DigitalCommons@Bryant Making Headlines

The Krupp Library Digital Commons, a repository of digitized Bryant University materials, has recently caught the attention of the national academic press. In its June 29 issue, The Chronicle of Higher Education featured a profile of the Bryant College Goes to War project, which has digitized nearly 1,400 letters sent to the Bryant College Service Club during World War II. This project was also highlighted in the Fall 2009 Digital Commons Subscriber Newsletter, which described how the discovery of these letters drew together Bryant librarians, faculty, students, and alumni. Both articles are available online, at the chronicle.com and digitalcommons.bepress.com, respectively.

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Business Advice in the ProJo

Reference Librarian Colleen Anderson, Krupp Library's resident business expert, was recently published in the Providence Journal. Colleen's article, printed in the Sunday, July 26 edition of the paper, offered helpful advice for starting a small business. Both the federal and state governments provide a wealth of free online information for entrepreneurs, and Colleen shared a variety of tips for navigating these Internet resources. She introduced several government websites, such as USA.gov, business.gov, and trade.gov, and pointed readers to the most useful portions of each site.

In addition to describing these free government resources, Colleen reminded readers to visit their libraries for further support. The article is available at the projo.com website, and is linked from our Twitter page at twitter.com/bryantlib.
Krupp 2.0 ~ Facebook, Twitter, and Beyond

Do you blog? Tweet? Tell Facebook what’s on your mind? So does the library! Keep up with our latest news, events, and tips by following Krupp Library on your favorite social networking sites. Check out our MySpace page, become a Facebook fan of “Bryant University Library,” and read our @bryantlib tweets. Even if you don’t have a Twitter or Facebook account, you can follow us at twitter.com/bryantlib. You’ll never be out of the loop with our links, research tips, and library announcements.

We’ve also combined our library blogs into a one-stop shop for news, leisure reading reviews, and business information. At krupplibrary.wordpress.com, you’ll find posts about our newest leisure reading favorites, helpful research advice from business librarian Colleen Anderson, and general library updates and info. Respond to our posts in the comments, or contact blogmaster Bill Doughty with questions, suggestions, and leisure reading book reviews.

Whether you’re a Twitter follower, a Facebook fan, or a blog reader, you can find Krupp Library in your favorite online spaces.

The HELIN Consortium

HELIN, the Higher Education Library Information Network, is composed of 10 academic libraries and 9 hospital libraries. With HELIN, you can:

- View your library account and renew checked-out books online
- Search for items in the HELIN catalog by keyword, title, author, subject or call number
- Request items from other HELIN libraries, which will be delivered to Bryant within a few days
- Place holds on books that are checked out, and get notified by email when they are returned
- Gain on-site access to the libraries and resources of several HELIN member institutions

What Can Brown (University) Do For You?

Starting September 14, Bryant students, faculty, and staff will be able to visit the Brown University libraries and check out items on-site. Members of the Bryant community had previously been able to request Brown books through the InRhode catalog, but they did not have walk-in borrowing privileges.

Bryant library users can still request books from the InRhode catalog and have them delivered to Krupp Library for pick up, but can now access Brown’s 5.3 million volumes in person as well.

The Sciences Library, Rockefeller Library, John Hay Library, and Orwig Music Library will all be accessible with a valid Bryant ID. Books will be checked out for a four-week loan period, and can be renewed once for an additional four weeks.

Before visiting Brown, please contact the Krupp Library circulation desk to make sure that your library account is up-to-date. You will need a valid barcode and an active account to visit any of the Brown University libraries.