

# NAVIGATING THE INFORMATION UNIVERSE

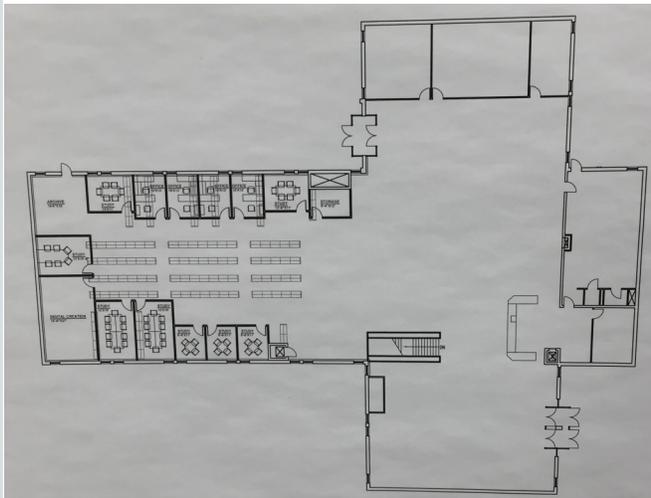
## Learn Things, Make Stuff, and Win Prizes!

We know. You have been meaning to come over to the library to make stuff in the TEC Lab, or listen to our campus authors passionately talk about their research and writing. You've also been meaning to exercise more, but that's covered elsewhere in this newsletter. We're going to help motivate you to make it to our programs in Spring 2016. If you attend two or more of our TEC Lab workshops and speaker events, you will be entered in a drawing for a **Kindle Fire tablet**. Someone will win, and it might as well be you. Along the way, you'll get refreshments to eat (at the speaker events) or get to make something for free (at the TEC Lab workshops) and will also earn new library giveaway items. Look out for our first workshop of the semester, and be sure to attend!

The first TEC lab workshop of the semester will be **(Wood) Burning Love on Feb 10th, 12pm—2pm**. Stop by the TEC Lab in the Gardner Harvey Library and carve your initials or other design into a wooden heart with wood burning pens. Keep your creation for yourself, or give it as a Valentine's gift.

## Room-a-palooza! The Gardner-Harvey Library Renovation

You may have noticed that a few things have been moved around in the library since Fall Semester (and if you haven't, stop by to see us). We are readying the library for a major renovation of our space that is slated to start in Summer 2016. The end of the library that currently holds our open seating space, our fitness equipment, the TEC Lab, and three staff offices will be completely renovated to hold eight study rooms, a TEC Lab room, and new office spaces. Walls will rise along the windows in this section, leaving the center section for our shelves and the collection. This will provide more dedicated collaboration, study, and creative space in the library, while enhancing our abilities to provide you with outstanding service. We hope the rooms will be completed for people to enjoy them by the start of Fall 2016.



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## Spring Hours:

Mon—Thu 8am-8pm  
Fri 8am-5pm  
Sat—Sun Closed

## 3D Scanning is Amazeballs!

The library staff have had some success with scanning items so that they could be 3D printed, but our efforts were largely hit or miss. We have added a new EinScan-S desktop scanner that is making this process much easier. It can scan objects that fit within a 7.8" cube in its automated mode, or within a 27" cube in free scan mode. The resolution of the 3D images is very impressive, as the scanner captures exact details from the original items. We're looking forward to helping you scan real-world objects so that you can 3D print them, or modify them in 3D modelling software. You can duplicate a part to something to make a replacement, or make a copy of something fragile, or make multiple copies to share around. Maybe you'll create an army of clones and take over the galaxy. Whatever.

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## Staying Active While You Study

Whether you prefer to walk, bike, or just improve your posture, the library is here to help. Gardner-Harvey Library is now home to a walking desk, FitDesk, and a yoga ball chair. Check them out in their current home near the archives and give them a try.

### A, B, or C,

#### Do You Have Anything for Us to Read?

We want to know what you are publishing. Our “Ever wonder what your professors are up to?” display includes journal articles, books, and conference papers that have been published within the last 2–3 years. We have received great feedback from our patrons over that past three years and are excited to keep this display going. If you are currently working on or have completed research please email Jessie Long at [longjh@miamioh.edu](mailto:longjh@miamioh.edu) with the titles or citations of any journal articles, book chapters, books, conference papers, or other work that you have published within the last 2 years.

### What Should We Add to the Collection?

The Library is eager to know what books, DVDs, and other items you would like to add to our collection. We have long depended on input from the campus community to guide the development of the collection. Our new goal is to expand the sources of that input beyond a small number of faculty and staff members. Students, faculty, staff, or members of the Middletown community: we want to know what items interest you! Help us shape an ever-growing collection of resources to meet your scholarly and recreational reading and viewing needs. Please have a look at our [collection policy](#), and then use our [Tell GHL to Buy It](#) form to make your request.

### Have a Question for the Library?

John Burke, Library Director

- Discuss how the library can better meet your information needs
- Research how open educational resources might provide alternatives for your textbook
- General questions on library facilities and services
- Place items on reserve
- Place DVDs on Video on Demand
- Request items via interlibrary loan

Jessie Long, Public Services Librarian

- Schedule an instruction session
- Work as an embedded librarian
- Suggest themes for library displays
- Let us know about a new article or book you’ve authored
- Questions about iPads

Jennifer Hicks, Acquisitions & Technical Services Supervisor

- Order books, DVDs, and e-books for the library collection
- Ask about the magazines and journals we subscribe to
- Questions about historical items in the archives
- Circulation or materials access questions

Beth Tumbleson, Assistant Library Director

- Schedule an instruction session
- Request an embedded librarian
- Hold a book discussion
- Create a tutorial on a database or an information literacy topic

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