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From the Dean

What does a cookie cutter have to do with open access and the Nelson Poynter Memorial Library? Usually, not a whole lot, but this month as NPML plans Open Access Week (October 21-27), scholarly communications connected with one of our new pieces of technology—a 3D printer.

Open access to information allows researchers to disseminate the results of their work freely, with people around the world, and removes paywalls that block content from readers who don’t have access to scholarly research databases. Open educational resources or OERS provide no-cost alternatives to high-cost textbooks. I encourage faculty to meet with their librarian to learn more about open-access publishing and OERs.

And the cookie cutter? NPML was able to create one by using open-source code to program our 3D printer. Currently, faculty and students are learning to use the printer and develop applications to enhance their teaching and learning. And yes, we will have real cookies during Open Access Week. Watch for announcements about events we have scheduled that week.

Catherine Cardwell
Dean, Nelson Poynter Memorial Library

Special Collections Trivia

This image from the Nelson Poynter Memorial Library's Special Collections and University Archives comes from The Crow's Nest Digital Archive.

**Question:** When was the first issue of The Crow's Nest published? (The newspaper was originally called the USFSP Bay Campus Bulletin.)

Scholar's Corner

On October 4th, NPML librarians Theresa Burress, Emily Mann, and USF Tampa librarians Susan Ariew and Stephanie Jacobs co-presented at the 2nd annual Critical & Creative Thinking at the core Conference at USFSP. The presentation was titled “Information Literacy & Data Literacy as Critical Thinking,” and touched on how the libraries are contributing to critical thinking.
The presentation was well attended and sparked interesting conversation about what libraries do to contribute to student success across the curriculum. Slides from the presentation will be available at [https://digital.usfsp.edu/cctc/](https://digital.usfsp.edu/cctc/).

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**Spotlight**

The Nelson Poynter Memorial Library came in first place during the 2019 Annual Homecoming Cardboard Boat Race and won Best Overall Design for our boat.

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**Personal Librarians for Transfer Students**

The success of our transfer students is important to us, and we realize that the needs and experiences of transfer students can be different from traditional students. We have a Personal Librarian program here at the library just for transfer students. Transfer students receive emails from their personal librarian three times a semester touching base with them and letting them know about library services and tools that can help them be successful. On October 22nd, during National Transfer Student Week, we will be hosting a Meet and Greet with your Personal Librarian from 2-3pm.
Did You Know?

Get ready to celebrate science!

The 9th Annual St. Petersburg Science Festival will bring upwards of 15,000 families to explore hands-on science activities at USF St. Petersburg on Saturday, October 19th between 10am-4pm. The Nelson Poynter Memorial Library will host a brand new NASA exhibit, an illuminated “PufferSphere” that will showcase NASA’s Space Communications and Navigation Program. Another new festival program featuring live interviews with scientists throughout the day will be on the library’s patio. “This is What a Scientist Looks Like” interviews will explore the diverse career paths of young scientists from our local community and offer opportunities for audience questions and conversation.

Librarian and Interim Associate Dean Kaya van Beynen has led the festival’s evaluation efforts for several years, and won a grant to investigate child engagement at public science festivals that has resulted in multiple publications. Assistant Librarian Theresa Burress has co-chaired the St. Petersburg Science Festival since 2012, when she worked as a librarian for scientists at the U.S. Geological Survey. Her leadership role with the festival resulted in many opportunities to help young people explore their passion for science, and inspired her to become the science librarian here at USFSP. For more information check out the full press release.

Tapestry

Cuban and Cuban-American Communities of Yesterday and Today: An Exhibition

The library is proud to have sponsored an exhibit featuring posters on the history of the Cuban community in Florida, focusing on the cigar factories of Ybor City and the leadership role played by lectors, or cigar factory readers, in building the social, cultural, and linguistic community of Ybor City. The exhibit featured images of early Ybor with explanatory text in English and Spanish, in recognition of National Hispanic Heritage Month.

The exhibit was part of the Cubano-American Community Project, a collaborative effort that aimed to build awareness in Sarasota and Manatee counties of the Cuban and Cuban-American heritage in this region, and to foster community engagement with cultural, economic, and civic opportunities for Florida-Cuba relations. Project collaborators included the Jane Bancroft Cook Library, New College teaching faculty, Manatee County Public Libraries, Manatee County Historical Resources, Sarasota County Libraries, Sarasota County Historical Resources, State College of Florida Library, and University of South Florida Special Collections. The project was funded by a competitive grant awarded by the Florida Humanities Council and won the 2018 Southeastern Library Association's Outstanding Program Award.

Exhibits
50th Anniversary of the Crows Nest

The staff of The Crow's Nest recently visited our new library display about the 50th anniversary of their newspaper. We look forward to reading their special anniversary issue!

An Invitation to Explore....

Local St. Petersburg artist, Nathan Beard, has a new exhibit in the library titled An Invitation to Explore..... These paintings feature abstract representations of the fleeting moments of everyday life inspired by the sensations, colors, and spaces of Floridian flora. For more information on the artist visit nathanbeardfineart.com

And for more information on the library gallery visit USFSP Public Art

Events

3D Printing Workshop
October 17th at 12pm-2pm

Microsoft Excel Training for Students

Not Met: The Most Commonly Missed Standards in QM Reviews
October 24th at 2pm - 4pm

Halloween Costume Contest
Personal Librarian Meet and Greet for Transfer Students
October 22nd at 10am - 12pm

Open Access Week Open House
October 22nd at 2pm - 3pm

SPSS Workshop for Students
October 23rd at 9am - 5pm

SPSS Workshop for Students
October 23rd at 11am - 1pm

Promoting Academic Integrity
October 31st at 8am - 4pm

Student Study Abroad Colloquium
November 7th at 2pm - 3pm

Internship Showcase
November 12th at 11am - 12:30pm

Student Study Abroad Colloquium
November 13th at 2:30pm - 4pm

See our Full Calendar