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For faculty already planning course material and assignments for the fall semester, be advised that each librarian is always assigned a subject list to support the faculty teaching those disciplines. Contact your library liaison over the summer for any requests that we can help you with during the fall.

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COMMENCEMENT 2015

The graduating class of 2015, joined by Hilbert College officials, faculty, friends, and family celebrated the 2015 Commencement in Swan Auditorium on Saturday, May 15. Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul delivered the Commencement address and imparted inspirational advice to the graduates and all who were in attendance.
The evening of 8 March 1971 witnessed two very significant events. One was billed as the Fight of the Century, matching the undefeated and reigning world boxing champion, Joe Frazier against the also undefeated Muhammed Ali. Madison Square Garden in New York City was packed with more than 20,000 fans, among which were countless celebrities. One of the celebrities, Frank Sinatra, unable to obtain tickets, was hired by Life Magazine to photograph the fight. Millions of people around the world huddled against their radios to listen or paid to watch the match on close circuit TV. Consequently, it was a perfect night for a burglary.

That same evening, while the country was mesmerized by The Fight, eight people staged a break-in of the FBI office in Media, Pennsylvania and stole thousands of secret reports that indicated that the FBI, under J. Edgar Hoover’s directorship and in keeping with his direct orders, had been and were continuing to conduct illegal surveillance, harassment, infiltration, as well as covert undercover activities against various anti-war, African-American, and liberal organizations within the United States. The burglars purposely chose this date and time to coordinate with the Ali

In conjunction with structured lesson plans that increase in difficulty, Mango provides a number of recreational features. Included in the languages are Shakespearean English, pirate, and endangered languages. Mango also provides a number of different language platforms for ESL students.

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So stoppen Sie in die Bibliothek und eine Fremdsprache lernen!

To access Mango visit McGrath Library Website and click on Mango:
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Mango Languages is now available for students, faculty and staff of Hilbert College. Access can be gained through the library website. McGrath Library is pleased to subscribe to this software that delivers excellent results with an easy to manipulate interface.

Mango features over sixty-five different languages, some of which are broken down into specific lessons for specific situations. Mango students can pick a number of different situational lessons including medical and legal. Additionally, Mango users can choose a specific focus for a number of the featured languages. For example, there are lessons for both Hebrew and Latin that concentrate on religious and scholarly themes.

Director’s Choice
The Burglary: The Discovery of J. Edgar Hoover’s Secret FBI
by Betty Medsgar
Betty Medsger, the author of The Burglary: The Discovery of J. Edgar Hoover’s Secret FBI, and, at the time, a reporter at The Washington Post, brings to light the Media burglars who have kept secret for thirty-three years. The book reads like a thriller. The people who participate in the burglary are recruited by William Davidon, an avid anti-war activist. All of the participants are themselves anti-war activists as well as teachers, housewives, waitresses, etc. Just ordinary people who spent months planning and rehearsing and who had been able to, afterwards, avoid detection by the FBI even though Hoover employed every available agent and resource at his disposal to finding them. Not until Medsger’s book have the burglars’ identities been revealed. Medsger not only illustrates the actual burglary and FBI response, but she goes into the trauma and anxiety most of the burglars had following the break in, all of them believing they would eventually be arrested and incarcerated.

The Burglary comes very highly recommended. A great summer read.


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Review by McGrath Library Director Wil Prout

Galileo’s Middle Finger by Alice Dreger

Dreger (Clinical Medical Humanities and Bioethics/ Northwestern Univ.; One of Us: Conjoined Twins and the Future of Normal, 2004, etc.) passionately investigates character assassinations in academia and how “[s]cience and social justice require each other to be healthy, and both are critically important to human freedom.”

Among others, the author examines the case of anthropologist Napoleon Chagnon, whose blunt characterization of the Yanomomö tribe in Brazil led to accusations that he had fomented tribal violence. This was false, Dreger demonstrates, abetted by a disgraceful lack of fact-checking, personal animus and a belief in tribes as “noble savages.” Following her doctoral thesis on Victorian doctors’ attitudes toward hermaphrodites, Dreger’s writing caught the attention of the intersex movement, which she joined to support the rights of mixed-sex individuals to self-determine their sexual identity. Similarly, she supported transsexual rights but soon became a target for uncovering the dirty dealings of three transgendered females. The women were incensed by a researcher who proposed that the sex changes of some male-to-female transsexuals were motivated by eroticism. The trio exploited social media with outrageous fabrications of the researcher’s work and life. In other studies, Dreger found serious ethical issues with the research of a pediatrician who espouses the use of a potent steroid drug in certain pregnancies to forestall virilizing a female baby. The author also takes to task feminists who attacked an evolutionary psychologist for suggesting that rape, found in humans and other species, could be a way of perpetuating a male’s genes.

Dreger’s investigations all turn on how human identity and behavior have been defined in history and why challenges to conventional wisdom are so inflammatory. That explains her homage to Galileo, whose mummified middle finger she saw in a museum in Florence. The finger points skyward to symbolize his opening the heavens to scientific investigation, she writes, while at the same time “giving the finger” in defiance of Vatican authority.

Let us be grateful that there are writers like Dreger who have the wits and the guts to fight for truth.

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Dear Marcus by Jerry McGill

Jerry McGill was thirteen years old, walking through the projects of Manhattan’s Lower East Side, when he was shot in the back by a stranger. Jerry survived, wheel-chair bound for life; his assailant was never caught. Thirty years later, Jerry wants to say something to the man who shot him.

*Hilbert Reads 2015 Selection*  
*Call Number: HQ777.4 .M384 & On Reserve*

Digital Paper: A Manual for Research and Writing with Library and Internet Materials by Andrew Abbott

Today’s researchers have access to more information than ever before. Yet the new material is both overwhelming in quantity and variable in quality. How can scholars survive these twin problems and produce groundbreaking research using the physical and electronic resources available in the modern university research library?

*Call Number: LB1047.3 .A22*

Nora Webster; A Novel by Colm Tóibín

Struggling with grief and financial hardships after the death of her beloved husband, widow Nora Webster struggles to support her four children and clings to secrecy in the intrusive community of her childhood before finding her voice.

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