

# THE LIBRARY SCOOP

## Library Hours—Middletown

Monday - Friday 8 am—9 pm  
Saturday 9 am—3 pm

## Library Hours—Newburgh

Monday 9 am—4 pm  
Tuesday 9 am—5 pm  
Wednesday 9 am—2 pm  
Thursday 11:30—5:30  
Friday 11 am—2pm

## Phone Numbers:

Middletown

Circulation: 845-341-4855

Reference: 845-341-4260

Newburgh: 845-341-4542

The library staff is committed to providing helpful and friendly service. If you can't find a book, are having trouble formatting your paper or are wondering what books you have taken out please direct your questions to anyone at the front desk on the first floor.

## Gilman Center Events

An Evening of Poetry  
with  
Joan Siegel  
Author of *Hyacinth for  
the Soul*

April 3 (Fri.) 7 PM

## Library Poetry

Spring is here!

Snowdrops peek up through  
the hard ground,  
Children swirl baton  
thoughts  
While running through  
hoops of joy  
From fantasies in their  
mind's world.  
Give yourselves the Free-  
dom to let go,  
To enjoy the future ahead,  
Be all you can be.

Florence DeV Vaughn Mar. 2009

## OPPOSING VIEWPOINTS INCLUDES AUDIO VERSIONS OF ARTICLES

Oposing Viewpoints is offering a view of the future of what services databases can deliver to students and faculty. Every article in the database is now available as an audio file that can be listened to at the computer or downloaded as an MP3 file. The technology behind the audio files was developed by VoiceCorp International in 1999 as an aid to those with difficulties reading text. Today the technology has found a wider audience with the increasing popularity of portable media players. Those with visual impairments have easy access to a wealth of information that was once hidden behind a wall of text. You now have the option to listen to your research while you drive, commute or work around the house.

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*Oposing Viewpoints: Health Care*. Ed. Karen Balkin. San Diego: Greenhaven Press, 2004.

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parts of sentences, however it doesn't pause at commas like a human would. Some complicated names and web addresses cause the computer to guess at pronunciation. The end result is easy to understand and listen to for extended periods of time.

The dashboard is simple to use and only requires a few clicks and some download time to use. Be sure to have a USB cable for downloading the MP3 file to your iPod or any other audio device. To listen to a specific portion of the article use your mouse to highlight the section and click the play button. The audio player will begin playing at the start of the highlighted section. *Oposing Viewpoints* is listed in the News & Currents section of the databases by topic. The library staff can help you navigate our book search engine and our databases.

## Recycling Tree Update

Our once green tree is turning brown in front of our eyes. For each 50 gallon container of paper that is recycled in the information commons one cluster of leaves from our tree dies. It is replaced with a fact about paper use and waste. To date more than 300 gallons of paper have been recycled. That translates to 30 reams of paper or three full cases of ten reams of paper.

The library staff congratulates those students who are printing out Powerpoint presentations with multiple slides on one page. Thanks for making the effort!

Paper saving tips are linked from the library's web site  
<http://www.sunyorange.edu/lrc/docs/paper-saving-tips.pdf>.



Start exploring the universe in the library. Browsing the shelves from 520 to 523 is the easiest way to start. Don't forget to look in the folio shelves for the large picture books. No telescope required!

To browse more Hubble Space Telescope pictures visit <http://hubblesite.org/>

## 2009: INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF ASTRONOMY

In 1609 Galileo pointed a telescope to the night sky and at the planet Jupiter. His observations over the next months were the first scientific application of the telescope and led to the discovery that Jupiter had moons. Today the four moons Galileo discovered are known as the Galilean Moons and have a revered place in the history of science. In the years after 1609 the new science of astronomy would confirm Nicholas Copernicus' theory that the Earth was not the center of the solar system and, like the other 5 known planets, it also orbits the Sun.

To commemorate this anniversary UNESCO and the International Astronomical Union have declared 2009 to be the "International Year of Astronomy". Use the home page of the IYA as a portal to astronomy world wide. Point your browser to [www.astronomy2009.org](http://www.astronomy2009.org).

In the 400 years since Galileo's experiment Astronomy has become the science with the most stunning images. On the right is an example of what Galileo inspired with his telescopic observations. Whether the image comes from the Hubble Space Telescope or your own camera, images of the night sky can be appreciated scientifically or artistically.



The Galilean Moon Ganymede orbits Jupiter. Hubble Telescope Image STScI-2008-42 & E. Karkoschka (U. of Arizona)

The New Atlas of the Universe (Folio 523 M758n), by Patrick Moore and Galaxies (523.112 H663g) by Paul Hodge are two excellent sources of the Universe's best and brightest. You can also browse the popular magazine Sky and Telescope through OCCC's article databases. From the Databases A to Z page open MasterFile Premier and click the "publications" link to search for Sky and Telescope. From there you can navigate to the year and into specific issues. The PDF document shows the article as it appeared in the magazine with all images. A librarian can help navigate the databases if you don't have a star chart handy.

### New Software in the Library

OFFICE 2007 has arrived.

The campus is in the middle of upgrading to Office 2007. In the coming months the IT staff will update the library computers, ready for summer session.

Your 2003 applications can open 2007 documents if you save them in the 2003 format. Some fancy formatting may be lost but this isn't a problem for school papers.

Students in the office technologies classes and still working with Office 2003 will still be able to access those programs by navigating through the Programs in the Start menu.

Install your own software

The library computers allow you to install software that you may need for your class. If you don't you have the disk you can get it from the net. Remember it will be deleted when the computer is turned off.

## NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

The new books page at the library is now interactive. Every day brings a new load of books to both the Newburgh and Middletown campus libraries. As the books are fed into the

[http://www.sunyorange.edu/lrc/collections/new\\_titles.shtml](http://www.sunyorange.edu/lrc/collections/new_titles.shtml)

collection you'll be able to visit the new books page and see what just arrived. The page is organized by broad topics and notes the number of books added to that topic. Click the topic to navigate to the book list and from there you can click the "Is it in?" link to look through the catalog. The catalog view allows you to see if the book is checked in and what the due date is if the book is checked out. As new books are added to the collection in Newburgh you'll have to take note of the book's location.

The catalog view also allows you to learn more about the book. For every book that has a picture of the cover you'll be able to see a variety of information about the book. Click into the book's record and then on the cover image again to open a window that links to the book's summary, table of contents and in some cases the first chapter of the book.

### The latest books added to the collection

#### Audio Books are in!

The library will be selecting a limited number of current popular fiction and non-fiction titles as audio books. The audio books are in CD format that can be played on all CD players. The books can be checked out for 28 days and will be renewable. See what titles we have in the list below under Fiction (Audio Books).

#### The latest books added to the collection: February 21, 2009

- **McNaughton Collection** Books added: 23
- **History and geography** Books added: 6
- **Literature & rhetoric** Books added: 1
- **Arts and recreation** Books added: 3
- **Technology (Applied sciences)** Books added: 9
- **Natural sciences & mathematics** Books added: 5
- **Social sciences** Books added: 12
- **Philosophy and psychology** Books added: 1

#### MIDDLETOWN CAMPUS

- **Arts and recreation**
  - Annie Leibovitz at work - [text based on conversations with Sharon DeLano; editor, Sharon DeLano].

Click into the newest books in the library. The subject links go to lists of new books added in that subject. The Is it in? link takes you to the catalog to check the book's status.