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For Starters - A Little Library Quiz

- 1. How many students attended library orientations last year (fall, spring, & summer)?
- 2. How many videos does the Instructional Media Center own?
- 3. What did library staff do 4687 times in the first two weeks of this Fall semester?
- 4. In recent years, what SCC library book has been checked out more than any other?
- 5. Who said, "Outside of a dog, a book is a man's best friend. Inside of a dog, it's too dark to read."

Answers on page 3.

New LRC Dean

Yvonne Maller is the new interim Dean for Learning Resources for the 2003-04 academic year. Yvonne started out as a student at Sacramento City College in the 1980s. She then followed a path from instructional assistant to faculty intern to ESL instructor. Since then, Yvonne has served as Coordinator of the Learning Skills and Tutorial Program, interim LRC dean, and most recently as Coordinator of the Northern Site of the California Virtual Campus, Region 4 in the Los Rios District.

Yvonne holds Masters degrees in English from the University of Silesia, Poland and California State University, Sacramento. She also holds certificates in community college leadership from CSUS and in online teaching from UCLA. Please stop by the LR Division Office (LR 236) and greet Yvonne.

@ Your Library

Budget cuts are a librarian's nightmare. How can a college library continue to provide the textbooks, background reading, periodicals, and electronic databases needed to support student learning when we face budget cuts just like everyone else? The budget news since late last year has made us ask: How can we cut expenses without damaging the quality of the collection? How do we hold on to the faculty's confidence that we will buy the books their students need? How can we bring students the current research materials they need? How do we continue to provide copies of the textbooks that students need in our reserve collection?

Over the last several weeks our response has become more clear. Campus-wide, the support for the library's materials budget has been fantastic considering the tough times we all face. The College President has honored an ongoing committment of funding for materials. Faculty have stepped up to increase their donations of textbooks for the reserve collection. Discussions are underway with the Associated Students and with our College Foundation to provide additional support for purchasing needed materials. While our budget has been reduced from the level in previous year's, we are happy with the support we've received in this tough time.

We will continue to provide textbooks in our reserve collection, we will support the curriculum with new acquisitions, and we will gather needed materials for student research.

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New Books!

Books are located on the 2d and 3rd floors of the <u>Library</u>. Please ask for help in locating these titles, and use LOIS, the library catalog, to find nearly 70,000 more books!

David P. Colley. *Blood For Dignity: The Story of the First Integrated Combat Unit in the U.S. Army.* D 769.31 394th.C65 2003

This is the World War II tale of 5th Platoon was the first black unit integrated with a white infantry company since the Revolutionary War, a historic event whose resonance would be felt for generations.

Mahnaz Kousha. *Voices From Iran: The Changing Lives of Iranian Women.* HQ 1735.2 .K68 2002

Fifteen Iranian women reflect on their relationships, marriages, concerns, and ambitions in this series of candid interviews and commentary.

Martin Meredith. *Elephant Destiny: Biography of an Endangered Species in Africa*. QL 737 .P98 M473 2003

Meredith traces the history of the elephant, including its role in literature, popular culture, and science.

Iris Chang. The Chinese in America.

E 184 .C5 C444 2003

This bestseller relates the history of one of the fast-growing ethnic groups in the U. S.

New Videos!

Faculty may borrow videos for up to one week from the <u>Instructional Media Center</u>. Use LOIS, the library catalog, to find many more videos.

Edvard Munch: A Revealing Film Profile of the Renowned Artist.

NEW 2002 389

This probing film looks at the life and works of the controversial Norwegian painter, capturing Munch's diversity and featuring many of his most famous works.

Frontline: The High Price of Health.

NEW 2001 343

America's new market-driven health care system has helped halt skyrocketing costs. But what's the impact of this managed care revolution on doctors, nurses and patients? Frontline looks at how California and Massachusetts hospitals are coping.

Into the Arms of Strangers: Stories of the Kindertransport.

NEW 2002 394

In the months before World War II, an extraordinary rescue operation aided ten thousand Jewish and other children, transporting them from German lands to homes and hostels in Great Britain. Features archival footage and remembrances by survivors, rescuers and parents.

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Learning Skills & Tutoring

What's new in the Learning Skills & Tutoring Center? Same convenient location: LRC first floor, Room 144. Same great services: face-to-face and online tutoring, Beacon peer-assisted learning, tutor training, and learning skills courses. Same talented full-time staff: Ginnie Gessford, Jennifer Rodden, Tim Ching, and Naomi Kinoshita. Same host of committed instructional assistants and student tutors. Same incredibly informative website: http://www.scc.losrios.edu/~learnres/tla/. Maybe no news is good news! Send your students. They'll get the thoughtful, focused assistance you've come to count on:

Monday through Thursday 8:00 am - 9:30 pm Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Saturday 8:30 am - 3:00 pm

For more information contact Ginnie Gessford, Learning Skills/Tutorial Coordinator, 558-2600 or Jennifer M. Rodden, Learning Skills/Tutorial Coordinator (Eve./Sat.), 558-2183.

Check out these two **credit classes** taught in the Learning Center. The last day for your students to enroll is November 7:

HUMAN SERVICES 92 (Open Entry/Open Exit) - This self-paced variable unit multimedia course is available in the Learning Skills and Tutoring Center. Reviews math, reading, and writing skills.

HUMAN CAREER DEVELOPMENT 360 (Open Entry/Open Exit) - Academic Skills – This 1 unit independent study course is available both online and in the Learning Skills and Tutoring Center.



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What's So Special?

Enter the Special Collections Room through the leaded glass doors on the 3rd floor of the library and find beautifully refinished furnishings from the old library – mahogany shelving, massive library tables, glass and oak exhibit cases, oak atlas stands, and an ornate wooden intercom.

Shelves are lined with copies of *The Express* (school newspaper), *The Pioneer* (yearbook), and SCC course catalogs dating back to the early 1920s. File cabinets boast photographs, oral history tapes, and news clippings about the events and trends that shaped Sacramento City College, including the school's annual Art Ball when as many as 5000 guests crowded into Memorial Auditorium; Pioneer Day, the predecessor of People's Day; and the challenging events of the 1960s.

Contact Pat Zuccaro, Archivist, at 558-2532 if you would like to visit the Special Collections Room. Hours are Wed. and Thurs. 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Library Displays

Now on view in the second floor display area: *Weird Stuff and Critical Thinking*. The UFO books, in particular, have been flying off the shelf. In October, enjoy your favorite censored titles in the "Banned Books" display. November's display will pair books with their movie versions. And in December we hope to bring you the AIDS quilt. Other monthly displays will highlight the library's cultural and literary holdings. Booklists for each display are available in the display area.

Answers to Library Quiz

- 1. 3215 students attended orientations last year.
- 2. The Instructional Media Center owns over 4600 videos. Instructors can borrow them for 1 week.
- 3. They checked out reserve items (textbooks, etc.)!
- 4. The most borrowed book is Martin Silberberg's 1996 *Chemistry: the molecular nature of matter and changes.* It's been borrowed 559 times!
- 5. Groucho Marx, of course.

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Recent Web Sitings The Recall Campaign

What the *heck* is going on here on the left coast?

24-Hour News: Recall Election

News items related to the recall, plus links to Sac Bee columnists, editorials, and cartoons.

http://www.sacbee.com/24hour/politics/recall

Hot Topic: Recall in California

A scholarly slant on the recall, including the constitutional and statutory basis and legal challenges. From the UC Institute of Governmental Studies.

http://www.igs.berkeley.edu/library/htRecall2003.html

Recall Governor Election 2003

Information about elections, the voting process and ballot issues. From The League of Women Voters. http://www.ca.lwv.org/lwvc/edfund/elections/2003

Special Recall Election Resources

Links to candidate Web sites, campaign finance information, and advocacy sites. From the California Voter Foundation. http://www.calvoter.org/recall

California Secretary of State -Elections & Voter Information

Candidate information and voter information guide. http://www.ss.ca.gov/elections/recall.htm

LRC Hours, Fall 2003

Monday – Thursday: 7:30 – 9:30 Friday: 7:30 – 5:00 Saturday: 8:30 – 3:00 **Closed** Sundays and Sept. 1, Nov. 10,

Nov. 27-30, Dec. 20-Jan. 19.



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LRC Phone Numbers

Circulation Desk: 558-2301
Reference Desk: 558-2461
Instructional Media: 558-2671
Tutoring Appointments: 558-2258
Division Office: 558-2253

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You see, I don't believe that libraries should be drab places where people sit in silence, and that's been the main reason for our policy of employing wild animals as librarians.

— Monty Python skit

LRC Links

Library: http://www.scc.losrios.edu/~library/ LOIS (library catalog), research databases, library orientations & classes, new materials lists, librarians.

Instructional Media & Computing: http://www.scc.losrios.edu/~learnres/instmedia.html

Learning Skills & Tutoring: http://

www.scc.losrios.edu/~learnres/tla/index.html

Library & Information Technology Program:

http://www.scc.losrios.edu/~litprog

Distance Education: http://www.scc.losrios.edu/de/

Staff Resource Center: http://www.scc.losrios.edu/

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Library Humor: http://warriorlibrarian.com/ROFL/

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