator of a nursing home."

The book may be borrowed from Reeves Library, RA 997.C37 2017.



"In the nursing homes where life, love, and laughter are found, it is not just the residents who benefit. In these settings, the staff, family members, and community members who are involved in the facility also benefit."

NEW WEB PRESENCE

Kudos to the library team who has been hard at work over the last year to move the website to the College's drupal environment. This was a huge undertaking as it coincided with the end of the consortium library catalog mid-semester fall 2018.

Library intern Jennifer Mante and library technical assistant, Hope Sagnip, worked with Jeff Dickens and Pam Johnson on conducting focus groups with faculty and students to ensure the redesign matched our user's needs and preferences.

Current work underway involves the redesign of the Archives and Special Collections pages to make them more accessible for course assignments and research.

INFORMATION LITERACY AT REEVES

Under Kim Demyan's coordination, the information literacy librarians customized and developed new approaches to integrating research and information literacy tailored to specific course assignments. They have also seen an increase in one-on-one assistance with students to address specific research questions. Each Honors applicant met with a librarian to assess their knowledge of and guide them in locating resources for their specific projects.

Elizabeth Young Miller partnered with Tim Luckritz Marquis to map the Masters in Theological Studies curriculum to the framework of information literacy standards. As a result of the partnership, a rubric and exercises were developed to be used with students. The project goal is to assess the improvement and development of information literacy skills that are mapped to course objectives.

LVAIC INTERLIBRARY LOAN AND CIRCULATION ANNUAL MEETING

Debbi Gaspar and Nancy Strobel hosted the annual meeting for their LVAIC counterparts in June. The group enjoyed catching up with each other and in sharing how they manage student supervisors, fines, and renewals for loan periods. A light lunch with cookies was catered by our dining services.

BOOK DISCUSSION!

Watch for announcements on the library's app and homepage for news about our first-ever book discussion. Plans are currently underway. All are welcome, but we hope Moravian faculty, staff, our neighbors and retirees will find this a fun group to join.

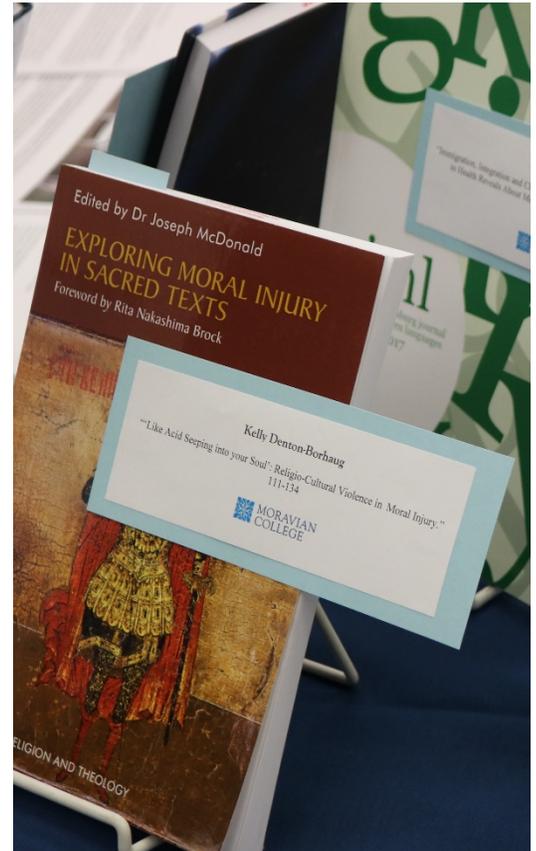


3RD ANNUAL FACULTY SCHOLARSHIPS

Provost Cynthia Kosso, Ph.D., hosted the 3rd Annual Faculty Scholarship and Faculty Educational and Creative Achievements on April 19, 2018, in the lower level of Reeves Library.



2017 was another banner year for the Moravian faculty and their scholarship pursuits. One book, 18 chapters, 20 peer-reviewed articles and one short story. Two highly competitive awards were received and 2 solo art exhibitions were done.



Moravian faculty logged a lot of travel miles sharing their expertise in places domestically from close to home within the LVAIC consortium to Boston and San Francisco, and to distant countries including Uganda, Hong Kong, Slovenia, and Japan.