

BI-Lines

Notes and News from the SWEDENBORG LIBRARY



Bryn Athyn College / Academy of the New Church

<http://www.brynathyn.edu/Library>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• Charter Weekend Hours

Oct. 9 (Thurs) 8am to 6 pm

Oct. 10 (Fri) CLOSED

Oct. 11 (Sat) 8 am to 5 pm

Oct. 12 (Sun) 2 - 6 pm ; 7 - 11 pm

Oct. 13 (Mon) CLOSED

• Friends of the Swedenborg Library Fall Used Book Sale

Friday (Oct 24)

Student/faculty preview

10am-Noon

Open to the public Noon-5pm

Saturday (Oct 25) 10am-3pm

BAG SALE

Noon until 3 ON SATURDAY!!!

Swedenborg Library Basement
(former Computer Lab)

New year, new look

It has been a very busy summer. For both new and returning students, faculty and staff, the views on campus are very different than they were just a few short weeks ago.

In the spirit of change and renewal, we thought it would be appropriate to update the look of our newsletter. We hope you like it! As a result of a fun "summer camp" on library technologies we attended in July, we are forging ahead into the world of Web 2.0 and look forward to using some of our new skills in the year ahead.

Meanwhile, let us introduce ourselves...



Swedenborg Library Staff

Back row from left: Rev. Erik Sandstrom, Michael Hogan, Martha McDonough, Greg Jackson, David Perry, Marvin Clymer.

Front row from left: Carol Traveny, Carroll Odhner, Rosanne Bostock, Elaine Kim. Missing from the picture are Rev. Sung-Won Paek and Audrey Smith.

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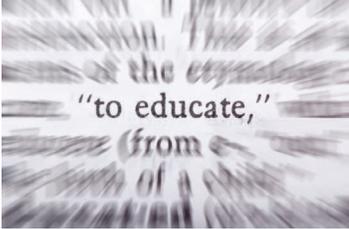
Gregory Jackson joins staff as Archivist

We are very pleased to welcome Greg who is a 20 year veteran of the U.S. Navy where he specialized in propulsion engineering program management. After retiring from the military he returned to college and completed a BA in History from Bryn Athyn

College and a MA in Museum Studies from University of Leicester. Greg has worked as a tour guide for Glencairn Museum, an independent researcher, a museum educator and as Historic Site Supervisor for Pottsgrove Manor historic site in Pottstown, PA. He is cur-

rently a member of the Board of Directors of the Old York Road Historical Society. He accepted the position as Archivist for the Academy of the New Church in July of 2008. He lives in Bryn Athyn with his wife Alison and their six children.

Introducing Credo : reference resources available online



"An online full text reference library, with access to hundreds of titles..."

What is Credo Reference?

An online full text reference library, with access to hundreds of titles, such as dictionaries, encyclopedias, atlases, etc. Subjects range from accounting to zoology and everything in-between.

How do I access Credo?

Visit the Swedenborg Library web site at

www.brynathyn.edu/library and select Credo Reference from the list of electronic sources.

If you are in the library or on campus:

After clicking on the Credo link, you will see the Credo Reference home page. While on campus, you can also go directly to

www.credoreference.com for access.

If you are not in the library or on campus:

Contact ANC helpdesk for remote access to campus network.

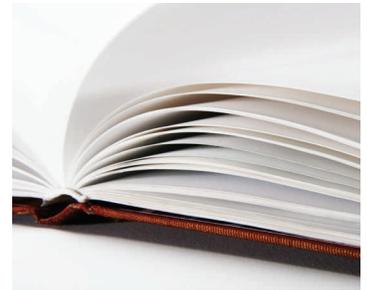
How do I use Credo?

Begin your search with Credo's basic, simple search screen. Search all Credo subjects or choose to limit your search to one topic or use our enhanced search results to limit your results. You can limit by subject, type of entry (person, article, definition, event, etc.), or publication date.

Need more information on a topic? Let Credo guide you to other related entries. Or you can brainstorm ideas with the Concept Map to find additional topics to explore.

Save your entries or export by clicking on the email icon. You can also save citations for each entry in APA, Chicago, Harvard or MLA format.

Already searching in the library's online catalog? It's easy to link to Credo as all the Credo Reference titles are integrated in the online catalog along with the library's other print and electronic texts.



Director's Web Site Tips: PolitiFact



Seen those political ads on TV? Want to separate truth from fiction?

Want a more balanced view of the candidates and what's at stake in the upcoming United States Presidential election?

Go to : <http://www.politifact.com/truth-o-meter/>

This web site is maintained by the *St. Petersburg Times* and *Congressional Quarterly*. By monitoring and researching statements made by candidates in speeches, ads, etc. and verifying for accuracy, this site helps users evaluate the information they are receiving.

PolitiFact uses the "Truth-O-Meter" system of rating each statement by one of six : True, Mostly True, Half True, False, or Pants on Fire. The sources used to evaluate the statements are given next to the article. Each article can be searched using key words or browsed by name of candidate, issue, political affiliation,

Politifact *(continued)*

or Truth-O-Meter rating. Want to keep up with this site on a regular basis? You can subscribe to an email or RSS feed.

Vote responsibly in November! Check out the candidates and the issues! Knowledge is power!

- Carroll Odhner



Book donations policy updated

The Swedenborg Library is grateful for donations of books and materials, particularly as they give us the opportunity to make available items that we might not otherwise be able to provide. However, growing concerns over space and storage and time spent in processing have made it necessary to refine our donations policy.

All donations of materials are reviewed by library staff. Once donated, the materials become the property of the Swedenborg Library and/or the Friends of the Swedenborg Library and these groups reserve the right to dispose of the items to their best advantage. This can include:

- accession into the Library collections
- placement in the FOSL ongoing and biannual book sales
- donations to or exchange with other institutions or organizations

- resale or recycling

The Library and/or FOSL does not appraise donated materials. However, a statement of receipt noting the number and types of donated items is provided upon request. This statement may be used for tax purposes as evidence of charitable giving.

All materials must be in good condition.

We cannot accept:

Books that are mildewed, moldy, dirty, or show signs of insect damage; books with covers or pages missing or broken spines; books with highlighted or underlined text.

Specifically, we cannot accept:

- Materials in outdated formats (for example: LP sound recordings, computer manuals for extinct programs).
- Reader's Digest Condensed Books.
- Popular journals such as

National Geographic.

- Encyclopedias.
- Popular multi-volume series such as Time-Life.
- Single volumes of multi-volume sets or incomplete sets.
- Used textbooks that have been discontinued because out of date.

Persons who wish to donate large numbers of items should first contact the Library.

We appreciate your generosity and your cooperation. Thanks!

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"Knowledge is of two kinds. We know a subject ourselves, or we know where we can find information upon it. When we enquire into any subject, the first thing we have to do, is to know what books have treated of it. This leads us to look at catalogues, and the backs of books in libraries."

- Samuel Johnson (from Boswell's *Life of Johnson*)

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Swedenborg Library Mission Statement

The primary purpose of the Swedenborg Library is the acquisition, preservation and promotion of the New Church collections and archives for use throughout the world. These collections include books written by Swedenborg (first editions, subsequent editions and translations), copies of books known to have been owned by Swedenborg, and books and periodicals of the 17 and 18th centuries (particularly in the sciences and religion) either used by Swedenborg or reflecting the thought of his age. A collection of collateral literature covers all aspects of study of Swedenborg and the New Church. The archives are a cultural resource containing a variety of documents, letters and photographs relevant to the New Church, the Academy, and the Bryn Athyn community. The next most important use is to provide materials and information, in various forms, in support of the academic programs of the Academy schools. The library also serves as a resource for members of the local community.