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The Clarion University Libraries newsletter is published weekly when classes are in session. Through *INSIDE*, we share information about our services and resources with the campus community. *INSIDE* is best viewed with Microsoft Outlook. However, you can read a PDF version of *INSIDE* online through the [Libraries' homepage](#).

African-American Resource Guide



In February we celebrate Black History Month.

Are you looking for information resources relating to African-American history and culture?

Check out our LibGuide, [African-American Resource Guide](#), available on the Libraries Webpage under the "Library Help" column.

It contains information about the availability of relevant books, e-books, journals, databases, Web resources, as well as where to find information about how to cite sources in the APA and MLA styles.

If you need additional assistance please visit the reference librarians in Carlson Library and Suhr Libraries or contact them via phone, chat or text.

CU Libraries' Links:

Inside The Clarion University Libraries

Read back issues of the Libraries' newsletter

Library Home

Your link to all of the

Research Tutorials Online



Need guidance when the reference librarians are not on duty?

Check out our online tutorials. There are a number of tutorials that are short in length, but on-target with helpful information to get

you started with your research.

At the [Libraries Homepage](#) scan the "Library Help" column and select the PowerPoint / PDF or Video links to tutorials. They provide a wealth of information on what constitutes an authoritative information source, how to use the online catalog, search databases, find journal articles, request resources from other libraries and various other helpful tips. There is a video tutorial especially for distance education students.

PILOT

Search the Libraries' online catalog

Databases A-Z

Search the Libraries' extensive collection of electronic journals and e-books

Contact Us

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Tuning Up Your Finances



Dr. Paul R. Woodburne, Associate Professor in the Department of Economics at Clarion University has been at Clarion for fifteen years and has extensive experience teaching personal money management and consumer economics.

He was the director of the Center for Economic Education for seven years, and is currently writing a textbook in consumer economics. His presentation, "*Tuning Up*

Your Finances," will focus on keeping family finances in order by looking at important saving and spending issues. The discussion will be relevant to anyone – young or old – who is interested in improving their overall financial position.

Tuesday February 26

6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Clarion Free Library

644 Main Street

Call (814) 226-7172

or stop by for more information

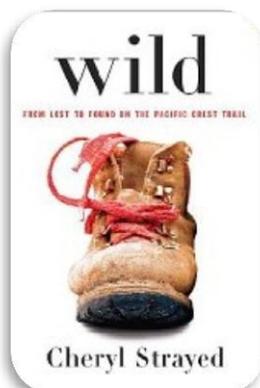
Refreshments will be provided

Please mark your calendars for the next talk in our series:

Ideas to help you keep your resolutions, presented by Jeanne Slattery on March 26 (Tuesday) 6 PM at the Clarion Free Library

This presentation is part of a Community Fellows project funded by Clarion University and undertaken with the Clarion Free Library.

What Are You Reading?



Wild Book Discussion

When: Thursday, March 14 at 6PM

Where: Clarion Free Library, 644 Main Street, Clarion, PA 16214

What: Join us for Hors d'oeuvres, wine, and a casual conversation about *Wild: From Lost To Found On The Pacific Coast Trail* by Cheryl Strayed

From Amazon.com - Oprah's Book Club 2.0

selection.

A powerful, blazingly honest memoir: the story of an eleven-hundred-mile solo hike that broke down a young woman reeling from catastrophe—and built her back up again.

At twenty-two, Cheryl Strayed thought she had lost everything. In the wake of her mother's death, her family scattered and her own marriage was soon destroyed. Four years later, with nothing more to lose, she made the most impulsive decision of her life: to hike the Pacific Crest Trail from the Mojave Desert through California and Oregon to Washington State—and to do it alone.

She had no experience as a long-distance hiker, and the trail was little more than “an idea, vague and outlandish and full of promise.” But it was a promise of piecing back together a life that had come undone.

Strayed faces down rattlesnakes and black bears, intense heat and record snowfalls, and both the beauty and loneliness of the trail. Told with great suspense and style, sparkling with warmth and humor, *Wild* vividly captures the terrors and pleasures of one young woman forging ahead against all odds on a journey that maddened, strengthened, and ultimately healed her.

If you plan to attend, please contact mharhai@clarion.edu or sign up at the Clarion Free Library 226-7172 (to help us plan our food/beverage order).

Everyone is welcome. Feel free to invite others who may be interested in the topic. Copies of the book are available to borrow from the Clarion Free Library and Clarion University Carlson Library.

Other upcoming events include:

February 26 (Tuesday) – Presentation on *Tuning Up Your Finances* – Did you make a New Year’s resolution to take charge of your money? – Join us for the first in a series about ways to keep our resolutions.

March 19 (Tuesday) – Book discussion on – *The Outpost* by Jake Tapper

This book discussion is part of a Community Fellows project funded by Clarion University and undertaken with the Clarion Free Library.

Computer Tip: Is It Just Me?

What do you do when a website won’t connect? Do you reset your router? Call your Internet company? Reboot your PC? Pull your hair out? You can’t figure out what it could be because you don’t know if the problem is on your end or the website’s end.

The fantastic site Downforeveryoneorjustme.com (or isup.me for short) can help! It will tell you if it’s a problem on *your* side or if the site’s servers are on the fritz. How does it work? Use one of the links above and simply type in a web address (where “goggle.com” is located on the screen), then click “or just me” to get a quick answer.

Is down for everyone [or just me?](#)

[Web Hosting With 99.9% Guaranteed Uptime
\(free 30 day trial!\)](#)

Now that you know if it's you or everyone, you can make the proper decision on how to fix it. If it's just you, it's always a good idea to start by rebooting your computer then restarting your router (*unplug* the router for 30 seconds, plug it back in, and wait three to four minutes for it to reset.) If that does not work, you can move on to contacting your internet provider to see if there is an outage.

If it's down for everyone, the best thing to do is wait it out. The company hosting the website may be down or experiencing technical difficulties.

Cranial Candy: Playing With Silk



Silk is an incredible, interactive artwork. All you have to do to use it is click and drag your mouse.

Once you're done creating your artwork, you can share it via Facebook or Twitter by clicking the

Share button at the top of the page.

Unhappy with how your artwork is turning out? Just click the *New* button to clean your screen off and start over. Is your silk artwork taking too long to display all its various ripples and waves? Click the *Speed Up* button beneath the canvas. If you'd like to replay it, there's a *Replay* there as well.

Like the concept? There are free wallpapers that you can use to decorate your desktop with silk style art. Just scroll down the page and select one. To preview the images, simply mouse over the links and the images appears to the right. Click a link to open a .JPEG for that image, then right click and select *Save Image As* to set it as your desktop image through your computer settings.

Just to warn you it's really easy to lose track of time as you play with this site... <http://weavesilk.com/>

Something To Think About:



*Don't wish for less challenges;
wish for more wisdom.*

~Unknown