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Library Home

Your link to all of the Libraries' resources 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*.

Save Time & Get Better Grades



Now that it's April and Easter is behind us, the pressure may be building for you get moving with your research projects and term papers. The CU Libraries can help in a variety of ways.

Rather than getting a million hits from a Google search, many of which are irrelevant or of suspect quality, we offer access to millions of

authoritative articles, books, datasets, and other resources that may be just what your professors would like to see.

Intimidated? Don't know where to begin? Our friendly reference librarians are available to help you get started!

Stop by the Libraries, visit our **Website**, or call:

- Carlson Library Reference Librarians ... 393-2490
- Suhr Library Reference Librarian ... 676-6591 (or 814-676-6591 extension 1242)
- Clarion Online/Distance Education students may use the special toll-free number ... 866-272-5612 (Press #5 for Library).

You may also contact us through our <u>LibAnswers</u> Webpage.

<u>LibGuides</u> can help you get started by locating good information resources in many subject areas, and we have a variety of online <u>tutorials</u> that will help you to find journal articles, conduct library research, and to take advantage of library services and resources.

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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What Is ... JSTOR?



JSTOR is a database of hundreds of academic journals dating back to the first issue ever published of each journal title. It includes thousands of scholarly articles, digitized to make them readily available in searchable electronic form.

Clarion University Libraries provides access to journals in the subject areas of the arts, humanities, language and literature, social sciences, the

sciences (including life science), and business. Content can be accessed through the search box on the <u>Libraries</u> Webpage and through the *JSTOR* search engine.

This electronic information resource is available through the *Libraries Homepage*. In the "Research" block, click on the Databases link, then scroll down the alphabetical list or use the link to jump to the "J" section of databases.

If you have questions or need assistance, stop by the Libraries or call Carlson Library at 393-2490, Suhr Library at 676-6591 or Clarion Online distance education students may call toll-free at 866-272-5612, (press #5 for Library). Our Chat and other online services are available at the <u>Ask a Librarian! / LibAnswers!</u> link on our Website.

Library Tip: Online Renewals



Did you know that you can use our Website to extend the loan period for items checked out from Clarion University Libraries?

At the <u>Libraries</u> homepage, click on the <u>Library Catalog</u> link in the green "Research" box. On the library catalog search screen, click the <u>Renew Books</u> link located in the upper right corner of the screen. You will be

asked for your patron ID number.

Students: Your patron ID number is 9 + your Clarion ID number. **Get help** determining your Clarion ID number.

Employees: Your patron ID number is a nine digit number consisting of a series of leading zeros followed by your employee ID number (from your pay stub). Use enough preceding zeros to create a nine-digit number.

Roving Reference & Research Help

Does a tight schedule prevent you from visiting the Library?

Need help finding information to complete an assignment?

Having trouble locating a scholarly journal article?

Want some one-on-one instruction about our online library

STC	Level 1 Lobby	Monday	10 - 11 am
Gemmell	Level 1 Central Stairway	Tuesday	12 - 1 pm
Still Hall	Student Center Room 101	Tuesday	9 – 10 am

The Minion's Master Moves: The Password Meter



The S.W.A.T. Minions remind you...

We frequently hear that a good password is *strong*. Usually, this means it is at least 8 characters long, uses upper- and lower-case letters, numbers, and sometimes symbols.

You know the basics, but how do you rate the quality of your password?

The Password Meter can help! This

nifty tool analyzes potential passwords and scores them on a 100-point scale. Test your passwords and learn how substituting numbers for letters, or adding a special character, can strengthen a simple word or phrase.

Cranial Candy: Word Of The Week



mercurial

PRONUNCIATION:

(muhr-KYOOR-ee-uhl)



MEANING:

adjective:

- 1. Fickle; volatile; changeable.
- 2. Animated; quick-witted; shrewd.
- 3. Relating to the metal, planet, or god Mercury.

ETYMOLOGY:

After Mercury, Roman god of commerce, thievery, eloquence, communication, etc. The planet is named after the god and in ancient astrology those born under the supposed influence of Mercury were ascribed his qualities. Earliest documented use: 1300.

USAGE:

"Why is North Korea raising the stakes now, when the world is campaigning to eliminate nuclear weapons from the world's arsenals? It is difficult to tell, because Pyongyang and its mercurial leader Kim Jong-il act in erratic and contradictory ways."

Bantarto Bandoro; Nuclear Tension Rises on Divided Korean Peninsula; *The Jakarta Post* (Indonesia); Jan 18, 2003.

Tech Term: *meatspace*



Meatspace is a term, originating from cyberpunk fiction and culture, referring to the real (that is, *not virtual*) world, the world of flesh and blood. Somewhat tongue-incheek, it is the opposite of cyberspace.

Although we do not "repair" computers, the S.W.A.T. Team
(the 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:



Never idealize others.
They will never live up to your expectations.

~Leo Buscaglia, author, speaker and professor (1924-1998)