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Author Michael Perry Speaks at the Library



Due to great interest and discussion, Perry was invited to campus to share his experiences and discuss his writing. On October 29th, many students and staff questioned him during a brown bag lunch discussion held in the University Library and followed up with a book signing session. He also participated in three English classes throughout the day, had a book signing session, and performed a reading from some of his books in the evening at the Memorial Student Center.

In addition to *Population: 485*, Perry has written other books of essays: *Truck: A Love Story*; *Off Main Street*; *Why They Killed Big Boy*; and *Big Rigs, Elvis, & the Grand Dragon Wayne*. A new title is in the works so look for *Coop*. Perry has also performed segments for Wisconsin Public Television called *The Clodhopper Report*. More information on his works, a photo gallery of New Auburn, and links to WPT are on the Into the Book web page <http://www.uwstout.edu/lib/intothebook/2008/>

Written by Carol Hagness

UW-Stout promotes a first-year-student program to encourage community building among students. This includes the Into the Book program in which students read a selected book during the summer, then meet as groups in the fall to discuss it. This year's book selection was *Population: 485, Meeting Your Neighbors One Siren at a Time* by Michael Perry. In it, Perry discusses his experiences and relationships in the small Wisconsin town of New Auburn.

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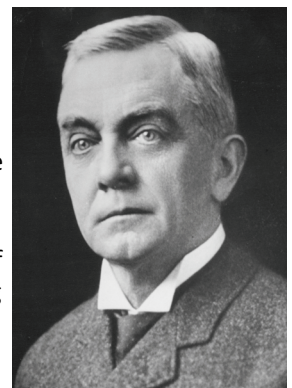
Student Library Proxies

Faculty and academic staff may sign-up to have library materials picked up and checked out for them by their own students. It is not advisable to have students using or carrying staff ID's. Staff will need to print the Proxy Patron form on UW-Stout or departmental letterhead and include staff signature. For more information and a link to the proxy form, please see <http://www.uwstout.edu/lib/forms/proxypatron.htm> or contact Susan Lindahl at x3382

Written by Susan Lindahl

James Huff Stout Inducted into Library Hall of Fame

James Huff Stout was inducted into the Wisconsin Library Hall of Fame on November 6, 2008. Stout and nine others were among the first group of inductees to the newly formed hall of fame established by the Wisconsin Library Association Foundation Board. Stout was a strong supporter of libraries and an early advocate of free libraries. In 1894, he was elected to the Wisconsin Senate and served as chair of the Education Committee and introduced a bill that created the Free Library Commission. Stout supported the building of the State Historical Society Library. In 1896, he financed free traveling libraries in Wisconsin and by 1901 the number of traveling libraries had increased from 16 to 238. Stout was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Mabel Tainter Literary, Library, and Educational Society and chairman of the library committee. He also served as President of the West Wisconsin Library Association.



The other inductees to the Wisconsin Hall of Fame were Edward Asahel Birge, Elizabeth Burr, Lyman Copeland Draper, Theresa West Elmendorf, Muriel Laura Fuller, Mary Emogene Hazeltine, Frank Avery Hutchins, Lutie Eugenia Stearns, and Ruben Gold Thwaites. (Information for this article courtesy of the *Dunn County News*).

Written by Christi Wasson

John Knapp

It is difficult to be a student at UW-Stout or to live in the Menomonie area without hearing the name "Knapp." John Holly Knapp was one of the founders of the Knapp, Stout & Co. Company, at one time the largest logging enterprise in the world. It was profits from this company that enabled James Huff Stout to found this institution.

Knapp was one of the earliest lumbering entrepreneurs to recognize the potential of Western Wisconsin. Much of the earliest

history of this area can be identified with Knapp's work, but more than being a maker of history, he was also its recorder.

Beginning in 1848, Knapp recorded in a series of journals his life and times from the earliest days in the lumber camps where he acquired his family's fortune to how he and his family spent that fortune both home and abroad. In addition to recording the day to day routine of family and business life Knapp experienced such diverse historic events as the

Great Chicago Fire of 1871 and listening to a lecture by Susan B. Anthony. His diaries as well as those of one of his sons (Henry) and one of his wife's (Valeria) have been transcribed and are now available on the archive's web page. The original diaries are housed in the Area Research Center on the third floor of the library.

The Area Research Center is part of a cooperative project by the Wisconsin Historical Society and UW-Stout to preserve the history of this great state.

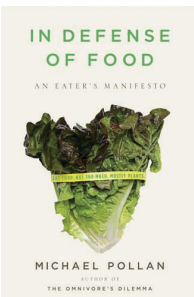


John Holly Knapp not only made history, but recorded it in a series of personal journals.

Written by Kevin Thorie

Top Ten Lists!

Top Ten circulating books purchased in 2008:



1. *In Defense of Food: an eater's manifesto* by Michael Pollan
2. *Eat, Pray, Love: One woman's search for everything across Italy, India and Indonesia* by Elizabeth Gilbert
3. *Hungry: lessons learned on the journey from fat to thin* by Allen Zadoff
4. *Choice* by Nicholas Sparks
5. *Quiet Girl* by Peter Hoeg
6. *Born Standing Up: a comic's life* by Steve Martin
7. *Graphic Design: a new history* by Stephen J. Eskilson
8. *You've been warned: a novel* by James Patterson
9. *Raven Black* by Ann Cleves
10. *Cracking the CLEP* by Tom Metzler and Paul Foglino

Top Ten circulating new Feature Films purchased in 2008:



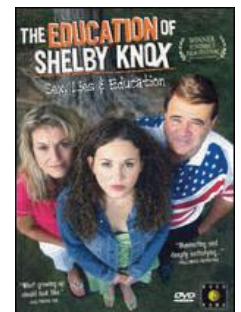
1. Crash
2. Munich
3. Syriana
4. Legends of the Fall
5. Abandon
6. Me and You and Everyone we Know
7. 40-year-old Virgin
8. New World
9. Rosemary's Baby
10. Evil Dead

Top Ten Juvenile books circulated (since 1999):

1. *Brown, Bear, Brown Bear, What do you See?*
2. *Snowy Day*
3. *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*
4. *Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What do You Hear?*
5. *Owl Moon*
6. *Tuesday*
7. *The Very Busy Spider*
8. *Chicka Chicka boom boom*
9. *If You give a Mouse a Cookie*
10. *The Polar Express*

Top Ten circulating non-fiction/documentaries purchased in 2008:

1. Too Hot not to Handle
2. The Future of Food
3. E²: The Economies of being Environmentally Conscious
4. Big Bucks, Big Pharma: Marketing disease and pushing drugs
5. Power Shift
6. Education of Shelby Know: Sex, Lies and Education
7. New Fears for Food Irradiation: Promise or Threat?
8. Talk to Me: Teens speak out about Sexual Violence
9. China Blue
10. Bringin' in da Spirit



Written by Bill Johnston

Eye on Electronic Collections

Research Help at Your University Library

Several full text electronic book, journal and primary resource collections are available to the Stout community. Are you looking for a book on oil pipelines, then try the **Knovel Engineering Library**. Perhaps **MD Consult** or **Nursing Consult** will have a peer reviewed article on the dietetic requirements for diabetic children. Do you need a primary source from the 19th century, then the **Gilded Age** might have what you need.



Knovel Engineering Library provides a one-stop source for finding answers to science and engineering questions. The Knovel database contains some of the leading engineering reference handbooks, databases, and conference proceedings. Some of the subject areas covered are: adhesives, chemistry, chemical engineering, environmental engineering, concrete, construction, asphalt, food science, mechanical engineering, semiconductors, electronics, textiles, safety, plastics and surface engineering. The content of more than 1,500 books is interactive and cross-searchable.



MD Consult is a comprehensive clinical information resource. It includes more than 70 leading medical books, full-text articles from over 70 journals, over 1,000 peer-reviewed clinical practice guidelines, more than 5,000 customizable patient education handouts, as well as drug information and Category 1 CME modules.



Nursing Consult brings the leading nursing resources together in one integrated online service.. It contains drug information, patient handouts, medical journals, health reference books, nursing news, clinical updates and more. Over 40 books and 50 full text journals are available.



The Gilded Age brings together primary documents and scholarly commentary into a searchable collection covering the evolution of society, government, and culture in the United States between 1865 and 1902. When complete, the collection will contain over 50,000 pages of fully searchable text and associated audio and video material. The Gilded Age provides insight into the key issues that shaped America in the late nineteenth century, including race and ethnicity, immigration, labor, women's rights, American Indians, political corruption, and monetary policy.

How do I access these fantastic resources?

To access these databases both on campus and remotely go to the library home page (<http://www.uwstout.edu/lib/>), click on Indexes and Databases, then Alpha List, scrolling down to the database.

If you are connecting from off campus you will need your Stout email username and password to access the database.

Questions about these databases or others, contact Leiah Lugo, 7152321552 or lugola@uwstout.edu.

Focus On EMC Young Adult Collection

The [Educational Materials Center](#) (EMC) is located on the first floor of the University Library and has materials that support the teacher education programs at UW-Stout. The collection is loaded with youth fiction and non-fiction including popular fiction for young adults. The collection even has graphic novels.



EMC YA Facts...

- 28 day checkout period for items (other EMC materials are 7 day checkout)
- collection covers grade 6 – grade 12
- graphic novels
- non-fiction
- award winning and popular fiction
- YA videos

New Titles in EMC Young Adult



Bird Lake Moon by Kevin Henkes

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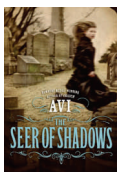
Twelve-year-old Mitch and his mother are spending the summer with his grandparents at Bird Lake after his parents separate, and ten-year-old Spencer and his family have returned to the lake where Spencer's little brother drowned long ago, and as the boys become friends and spend time together, each of them begins to heal.



All-Star Superman by Grant Morrison

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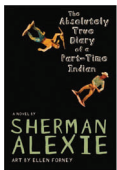
A graphic novel about Superman and his adventures.



Seer of Shadows by Avi

EMC YA PZ7 .A953 Sf

In New York City in 1872, fourteen-year-old Horace, a photographer's apprentice, becomes entangled in a plot to create fraudulent spirit photographs, but when Horace accidentally frees the real ghost of a dead girl bent on revenge, his life takes a frightening turn.



The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian by Sherman Alexie

EMC YA PZ7 .A382 Ab

Budding cartoonist Junior leaves his troubled school on the Spokane Indian Reservation to attend an all-white farm town school where the only other Indian is the school mascot.



The Entertainer and the Dybbuk by Sid Fleischman

EMC YA PZ7 .F5992 En

A struggling American ventriloquist in post-World War II Europe is possessed by the mischievous spirit of a young Jewish boy killed in the Holocaust. Author's note details the murder of over one million children by the Nazis during the 1930s and 1940s.



Cures for Heartbreak by Margo Rabb

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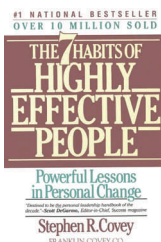
As she navigates adolescence, ninth-grader Mia must deal with her mother's recent death and her father's illness while she searches for friendship and love in the world around her.

Written by Cory Mitchell

All Time Most Circulating Items

The Stout library catalog began keeping statistics in 1999— these are the top five most circulating items in the library.

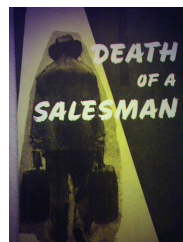
Top five all-time circulating books in the library (our current catalog began keeping statistics in 1999):



1. *Seven habits of Highly Successful People: Restoring the Character Ethic* by Stephen R. Covey
2. *Men are from Mars, Woman are from Venus* by John Gray
3. *Hmong in America: providing ethnic-sensitive health, education, and human services* by Kathleen M. McInnis.
4. *How to Write Better Resumés* by Adele Lewis
5. *Drunk Driving: an American Dilemma* by James B. Jacobs

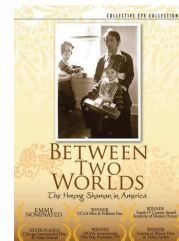
Top five all-time circulating fiction videos (since 1999):

1. Death of a Salesman
2. The Glass Menagerie
3. Raisin in the Sun
4. One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest
5. 1984



Top Five all-time circulating nonfiction Videos (since 1999):

1. Still Killing us Softly: Advertising's image of women
2. Self-Esteem in the Classroom: A live video seminar
3. The Leadership Alliance
4. Attention Deficit Hyperactivity disorder: What do we know?
5. Between Two Worlds: the Hmong shaman in America



Written by Bill Johnston

Meet Our New Staff!

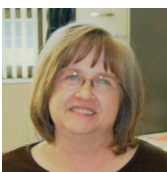
Hello, I'm Dawn Skovbroten. I started in the Library Administration office in October. I do some general office operations, scanning of the theses and will be working to get Library Administration started on using Image Now. I have an Associate Degree in Marketing and most of my past experience is in retail management. I enjoy reading and scrapbooking. My husband Todd and I are typically busy going to any of our four children's sporting events. In our spare time the family enjoys skiing and snowboarding in the winter and camping and boating in the summer.

My name is Kari Heribson and I am originally from Tomahawk, WI. I am currently finishing up my Master's in Applied Psychology with a concentration in Program Evaluation. I work as administrative support in the Library Administration Office helping scan theses and other documents. I am engaged to a man named Mike and I have four cats, Peanut, Buddy,



Archie, and Kallisto. I enjoy reading and sitting at home trying to understand what goes through my cat's heads.

Hi, I am Melissa Simonson, and I am originally from Hixton, WI. I worked previously for the School District of Black River Falls, WI for the past 15 years as a library aide. I came to Stout in October, 2008 and work as a cataloger. I am currently taking classes and will finish up my Associate's Degree in Information and Library Technology this spring. I have two daughters. Rachel is a senior at the University of MN Twin Cities, and Megan is a freshman at Stout. I enjoy reading and gardening.



Hi, my name is Julianne Johnson. I have spent the past twelve years as Circulation Manager at UW-River Falls. In November, I transferred to the University Library as Circulation Manager. I live in Menomonie and I am grateful for the shorter commute. I am married to Gary Johnson, School Social

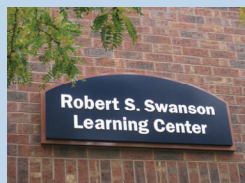
Worker for the district of Menomonie. I enjoy spending my time with my dog, cat and horse and I look forward to working my way through the large cookbook and vintage clothing collections in the library.

Hello, my name is Christi Wasson. I am the graduate assistant for the UW-Stout Library. I am in the Applied Psychology Master's program with concentrations in Industrial Organizational Psychology and Program Evaluation.



My name is John Wasson. I have a Bachelors degree in Business Administration. I am currently working at the UW-Stout library as an LTE while I am applying for Graduate School here at Stout for a Masters Degree in Training in Development. My long term goal is to complete a second Masters Degree in Library Information Science to become an Academic Librarian .

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Reference Desk and Reference Area Revamped

Beginning Fall 2007, the Reference Work Group initiated a project to select a new Reference Desk and rearrange the Reference Area to enhance librarian visibility and better serve reference users. The initial step was for every work group member to provide individual input on the project. After discussion and consensus, task force members volunteered to investigate options and bring back plans to the workgroup. The Reference Desk furniture, provided by Embury, Ltd., was installed during Summer 2008. The new desk, located near the center of the room, is positioned directly in line with the entrance doors. It is of modular construction with varied heights for both stand-up service and sit-down consultation.

As a result of the project plan, other changes were made: A new Access to Learning (ALD) Desk, presently on order, will be located in the same area. An area for soft furniture and informal gathering is near the entrance doors. More laptop workstations were provided. Community logon computers were located near the two service desks. To streamline Reference Desk contents, paper files were converted to electronic files and the Ready Reference collection was condensed. Low use collections were relocated: ERIC to the Periodicals Area; Theses, Tests on Fiche, and Map collections to the back wall. EMC curriculum was consolidated and most student created units were withdrawn.



Librarian Jana Reeg-Steidinger helping a student at the new Reference Desk.

The Project is ONGOING. Still needed is permanent soft furniture, floor covering, and new workstation desks to achieve the Information Commons concept that is popular in academic libraries. We are encouraged by much positive feedback from our Reference Area users.

Written by Jana Reeg-Steidinger

Comments are welcome; please send to Cory Mitchell mitchellc@uwstout.edu