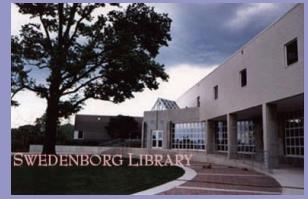


BI-Lines

Notes and News from the SWEDENborg LIBRARY



Bryn Athyn College / Academy of the New Church

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

HOLIDAY HOURS

Fri., Dec. 17 8 am to 5 pm

Sat., Dec. 18 - Sun., Jan. 3 CLOSED

Mon., Jan. 4, 2011 RESUME REGULAR HOURS

WINTER TERM

Mon., Jan. 17, 2011
(Martin Luther King's birthday observed) CLOSED

FINALs WEEK

Fri., Feb. 18 7:30am to 6 pm and 7 pm to 11 pm

Sat., Feb. 19 9 am to 5 pm

Sun., Feb. 20 2 pm to 6 pm and 7 pm to 12 am

Mon. - Wed., Feb. 21, 22, 23 7:30 am to 6 pm and 7 pm to 12 am

Thu., Feb. 24 7:30 am to 6 pm and 7 pm to 11 pm

Fri., Feb. 25 7:30 am to 5 pm

SPRING BREAK

Sat., Feb. 26 and Sun., Feb. 27 CLOSED

Mon. - Fri., Feb. 28 to Mar. 4 9 am to 1pm

Sat., Mar. 5 and Sun., Mar. 6 CLOSED

Mon., Mar. 7 RESUME REGULAR HOURS

Staff picks for great winter reading

Take advantage of some quiet time after the holidays to enjoy a book! Here are some suggestions from our staff. All of these books can be borrowed from our collection.

Rosanne Bostock: For those who are serious about understanding the economic meltdown, I recommend *The Great American Stickup: how Reagan Republicans and Clinton Democrats enriched Wall Street while mugging Main Street* by Robert Scheer. This goes a long way in explaining how the government was culpable in the downfall by destroying the regulatory system. Of course, there's blame for Wall

Street too as many from the government switched back and forth between government appointments, lobbying jobs and Wall Street titles. There are few heroes in this book, so it's not for readers looking for a good feeling.

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Carol Traveny: If done well, science writing can be as exciting as any fictional adventure. *The Age of Wonder: how the Romantic generation discovered the beauty and terror of science* by Richard Holmes has a great cast of characters, with astronomers William and Caroline Herschel and

chemist Humphry Davy in the starring roles; and a captivating plot—a passionate search for knowledge that captured the imagination of the public in the two decades following the Age of Enlightenment. A synthesis of art, science and philosophy, *The Age of Wonder* was one of The New York Times' 10 Best Books of 2009.

Q127 .G4 H65 2010

Marvin Clymer: *The War and Us: 1939 to 1945*, a short, 28 page memoir by Hilda Waters (Mrs. Alan Waters) (*continued on p. 3*)

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Season's Greetings

*O Christmas Sun! What holy task is thine!
To fold a world in the embrace of God!*
~Guy Wetmore Carryl, American humorist and poet (1873-1904)

*Our warmest wishes—
a blessed Christmas and a joyous, peaceful New Year—
to you and to those you love.*

from the Staff and Volunteers



Notes from FOSL



♥ The annual meeting of the Friends of the Swedenborg Library will be held Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2011 at 4 pm in the AV room.

After the conclusion of business, local author Vera Powell Glenn will give a talk on the process of writing and publishing books. Vera's latest book is: *The apple orchards: an historical-fictional account of 300 years of Powell orchards planted in Pennsylvania and Ohio* (Fountain, 2007).

Light refreshments will be served and everyone is cordially invited to attend.

FOSL's mission is:

- To raise awareness of and interest in the Swedenborg Library as a repository for documents and publications about the New Church, and as an important resource for scholars worldwide.
- To support the Library in providing research materials and services for students and faculty at Bryn Athyn College and the Academy of the New

Church Secondary Schools.

- To encourage the use of Library resources by members of the local community.

The Friends of the Swedenborg Library

♥ Can you help?

Cashiers are needed for used book sales in the spring and fall. This is an opportunity to raise funds for the Library while visiting with book lovers from Bryn Athyn and surrounding only qualifications are a warm smile and the ability do simple addition.

If you would like to help, please contact Margaret Gladish, Vice President of the Friends of the Swedenborg Library, by phone at 215-947-8320 or by e-mail at

mygladish@verizon.net

♥ Book donations needed!

Due to the success of our latest sale, the Friends are currently seeking donations of gently used books to restock our shelves.

However, we cannot accept:

- Books that are mildewed, moldy, dirty, or show signs of insect damage; books with covers or pages missing or broken spines.
- AV materials in outdated formats.
- Reader's Digest Condensed Books
- Popular journals
- Encyclopedias
- Popular multi-volume series such as Time-Life
- Single volumes of multi-volume sets or incomplete sets.

If you have a large number of books to drop off, please contact the Library before your visit so we can be prepared to help you.

We love the Library: a book sale valentine



On February 15, FOSL will host a special used book sale from 7:30-9:30pm. This sale will be open only to students, faculty, staff, and current members of the Friends of the Swedenborg Library.

It is part of a campaign to increase faculty/student awareness, interest, and

especially membership in the Friends of the Swedenborg Library. FOSL has been instrumental in providing much-needed funding and supplies for special projects in the Swedenborg Library. Proceeds from the used book sales throughout the year make this possible.

Libraries are valuable resources in tough times, so supporting your library is more important now than ever before.

Come to the sale: browse, buy, and consider joining FOSL—you'll get more than a few good books!

Did you know...

That the Swedenborg Library has over *one thousand* music CDs that are all available to borrow and enjoy? We are currently doing an inventory of this collection and are happy to report that a wealth of music of all types can be found. There is a particular emphasis on classical and other ancient music styles, performed by some of the most famous musicians of the day.

The collection is presently arranged by order of acquisition; however patrons can search our online catalog I-Link by doing either a title or subject search if you have a particular disc in mind; or by visiting the library to browse through the cabinets and discover a musical treasure serendipitously.

The CD cabinets are located on the main floor of the library, near the newsletter and newspaper displays. CDs may be borrowed for one week. As always, if you need assistance, please ask!

Director's web site tips: Petrucci Music Library

Welcome to the Petrucci Music Library! Maintained by the International Music Score Library Project, it is a virtual library of all public domain music and music from composers who are willing to share their work.

Started in 2006, this online library of musical scores is browsable by composer, time period, nationality, or genre/instrumentation; and searchable by keyword, composer, or database index number. Scores can be downloaded in PDF format.

To give you an idea of the scope of this collection, it currently features:

- 31,217 works
- 77,183 scores
- 1,414 recordings
- 4,537 composers
- 53 performers

The Petrucci Music Library also includes discussion forums, copyright information, and other

materials. The wiki structure of the website makes it possible for users to contribute ideas and information.

Come check out this rich resource—a repository and forum for music lovers everywhere.

[http://imslp.org/wiki/
Main Page](http://imslp.org/wiki/Main_Page)



Staff picks (*continued*)

describes what life was like for a New Church family in England during World War II. (Hilda Waters is Hilary Bryntesson's grandmother.) Living in constant fear of air raids at first, they were eventually forced to leave their home in Colchester, just 10 miles from the English Channel, to be out of harm's way.

Reading about the challenges of keeping a family together in a war zone made me realize how fortunate our American families were to be insulated from that great conflict by two large oceans. Knowing some of the people mentioned in the story made it especially interesting to me.

D811.5 .W315 1964 Oversize

David Perry: For those who haven't already seen it, I recommend Candace Frazee's *There is an Answer: living in the post-Apocalyptic world*. Frazee has published the newsletter *Swedenborg Information of Los Angeles* for more than 20 years and has answered thousands of questions from people interested in the New Church; she often consults

ministers for the answers, including several from here in Bryn Athyn. *There is an Answer* collects many of the most interesting questions. While you may not always agree with her answers, her approach is always interesting, and her charity and love for the Church always shine through.

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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.

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- 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.

A reminder: a book drop is available for your donations

There is a weather-proof receptacle for used books that you wish to donate to the Library. It is located at the back of the building (the side that faces Huntingdon Pike) and can be accessed by car.

From Tomlinson Road on campus: Turn right onto College Drive. As you approach the Library building, turn right onto the service drive and follow it toward the Library loading dock. The book drop is next to the building on the right.

For questions, please contact Carol Traveny at 267-502-2531.

