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How To Serve the "Millenial" Student

As we approach spring with the cherry blossoms in full bloom on campus and the squirrels whirling across the beautiful El Camino College green spaces, it is an appropriate time to look at our services and how responsive we are to the El Camino College community. That community is composed of traditionalists (born before 1943), Baby Boomers (born 1943-60), Gen Xers (born 1961-81) and the Millennials (born after 1982) as characterized by economist and demographer Neil Howe. The Millennials, also know as "generation why" because they never stop questioning the status quo, are El Camino College's typical students.

The Learning Resources Unit has begun a study of whether there is a "disconnect" between library culture and the values of the millennial generation. The basis is an article by Chuck Thomas and Robert McDonald that was a part of the Flex Day discussion and will also serve as the theme for the annual Learning Resources' spring retreat.

The disconnects that challenge all institutions serving the millennial generation, also referred to as the "echo gen," are centered on three areas for learning resources services, technology, policy and opportunity. How do we effectively serve these students who are accustomed to media rich entertainment and computing, who feel that reality is no longer real because you cannot assume the truth or authenticity of anything online and that computers are not technology because they are too commonplace?

How does the library connect with these students when our values and policies diverge...the use of the library's open lab for the production of new digital products, work-sharing via the campus network, application of rss feeds, and full access to wireless technology?

To create more connects rather than disconnects, the unit will look at how to integrate popular external search tools into library systems while dealing with the copyright implications that are often ignored by the new generation of users and staff technology and media capabilities. New ways to package the information available via learning resources and how to deliver information literacy skills in alternate channels and spaces will also be explored.

The millennium students and employees are characterized as confident, team-oriented through a sense of empowerment, conventional thinkers, environmentally sensitive, feel pressure to succeed and take academic achievement seriously. Organizations, such as learning resources, will have to adapt in order to effectively serve, employ and motivate millenniums.

Alice Grigsby Director Learning Resources Unit

Have You Considered Videoconferencing?

Using videoconferencing equipment, the Media Services Department regularly facilitates live interactive training (audio & video) for El Camino College managers and HR department personnel. The training is provided by the law firm of Liebert Cassidy and Whitmore who are connected via videoconferencing equipment to a large number of community colleges across the state. Media Services staff regularly provides this service for many members of the campus community.

Using classroom videoconferencing equipment, the Media Services staff has provided the technical assistance necessary to enable El Camino College faculty and students to interact with students and faculty at other institutions around the world. Most recently, Media Services staff facilitated a videoconference that allowed El Camino College students and faculty to hear a lecture and to interact with anthropology students and faculty at a university in Australia.

Videoconferencing allows real time face-to-face meetings around the world without the travel. These can be classroom exchanges, administrative dialogues, or any sort of interaction that is enhanced by face-to-face communication. The connecting sites can be just about anywhere, provided both locations have equipment that is compatible. For more information contact Mike King at ext.6726.

Use your imagination and let us know how Media Services may best serve you!!!



Office of Media Materials

What does a monarch butterfly like to eat? Who the heck is Bix Beiderbeck? Where did all those terra cotta soldiers come from? If the search for the answers to these or other questions has kept you up nights, look no further. The Media Materials office has nearly 2500 programs on videotape and DVD for use by faculty and staff. From art history to literature to welding, Media Materials has titles to fit nearly every subject. We can't offer you the latest box office smash, but if you've never watched *Citizen Kane, To Kill a Mockingbird* or *A Streetcar Named Desire,* give us a call. Latest acquisitions include *Eyes on the Prize: America's Civil Rights Movement* on DVD, *National Geographic's Guns, Germs and Steel*, based on the Pulitzer Prize winning novel by Jared Diamond, *A Jury of Her Peers,* adapted from the short story by Susan Glaspell, and two DVDs offering a selection of *Sherlock Holmes* episodes.

The Media Materials office is located in the east basement of the library, Room 74. Stop by and take a look at our collection or feel free to contact Charlie Fox by phone (extension 6714) or by e-mail (cfox@elcamino.edu). Last-minute media requests for classroom use are not a problem!

Audiovisual Equipment Available

Do you need audio visual equipment? If you're planning a presentation or program that requires audiovisual equipment, Media Services can help. We have laptop computers, LCD projectors, overhead projectors, sound systems, podiums, projectors and video recording equipment available for classroom and administrative use. To schedule equipment and technical assistance please contact Charlie Fox (extension 6714 ~ cfox@elcamino.edu).

Charlie Fox Media Services

> A LION in the Library New Literature Database Offering



The Library has added a new database, <u>Literature Online Reference Edition</u>, to our online information database offerings. While it is available to all El Camino College faculty, students and staff, it is particularly relevant to the Humanities Division. *Literature Online Reference Edition* is a collection of literary reference and criticism resources.

We have decided to add this database to the *Gale Literary Databases* subscription that we already have because of its attractive promotional pricing and the many literature and literary criticism class assignments that are given to students. However, in light of budget limitations, it is unlikely that we will be able to afford continuing two subscriptions beyond this calendar year, so we invite faculty to take advantage of the new database and give us feedback on its value during the course of the year. For access, a user should go to the Library's Home Web page at http://www.elcamino.edu/library/library_ser and follow the directions in the Library databases section for on-campus and off-campus use.

Moon Ichinaga Reference Librarian

Artists Wanted

The Schauerman Library is seeking artists for exhibitions for the 2007-08 academic year. If you are an artist or know artists who would like to display their talents in our Library lobby gallery, please contact Ed at ext. 3876.

READ Poster Celebrities 2007

As a part of the Library's annual celebration of National Library Week, we will once again be honoring local "celebrities," with our READ Poster unveiling. The event is scheduled for Thursday, April 26th, 12:30 – 1:00, in the lobby of the Library. This year's honorees are: *Lyman Hong*, Humanities; and, *Kathy Oswald*, President's Office.

We hope you will join us in this recognition of the fundamental aspect of the education process; that of reading and literacy.



Moving Art on Display

During March the Schauerman Library is pleased to present, **"MOVING STILL IMAGES,"** a collection of photographic art and short multimedia pieces by seven South Bay artists.

These artists have extracted selected still images from their short multimedia pieces and framed them alongside the multimedia of origin. The exhibit demonstrates how great still images are further enhanced by music and image movement.

The artists are from the PhotoSavvy and Life's Eyes group and include the following: Constantine Lackides, Rudy Rodriguez, Francis Goroszko, Al Goroszko, Myrna Nakamurna, Jim McKinniss and Don Goss.



Future art exhibitions for the Schauerman Library include: *Matt Ebiner's* (Natural Sciences) photography in April; *Lisa Chakrabarti's* ink renderings in May; also in May, *Steve Nothern's* (Fire Science) firefighting display; and, *Mary Jane Casey's* mandalas in June and July.

Book Fair Cometh

The annual Spring Book Fair will be held May 1-3 (Tuesday – Thursday), from 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the East Lounge of the Student Activities Center. This is your opportunity to purchase some great summer reads and/or gifts to give to your students. On sale at incredible prices are books, periodicals, videotapes, records and other items.

In addition we will have some local authors on hand, signing copies of their books. One of the featured authors is our own, *Laurie Pelayo*, of the cataloging department. Her first book, *An Old-Fashioned Murder*, is an intriguing genealogical mystery that is bound to keep you guessing.

Hope to see you at the Fair.

For Your Reading Pleasure Selected New McNaughton Titles

Fiction

Albom, Mitch Allende, Isabel Andrews, V.C. Andrews, V.C. For One More Day Ines of My Soul Broken Flower Scattered Leaves Anthony, Piers Atwood, Margaret Baldacci, David Barry, Dave Beaton, M.C. Beaton, M.C. Binchy, Maeve Black. Daniel Bohjalian, Christopher Bova, Ben Bradbury, Ray Bradford, Barbara Braun. Lilian Brown, Rita Mae Brown, Rita Mae Card. Orson Scott Churchill, Jill Clark, Mary Higgins Contant, Susan Cookson, Catherine Crichton, Michael Cussler, Clive Dahl, Roald Daily, Janet Delinsky, Barbara Dick, Philip Evanovich, Janet Evanovich, Janet Fluke, Joanne Foster, Alan Dean Francis, Dick Friedman, Kinky George, Elizabeth George, Elizabeth Giovanni, Nikki Gould, Judith Greeley, Andrew Greeley, Andrew Griffin, W.E.B. Grimes, Martha Hall. Parnell Hambly, Barbara Heinlein. Robert Hemingway, Ernest Herbert, Brian

Stork Naked Moral Disorder The Collectors The Sheperd, the Angel, and Walter the Christmas Miracle Dog Death of a Maid Love, Lies, and Liquor Whitethorn Woods The Sacred Place The Double Bind The Sam Gunn Omnibus Farewell Summer The Ravenscar Dynasty The Cat Who Had 60 Whiskers The Hounds and the Fury Puss 'n Cahoots Empire The Accidental Florist Santa Cruise Gaits of Heaven: A Dog Lover's Mystery The Hamiltons Next Treasure of Khan **Collected Stories** Eve's Christmas Family Tree Voices From the Street Motor Mouth Plum Lovin' Key Lime Pie Murder Trouble Magnet Under Orders The Christmas Pig Sin Testigos What Came Before He Shot Her Acolytes The Secret Heiress Irish Linen The Senator and the Priest The Hunters Dust You Have the Right to Remain Puzzled Patriot Hearts: A Novel of the Founding Mothers Variable Star El Viejo y el Mar Hunters of Dune

Hiaasen, Carl Hillerman, Tony Hoffman, Alice Johansen, Iris Jakes, John Kaminsky, Stuart Kellerman, Jonathan King, Stephen Koontz, Dean Le Carre, John Lescroart, John Ludlum, Robert Macomber, Debbie Mailer, Norman McCaffrey, Anne McCall Smith, Alexander McInerny, Ralph McMurtry, Larry Medvei, Cornelius Michaels, Fern Michaels, Fern Min, Anchee Mortimer, John Clifford Mosley, Walter Mosley, Walter Mosely, Walter Munro, Alice Oates, Joyce Carol Parker, Robert Parker, Robert Parker, T. Jefferson Patterson, James Patterson, James Perry, Anne Pynchon, Thomas Oiu, Xiaolong Rice, Luanne Robb, J.D. Roberts, Gillian Scottoline. Lisa Smiley, Jane Sparks, Nicholas Steel, Danielle Steel. Danielle Truman, Margaret Turow, Scott

Nature Girl The Shape Shifter **Skylight Confessions** Stalemate The Gods of Newport Always Say Goodbye Capital Crimes Lisey's Story Brother Odd The Mission Song The Suspect The Bancroft Strategy Christmas Letters The Castle in the Forest Maelstrom The Right Attitude to Rain The Letter Killeth When the Light Goes Mr. Thundermug Free Fall Lethal Justice The Last Empress Rumpole and the Reign of Terror El Caso Brown Fear of the Dark Killing Johnny Fry The View From Castle Rock Black Girl/White Girl High Profile Hundred-dollar Baby Storm Runners Cross Step on a Crack Christmas Secret Against the Day A Case of Two Cities The Edge of Winter Innocent in Death All's Well That Ends Daddy's Girl Ten Days in the Hills Dear John H.R.H. Sisters Murder at the Opera Limitations

Turtledove, Harry Turtledove, Harry Twining, James Wambaugh, Joseph Woods, Stuart

Nonfiction

Abdul-Jabbar, Kareem On the Shoulders of Giants Agatston, Arthur The South Beach Heart Program Angelou, Maya Celebrations: Rituals of Peace and Prayer Never Again: Securing America and Restoring Justice Ashcroft, John Balmer, Randall Thy Kingdom Come: How the Religious Right Distorts the Faith and Threatens America Dr. Neal Barnard's Program for Reversing Diabetes Barnard, Neal He's Just Not That Into You Behrendt, Greg Bono U2 by U2 Bradford, Sarah Diana Brinkley, Douglas Gerald R. Ford Browne, Sylvia Father God: Co-creator to Mother God Bstan-'dzin-rgya-mtsho (Dalai Lama)How To See Yourself As Your Really Are Buchwald, Art Too Soon To Say Goodbye Carter, Jimmy Palestine: Peace Not Apartheid American Bloomsbury: Louisa May Alcott, Ralph Waldo Cheever, Susan Emerson, Margaret Fuller, Nathaniel Hawthorne, and Henry David Thoreau Babyproofing Your Marriage: How to Laugh More, Argue Cockrell, Stacie Less and Communicate Better... Why Does My Dog Act That Way? Coren, Stanley Covey, Stephen Everyday Greatness: Inspiration For a Meaningful Life Crosby, David Since Then, or, How I Survived Everything and Lived To Tell About It Dau. John God Grew Tired of Us Davis, Jim Garfield Blots Out the Sun Davis, Linda Chas Adams: A Cartoonist's Life Delisle, Guy Shenzhen: A Travelogue From China DeYoung, Karen Soldier: The Life of Colin Powell Didion, Joan We Tell Ourselves Stories In Order To Live Doocy, Steve Mr. & Mrs. Happy Handbook: Everything I Know About Love and Marriage On the Brink: An Insider's Account of How Drumheller, Tyler The White House Compromised American Intelligence Shock: The Healing Power of Electroconvulsive Therapy Dukakis, Kitty Esquith, Rafe Teach Like Your Hair's On Fire Evanovich, Janet Janet Evanovich's How I Write: Secrets of a Bestselling Author

Beyond the Gap

The Black Sun

Short Straw

Hollywood Station

The Disunited States of America

Everett, Rupert Fittante, Ann Fontenoy, Maud

Gabler, Neal Gates, Henry Louis Gibson, David

Graham, Billy Graham, Stedman Greeley, Andrew

Grisham, John Gruwell, Erin

Henderson, Jeff

Hurley, Dan

Iraq Study Group Iversen, Portia

Jafarzadeh, Alireza

Jacobovici, Simcha

Jadick, Richard John, Daymond

Kamdar, Mira

King, J. L. Kinglon, Daniel

L.L. Cool J Lacey, Robert Lance, Peter

Lavine, Kim

Leavitt, Steven

Mathews, Joe

Red Carpets and Other Banana Skins The Sugar Solution Cookbook Challenging the Pacific: The First Woman to Row the Kon-Tiki Route Walt Disney: The Triumph of the American Imagination Finding Oprah's Roots: Finding Your Own The Rule of Benedict: Pope Benedict XVI and His Battle With the Modern World Grace Under Fire: Letters of Faith in Times of War God's Love For You: Hope and Encouragement For Life Diversity: Leaders Not Labels Jesus: A Meditation On His Stories His and Relationships With Women The Innocent Man: Murder and Injustice In a Small Town Teach With Your Heart: Lessons I Learned From the Freedom Writers Cooked: From the Streets to the Stove, From Cocaine To Foie Gras Natural Causes: Death, Lies, and Politics in America's Vitamin and Herbal Supplement Industry I Killed: True Stories of the Road From America's Top Comics The Iraq Study Group Report Strange Son: Two Mothers, Two Sons, and the Quest To Unlock the Hidden World of Autism The Iran Threat: President Ahmadinejad and the Coming Nuclear Crisis The Jesus Family Tomb: The Discovery, the Invesigation, and the Evidence That Could Change History On Call in Hell: A Doctor's Iraq War Story Display of Power: How FUBU Changed a World of Fashion, Branding and Lifestyle Planet India: How the Fastest Growing Democracy Is Transforming America and the World CP Time: Why Some People Are Always Late Alpha Girls: Understanding the New American Girl and How She is Changing the World LL Cool J's Platinum Workout Great Tales From English History Triple Cross: How Bin Laden's Master Spy Penetrated the CIA, the Green Berets, and the FBI Mommy Millionaire: How I Turned My Kitchen Table Idea Into a Million Dollars and How You Can Too! Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist Explore the Hidden Side of Everything The People's Machine: Arnold Schwartzenegger and the

Moore, James Myss, Caroline _____ Newhart, Bob Obama, Barack _____ **Oppenheimer**, Jerry O'Reilly, Bill Oren, Michael Orman, Suze Perricone, Nicholas Pierce, Chondra Peterson, Dale Pond, Jonathan Posnanski, Joe Pryor, Rain Rooney, Andy Rosen, Jeffrey Rule, Ann Sagan, Carl Scheib, Walter Schlessinger, Laura Schultz, Charles Schultz. Charles Sheehan, Cindy Slott, Ed Spoto, Donald Spoto, Donald

Rise of Blockbuster Democracy The Architect: Karl Rove and the Master Plan for Absolute Power Entering the Castle: An Inner Path to God and Your Soul National Lampoon Favorite Cartoons of the 21st Century I Shouldn't Even Be Doing This!: And Other Things That Strike Me As Funny The Audacity of Hope: Thoughts on Reclaiming the American Dream Operation Homecoming: Iraq, Afghanistan, and the Home Front, In the Words of U.S. Troops and Their Families House of Hilton: From Conrad to Paris: A Drama of Wealth, Power, and Privilege **Culture Warrior** Power, Faith, and Fantasy: America in the Middle East, 1776 To the Present Women & Money: Owning the Power to Control Your Destiny Dr. Perricone's 7 Secrets To Beauty, Health, and Longevity Laughing In the Dark: A Comedian's Journey Through Depression Jane Goodall: TheWoman Who Redefined Man You Can Do It!: The Boomer's Guide To a Great Retirement The Soul of Baseball: A Road Trip Through Buck O'Neill's America Jokes My Father Never Taught Me: Life, Love, and Loss With Richard Pryor Out of My Mind The Supreme Court: The Personalities and Rivalries That Defined America No Regrets: And Other True Cases The Varieties of Scientific Experience: A Personal View of the Search For God White House Chef: Eleven Years, Two Presidents, One Kitchen The Proper Care and Feeding of Marriage It's Your First Crush, Charlie Brown The Many Faces of Snoopy Peace Mom: A Mother's Journey Through Heartache To Activism Your Complete Retirement Planning Road Map Enchantment: The Life of Audrey Hepburn Joan: The Mysterious Life of the Heretic Who Became a Saint

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	Small Businesses, Innovative Employees, and
	Occasional Entrepreneurs
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	an Autistic Savant: A Memoir
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	Mixing God With Politics and Losing Their Way
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	Get To Yes
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Wansink, Brian	Mindless Eating: Why We Eat More Than We Think
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	a Cause
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	Personal Computer, Co-founded Apple, and Had
	Fun Doing It

Library Construction Update

Construction of the Library's new wing is already underway. The preliminary groundwork has already been completed and before long walls will be springing up. The new wing will include a large meeting room for Distance Education classes, an expansion of the LRC, virtually doubling the space for their services, a room for Nursing students and resources, and, the ECC archives. Construction is expected to be completed by 2008.



Britney's Sphere and Everyday Celebrities

As mentioned in Alice Grigsby's essay at the start of this issue of the *Lamppost*, we are indeed in the midst of yet another generation gap. As a proud and graying member of the Baby Boomer

generation where we never trusted anyone over 30, I find it somewhat ironic that we now are the target of this same distrust.

One look at our social, environmental and political situations certainly provides ample evidence of why we earned such distrust; hard to believe that we peace and loving types became such the antithesis of the Haight-Ashbury credo.

But here we are, now in the driver's seat, leading the way for the next generation. These days, however, it is hard to declare just who is doing the driving. Perhaps, the growth of technologies clearly is driving us all. For those who have known of no life before the Net or cellphones it is clear that their drive through life views things like libraries and books as less significant than those of my contemporary hipsters.

Today's generation can tell you plenty about Britney Spears, Anna Nicole Smith, and countless others who "made it," seemingly without much effort, and they made it fast and in a shallow way, not unlike the typical Google research. That sphere of cultural influence is pounded on us all whether we want it or not. It is that same depth, or lack thereof, that permeates our media and the lives of those who read, watch and believe in the importance of their reports.

Many young students grunt at the thought of having to use a reference book or any book over 100 pages for research. They can get the answer by Googling the question on their cellphone. They can even download a paper that is already done for them for a small cost.

The slow, methodical pace that was required of those folks living in the BC era (before computers) is no longer appreciated. Slower is not better according to many in the new g-g-generation. Life is too short. They want it fast, they want it now, they don't care how it got there or the underlying essence of what that information is or even if it is factual.

Of course it is our job to educate this next generation of the value of the educational process. There is a reason for the scientific process. There is plenty of great Shakespeare criticism that was written before databases came to our Library. Our task as instructors and librarians is to remind today's students that there is a time and place for quick information but also that there is a critical need to uncover that which must be searched for in that classic old technology called a book.

This semester we will be honoring true "celebrities;" those who inspire others by using that old fashioned book technology. The notables for this year, Kathy Oswald and Lyman Hong, will be featured in our READ posters and will be our guests at the annual poster unveiling program, on April 26th. We hope you will meet these everyday celebrities and hear their tales about the value of reading books in their lives.

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