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NSTCC Library Newsletter

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Library Assistant II

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Library Assistant II

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Auld Lang Syne

At this time of year when we look ahead with hopes and dreams to the future, I thought it especially appropriate that our NSTCC community has such a grand new Library to look forward to at the beginning of the Spring semester. As one of my co-workers and I returned from lunch the last day before Christmas, we watched enthusiastically as part of the landscape surrounding the building was sodded. I joked that everything seems to happen overnight here as I have joined the staff during a time of enormous growth and change.

In actuality, however, very little in life happens overnight – the new Library included. We want to congratulate Duncan Parsons, our fearless leader, as well as the entire NSTCC Administration, for the tremendous accomplishment of negotiating, planning, and seeing to fruition this very impressive project. Such feats take years and too often get bogged down in politics to ever come to pass. So, for all your hard work, we commend and appreciate everyone who has worked so diligently to make this dream a reality. To say that a new facility such as this has an

impact on the community at large is an immense understatement. We are here for our students, for our faculty and staff. But we are also here to show the general public what we can offer, what we are about, and why we are such an important part of their lives even if they are not enrolled in classes here. We as a community college have great potential to put our best foot forward and we are excited about beginning 2002 in just that way, welcoming everyone through our doors for a better look around.

And now that we are open to everyone, what can be expected when you visit us? Still a helpful, courteous, professional staff of folks who love what we do. Still a staff dedicated to assisting you to the best of our abilities. Still a print and electronic resources collection with information for the masses. But also more room to study in. More computers for word processing and research purposes. More options for meeting with group members to work on projects. More options for the community to become involved and utilize all that we have to offer them, as well. Even more print resources as our influx of materials will increase by several thousand volumes this year alone. More room to grow – for all of us who are a part of NSTCC in any capacity. Happy New Year, all!



Let's Hear It For the Boy (And Girls!)

In our spotlighting of NSTCC Library Staff and their extra-curricular endeavors, we would like to back up and acknowledge **Chris Demas**. Chris completed an intensive one-day training session on use of Automated External Defibrillators in November. This certification means that Chris can perform CPR or AED in case of an emergency. Should any ill befall you when you visit us, take comfort that Chris is on the job!

Congratulations to **Dawn Kraft** and her husband Clint. They recently learned that they are expecting their first child in late June. Best wishes!

After months of planning, revising, and wondering if elopement might have been easier, **Chrissie Anderson** is finally **Chrissie Anderson Peters**. On January 5, 2002, Anderson married Russell Peters, a student in NSTCC's EMT program. Congratulations to them both!

Welcome back, **Jackie Pike**! Jackie rejoins the NSTCC family, this time as the newest member of our Library staff! When asked if she is enjoying her new position Jackie answers affirmatively, echoing that same enthusiasm when asked how she likes the new building.

Call Me!

During the move, some of our phone extensions have changed as we have added a few more phones for your convenience. Please make a note of the following numbers:

Cindy Robins	7641
Dawn Kraft	3556
Chrissie Anderson Peters	3563
Jackie Pike	3554
Reference Desk	3558

Our web address has also changed slightly. If using our previous address, you will temporarily be redirected to the new one.

<http://www.nstcc.cc.tn.us/library/>



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Have you read a great new book recently that we own in our Library? We would love for you to tell us about it! In approximately 300 words maximum, give us the 4-1-1 that will make everyone want to read your favorite Library picks! To submit a review, email it to Chrissie Anderson Peters at capeters@nstcc.cc.tn.us. Editors reserve the right to screen and/or edit materials submitted for publication.



Day By Day

January is a great time to make new plans, set new goals, try new things, develop new hobbies, and acquire new knowledge... And here are some books that might help you get moving in the right direction in 2002! Don't forget to visit us in the New Library for great reading and listening materials aside from the great samples on this list!

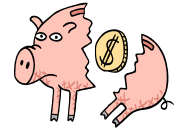
FICTION: *Bootlegger's Daughter* by Maron; *Back Roads* by O'Dell (an Oprah Book Club Selection); *Dangerous Silence* by Palmer; *Black House* by King & Straub; *Fiery Cross* by Gabaldon; and *Tripmaster Monkey: His Fake Book* by Kingston.

NONFICTION: *Photographic History of the Civil War* (5 Volumes); *Top*

Secret Tales of World War II by Breuter; *Electrician's Technical Reference* (4 Vols.); *Applied Farm Management* by Turner & Taylor; *Surviving Cancer Emotionally* by Granet; *New Webmaster's Guide to Frontpage 2002* by Gerend; *Cloning* by Ruse; *Helpful Household Hints* by King; *Photography for Dummies* by Hart; *Insider's Guide to Auto Buying and Leasing* by Wesley; *Countering the New Terrorism* by Lesser; *101 Ways to Improve Your Communication Skills Instantly* by Condrill; and *So You Want to Write* by Wood. Also look for new titles in these series: *At Issue*; *Opposing Viewpoints*; *Literary Movements and Genres*; *Current Controversies*; *Contemporary Issues*; *Information Plus*; *People Who Made History*; and *Presidents and Their Decisions*.

Money Changes Everything

Basic Economics: A Citizen's Guide to the Economy
by Thomas Sowell [HB 171 .S73 2001]



Ever wonder why the government doesn't just declare the price of meat to be everywhere and always \$1.00 per pound? Wouldn't that be fair to everyone? Wouldn't all people be able to afford meat at that price? Well, sure that would be great...until the ranchers stop sending cattle to the market and the coolers in the meat department are bare. The reason this scenario doesn't work is economics. That is the study of the use of scarce resources that have alternative uses.

Sure, I know what you are thinking. What a bore. That is until it hits you where you live. In a nutshell, Sowell shows us how a free market is often the most efficient way to allocate the things we all need to live. Why is it that Russia, which exported food under the Czar, had to import food under Stalin? The Soviet state owned and operated everything so it could use its resources very inefficiently for a very long time. Why is it that President Nixon, who was against wage and price controls, implemented such policies just before his reelection? He did so because bad economic policies frequently make good politics.

Sowell discusses policies in the United States showing how an economic policy may begin with one effect in mind and end with another. The regulation of insurance is a great example. Rather than monitoring insurance such an entity may just make competition in the market impossible - driving up the cost to the consumer. The author also highlights when government can do a much better job than the market, like in matters of national defense and public safety issues. The book is as easy a read as you will find on the subject. The author steers clear of as much jargon as possible and avoids charts of statistics entirely. I highly recommend it.

[Submitted by John Grubb, Librarian]



Resolutions/New Year's Sites:

Tips for Keeping Your Resolutions

www.how-to-keep-your-new-years-resolution.com/

New Year's Traditions

<http://wilstar.com/holidays/newyear.htm>

New Year's Recipes & Movies

www.geocities.com/NapaValley/1917/newy_day.html

New Year's History

www.annieshomepage.com/newyearshistory.html

Auld Lang Syne (The Burns Encyclopedia)

www.robertburns.org/encyclopedia/AuldLangSyne.5.html

New Year's Recipes

www.mountain-breeze.com/newyears/

New Year's Recipes, Activities, Crafts, Etc.

www.knowledgehound.com/topics/newyear.htm

Yahoo Directory — New Year Celebrations

http://dir.yahoo.com/Society_and_Culture/Holidays_and_Observances/New_Year/

Google Directory—New Year Celebrations

http://directory.google.com/Top/Society/Holidays/New_Year/

Auld Lang Syne (A Translation)

www.electricscotland.com/burns/langsyne.html