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DREXEL LIBRARY STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Sarah Martinson has more than likely overseen or been involved with the process from start to finish so you could get that much-needed information you were seeking.

The most challenging aspect of her job is keeping on top of the workflow during the busiest times every semester—especially since Mary is just one of only two people in the entire ILL department. Work study students help to alleviate the load each semester. The volume of work can become overwhelming but not discouraging. Mary fully understands the challenges of being a student.

Mary Martinson is a grandmother, mother, wife, ILL Coordinator, and alumna. Mary is a member of the class of 1997; she has a degree in history. Two of her children also graduated from the university; a daughter, Christine ‘95, and a son, Ross ‘99.

When Mary is not hard at work providing the best service she can for today’s educators and tomorrow’s leaders, she spends some of her spare time quilting. Mary is an avid quilter. She’s so serious about her quilting that she even went on a weekend quilting retreat. Mary also likes to spend time at the beach.

— MICHAEL BROOKS

TIPS!

• Find it @SJU cannot guarantee that you will find an online version of an article, but it will make it faster and easier to locate those articles that are available online to SJU patrons.

• Be sure to disable any pop-up blocker software that you are using on your computer.

• When working from off-campus, remember to log in as an off-campus user and to have Java enabled in your browser software.

• When you click on an option in the Find it @SJU results menu, multiple results windows will open. If you don’t see what you expected, the results window for which you are looking might be hidden behind another window. Close these results windows when you are done.

• For some journals, we are not permitted online access to the most recent issues. Try accessing slightly older issues to improve your chances of success.

• Sometimes you will get to the online version of a journal rather than to the specific article within that journal. This is a limitation on the publisher’s part — simply browse through the listed issues until you locate the one that you need. Remember to consult the Find it @SJU menu to read your citation if you forget the date, issue number or page number.

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—SUSAN TSIOURIS

SAINT JOSEPH’S READS: A Lesson Before Dying

Saint Joseph’s Reads will continue to draw the campus community into a discussion with its latest selection, A Lesson Before Dying by Ernest Gaines. Gaines’ award-winning book was chosen for its “moving portrayal of a young black man unjustly accused and executed for a murder he did not commit. The story deals with themes of human dignity, justice, and the simple heroism of resistance.”

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Patience Moore

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FACULTY NOW HAVE ACCESS TO 20 MILLION BOOKS IN 28 LIBRARIES

The Libraries of the 28 Jesuit Colleges and Universities in the U.S. are implementing a new service which will allow faculty from any Jesuit institution to use all services of the other Jesuit Libraries. The program is called Jesuit Library Passport.

Any faculty member interested in participating in the program simply Jesuit Library Passport - Faculty now have access to 20 million books in 28 libraries fills out a form at the Circulation desk of their home library. Once this is done, you will be granted full borrowing privileges at all of the 28 member libraries. You will then be able to go to any Jesuit library in the U.S. and borrow books as if you were on your own campus library. Borrowing privileges are good for one year and can be renewed. For a list of the member libraries and their locations, visit the AJCU website: http://www.ajcunet.edu/.

Check with the Circulation Staff at the Drexel Library for more information on signing up for Jesuit Library Passport.

—MICHAEL BROOKS

ASK US ANYTHING, ANYTIME LIBRARY OFFERS 24/7 REFERENCE HELP

The Drexel Library will be joining 18 other Jesuit Colleges and Universities to provide their students and faculty with Virtual Reference services 24 hours a day 7 days a week. This new service is scheduled to begin during the Fall semester. Please check the Library’s website http://www.sju.edu/libraries/drexel for the latest information. The participating institutions have chosen Tutor.com’s Virtual Reference ToolKit software as the platform for conducting real-time reference sessions with students. Students will be able to link to the Virtual Reference system from the Library’s web pages in order to ask their questions. A reference specialist from one of the AJCU libraries or Tutor.com will then begin an online chat session with the patron. The librarian and questioner will have the ability to cobrowse library catalogs, send web pages, and transmit documents. A transcript of each session will be emailed to the patron at the conclusion of the session. Drexel Library will provide seven hours of Virtual Reference per week as part of the program. The other consortium participants are: Boston College, Cinnas, Creighton, Fairfield, Fordham, Georgetown, John Carroll, LeMoyn, Loyola Chicago, Loyola Maryland, Loyola New Orleans, Marquette, Notre Dame, Santa Clara, Scranton, University of Detroit Mercy, University of San Francisco, Xavier.

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