New Chromebooks

The bad news: After five years of wildly successful service to the Geneva community, the Library is retiring our fleet of twenty Chromebooks. The good news: we are adding twenty-five new Chromebooks! The Library added the first Chromebooks to the collection in 2014, and they were provided by a $6,500 grant from a southwestern Pennsylvania non-profit foundation. The arrival of the new devices more than doubled the number of computers that students could access within the Library.

Some of the new features include USB C ports and USB 3.0, twice as much RAM (4GB), and a spill resistant keyboard. The device opens flat so that you can share your screen more easily. Students will also notice a longer battery life. The new Chromebooks will be available for circulation in a few weeks.

What’s the Next Move?

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The Multimedia Room has Movies and Music

The Multimedia Room located in the basement level of McCartney Library offers multiple items for students. Students can borrow CDs and DVDs from the Library collection. There are also records, cassettes and VHS resources available. With 6 computer workstations, a printer, a scanner and monitors to watch movies, this room has become one of the most popular destinations in the building.

New items that have recently been added to the Multimedia Room collection are:

Movies:
Avengers: Infinity War
A Wrinkle in Time
Goodbye, Christopher Robin

Documentaries:
Loving Vincent
Many Beautiful Things: The Life and Vision of Lilias Trotter

Music:
Man of the Woods (Justin Timberlake)
Tears on the Dancefloor (Steps)
Sing it Now: Songs of Faith and Hope (Reba McEntire)

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Each week Library Student Assistants set up a display of their recommendations of movies and music. Stop by and see the LSA picks for this week.
Clarence Macartney Trivia

- Dr. Clarence Macartney was the only sibling in his family (4 boys, 1 girl) who did NOT attend Geneva College. (Dr. Macartney completed a college preparatory certificate at Pomona College in Pomona, CA, before beginning freshman studies at the University of Denver and later transferring to the University of Wisconsin at Madison for the completion of his B.A.U. degree, Class of 1901.)

- All four of the sons of John L. and Catherine McCartney became ministers. (John was one of only two of the original Geneva professors who made the move with the College from Northwood to Beaver Falls. Catherine also taught some classes at Geneva.)

- Dr. Macartney chose to spell his last name the Scottish way, but asked that the library be named for his family, and that the family spelling of the name (Irish: McCartney) be kept. (Only Clarence and his brother Robertson kept the Scottish spelling.)

- 1913—Dr. Macartney’s first book was published. He would become the author of more than 57 books, in the fields of history, biography, and religion.

- October 15, 1915—Dr. Macartney preached his most famous sermon, “Come Before Winter,” for the first time. Thereafter, he preached it annually, every autumn, for decades.

Research Sleuth

As you read above, John McCartney was one of only two original Geneva professors who made the move with the College from Northwood to Beaver Falls. Can you name the other professor?

The first faculty student or staff to email the library director the correct answer along with the citation from a print resource available in the Library (no internet citations permitted) will win a $15 gift certificate to Beaver Falls Coffee and Tea Company. Email: jgdoncev@geneva.edu

Sarah McCraley started this past July as McCartney Library’s Manager of Circulation Services. Sarah leads and works alongside the Library Student Assistants in providing customer service to Library guests.

Sarah earned her bachelor’s degree from Geneva College and her associate’s degree from The Art Institute of Pittsburgh. She has numerous hobbies and interests including baking, gardening, graphic design and watercolor painting.

Sarah recently found a list of the top 100 young adult fiction books and is looking forward to reading them in the upcoming year. Her favorites include To Kill a Mockingbird, The Chronicles of Narnia, The Outsiders and The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time.