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## The Douglas and Judith Krupp Library

# LIBRARY NEWS

## geek<sub>VERB</sub>

1. To love, to enjoy, to celebrate, to have an intense passion for.
2. To express interest in.
3. To possess a large amount of knowledge in.
4. To promote.

[geekthelibrary.org](http://geekthelibrary.org)

Thanks to the ever-changing nature of language, “geek” is now a verb. Anything that you geek is something that you’re interested, knowledgeable, even passionate about. Everyone geeks something, whether it’s a movie, a book, a sport, a hobby, a destination, or anything else you can name.

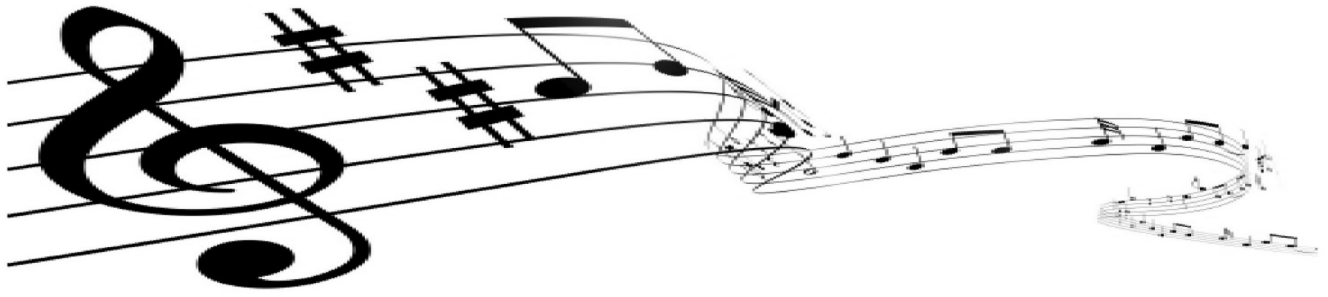
*Geek the Library* is a national campaign sponsored by nonprofit library cooperative OCLC (Online Computer Library Center) and funded by a grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. The purpose of the campaign is to embrace the use of geek as a verb and remind people that whatever it is they geek, their libraries can support that passion with information and resources. In turn, library users are asked to proclaim what it is they geek and speak up about the value of their libraries. *Geek the Library* is a chance for the patrons of all libraries, even (or especially!) academic institutions like the Douglas & Judith Krupp Library, to spread the word about the important work libraries do for their communities and to remind everyone that they need continued moral and financial support.

In the weeks ahead, the staff of the Krupp Library will be taking the message of *Geek the Library* out into the Bryant community in as many ways as possible - signs, posters, messages on various social media platforms, activities, presentations, stickers, buttons, and anything else we can think of - in order to remind you of the sort of work we can do for you (and that it’s not necessarily all academic). There will be lots of ways for everyone to participate, and all we ask in return is that if you use and support the library, you talk us up to anyone who will listen: students, staff, faculty, administrators, Senate, people off campus, your family... basically, anyone and everyone. Your voices have power with the decision makers here at Bryant, and if you show your support for us, so will they. The more support we get from The Powers That Be, the more we can do to serve you.

Help us help you, Bryant University. Get your geek on!

## Whatdoyougeek?

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Through a steady stream of purchases and donations over the past decade, Bryant University now has one of the largest collections of jazz and world music in the Rhode Island library consortium.

The collection has rare recordings, including albums only commercially released outside the United States. Multi-CD releases that feature the best artists in specific genres of music. And, box sets dedicated to the life and work of individual artists. The extent of the collection allows professors, students, and other library users to listen to and appreciate a wide variety of music dating from the 1920s to the present.

It also promotes musical literacy for the sounds of many diverse genres of music, such as jazz, rumba, son, mbalax, dansi, highlife, taarab, and many others. For those interested in the collection, be sure to check out some of the recordings in the Bryant collection, such as the boxset of the BlueNote recording company or the remastering of New Orleans music called, "Doctors, Professors, Kings and Queens: The Big Ol' Box of New Orleans."

- Alex Perullo, Associate Professor

## LAPTOP CENTRAL... AS BUSY AS EVER!

One of the busiest locations on the entire campus has been the new home of Laptop Central, located just around the corner from the Library's circulation desk in the Bello Center. Whether they've been dealing with people looking to receive or upgrade their laptop or tablet, troubleshooting hardware issues, or making repairs, they've seen a steady stream of customers file in and out of their new digs since before the start of the semester.

This new location - easier to find and significantly less subterranean than their former office in the basement of Koffler - has been beneficial for students and staff alike when laptop-related issues have arisen. If you have any questions about your Bryant-issued laptop or tablet, stop by the new Laptop Central and pay them a visit. Their hours of operation during the semester are:

Monday-Thursday: 10 am to 7 pm

Friday: 10 am to 4:30 pm

Saturday: CLOSED

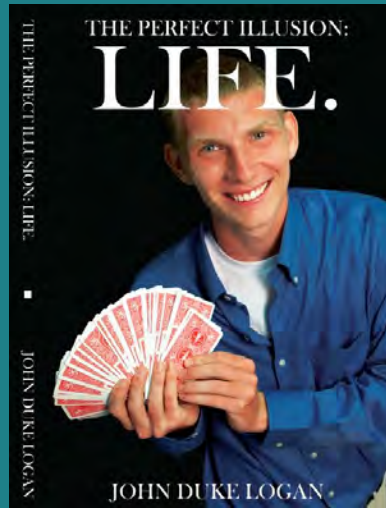
Sunday: 4 pm to 7 pm

*Just follow the signs!*



# Bryant's newest author... John Duke Logan, class of 2016!

*The Perfect Illusion: Life*, is filled with magic tricks and motivational techniques designed to enhance creativity and innovation.



Welcome to the mind of a magician—an honest liar—who can prove you shouldn't believe everything you perceive.

We wake up in the morning and look out the window seeing the world as it is. But the beauty about illusions is they prove our perceptions aren't always true. Therefore, how do we know if something is real or not? If we all perceive things differently, then what is the truth? Are we living with the truth? Or are we living with illusions that we think are the truth? How do we know?

This book contains not only the secrets of magic, but the tale of a human spirit and the psychological struggle between emotion and imagination. A philosophical outlook at what separates those who perceive the world as it appears, and those who imagine their own reality. Welcome to the greatest illusion ever created, the act more commonly referred to as "Life." **Let the show begin.**

<http://www.johndukelogan.com/store/products.php?product=The-Perfect-Illusion>



**New... 2 portable glass boards!**

**Perfect for group study sessions!**



## Did you know...

that every time you categorize something in your iTunes account you are tagging? This web 2.0 technology has been added to our library catalog, Encore, for you to use with our entire collection of materials. The library already uses tagging to group Bryant Faculty publications so you can find a list of the materials written and edited by our very own Bryant professors!

Encore also allows users (that's you!) to add tags to materials. This gives you the opportunity to use this "tag" to perform a search for the material you are looking for. For example, if you are working on a project for a specific class, or have a listing of materials you need for a specific class, you can tag this material with the class name, i.e. LCS 151. In addition, you can tag material using your own vocabulary, which can be different than the official Library of Congress subject heading assigned to the material. These tags can enable you to retrieve a listing of materials that you need to cite, compile a reading list, share good resources for your group project with members of your group, and much more.

To find out more about tagging materials in the Encore library catalog feel free to contact a librarian!



## Spotlight on Student Employee Melanie DeBarros — Class of 2014

Hailing from Brockton, Massachusetts, Melanie has worked at the library in Reference Services since her sophomore year and, utilizing her fine-tuned customer service expertise, enjoys helping others learn research and library skills.

When not in the library, Melanie is hard at work completing her double major in Business Management and Politics and Law. She also currently interns with the Hassenfeld Institute of Public Leadership at Bryant University, where she assists with research and planning leadership development programs offered to those in the public sector.



Recognizing a bright and diligent person when they see one, Liberty Mutual has offered Melanie two positions within their firm; her job now is to select which of the two Development Programs she would like to pursue upon graduation. Not a bad problem to have, as we say here in the library!

Not one to slow down, Melanie has also participated in Bryant's Linked Through Leadership program, as well as a summer position at Let's Get Ready which is a program designed to teach low-income high school students entering their senior year how to prepare for the SAT and college application process.

And if you're in the mood for some great home-made pizza, talk to Melanie! When her favorite pizza joint closed down and could no longer supply her with BBQ chicken pizza, Melanie took things into her own hands and learned how to create this masterpiece herself!

In the spirit of collaboration, Melanie is participating in the library's Geek the Library campaign and officially geeks shopping! Thank you Melanie for all the hard work you do for us here at the library!

Join us on Wednesday, October 9th from 9:30am—12:30pm

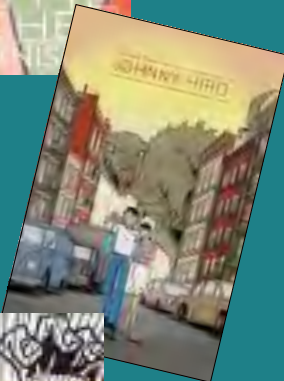
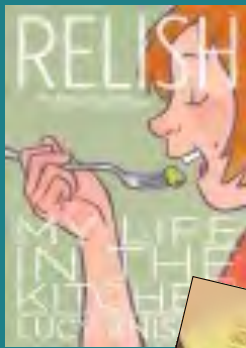
~ Information Services Technology Fair ~

Come see what's new and win a Lenovo Tablet 2 (Windows 8)

Rotunda ~ Outside of Gulski



## What's NEW in Graphic Novels ...



**Relish: My Life in the Kitchen** by Lucy Knisley - Knisley is a cartoonist who grew up around cooks, cheesemongers, gourmands, and foodies of all types, so the preparation and enjoyment of food has always played a major role in her life. In this autobiographical work, she recounts some of the major food-related experiences she had growing up, and ends each chapter with a related recipe. A fun read, though impossible to get through without getting really hungry.

**Johnny Hiro: Half Asian, All Hero** by Fred Chao - Johnny is an aspiring sushi chef trying to make ends meet and build a life with his girlfriend Mayumi. This would be easier without his constant adventures involving the likes of giant monsters, ninjas, food personalities like Alton Brown and Jeffrey Steingarten, Mayor Michael Bloomberg, and the cast of *Night Court*, among others. If bizarre and heartwarming have a mid-point, this is it.

**Essex County** by Jeff Lemire - A spare, haunting multigenerational story of an interconnected cast of characters coming of age and living out quiet lives in a small Canadian town. Originally published as a trilogy, but collected as a single work in this volume.

**Action Philosophers!** by Fred Van Lente and Ryan Dunlavey - The words and lives of some of history's greatest thinkers, condensed into bite-sized comics nuggets and presented in a variety of humorous ways, including depictions of Plato as a professional wrestler and John Stuart Mill as Charlie Brown.

**All Star Superman** by Grant Morrison and Frank Quitely - Superman faces his greatest challenge: accomplishing all of his life's greatest challenges before his approaching death. Both a celebration and a recontextualization of Superman's "Silver Age" heyday, this is worth reading for longtime Man of Steel fans and newcomers alike.

**The Carter Family: Don't Forget This Song** by Frank M. Young and David Lasky - You may be familiar with the late June Carter Cash, wife of country music legend Johnny Cash, but as a member of the original First Family of country music, the legacy to which she belonged stretches back to the early days of the genre and a string of hits that have become standards to generations of fans and performers alike. The biographical graphic novel also includes a CD containing some of those songs.



from the Archives...

# The Architecture of Bryant - Past and Present



**SOUTH HALL**, 1 Young Orchard Avenue, Providence, RI was the centerpiece of Bryant's former East Side campus from 1935-1971 and was the building which originally featured Bryant's beloved archway.

The home first located on the site was known as the Sprague-Hidden House (1845). In 1900, Sprague-Hidden House was completely reconstructed and redesigned into a French chateau type mansion by architects Carrère and Hastings for Isaac Gifford Ladd at a cost of \$250,000 (Some say Ladd spent 1 million dollars on this renovation). Isaac Gifford Ladd, a broker, was an associate of Bethlehem Steel magnate, Charles M. Schwab and sold this estate to Schwab soon after the building's extensive renovations. It was said that Ladd got rid of the house after the renovations because his wife did not like it. Carrère and Hastings also designed the iconic New York Public Library on 42<sup>nd</sup> Street.

In a red flag sale in 1914, this residence could not get a starting bid of \$38,000. In 1915, Hope Hospital occupied the building and remained there until Bryant purchased this property in 1935. South Hall was sold to Brown University in 1969 and is currently used as a music center by Brown. The archway was extracted from South Hall during Bryant's 4 day move to Smithfield in Sept. 1971.



## **HARRIET HALL**

was located at **71-73 Charlesfield Street, Providence, RI**. This mansard style wood-framed building was constructed in 1872. Harriet Hall was named for Henry "Harry" Loeb Jacobs'

first wife, Harriet "Hattie" Einstein Jacobs. Harry Jacobs was president of Bryant from 1916-1961. Hattie was the mother of Dorothy Jacobs and E. Gardner Jacobs, President of Bryant from 1961-1969. Bryant's current residence Halls 1 & 2 are named in honor of Hattie Jacobs. Harriet Hall was sold to Brown University in 1969 and has been converted into apartments for Brown graduate students.



## **JOHN HOLDEN GREENE HOUSE**

Also known as "Governor Dyer House," this residence was named after Elisha Dyer, Rhode Island governor from 1857-1859, and his son Elisha, Jr. who was Rhode Island governor from 1897-1900. Dyer House was designed by architect John Holden Greene in 1818 for his own use. John Holden Greene was a leading Providence architect in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century.

When the college bought this house it did so with the stipulation that it could not be torn down. Dyer House was moved from **154 Power Street** to **150 Power Street** for the construction of Gardner Hall in 1960. Dyer House was sold to Brown University in 1969.



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**ROBERT A. TAFT HOUSE** was Bryant's former Administration Building, located at **154 Hope Street, Providence, RI**. Bryant purchased this 14 room wood framed brick residence in 1947

from the estate of Mrs. Robert W. Taft. Mr. Robert W. Taft was a Providence banker and textile manufacturer.

This residence was constructed in 1895 and was designed by architects Stone, Carpenter & Wilson. It features ogee gables on the main roof, conservatory and portico. Stone Carpenter & Wilson designed many buildings in Providence, some of which are listed on the National Register of Historic Places, including Union Station, Brown's Ladd Observatory and the Union Trust Company Building. In 1961, Bryant constructed an addition to Taft House. Taft House was sold to Brown University in 1969 and is currently a coed literary fraternity residence, St. Anthony Hall.



**JEANNETTE CARROLL HALL** was located at **2 Young Orchard Avenue, Providence, RI**. Carroll Hall was named after Jeannette Carroll, the second wife of Henry Loeb Jacobs, president of Bryant from 1916-1961. Carroll Hall, a women's residence for the college, was formerly known as Gregg Hall and was named Carroll Hall upon Jeannette Carroll's death in 1956.

This property was sold to Brown University in 1969 and was removed in 1973 to make way for apartment-type residences for Brown University students.

## FACULTY HOUSE

Faculty House was once located at **148 Power Street, Providence, RI**. This Faculty House, which housed Bryant faculty offices, was demolished in September 1965 to make way for a student activities center, which was subsequently sold to Brown University in 1969 as Bryant prepared to move its campus to Smithfield, RI.

In 1964 Bryant purchased a "new" Faculty House at **26 Cooke Street**, a residence built by Benjamin B. Adams in 1871-72. This mansard style home with pedimented dormers and ionic entrance porch was sold to Brown University in 1969 -- it is now a private residence.



Faculty House  
26 Cooke Street, Providence, RI



Architect **J. Robert Hillier** was just 28 years old when he was selected to design Bryant's new campus in 1969. Hillier's firm went on to design international schools in Vienna, Paris, Prague, Dubai, Budapest and more. Other projects included the worldwide corporate headquarters of GlaxoSmithKline in London and the restoration of the Supreme Court Building in Washington, D.C.

Finding Images...

## Cool Proclamation!



The Bryant library web site will get you started when searching for images to use as primary sources for your research or for background eye candy in a presentation. Confusion over copyright and fair use can leave many searchers feeling discouraged. Guides such as the University of Texas' Copyright Crash Course available online at <http://copyright.lib.utexas.edu> summarize copyright and fair use rules, helping you determine when you can use an image and for what purposes. You can play it safe using Creative Commons licensed images. Sites such as Flickr or Wikipedia Commons make it easy to search for images that you can use for free. Libraries, museums, and other organizations often digitize their image collections, including the Library of Congress, New York Public Library Digital Gallery, and the Smithsonian Institute. Images hosted by these institutions may be in the public domain, but may also still be under copyright or other restrictions. Look for a statement of use on the web page or web site, or for suggested citation guidelines.

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For the second year in a row, Governor Chafee has signed a proclamation declaring October as INFORMATION LITERACY MONTH in our state.

Today's world is awash in information and operates on a 24 hour news cycle. Our citizens need to be information literate in order to make sense of this 21st century information environment, apply good decision making skills at school and work and in life in general, and to expand horizons through by connecting with and learning from the global community. This proclamation recognizes the efforts of schools and libraries in supporting information literacy skill building across all environments, at all levels.

### Information Literacy Month Proclamation - 2013

*Whereas*, Information literacy provides the tools and skills to find, evaluate, and use credible information from all sources in our constantly evolving information-rich world; and,

*Whereas*, The ability to search, find, decipher, and analyze different forms of information is a key component in effective decision making across all fields of work and walks of life, and enhances one's ability to obtain highly skilled jobs and compete in the global economy; and,

*Whereas*, Individuals adept at utilizing information resources available are able to share, participate and compete as informed citizens and life-long learners in the worldwide community; and,

*Whereas*, Information literacy taught from an early age in schools, libraries, and our communities is a crucial part of education and exposes individuals to literacies, analytics, and research practices that will better prepare them for changing technologies and the complex information world; and,

*Whereas*, Using information acquired through technology to understand human, cultural, and societal issues promotes an informed and engaged citizenry; and,

*Whereas*, through public awareness, the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations seeks to remind citizens, employers, government agencies, and institutions of the importance of information literacy for economic prosperity, social cohesion, educational opportunity and enhanced quality of life;

Now, therefore, I, Lincoln D. Chafee, Governor of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, do hereby proclaim October 1-31, 2013 as Information Literacy Month in the State of Rhode Island and encourage all residents to recognize the importance of this month.

Signed and Sealed, *Lincoln D. Chafee*