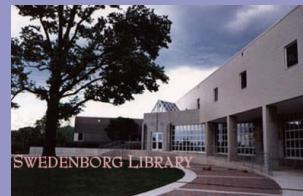


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Notes and News from the SWEDENBORG LIBRARY



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<http://www.brynathyn.edu/Library>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHARTER WEEKEND HOURS

Thurs. October 8	8 am to 6 pm
Fri. October 9	8 am to 5 pm
Sat. October 10	9 am to 12 Noon
Sun. October 11	2 pm to 6 pm 7 pm to 11 pm
Mon. October 12	CLOSED

WELCOME

The staff and volunteers of Swedenborg Library wish all new and returning students and faculty a happy and productive Fall term and hope to see you in the library!

To our community of patrons—we now have convenient parking nearby—stop in and say hello!

Borrowing on ILLiad

You can now request interlibrary loan (ILL) items online through our new ILLiad system. As interlibrary loan usage increases at Bryn Athyn College, this system will allow us to keep up with the demand and get items to you faster.

Here's how it works:

You will be able to log on to the ILLiad website from inside or outside the campus network. By following the simple steps, you can set up your own ILLiad account and create a username and password.

Once you have registered, you will be able to access your personal ILLiad page. You

can use the links to complete and submit new requests, check the status of all the requests you have made. You can also edit or cancel requests or request renewals. You can even update your personal information yourself.

If you have questions, or would like help setting up your account, the library staff will be happy to assist you.

We're looking forward to serving you better with the new system! If you have any questions, please call David Perry at (267) 502-2517, call the library Circulation desk at (267) 502-2524, or email us at :

interlibraryloan@brynathyn.edu



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Save the dates: FOSL book sale

WHO: *The Friends of the Swedenborg Library*

WHAT: *Fall Used BOOK SALE*

WHEN: *Thursday, October 22, 7:30pm-9:30pm (Preview sale for Faculty, Students, and members of FOSL with FREE COFFEE AND DONUTS!)*

Friday, October 23, 9am-5pm.

Saturday, October 24, 9am-3pm. BAG SALE!

WHERE: *Library basement (old Computer Lab)*

JOIN US!!!

Notes from the Archives: Part 3

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In the last issue of *BI-lines* (see *BI-Lines, Spring 2009*), I discussed Acquisition and Appraisal. This issue, I'll explain *Arrangement and Description*. Once materials have been appraised and accepted, they must be arranged in a way that make them useable to researchers.

The most appropriate way for records and papers to be transferred to an archive is the same way that they were organized by the creator (or user) of the papers. Sometimes, collections come to the archive in a state of general disorder and the archivist must organize it. In addition, the collection may need to be physically separated because different materials—slides and film, for example—require different storage conditions. Items are re-housed in specially designed folders, boxes or drawers and are then ready for the next step: description.

Archives use documents called “finding aids” to help

locate material within the collection as well as its storage location. Print finding aids are slowly being supplemented with or replaced by electronic ones so that researchers can search the collections from a computer or even from home via the Internet.

The collections are described using a top-down hierarchical system: collections, series, folders and items—each with sub-groups as necessary. For example in the John Doe Collection, a series may be named “Correspondence” and under that series there may be sub-series: “Business or personal” or folders: “1961-1970.”

An archival collection is only rarely described at item level (giving detailed description of an individual letter, for instance) although some parts of the John & Gertrude Pitcairn Papers are done this way.

After the description is finished, the finding aid is completed by noting the location of the various boxes so that they can be found when a researcher needs them.

In the next issue of *BI-lines*, I'll cover the concept of making material available for research.

-Greg Jackson
Archivist

Addition to Swedenborg's Own Library Collection

We are pleased to announce a new addition to our collection of books from Swedenborg's own library. Just purchased from Thomas Cullen Rockland Bookman Antiquarian Books is a copy of *Barnabae Apostoli, Epistola Catholica, Accesit S. Hermae viri apostolici pastor.*

Published in Oxford (England) in 1685, this exact edition was owned by Swedenborg and was listed in the sale auction catalog of books sold by his heirs in 1772.

The first part of the book contains letters of the apostle Barnabas with Apostle Paul in

Latin and Greek on facing pages. The second part, in Latin, is the epistle of St. Barnabas, ascribed to him by Tertullian but written a century after Barnabas.

It is very gratifying to be able to find an item that has been on our ‘desiderata’ list for so long.

Director's web site tips

Classics in the History of Psychology

This site has changed little in format and appearance since its birth in December of 1997. The major change is a doubling of the number of full-text documents in the history of psychology and related fields. It is a classic resource in this area, providing access to over 450 articles, books, chapters in books, commentaries, etc. in psychology as well as a wide range of other disciplines. There are documents and links to related sites in academic fields such as ethics, sociology, history, child development and others. Other topical areas are ancient thought, medieval and renaissance thought and modern philosophical thought.

You can search either by author or topic in this user friendly site. If you want you can sign-on for email alerts to new additions to the site. For faculty there's a "Suggested

Primary Source Reading Assignments" section that is very useful and a "How To Cite" link to APA format.

Sometimes you stick with what works and this site is proof that good initial planning in a site far outweighs frequent web site makeovers. This is a valuable online academic resource which deserves a closer look.

Check it out at:

<http://psychclassics.yorku.ca>

-Carroll Odhner
Library Director



Say Hello!

Some of the smiling faces you see at the Circulation desk are those of our student workers. They can check out and return materials for you, help you find items, or simply direct you to the room you're looking for.

This semester we have both new and returning student library aides. They are: Hannah Reynolds (Supervisor), Sarah Cresswell, Milica Zikic, Charles Hitchcock, Nikolay Lukin, Jessica David, and Jusin Kang



What's new: books for you to enjoy

If you think **Dog On It** by **Spencer Quinn** is just another guy and his dog story, think again! When a teenage girl disappears amidst some shady dealing in the real estate business, Chet and Bernie are hired to solve the puzzle. This funny, well-plotted, and sometimes

chilling mystery adds an unusual twist by being told from the eerily believable perspective of the dog! (Fic Quinn / Mystery)

Whether you're a newcomer here or have fond memories of the old neighborhood, you will enjoy the historic images

featured in the ongoing **"Postcard Histories"** and **"Images of America"** series published by Arcadia Press. We have volumes on many of the surrounding towns, and other local areas of interest—one of our latest additions is **Dorney Park** by Wally Ely. (F157 .L5 D67 2003)

Finally, **Passionate minds : the great love affair of the Enlightenment**, featuring the scientist Emilie Du Chatelet, the poet Voltaire, sword fights, book burnings, assorted kings, seditious verse, and the birth of the modern world by David Bodanis. The title says it all! (PQ2103 .D7 B63 2006).

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Swedenborg Library Mission Statement

The primary purpose of the Swedenborg Library is the acquisition, preservation and promotion of the New Church collections and archives for use throughout the world.

- These collections include books written by Swedenborg (first editions, subsequent editions and translations), copies of books known to have been owned by Swedenborg, and books and periodicals of the 17th and 18th centuries (particularly in the sciences and religion) either used by Swedenborg or reflecting the thought of his age.*
- A collection of collateral literature covers all aspects of study of Swedenborg and the New Church.*
- The archives are a cultural resource containing a variety of documents, letters and photographs relevant to the New Church, the Academy, and the Bryn Athyn community.*

The next most important use is to provide materials and information, in various forms, in support of the academic programs of the Academy schools. The library also serves as a resource for members of the local community.

Tech Services FYI

You may not know that some of our library materials are available online as well as in the stacks. By clicking on the “A Look Inside” URL found on the item information tab of an I-Link online catalog record, you can access, read, and even print an increasing number of items in the library collection.

The Smithsonian Institution Scholarly Press has recently made this option available free of charge for papers in their Smithsonian Contributions to Science series. The Technical Services department is currently adding links to their papers in paleobiology and the earth sciences. We will continue adding links to other titles in this series while also creating catalog records for digital access to items that are not on our shelves. Please contact Carol Traveny at 267-502-2531 if you have questions.

TO GET THIS



YOU NEED THIS



Don't forget to get your Library barcode!