Imagine being able to jump from the library's webpage to view *The New York Times*, in its entirety, with full color graphics. Not just the text, but the images. Not just the front page, but every last page, down to sports, the ads, the cartoons, and the classifieds. Not just the newspaper, but the Sunday magazine and the advance Sunday edition.

Now imagine being able to select different views, being able to print, and being able to search entire editions of the newspaper for words of interest that you select.

The library staff is pleased with this new offering and we know you will be, too. To check this out for yourself, simply follow these easy steps:

1) From the library webpage, **do a title search** for "New York Times Newspaper" (using quotes and remembering to include the word ‘newspaper’).

2) **Click** on the “image edition” link.

3) **Scroll** down to Electronic Image Editions” and select the daily edition of the newspaper, the Sunday edition, or the Book Review.

4) Browse. Search. Enjoy. **Tell a friend**!

Be sure to call Fintel’s reference desk at 375-2295 if you have any questions.
Shelflife

The Official Rebecca Heller Retirement Interview:
Parting Thoughts After 21 Years of Service to Roanoke College

Fintel Library’s reference librarian, Rebecca Heller, will be retiring at the end of November. She recently shared some insights about her past, present and future. Check it out!

Shelflife: How did you come to choose librarianship as your “chosen profession”?
RH: A lot of trial and error! I went from music to English as an undergraduate and then to library science in graduate school.

Shelflife: What part of your job at Fintel Library did you enjoy most? The least? (You can plead the 5th on that if you want!)
RH: Well, I enjoy working with students. I like being able to help them locate just the right sources for their projects. Teaching them how to locate items themselves is gratifying for me. That moment when a student realizes there is so much credible information available through the library resources and that he or she can locate it, is all the thanks I need. It’s been a great job for me. I have had to be a generalist – knowing a little bit about lots of subject areas.

Shelflife: What changes have you seen in the students over the 21 years you have sat at the Reference Desk?
RH: The students here at Roanoke are the best! For the most part, they are interested and motivated. It’s exciting to see someone really become enthralled in a topic and enjoy the research. It’s been especially challenging, satisfying, and enjoyable to work with the history students and their quest for primary sources! I have learned so much helping them track down everything from Amelia Bloomer’s The Lily to letters written by Queen Elizabeth I to personal accounts of the Battle of the Bulge.

Shelflife: What benefits do you see in information access with the incredible improvements in technology? Do you see any drawbacks?
RH: Students are very fortunate now to have so many high quality, credible sources available through our consortium of Virginia Academic Libraries, VIVA. The main disadvantage I see in the technology is that it is deceiving. Students think after searching Google or another search engine, that they have located everything there is on a topic. Nothing could be further from the truth. Research is complicated, hard, and ever-changing. Search tools become more user friendly but there are more and more resources, documents, collections, etc. becoming available every day. So as technology improves in making resources available, locating just the few items relevant for a project becomes harder. Libraries and librarians will continue to have a place in our culture.

Shelflife: What are some of your favorite books as a child? As an adult?
RH: I have always been a bookworm type of person. As a child I set up a neighborhood library one summer from our back porch! I’m not sure anyone but my mother came, but I had fun. My favorite books as an adult include Anam Cara by O’Donohue, Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen, Meeting Jesus Again for the First Time by Marcus Borg. I read most all his books. I enjoy most of Barbara Kingsolver’s books. And I enjoy reading non-fiction more now than I used to. One of the best things about working in a library is that I can choose from all the new books that are purchased for the library.

Shelflife: You have a ten week old grandson, Ethan. Besides spending lots of time with him, what do you plan to do in your retirement?
RH: Enjoy Ethan, knit, walk, travel some with Mike, practice gratitude, and enjoy Ethan.

Shelflife: If you could spend a week or two anywhere in the world, where would you go and why?
RH: I’m not much of a traveler. Mostly, I enjoy short trips to get away for a few days to places like Washington, DC and Shenandoah National Park. We may travel to the Lake District in England in the next few years. Remember Benjamin Bunny and Jemina Puddleduck? The Lake District is Beatrix Potter country.

(Interview conducted by Fintel Library’s Archivist, Linda Miller.)
Library Meets Pop Culture:
Top Five Youtube Clips About Libraries

Libraries have inspired people for over 2,000 years. Check out these clips to see quirky modern-day reflections of people’s love for libraries. (Click on the images to view the clips.)

Want to be a scholar? Well then, study like a scholar! Scholar!

Prefer the Old Spice over the New Spice? Here you go!

Library Girl. Do you know anyone who works at the library as a student assistant? This one’s dedicated to Fintel Library’s topnotch student staff!

The Insulting Librarian. Be happy he works at some other library!

Night in the Library. See what happens when someone’s dream job at a library turns into a nightmare.

Top Ten Reasons to Ask a Librarian

10. Wikipedia is not a cite-able source
9. Librarians can get you that article you need for free (don’t be fooled by websites offering to sell you articles for a hefty price).
8. Google only goes so far.
6. You can ask us by phone (375-2295); by emailing referencedesk@roanoke.edu; or in person (at the research assistance desk, on the first floor Fintel Library).
5. There is no such thing as a stupid question.
4. Roanoke College librarians are available for personalized research assistance – www.roanoke.edu/researchappointment.
3. Librarians can show you how to search.
2. The Internet is so high school! Library resources are scholarly, in-depth, and will get you A’s.
1. It’s time to start asking someone other than Mom and Dad!

Thanks to Kate Rubick, Reference and Instruction Librarian, Lewis & Clark College.
Shelflife

In over your head?

Make a research assistance appointment at Fintel Library today.
www.roanoke.edu/library
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