



# Pennsylvania Highlands Community College Library Link



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## What's Happening at the Library?

### MySpace

In the spring semester, the Library launched a site on the popular website, MySpace. The purpose of the PHCC site is to provide students, faculty, and staff with another convenient way to interact with the Library on issues that are important to them as members of the PHCC community. The Library's MySpace page provides a blog on which the Librarians can post information that students may find interesting and important. Students and faculty are encouraged to add the Library's MySpace page to their MySpace friends list.

### One Book, One Community

It's that time of year again for the *One Book, One Community* Reading Program. This year, we will be scheduling events around the title, *Dark Side of Heaven*, by Tamar Myers. The book focuses on the life of an Amish girl who chooses to leave her life behind to pursue an art career in Pittsburgh. The College Library's website that promotes the event can be found at <http://www.pennhighlands.edu/library/onebook07/home.htm>

In addition to the book, a quilted throw is being raffled to raise money for the reading program. Chances on the quilt are 3 for \$1.00 and can be purchased at the Main Library, where the quilt is on display. The author, Tamar Meyers, will select the winner of the quilt when she is in Johnstown on May 8th. On that day at the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown, Ms. Myers will discuss her book with *One Book, One Community* participants. All are welcome to attend!

—Barbara Zaborowski, Associate Dean, Library and Academic Affairs

## Spring into the Spring Semester!

While it may be hard to imagine in January and February, it is indeed the Spring Semester at PHCC. By the time March, April, and May arrive, you will have caught Spring Fever! During this semester, be sure to take a look at the latest Library newsletter. We hope you will find items of interest and information you can use! —Mary Lou Patrick, PHCC Library Link Editor/PHCC Librarian

## Finding the PHCC Library—On Campus & Online

Whether on or off campus, you can access and use the PHCC Library.

If you wish to visit or contact the PHCC Library, there are two locations:

- \* Main Library at the Greater Johnstown Career and Technology Center in Richland
- \* Mangarella Library at the Ebensburg Education Center on Route 22 in Ebensburg

See page 4 of this newsletter for Library addresses, telephone numbers, operating hours.

If you want to access/use the Library off campus/online (card catalog, online databases, etc.), go to the PHCC Library webpage < <http://www.pennhighlands.edu/library/libhome.htm> >.

To access the online databases off campus, you will need a username and a password. To obtain this information, visit any PHCC Library for details. —MLP

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# Wikis, Anyone?

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## Project Collaboration Gains Speed with Wikis

Two years ago, staff at a small engineering college in Massachusetts used a brand new interactive Web tool, a “wiki”, to organize a faculty barbecue. The wiki enabled participants to sign up to bring food, check to see who was bringing the potato salad, post comments and questions, respond to comments and questions, and even edit their entries.

That was Olin College Library Director Dianna Magnoni’s introduction to wikis, and she’s been hooked ever since. Wikis are slowly changing the way people collaborate. These online applications allow you to work on a project or document without meetings, swapping e-mails or repeated visits to your shared drive.

“Across Olin, I don’t know if there’s a single person who doesn’t use a wiki someplace on campus,” said Magnoni, who uses the new tool for grant writing, library project management, and event coordination.

Olin’s library wiki allows staff and others to post information, edit documents, track revisions, and organize reports. “We have a ‘reports and projects’ section where we track our library statistics,” said Magnoni. “We also have a newsletter content area so that when something comes up—news from a vendor, a new product in the library, anything we might mention in a newsletter—we can just add it in there. Then when it’s time to put the next newsletter together, there’s our table of contents.”

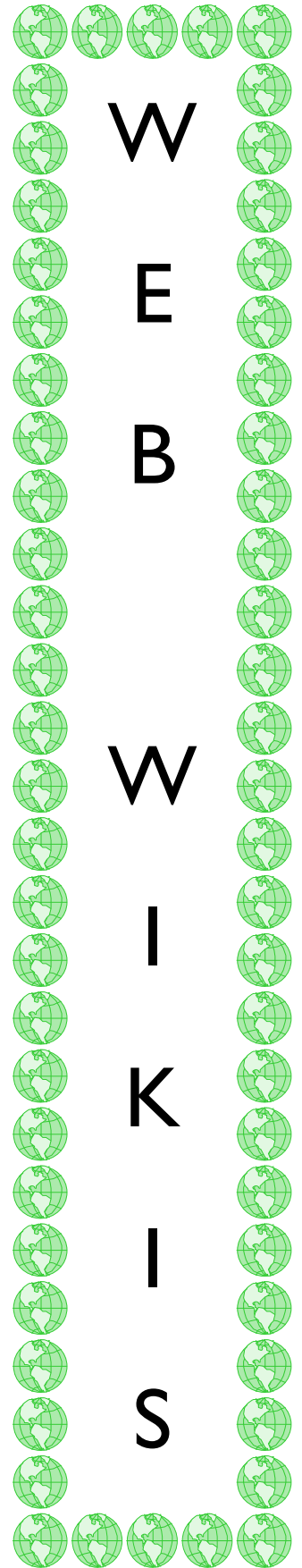
Student workers also use Olin’s library wiki to track projects, check for work assignments each day, and stay informed of what others are working on. Students routinely use wikis for everything from research projects to organizing carpools at the end of each semester.

Wikis come in all shapes and sizes from small password-protected sites to the largest known site, Wikipedia, an online collaborative encyclopedia with more than 48,000 active contributors from around the world. You can set up a site in minutes through a number of free online hosting services. But first check your institution’s IT policy, suggests Rob Favini, project director of educational services at NELINET, a cooperative that serves more than 600 academic, public and special libraries in New England.

Favini is a big proponent of wikis as a real-time editing tool. He uses one for NELINET’s education services event calendar.

“It creates a historical repository,” said Favini. “Any time you change an entry, that change is recorded. So you can go back and call up the different changes over history and see how the project has evolved. Also, since it’s usually Web-based, people can access it no matter where they are. And since it’s real-time, you can make a change and get people to respond to it very quickly. Everyone is working in one environment.”

Although wikis have become more popular in the academic environment, they still pose some risks. Much like web logs, otherwise known as “blogs”, wikis that are not password-protected enable anyone to post information or edit existing content on those sites. As a result, some sites may not be credible, because their content may be inaccurate or biased.



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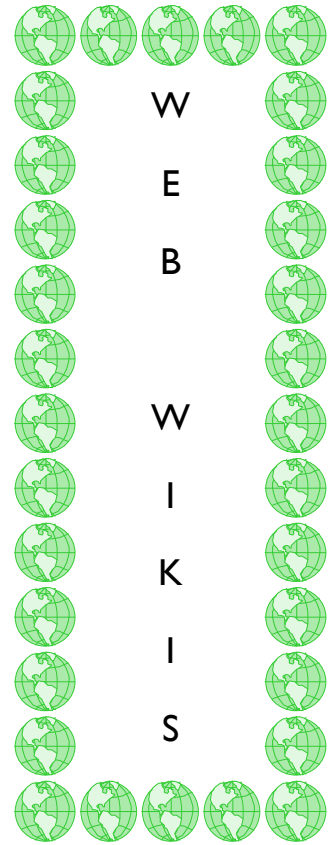
Copyright ownership is another reason some are reluctant to use these new applications. A wiki is a collective work in most cases, and therefore, it can be difficult to determine who owns the copyright for that work. For example, if faculty members from the same college participate in a wiki as part of their job, the college may be the copyright owner for that wiki content.

Despite these issues, wikis are popping up at more and more academic institutions and organizations that serve them. To visit some of those sites, select the links below.

Helpful Links:

- [University of Minnesota Libraries Staff Web site](http://wiki.lib.umn.edu/Staff/HomePage)  
[ <http://wiki.lib.umn.edu/Staff/HomePage> ]
- [Library Success: A Best Practices Wiki](http://www.libsuccess.org/index.php?title=Main_Page)  
[ [http://www.libsuccess.org/index.php?title=Main\\_Page](http://www.libsuccess.org/index.php?title=Main_Page) ]
- [Virtual Reference SIG Wiki](http://vrsig.pbwiki.com/Wikis)  
[ <http://vrsig.pbwiki.com/Wikis> ]

—Submitted by BZ



## Library Titles—Just a Few of the Recently Added Materials

(B) = Book, (C) = CD, (D) = DVD, (J) = Journal, (V) = VHS

The Art of Etruria and Ancient Rome (B)	Hitler, 1936-1945: Nemesis (B)
The Craft of the Screenwriter (B)	The Journals of A.H. Maslow (B)
From Vietnam to 9/11 (B)	Jungian Analysis (B)
The Greatest Generation Speaks (B)	Lost in Translation (D)
Hermits: Insights of Solitude (B)	Wild Animus (C)

—MLP



## Faculty Footnotes . . .

As more and more faculty use Blackboard course-management software to enhance their courses, there is a greater need to be more familiar with the rules and regulations regarding copyright. The Copyright Clearance Center provides faculty with a handbook entitled *The Campus Guide to Copyright Compliance* which covers all areas of copyright important to faculty, including duplication of materials for use in classrooms, making materials available in electronic format, and how to use video and audio in course-management software packages.

Faculty can get access to this guide through the Faculty Resources page on the College Library's website at <http://www.pennhighlands.edu/library/faculty.htm>.

Faculty can also sign up to receive an electronic copyright newsletter from the Copyright Clearance Center. The newsletter focuses on issues of importance to faculty regarding copyright.

—BZ





## Pennsylvania Highlands Community College Library

### Main Library (Richland)

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Ebensburg, PA 15931  
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<http://www.pennhighlands.edu/library/libhome.htm>

## PENNSYLVANIA HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE LIBRARY MISSION

The Pennsylvania Highlands Community College (PHCC) Library is dedicated to providing its users with access to informational resources designed to enrich and support the educational objectives of the Pennsylvania Highlands Community College.

The PHCC Library will provide resources in a variety of formats that will be designed to allow for universal access by all types of users.

The PHCC Library will provide the technology necessary to make its users literate and knowledgeable of information retrieval techniques and will encourage lifelong learning through information-literacy instruction, information-skills training, and individualized instruction.

The PHCC Library will strive to remain in the forefront of the information revolution through continued staff and faculty development and training. Only through continued expansion and growth will the PHCC Library be able to meet the informational needs of its users today and tomorrow.

### LIBRARY HOURS—SPRING SEMESTER 2007

#### Main Library (Richland)

Monday-Thursday 8-9  
Friday 8-1  
Saturday 9-3

#### Mangarella Library (Ebensburg)

Monday-Thursday 8-9  
Friday 8-1  
Saturday 9-3

### WINDOW ON THE WEB—

#### ***P.H.I.L.L.I.P. Online***

#### **Via Blackboard**

***P.H.I.L.L.I.P. Online*** is part of the Pennsylvania Highlands Information Literacy Library Instruction Program. All students registered for the current semester are added to ***PHILLIP Online*** in order to enable access to this resource. Students may be assigned ***PHILLIP Online*** to complete as part of their coursework, or students may wish to go through ***PHILLIP Online*** on their own in order to learn more about the library and how to use its resources. ***PHILLIP Online*** is not a class for which students register, instead it is designed to support students' learning needs. Does it sound interesting? Why not check it out? :-)

—MLP

