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Stout Secrets Virtual Tours with the University Archives

The Stout campus has been the home of many fascinating people, places, and events. Join University Archivist Heather Stecklein for three mini tours of Stout, including a then-and-now building tour, a retrospective of famous campus visitors, and a full inner tour of the Bowman Hall clock room and bell tower!

Saturday, April 10th from 11AM-12PM.

For more information, click on this [link](#).



Library Staff Member Wins Qubie

Assistant Archivist and Records Officer Rebecca Kuske won the Staff Ally of the Year Qubie award at the 8th Annual Qubie Gayla March 25. Rebecca was named “Staff Ally of the Year” for her work enhancing our LGBTQIA+ collections in the Archives.

“It has been such a privilege of mine to have been able to help find, document, and make so many of these different stories and experiences from the present and past more accessible. Representation matters everywhere, including within our historical records,” said Rebecca.

University Library continues to support equity, diversity, and inclusion and welcomes everyone. Library staff regularly participates in inclusivity training, including safe space training to create a better library for all.

Watch the full Qubie Gayla here:

https://www.facebook.com/watch/live/?v=489032925804877&ref=watch_permalink

The entire ceremony is wonderful to watch, and Rebecca is featured at 36:25. Thank you for being an ally, Rebecca!



Young Adult Books Moved!

Y-e-s, YA has moved! Come check out your favorite Young Adult books, now located on the 2nd floor near the Comics. As always, if you have any suggestions for books you'd like us to bring into the collection, please email Tanya at gunkelta@uwstout.edu.





New Go Pros For Checkout!

We recently purchased two GoPro cameras, a Hero8 and a Max, and they are now available for checkout. Each camera includes two batteries, battery charger, mini tripod, and a headband. The GoPros can be checked out for one week and have an overdue fine of \$15/day. Ask at the circulation desk to check out a GoPro!



Is there any equipment you would like the library to purchase? Send an email to circulation@uwstout.edu and let us know!

Circulation Students Nominated for UW-Stout Annual Leadership Award

University Library Circulation Students were nominated for the Student Staff Team of the Year at the upcoming UW-Stout Leadership Awards. The Leadership Awards ceremony takes place Wednesday, April 28th at 7:00 p.m. This event is described as a special time to appreciate the work of Stout students.

"UW-Stout's annual Leadership Awards is all about taking a pause to acknowledge, recognize and thank the remarkable student leaders that contribute to this campus every day. We are fortunate to see our students lead in a variety of capacities, whether that be through a student organization, an on-campus job, a co-op experience or a hundred of other ways."

Support University Library Circulation Students and celebrate all the nominees by tuning into this year's awards. Find more details here: <https://connect.uwstout.edu/involvement/leadershipawards/>



New Tabletop Board Games Have Arrived!

Want to try out a new game? The library is adding to the Board Game collection which can be found on 2nd floor near the Graphic Novels. They can be checked-out for 2 weeks. Do you have a suggestion for a game others would enjoy? Send recommendations to libacq@uwstout.edu Are you looking for others

to play with? The Tabletop Gaming student organization meets on the 2nd floor of the library on Monday nights to play RPGs, MTG and board games at 6:30pm – look for them in Connect!



National Library Week

Happy National Library Week! April 4-10, 2021, is the 63rd Anniversary of National Library Week. Started in 1958 and sponsored by the American Library Association, National Library Week celebrates and promotes libraries and librarians. This year's theme is Welcome to Your Library, which "promotes the idea that libraries extend far beyond the four walls of a building –and that everyone is welcome to use their services." Learn more at the American Library Association website: <http://www.ala.org/conferencesevents/celebrationweeks/natlibraryweek>

During the COVID-19 Pandemic, the UW-Stout University Library, Archives, and Textbook Services departments have been working hard to give you access to the resources you need, whether virtual or in person. Discover useful resources and links here to help with all of your library needs:

Library Covid Alert Page: <https://library.uwstout.edu/alert>

Library and Archives Resources Tutorials and Videos: <https://library.uwstout.edu/tutorials>

Archives Digital Collections Links for UW-Stout and Local Area History:

Digital Collections Link: <https://library.uwstout.edu/friendly.php?s=digitalprimarysources>

Collection Indexes Link: <https://library.uwstout.edu/arcarchives/universityarchives>

Area Research Center Link: <https://library.uwstout.edu/arcarchives/arearesearchcenter>

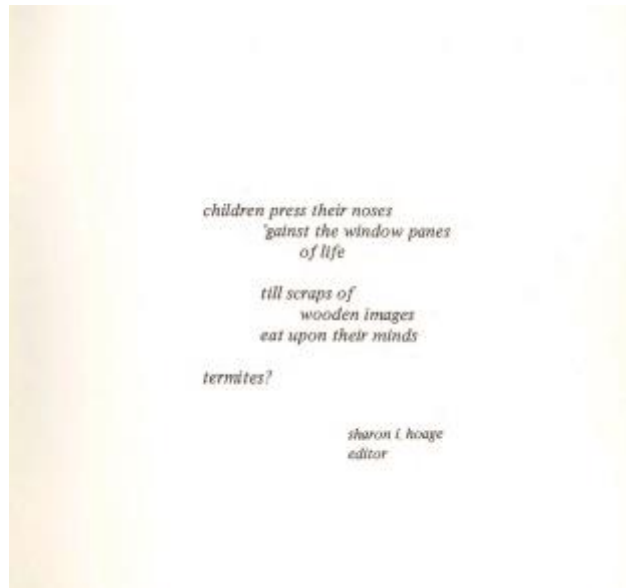
Preservica: <https://uwstout.access.preservica.com/>



1 - Photo: National Library week at UW-Stout Library, 1979...42 years ago!

Happy National Poetry Month!

To celebrate, we recommend checking out these creative arts and literary journals: [Prometheus](#) and [Termites](#)! They include photographs, graphics, poetry, fiction, and non-fiction produced by past UW-Stout students. The poem attached is the final poem in the 1969-1970 Termites annual publication. Digitized issues from both Termites and Prometheus are accessible and searchable online. These journals along other UW-Stout student publications are located within the Archives' [Digital Collections](#)!



TRIO Display

For a special display in March, the library partnered with our TRIO Student Support Services & Fostering Success colleagues on campus. Student Support Services focuses on increasing the retention and graduation rates of first-generation students, students who meet federal low-income criteria, and students with disabilities. In this endeavor, we created a display on the 1st floor of the library that features books on everything from being first-generation student to a freshman survival guide to learning how to decrease procrastination.

In addition, we also created an online resource guide with a focus more specifically on first-generation students, found at <https://library.uwstout.edu/stoutallies>. This online guide, entitled Stout Allies for Student Success, features resources for students, staff, and faculty allies, plus some statements directly from TRIO students like the one below. Reading these statements can help allies gain understanding of student perspectives and how best to support this community on campus. In future semesters, we plan to add resources for other communities on campus, so keep your eyes peeled for that!

Big thank you to Gail Mentzel for all of her help for this project! If you want to learn more about Student Support Services, you can email at sss@uwstout.edu or call 715-232-5180.



“There is a unique set of challenges that I face as being a low-income student who is the first in my family to come to college. There is a whole language that I don’t have. It’s like that moment when I arrived on campus and everyone knew what office hours were and I had no idea.”

Earth Day Is Here!

Happy Earth Day! Today marks the 51st Anniversary of Earth Day, which first occurred April 22, 1970. The idea was founded in 1969 by Wisconsin U.S. Senator Gaylord Nelson, from Clear Lake, Wisconsin in Polk County, about a 50 minute drive north of Menomonie. Nelson wanted to do a national “teach-in,” dedicating a full day devoted to teaching and learning about the environment. Protests were organized across the country against the decline of the environment from oil spills, polluting factories, pesticides, etc. Discover more about Senator Nelson

here: <https://www.wisconsinhistory.org/Records/Article/CS3745>

Check out the official Earth Day 2021 website and learn how you can get involved: <https://www.earthday.org/earth-day-2021/>

Get some tips from UW-Stout on how to celebrate all week long: <https://www.uwstout.edu/life-stout/sustainability-stout/earth-week>



2 - Photo: #ThrowbackThursday to May 1, 1970, p. 1 of Stoutonia student newspaper with Sigma Tau Gamma lending a hand for "Environmental Day."

University Library and Stout Faculty Test Legal Database

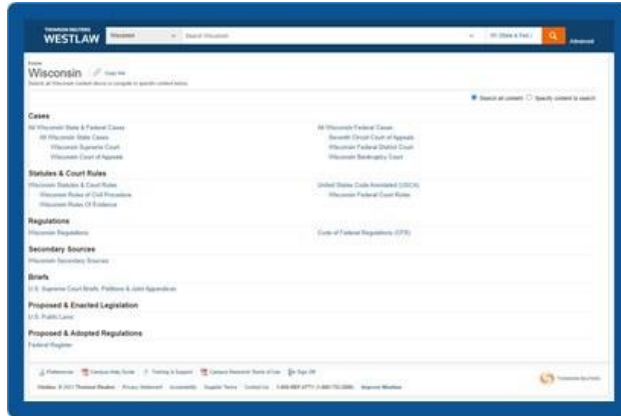
University Library continuously examines its databases and collections to ensure they support Stout students, staff, and faculty in their quests for knowledge. Over the course of Spring 2021 semester, expert librarians met to assess the usability of legal databases.

As a result of the feedback, University Library received temporary logins to test the legal database Westlaw.

"Unfortunately, databases are not always easy to use for people who are not experts in that particular subject," said University Librarian Aubrey Huff. "We want to make sure we are offering the best possible resources to the Stout community. That is why the Westlaw trial included invitations to Stout faculty, not solely librarians. Faculty members offer such important feedback and think about these databases in terms of their course development and professional research. We need those perspectives."

The trial included a survey to assess Westlaw as a possible addition to the collection. Decisions have not yet been made whether to include Westlaw among our databases.

Do you have recommendations for library resources that support University Library's mission? Contact Collection Development Librarian Cory Mitchell at mitchellc@uwstout.edu.



University Library Explores Strengths on Advisement Day

While students met with their advisors and planned their academic futures, University Library staff joined together to discuss their shared strengths using the CliftonStrengths assessment tool and the help of Involvement Coordinator [Krista Proksch](#).

Each staff member took an intensive questionnaire that provided each participant's top five character strengths. While no combination of primary strengths was the same, staff found common ground and revealing opportunities to step outside their comfort zones as a team.

Not all of Advisement Day was hard work, however. Before the CliftonStrengths analysis, University Library staff joined together for a team-building exercise that allowed them to learn more about each other and emerge laughing and ready for engaging discussion.

Moving forward, University Library staff is excited to use their existing strengths and opportunities for strength-building to improve their service to the Stout community.



Thank You For Reading!