

# Library News

Douglas and Judith Krupp Library - George E Bello Center for Information Technology

## New Interactive Counseling Services Exhibit in the Library

Written by Ali Beaudette

The Krupp Library is thrilled to announce our newest collaboration with Bryant's Counseling Services department! Beginning this Fall, students can visit the library and interact with a permanent display curated with resources, recommended reading, and information from the team at counseling services. The Counseling Services book list was developed by members of the team and the titles are cataloged within the Krupp Library collection. The books vary in theme but touch upon many current struggles of college students including anxiety, depression, relationships, grief, and more. We have loved partnering with Counseling Services for Therapy Dog visits during finals with Luna and Cleo and we are so happy to highlight these vital resources for the Bryant community! Visit the Counseling Services Recommended Reading display on the first floor of the Krupp Library this fall.

#### IN THIS ISSUE

**New Counseling Services** Exhibit-1

Meet our New Librarian - 2

**New Vending Machine - 2** 

**Baking Yesteryear Review** New Book - 3

**Historical Documents** made New again - 4

**New Graphic Novels** Section - 5





### Meet Our New Librarian, Abigail Dolan

SELCOME AS OUR TEAM

Written by Lynn Perri



New Vending Machine Available in the Library

Written by Lynn Perri

We are glad to announce a convenient addition to our Douglas and Judith Krupp library. A vending machine is now available on the second floor, providing both snacks and beverages for our students, staff, and faculty. Whether you're engrossed in research, studying for exams, or you just need a quick refreshment, we've got you covered! The vending machine is available at all times during the library's operating hours, typically from 7:30 AM to 1:30AM. Swing by the second floor to check out our snack and drink selection!

We are excited to welcome our new Research and Instruction librarian, Abby Dolan (she/her/hers) to the Krupp library team! Abby was born in Virginia and has been a Rhode Island local since she was eight years old. She has her undergraduate degree in Cultural and Critical Studies in Music from Bucknell University in Pennsylvania and her Masters of Library and Information Science from the University of Rhode Island.

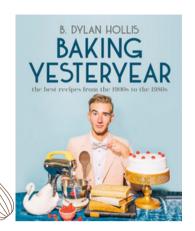
Most recently, Abby helped build a love of learning in the minds of children when she worked as a Youth Services Librarian at the Wanskuck Public Library in Providence and is looking forward to using her unique perspective to help our students connect with research and research methods in new and exciting ways. When asked what drew her to Bryant University, Abby expressed that she has a personal connection with the university. "My Great-Aunt Marie met her husband, John Renza, here at Bryant. John was also a professor here, so growing up, Bryant was often mentioned whenever we discussed great schools." Abby also said that she believes Bryant to be an environment that fosters the positive interactions between students and faculty that she remembers being important to her when she was a college student.

Abby's music undergrad degree lives on in her hobbies as she loves to learn new instruments to add to her repertoire of being a pianist and saxophonist. She also enjoys a lot of different activities in her spare time, from reading and embroidering to participating in three Dungeons and Dragons campaigns.

Abby's background in cultivating curious minds, and the fresh perspective she brings will no doubt enhance the library experience for our community, so please join us in giving her a warm and enthusiastic welcome to both the Krupp Library and to Bryant University. Stop by the Research and Instruction desk and say hello!

# Review of *Baking Yesteryear*, a new influencer cookbook available in our leisure reading section!

Written by David Chianese



Without a doubt, you probably are familiar with Tik-Tok sensation Dylan Hollis as he joyfully bakes, samples and critiques vintage recipes from the 1900s – 1980s for his more than 10 million followers on the social media platform. The 28-year-old Bermuda native became fascinated with mid-century America while attending the University of Wyoming in 2014, as he spent his free time listening to 1940s jazz music while paging through old cookbooks from the 1930s and 1940s.

During the pandemic, he became more intrigued with his cookbooks from the turn of the century and was amused by such dessert recipes as "Pork Cake" (a fruitcake with ground pork in it). Hollis decided to film himself in his tiny kitchen humorously preparing the cake, baking it and posting it to Tik-Tok, and then critiquing the final product ('It tastes like a good question-mark'), all within 2 minutes. Within months, the video grabbed over 1 million views. Another video released shortly after for 'Peanut Butter Bread' grabbed 2 million viewers and 37 million likes. His videos had been downloaded and then uploaded on Instagram, Facebook and YouTube, bringing in millions more viewers. Within a year - with videos for such desserts as 'Color Vision Cake', 'Double-Chocolate Potato Drops' and 'Mock Apple Pie' – Hollis was ranked seventh worldwide for Instagram growth and Instagram Influencer.

Known for his slapstick humor, animated personality and sometimes quirky anecdotes, Hollis has become an overnight sensation. He has credited radio programming of the 1930s and 1940s as shaping his on-camera persona.

In the summer of 2022, Hollis announced that he would be publishing a cookbook called "Baking Yesteryear" including very easy-to-make recipes he has tried from his collection of over 300 vintage cookbooks. In July 2023 the book was released and zoomed to the top of the New York Times Best-Sellers list. It contains 101 recipes such as 'Cream Spice Cake', 'Icebox Pinwheels', 'Liquor Balls', and the 1970's staple 'Jell-O Poke Cake'. TV hosts have raved about the book, and fan reviews have been sweet and sentimental (many have found recipes their mothers and grandmothers had made in their childhood).

"Baking Yesteryear" is now available at Krupp Library, a new addition to our leisure reading collection, for a two-week loan period. Be daring this fall season – grab your grandmother's gingham apron, your family's pastel Kitchen-Aid mixer, and Dylan's new cookbook and whip up something memorable for the next family get-together. Who knows? 1976's "Cold Oven Cake" just might become the new family tradition at this year's holiday party. Just make sure you skip the "Pork Cake".

https://youtu.be/bcsWFircoVo (Link to Dylan Hollis' YouTube video, "The Cold Oven Cake")



## Historical Documents Made New Again: Reinvigorated by CMDS

n:

Written by Rebecca Marcus

Krupp Library's Collection Management and Digital Services (CMDS) Department has reframed two Bryant University historical documents. The first document is a 1963 Western Union telegram from President John F. Kennedy, Jr. congratulating Bryant College on its centennial. The telegram is dated five days before the President's assassination. The second document is a 1939 typewritten letter from Helen Keller declining an honorary degree from Bryant College. While the letter is typewritten it has Ms. Keller's signature. Both letters were removed from their old frames, digitally scanned, mounted with archival mats, and reframed with UV-filtering acrylic and aluminum frames. The documents were reframed with archival materials to preserve them for future Bryant generations. The digital scans can be viewed in the Bryant University digital repository at the following links:

https://digitalcommons.bryant.edu/docu/16/and

https://digitalcommons.bryant.edu/docu/18/. Both letters are on display in the Provost's Office. The CMDS department has also started reframing and preserving a photograph of the Commencement formal for the class of 1946. There is some damage to the top layer of the photograph, so we have digitally scanned the photograph and digitally restored the image. Now completed, the photograph will be uploaded to the digital repository and the photograph will be mounted in an archival mat and reframed. As we've been in the process of restoring this photograph, we've begun to discover more about the individual graduates, and how their stories intersect with the history of Bryant University which we would like to highlight in a future newsletter issue.



Retouched Photograph of 1946 Commencement formal

### New Dedicated Graphic Novel Section in the Library



Written by Lynn Perri



Over the last year we've purchased quite a few new titles in comics, graphic novels and manga due to increasing popularity among Bryant University's students, staff, and faculty. We also noticed an uptick in our library patrons borrowing graphic novels in our Spring 2023 exhibit when they were displayed on the first floor. For these reasons, the Krupp Library is unveiling a brand new dedicated graphic novels section on the first floor of our library! Previously scattered within both the upper-level stacks and the upper-level new acquisitions sections of our library, graphic novels, comics, and manga now have their own designated space on the first floor of the library near our board games and leisure reading sections. We hope that this new section and location will increase accessibility and allow our patrons to easily explore and discover all the visually stunning narratives we have to offer. As the interest in graphic novels continues to increase, we also want our collection to continuously grow and we want our patrons to tell us what they want to see in this new section. Therefore we have a suggestion box near the collection for the community to suggest any comics, manga or graphic novels to add. We hope that this new collection will see a lot of use, so please stop by and check it out!





#### CONTACT US

Borrower Services: 401.232.6125 Research and Instruction: 401.232.6299





Don't want to call? No problem!

Librarians are waiting for your questions via our website. Visit the Bryant App on your mobile phone or go to our website (<a href="https://library.bryant.edu/">https://library.bryant.edu/</a>) to chat with a librarian right now with our "Ask a Librarian" chat service. We will get back to you within seconds and are always excited to help you!

### FOLLOW US ON YOUR FAVORITE SOCIAL MEDIA















@BRYANTLIB ON ALL PLATFORMS