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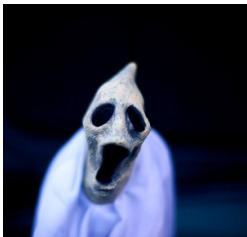
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Birnbaum Library

SATURDAY, DEC. 8, 2012
10:00AM - 11:00PM
SUNDAY, DEC. 9, 2012
12:00PM - 12:00 MIDNIGHT
MONDAY - FRIDAY, DEC. 10 - 14, 2012
8:00AM - 12:00 MIDNIGHT
SATURDAY, DEC. 15, 2012
10:00AM - 11:00PM
SUNDAY, DEC. 16, 2012
12:00PM - 12:00 MIDNIGHT
MONDAY-WEDNESDAY, DEC. 17 - 19, 2012
8:00AM - 12:00 MIDNIGHT
THURSDAY, DEC. 20, 2012
8:00AM - 9:00PM
FRIDAY, DEC. 21, 2012
8:30AM - 5:00PM

Mortola Library

SATURDAY, DEC. 8, 2012
9AM-11PM
SATURDAY, DEC. 15
9AM-11PM
FRIDAY, DEC. 21, 2012
8:30AM - 5PM



You may have noticed this creepy little ghost peeking at you around the Birnbaum Library recently, with Pace students in hot pursuit. The fall semester's library orientation for first year students at the NYC campus was an interactive mystery game that required students to explore the library and find the answer to the question, *who is the ghost in the basement of 41 Park Row?* The aim of the Ghost Hunters

Ebooks at Pace by Noreen McGuire, Assistant University Librarian for Collection Development

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Ghost Hunters: Mission Completed by Jennifer Rosenstein, First Year Outreach Services Librarian

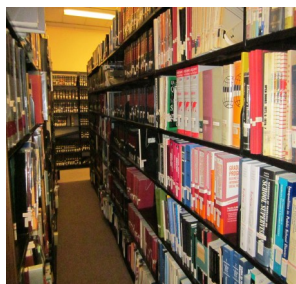
game was to help students become more comfortable with the physical layout of the library, interact with staff, and use the library's online catalog and databases. Over 800 students completed the game and overall response was positive. Students that finished the game had the option of completing an online survey to be entered into a raffle for prizes donated by local businesses. The survey results show that the students regarded li-

brary staff as friendly and helpful. Students also learned about the history of lower Manhattan. There were two versions of the game. The ghost in Game A was Jacob Leisler, who was hanged on what is now Pace Plaza in 1691 for leading a rebellion in the aftermath of England's Glorious Revolution; the ghost in Game B was Ann Derrickson, murdered during the Civil War Draft Riots (Mrs. Derrickson was married to an African American and died defending her son from a racist

mob). These historical figures were chosen because their deaths raise complicated questions of justice, in keeping with the theme of the first year program. I planned and coordinated the Ghost Hunters game with a great deal of help and input from the rest of the library staff. The circulation, Collaborative Learning Room, and reference staff, were active participants, and helped to keep it running smoothly.



Therapy dogs from The Good Dog Foundation will be visiting the Pace Pleasantville and NYC campuses. Students can spend time with dogs to de-stress. The dogs will visit the Mortola Library on December 13 from 11 am- 2pm, and the Kessel Student Center from 2- 4pm. On December 18 the dogs wag tail at the Birnbaum Library from 2:30 – 4:30 pm. Stop by and hang with some furry friends!



Meet our new Librarian!



Eloise Flood

Research for Success

This semester the Birnbaum Library hosted a series of information workshops focusing on business and company research. The workshops were designed to provide support to Pace students preparing for interviews, where knowledge of a company's history and competitors can be crucial to landing a position. Philip Poggiali, Instructional Services Librarian, demonstrated how to locate public and private company profiles in online full-text databases such as Business Source Premier, Standard

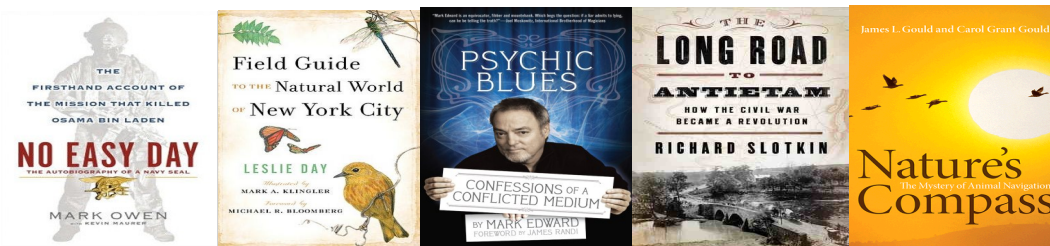
& Poor's NetAdvantage, and Business Insights: Essentials. "I wanted to remind students facing a difficult job market that research leads to employment," Philip says. "I hope our library resources can give them a familiarity with businesses that interest them professionally, so that they will be more informed when they interview." Though the last session of the semester was on Dec. 4, Philip will revive the *Research for Success* workshops for the Spring 2013 semester.

Around the World

The Birnbaum Library is inviting the Pace community to find their place in the world! Visitors are welcome to take a colored sticker and attach it to their birthplace on a world map located at the entrance to the library. The display was created by First Year Outreach Services Librarian Jennifer Rosenstein.



New Books at Mortola and Birnbaum Libraries



New books are added frequently to the library collections. Faculty and students are welcome to place requests for new materials through the library catalog: <http://www.pace.edu/library/find-resources/library-catalog>

Eloise Flood started full-time as a Reference Librarian in July, following two years of part-time reference work at Birnbaum. She came to librarianship after a career as a children's book editor. Her MLS is from Pratt Institute in NYC, and she earned her BA at Columbia University. Eloise lives in Brooklyn with her family and a charismatic cat named Pluto.

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