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<u>Dr. Terry Latour</u> Dean of Libraries We publish *INSIDE The CU Libraries* weekly, when classes are in session. Here we share information about our services and resources with the campus community. Current and back issues are available online

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### **Your Voice Matters!**

Student Tech Fees support a number of services provided through the libraries, including laptops and iPads that may be borrowed, the S.W.A.T. Technology Help Desk in Carlson Library, group study room technology, and information resource databases.

Please take a minute – that's about all it will take – to share your views about how we can improve technology services and electronic resources in the libraries.

Here is the link:

https://baseline.campuslabs.com/clarion/librarytechnologysurvey

## 53,584 Electronic Journals!



Did you know that Clarion University Libraries provide access to 53,584 electronic journals?

These journals contain millions of articles on almost every conceivable subject.

Here are some numbers that might interest you:

- → 53,762 Total number of journal titles available to you
- → 53,584 Electronic titles
- → 177 Print titles
- → 1 Microform titles (active)
- → 20,536 Open Access journals (free to reader)
- Most expensive individual journal title (*Human*→ \$2,910 *Relations*. We have dropped others more expensive in recent years)
- → \$684 Average cost per individual journal title
- → \$448,494 Cost of journals & journal databases last year
- → 3%-7% Typical annual cost increase per title

Where do you find these journals?

You can access most of them by going to the <u>Library Web</u> page, finding the green "Research" box, and clicking on the <u>Journals A-Z</u> link. There you can either search for a specific title or browse the list by title or subject categories.

The <u>Databases A-Z</u> link provides information and access to all of the databases to which the Libraries subscribe. Links to the majority of journals are available here. Two databases that include thousands of academic journals on a wide range of topics are *Academic Search Complete* and *ProQuest Direct*. Most other databases have a subject focus, which may be of interest.

Don't forget to check out the LibGuide, "<u>Databases by Subject</u>" that will direct you to databases on broad subject categories such as Business Administration, Education, Psychology, and others. Locate this LibGuide quickly by clicking its title in the green "Research" box on the <u>Libraries homepage</u>.

If you have questions or need assistance, stop by the Libraries or call Carlson Library at 393-2490. Clarion Online distance education students may call toll-free at 866-272-5612, (press 5 for Library). Remember that our Chat and other online services are available at the <a href="Ask a Librarian!/">Ask a Librarian!/</a>
<a href="LibAnswers!">LibAnswers!</a> link on our Website.

## 600,000 Words...3 Million Quotations...1,000 + Years of English



The <u>Oxford English Dictionary</u> (OED) is widely regarded as the accepted authority on the English language. It is an unsurpassed guide to the meaning, history, and pronunciation of 600,000 words— past and present—from across the English-speaking world.

As an historical dictionary, the *OED* is very different from dictionaries of current English where the focus is on present-day meanings. You will still find present-day meanings in the *OED*, but you will also find the history of individual words, and of the language, traced through 3 million quotations, from classic literature and specialist periodicals to film scripts and cookery books.

The *OED* is available through the <u>Libraries Homepage</u>. In the green "Research" box click on the <u>Databases A-Z</u> link, then scroll down the

alphabetical list or use the link to jump to the "O" section of databases.

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### Collaborative Study & Presentation Rooms



Do you need a place to practice a presentation or to work on a group project aided by a computer?

Two study rooms on Level A in Carlson Library are equipped with large, flat-screen monitors, computers, and Webcams making it easy for students to work on group projects, or collaborate as a study group and work together more effectively.

Available Webcams provide the opportunity to practice, record, and critique presentations, or to involve others in a collaboration via software such as Skype.

Technical assistance is available at the nearby S.W.A.T. (Students Who Assist [with] Technology) Service Desk.

A similar, but portable, unit is available in the Charles Suhr Library on the Venango Campus.

The equipment in the collaborative study & presentation rooms is made possible by Student Technology Fees and the Center for Computing Services.

# The S.W.A.T. Minion's Tip: Just The Fax!



Do you need to fax a document? Although we don't have a fax machine, we can help you! The printer/scanner/copier on Level A of Carlson Library is part of the answer.

**Step One:** If you don't know how, the S.W.A.T. Team is happy to show you how to scan a document to your email.

**Step Two:** Use a free web-based **fax service** to deliver the document.

We've found several services online that you can use – free of charge! The list is posted near the Level A printer/scanner/copier. For your convenience, here is the list:

SERVICE	WEB ADDRESS	MAX PAGES	PLUS COVER?	# PER DAY	COST
faxZERO	https://faxzero.com/	3	Υ	5	Free
myfax	http://www.myfax.com/free/	9	Υ	2	Free
GotFreeFax	http://www.gotfreefax.com/	3	?	2	Free
bestfreefax	http://www.bestfreefax.com/BFFSendFreeFax.php	15	N	2	Free

# Cranial Candy: Word Of The Week ...



### **Victorian**

#### **PRONUNCIATION:**

(vik-TOR-ee-uhn)



#### **MEANING:**

#### adjective:

- 1. Prudish; outdated; exaggeratedly proper; hypocritical.
- 2. Relating to the period of the reign of Queen Victoria (1837-1901).
- 3. Relating to ornate architecture, furnishings, etc., characteristic of the period.

#### **ETYMOLOGY:**

After Queen Victoria of England (1819-1901). Earliest documented use: 1839.

#### **USAGE:**

"We've been discussing how she's not allowed to be alone with a boy until she's twenty-five;"

Evan smiled. 'How very Victorian of you."

Roni Loren; Forever Starts Tonight; InterMix Books; 2014.

Although we do not "repair" computers, the S.W.A.T. Team (Students Who Assist [with] Technology) on Level A of Carlson Library is always happy to help. Having an issue? Let us take a swat at it!

# Something To Think About:



You cannot do a kindness too soon, for you never know how soon it will be too late. ~ Ralph Waldo Emerson