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End of Fall / Intersession Hours

**Mortola Library**
- **Mon-Thu:** 8 am–2 am
- **Fri:** 8 am–11 pm
- **Sat:** 10 am–8 pm
- **Sun:** 10 am–2 am
- **Fri, Dec. 6 & Dec. 13:** 8 am–2 am
- **Sat, Dec. 7 & Dec. 14:** 10 am–2 am
- **Intersession (Dec. 21–Jan. 26):** Sat., Dec. 21: 10 am–5 pm
  - Dec. 22 – Jan. 1: CLOSED
  - Jan. 2 – Jan. 26: CLOSED
- **Mon–Fri:** 8:30 am–5 pm
- **Sat–Sun:** CLOSED

**Birnbaum Library**
- **Mon–Thu:** 8 am–11 pm
- **Fri:** 8 am–10 pm
- **Sat:** 10 am–8 pm
- **Sun:** 12 pm–8 pm
- **Exam Hours (Dec 5—Dec 19):**
  - **Mon–Fri:** 8 am–12 am
  - **Sat:** 10 am–11 am
  - **Sun:** 12 pm–12 am
  - **Fri Dec. 20:** 8 am–10 pm
  - **Sat, Dec. 21:** 10 am–6 pm

**Intersession (Dec. 22–Jan. 26):**
- **Dec. 22–Jan. 1:** CLOSED
- **Jan. 2–Jan. 26:**
- **Mon–Fri:** 8:30 am–6 pm
- **Sat–Sun:** CLOSED
- **Mon, Jan. 20:** CLOSED

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**Cite It Right!**

Need help citing your sources? Trouble deciding if your sources are credible? Instructional Services Librarian Phil Poggiali will host Cite It Right! workshops at the Mortola Library to help students assemble bibliographies to support their research assignments. The workshops will be held in the Library’s electronic classroom on December 3 and 4 from 12 to 1 pm.

**Game Night at Mortola Library**

On Friday, November 1, at 7 p.m., students and staff gathered on the first floor of Mortola Library for Game Night, co-sponsored by the Pace Chronicle. The annual social event was well-attended, as many students visited to play board games and enjoy refreshments with library staff.

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**Dr. Durahn Taylor on Black Voters in the Roosevelt Age**

On October 30, Dr. Durahn Taylor, Assistant Professor of History at Pace, presented “From Hyde Park to Harlem: The Emergence of Franklin Delano Roosevelt’s Black Constituency in New York City” at the Mortola Library. His lecture focused on the historical impact of African American voters on U.S. Presidential Elections, and traced the shift from Republican to Democrat support from minority groups during FDR’s presidency (1933-45). The presentation was based on an article that Dr. Taylor wrote for the academic journal Afro-Americans in New York Life & History, which was developed using research he conducted at the Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library & Museum (in Hyde Park, NY), and the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture (in Harlem). From studying letters written to President Roosevelt by minority voters, Dr. Taylor learned that African Americans of that period “understood what their political best interests [were], sometimes better than the newspapers… and sometimes better than the local party leadership.” In order for the push for civil rights to occur in the 1960s, Dr. Taylor said, there needed to be a “recognition that African Americans were an important political force — electorally — that presidents and members of Congress had to listen to,” a recognition he described as occurring during the Roosevelt presidency.

**Former student employees**

Former student employees even dropped by to compete in games of Risk and Monopoly. “We’re looking forward to partnering with the Pace Chronicle for future game nights,” said Associate University Librarian Steven Feyl.

**50th Anniversary Photo Displays**

This year marks the 50th anniversary of Pace Pleasantville. Photos of the campus and its notable administrators, faculty, and benefactors are being displayed in the Mortola Library. The photos can be found throughout the Library, on walls and in display cases. Please stop by to see them!
University 101 Ghost Hunters Learn Library Skills at Birnbaum Library

First Year Students enrolled in University 101 classes have been hunting ghosts in the Birnbaum Library. The Ghost Hunters game was created by Jennifer Rosenstein, First Year Outreach Services Librarian. To find the identity of the ghost, students follow clues throughout the library. The clues encourage the students to use different library resources including the library catalog and the Academic Search Premier database. Along the way, students also receive a physical orientation to the library’s various spaces and resources including the writing center, collaborative learning room, and the information and circulation desks.

Participation is encouraged and classes that have achieved at least 80 percent participation are eligible for three $50 gift card raffles. Two lucky students have already won gift cards, but the last card is still up for grabs. The Ghost Hunters game will continue until December 12, when the last raffle will be held. So far 37 classes have reached 80 percent participation, 14 have reached 100 percent participation and a total of 925 students have completed Ghost Hunters this semester.

Good Dogs Return to the Pace Libraries!

After a great visit in October during midterms, students at the Pace Libraries will once again get a chance to relieve exam anxiety with our friends from the Good Dog Foundation. The dogs will be at the Mortola Library (PLV campus) on Tuesday, December 3, from 10 am to 1 pm, and at the Birnbaum Library (NYC campus) on Tuesday, December 10, from 3:30 to 4:30 pm. Make sure to arrive early since these fuzzy friends are very popular!

Meet our New Librarians!

Claire DiCioccio joined the Birnbaum Library as Part-time Reference Librarian in October. Claire grew up on Long Island, and received her undergraduate degree from Villanova University before completing her Master’s Degrees in Library Science and International Relations at St. John’s University in Queens. Prior to joining Pace, Claire worked at the Barnard College library. Claire lives in NYC and enjoys cooking, reading and traveling.

Rose Gillen started full-time at the Mortola Library as the Head of Research and Information Services in September, after 14 years as part-time reference librarian at Mortola and the Graduate Center libraries. Rose also managed two research libraries for Kraft Foods R&D for the last 17 years. She completed her MLS from the Palmer school, LIU, and earned her BA in English from SUNY Binghamton. Rose’s many hobbies and favorite pastimes include reading, movies, TV series, pottery, knitting, martial arts, enjoying her husband and two daughters, three inside/two outside (feral) cats, and cooking (but only once a week)!

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