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# The Valpo Library Newsletter



## Message from the Dean Christopher Center Library Services (CCLS)

by *Bradford Lee Eden, Ph.D.*  
*Dean of Library Services*

This semester has brought many milestones and changes to the Christopher Center Library (CCL).

All 11 library shelves on the 1st floor were removed over Spring Break. The print government documents collection and the bound print periodicals that were on those shelves have either been decanted, moved into the general collection, or placed into the automated storage and retrieval system. During the week of March 25-28, the library held a Furniture Showcase in the newly-opened space on the 1st floor, with various vendors providing over 40 pieces of furniture and technology items for students and faculty to peruse and provide comments on. Over the summer,

there will be a number of major moves of existing and new furniture within the library, to provide more quiet spaces and more collaborative spaces throughout the library. These moves are proactive responses to the strategic growth in student enrollment being undertaken by the University, and the fact that the library is already full during peak periods throughout every semester.

In order for a new library fellow to be located near the Research Services team, The Interlibrary Loan (ILL) office has been relocated into the 1st floor Technical Services area.

ValpoScholar, Valpo's institutional repository, has just recorded its 500,000th download after only two



photo by William Liu, Valparaiso University

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years of operation. Since March 2011, ValpoScholar has collected more than 2,500 files from Valpo faculty, staff, and students in addition to publishing four professional journals and three student publications. These files are integrated and indexed with most major search engines, making Valpo scholarship and creative work easily available to the world with one simple search. Most faculty, staff, and students receive monthly notifications of how many times their files have been downloaded, indicating which of their pieces of scholarship might be having the biggest impact in their respective subject areas.

The Valpo library faculty have adopted an open access policy related to the publication of their scholarship and research. It is available at

<http://library.valpo.edu/policies/openaccess.html>. If any other faculty department or college wishes to join the library faculty in adopting this policy, we would welcome your participation.

Given the importance of future library activities in open access and faculty publishing, the Christopher Center has become a Contributing Institution of the Library Publishing Coalition (LPC), a two year ground-breaking initiative to develop library models for academic publishing. Information on the LPC can be found at <http://educopia.org/programs/lpc/>

As always, library faculty and staff are available to assist you with any of your teaching, scholarship, or copyright questions.

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## Christopher Center Library 2013 Furniture Showcase

*by Detra Becker, Administrative Assistant to the Dean of Library Services and Executive Director of IT*



Comfy! So many features! Keeps me focused! Why would anyone think that was a good idea? No. Great for group study, easy to clean! These were but a few of the numerous

comments submitted by our Valpo students and faculty at our March 25 – 28 Furniture Showcase.

Local vendors from Kramer & Leonard, Business Furnishings, Office Interiors/Vista A-V, Lincoln Office and a not-so-local vendor out of Indianapolis,

Indiana, Robbins Library Interiors, provided the library with 49 furniture items ranging from traditional single study carrels, tables, and chairs to



contemporary lounge chairs featuring laptop ports, huddle boards and media:scape technology for collaborative study. A committee made up of library staff/faculty and IT staff contacted vendors and marketed the event

Based on the results of a recent LibQual+ survey conducted by the library, Dean Brad Eden presented the idea at a fall 2012 library faculty and staff meeting to hold a spring furniture

*Comfy! Keeps me focused! Great for group study, easy to clean!*

targeted specifically to assess the needs of the campus community's use of furniture in the library. The first floor, south side of the library was designated as the appropriate space for the event since the library's periodical collection was relocated and wooden book shelves were removed during spring break.

Over 200 ballot responses were collected from the four-day event. Participants were asked to identify the furniture they were assessing, and along with any comments, to respond to the following questions: Would you use this furniture for quiet study? Would you use this furniture for group study? How often would you use this furniture for any purpose? If the library purchased this furniture, on which floor should it be? Some of the most popular items were the rolling whiteboards and single-study carrels. Library administration is currently reviewing vendor quotes for the popular furniture items.

**Watch this space!**  
**Starting March 25th,**  
**the Christopher Center**  
**will be holding a**  
**Furniture Showcase.**  
**Please sit on, study on**  
**and use the furniture and**  
**tell us what you think!**

**Make the Christopher Center your space**





## New Library Exhibit Honors Former Chair of Valpo's Board of Directors

by Judy Miller, Special Collections Librarian



A new exhibit in the fireplace lounge on the third floor of the Christopher Center honors the memory of former member and chair of the Valparaiso University Board of Directors, Gerald Pelzer. Items donated to the University Archives by his wife, Patricia, include the academic hood with documentation of his Honorary Doctor of Laws from Valpo and his most cherished award, the Lumen Christi Medal.



# New Issues of Journals Held on ValpoScholar

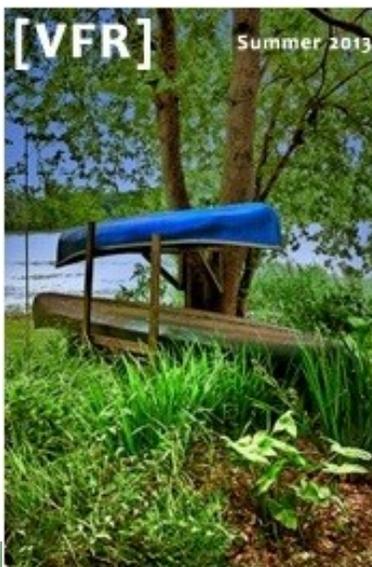
by Jonathan Bull, Scholarly Communication Services Librarian



The new issue of the Journal of Values-Based Leadership has been released. This eleventh issue of the College of Business publication features articles by A. Michael Conrad, Paul R. Dannar, Joseph P. Hester, Rick Setzer, Dodi W. Irawonto, Phil L. Ramsey, David M. Tweed, Angela Lumpkin, Sharon K. Stoll, William H. Bishop, Sharifullah Baig, Zeenat Shah, Nancy E. Landrum, Carolyn L. Gardner, and David M. Boje. Published since 2008, JVBL explores issues of ethics in business and governmental leadership and past authors have included former U.S. Sen. Richard Lugar and former U.S. Rep. Jill Long Thompson.

the Valparaiso Fiction Review (VFR).

In this issue, you'll find the journal's first VU alum (Matthew Duffus, '98) and its second international author (Peter Cowlam). Established authors James Ulmer, S. Frederic Liss, Jody Hobbs Hesler, and Sara Lippmann also contributed.



Assistant Editors for this issue were recent alumni Emily Bahr ('12) and Ethan Grant ('12), as well as current students Caitlin Carter, Juliana Kapetanov,

Gregory Maher, Mary Morales-Rivera, Ryan Morgan, Ayla Peczkowski, Ian Roseen, Rachel Shore, Garrett Warren, and Rebecca Werner.

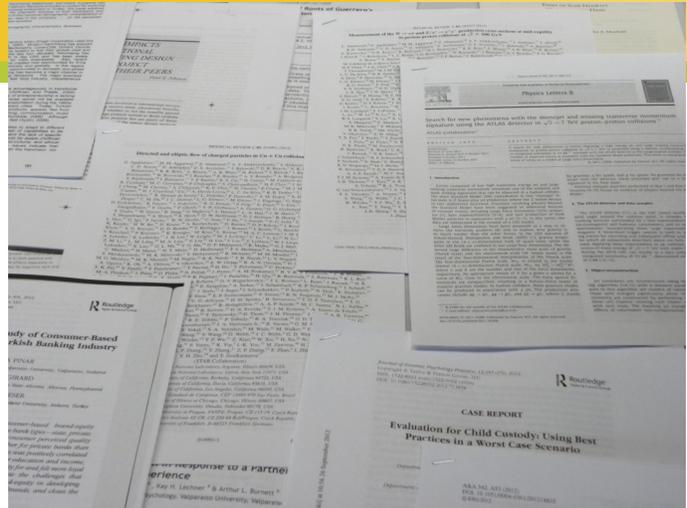
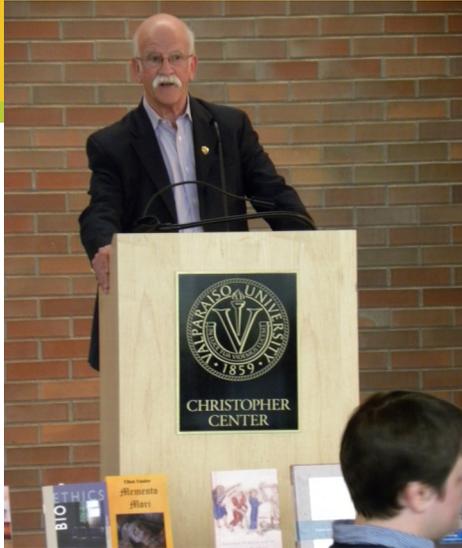
Co-Editors Jonathan Bull (Assistant Professor of Library Services), Edward Byrne (Professor of English) and Associate Editor Doretta Kurzinski (Instructor of English) invite everyone to examine this fourth issue of VFR to read the fine stories and to pass along word to others who might be interested.

The issue is available at: <http://scholar.valpo.edu/vfr>.

Prof. Elizabeth Gingerich serves as JVBL's Editor-in-Chief and Profs. Jonathan Bull and Nancy Scannell assist as Technical Advisors. For more information about JVBL and to access the new issue, visit <http://scholar.valpo.edu/jvbl/>.



The Department of English and the Christopher Center has released the Summer 2013 (Vol. 2, Issue 2) of



# Annual Authors' Day Celebration Expands

by Rachael Muszkiewicz, Research Services Librarian



This year's Valparaiso University Authors' Day Celebration, on April 18, was different than in previous years. Previously, the Celebration was exclusively for authors or editors of monographs. This year any refereed scholarship or creative work between September 2011 and December 2012 was included, which merged the Authors' Day Celebration with the previous STEM Authors' Reception. This more inclusive celebration paid tribute to 78 authors and pieces of scholarship.

The welcome was given by Brad Eden, Dean of Library Services, with remarks by Mark Schwehn, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs. Over fifty authors came to be celebrated with words and treats. Copies of the monographs were autographed and will be archived; electronic copies of the articles will be put on ValpoScholar.

Christopher Center Library Services also announced the winner of the Library Award for Undergraduate Research, which went to Holly Buckman, for her excellent work, *Keep Calm and Carry On*, chosen from 9 excellent entries.



# More TREATS for Faculty Members

by Nora Belzowski, Research Services Librarian



Christopher Center librarians, in partnership with the University Writing Program and the Teaching Resource Center, conducted an information literacy and research writing workshop on April 23, 2013.

Attendees were invited to submit a research writing assignment before the hands-on program.

This Targeted Research and Evaluation Assistance for Teaching Students (TREATS) event supported curricular information literacy integration, a key

component of the Valpo writing initiative.

Through group participation, library faculty and the University Director of Writing used research writing assignments to explore innovative approaches to teaching critical research and research writing skills.

These skills support students to become active, independent lifelong learners. They include the ability to find, retrieve, evaluate, use and create information within the complex information environment. Faculty members from diverse disciplines participated in the spring workshop.

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## Christopher Center Library Services Offers Copyright Basics Workshop for Faculty

by Jonathan Bull, Scholarly Communication Services Librarian



This past April, Christopher Center Library Services and the Scholarly Communication Committee sponsored two copyright workshops for campus faculty and staff as part of its expanding scholarly communication services to the campus. Various aspects of copyright were introduced and reviewed such as classroom (fair) use, both physically and digitally, using media for the classroom, authors rights, intellectual property, copyright licensing, plus a brief summary of Valparaiso University's new copyright policy. A

[LibGuide](#) was also made for the workshop.

Jonathan Bull, Scholarly Communication Services Librarian, presented each workshop, which had a total of 28 faculty and six staff attend. Much of the feedback was very positive, urging for more copyright programming and education for the faculty in the future, in addition to other scholarly communication topics like Open Access and Authors' Rights.

Another round of Copyright Workshops is scheduled for later this year as part of Open Access Week, October 21-25.

# Library Staff Donates Money, Loses Hair

by Sam Simpson, Circulation Manager



On April 21, 2013 four members of the Christopher Center Faculty and Staff showed their solidarity with children fighting cancer by having their heads shaved in Valparaiso University's third annual St. Baldrick's Foundation fundraiser. St. Baldrick's raises money to help fund research cures and treatment of childhood cancer. The Library of Baldness team, consisting of Professor Jon Bull, along with Circulation Managers Shannon Howe, Sam Simpson, and Tim Blewett, was able to raise just over \$1,400 between them. For several members of the team, it was a very personal event because they were able to honor children they know who have been fighting cancer.



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## Christopher Center Library Receives NEH Grant

by Judy Miller, Special Collections Librarian



The Christopher Center Library was awarded an NEH Preservation Grant for Smaller Institutions to conduct a preservation assessment of the rare book collection in the Archives and Special Collections Department. The results of

this assessment will inform current and future directions regarding the preservation, care, and digitization of VU's rare books. Work is currently ongoing. For further information, contact [Dr. Brad Eden](#), Dean of Library Services.

# LIBRARY CELEBRATES SUPERHEROES!

by Rachael Muszkiewicz, Research Services Librarian



This year's annual irreverent library display was faster than a speeding bullet, more powerful than a locomotive, and able to leap tall buildings in a single bound!

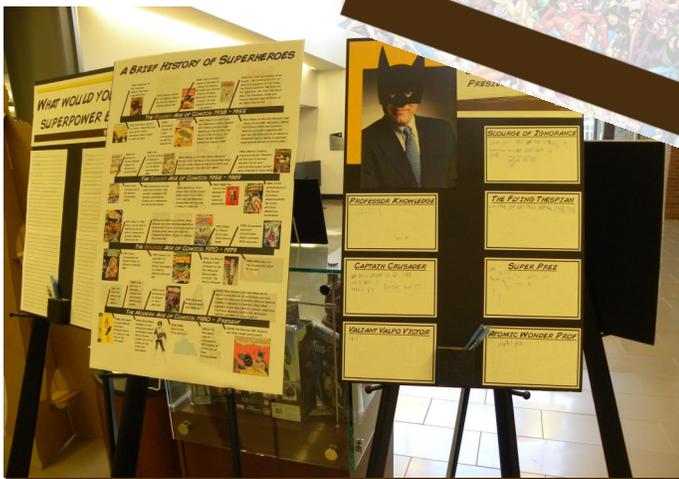
Wonder Woman while holding fun word bubbles; they could vote for a superhero name for Valpo

*"I walked in and Superman was looking me in the eyes, so I had to see what was going on."*

*~Valpo Student*

The purpose of the annual irreverent library display is to provide stress relief and a bit of humor for students who are studying for their final exams. The library worked with Lightspeed Hobbies of Portage, IN to display comics and action figures. The display also had a number of interactive elements. In the library celebration of superheroes, the students could pose with cutouts of Superman and

President Mark Heckler, and read both a brief timeline of the history of superheroes and two student research papers that had to do with superheroes. There was also a weekly interactive board, that asked the students about their favorite superhero, their own superpowers, and to vote for their favorite superhero team.



# Faculty Profile: Pat Hogan-Vidal



Professor Hogan-Vidal joined the Valparaiso University faculty in 1988. She works in Technical Services.

Prior to joining the Technical Services, Prof. Hogan-Vidal was Head of Reference Services for two years, and continued to manage the Library User Education Program for an additional 7 years. She also supervised the Interlibrary Loan Office, managed the Audio Library and Equipment Loan Service, and was the library's first website manager. Before coming to Valpo, Prof. Hogan-Vidal was employed in Association of Research Libraries member libraries for over ten years.

Areas of research interest include holistic librarianship, psychology, and communication issues in library use and management, and marketing the library.

## Recent Faculty Publications

### Ruth Connell, Electronic Services Librarian

[Maternity and Paternity Policies Available to Academic Librarians](#). *College & Research Libraries*, vol. 74, no. 3. (2013)

[Content Management Systems: Trends in Academic Libraries](#). *Information Technology and Libraries*, vol. 32, no. 2. (2013)

### Nora Belzowski, Research Services Librarian

[Crafting Identity, Collaboration, and Relevance for Academic Librarians Using Communities of Practice](#). *Collaborative Librarianship* vol. 5, no. 1 (2013)

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### Mission Statement

The Christopher Center Library Services (CCLS) provides active learning environments in which students, faculty, and staff use innovative tools and resources to create and access information intelligently, efficiently, and with integrity.



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