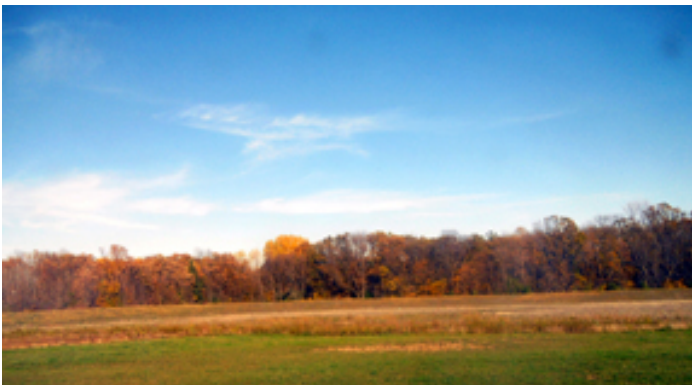


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## Satellite Library Update



This is the magnificent view out of the window above the computer stations in the satellite library in the Wadiswan building. The room is a quiet escape from the hustle and bustle of classes surrounding it. There is seating for ten students at this time. The temporarily empty expanses of wall space are

broken with beautiful posters by Ojibwe artist, Sam English. There will be two computer stations and wifi available for students laptops. The shelving has books to support the classes being taught in this building and over in the corner is a small selection of reserved materials chosen by staff members for students to use in their library research.

Students can look forward to seeing some new library furniture and some lockable storage for media, so students will have access to tapes and dvd's to support the classes they are taking this semester.

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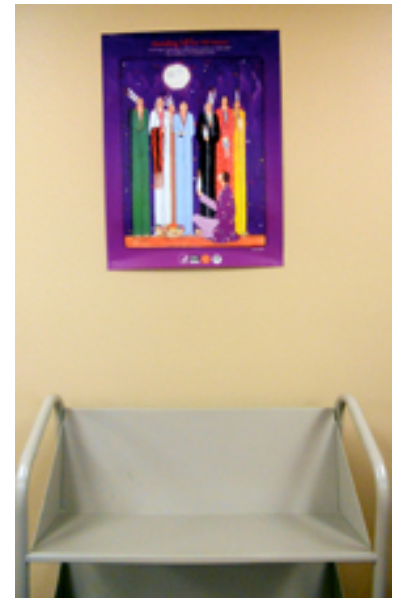
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# 2011

The Agindaasoowigamig of the White Earth Tribal and Community College is composed of a collection of items chosen to support the curriculum and scholastic needs of our college. . Our regular hours are 1:30-7:30 Monday - Thursday , and 1:30 - 4:30 on Fridays. The library building is at 201 South Main Street in Mahanomen, Minnesota on the corner of Madison and Main. Our satellite library, housed in Gekek in Wadiswan at 2250 College Road, Mahanomen, is open with a librarian on duty M-F 8:30-1:00.



The Gekek site is open from 8:30 to 1:00 Monday through Friday for library services, and can also be used for quiet study when the instructional aid is there in the afternoons. We're hoping eventually to staff this room part-time with work study students.

# New Books

Books received over the most recent months. Each month we will feature three different areas of interest.

## Nonfiction

**The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks**, by Rebecca Skloot

Henrietta Lacks was a poor black woman whose cells, taken without her permission, have been bought and sold by the billions, while her family can't afford health insurance.

**The 1000 Journals Project**, by Someguy.

What happens when 1000 empty journals are left all over the world? Lots of very different people collaborate to make 1000 different works of journalistic art.

**Shooting Back** from the Reservation. Selected by Jim Hubbard.

A photographic View of Life by Native American Youth. This book was made in 1993 and includes pictures done by White Earth Students.

## Native Authors

**The Turquoise Ledge** by Leslie Marmon Silko

This is Silko's latest book, and her first work of nonfiction. It is a combination memoir and family history. It includes tales from both sides of her family strung together with bits of turquoise she finds on walks.

**Wearing the Morning Star**,

Native American Song-Poems collected by Brian Swann  
The words to over a hundred songs translated into "poems." Heavily documented and notated; still subject to debate as to the validity of translation.

**The People of the Whale**, by Linda Hogan

A Vietnam Veteran torn between his war experience and his Native American Community.

## Of Local Interest

**The Lasta Hunter; An American Family Album**, by Will Weaver

Bemidji author Will Weaver writes about how hunting was an essential part of his life and his father and grandfather's before him, and the jolt of realizing his children don't want to carry on the tradition.

**The Intersection of Fantasy and Native America**,

edited by Stugis and Oberhelman  
Included here because of a chapter illustrating the similarities between Erdrich's Birchbark Trilogy and the Harry Potter series.

**JERKY**, by A.D Livingston

Just in time for deer season, here is a book showing you how to make your own Jerky sensations using beef, venison, fish or fowl!

# Using Destiny Library Program

## The library introduces a new interface.

### 1. New easier search.

The search on this page incorporates all of the searches: Title, Author, keyword and subject

### 2. See new books list first.

As new books are entered into the catalog, the newest 15 are highlighted on the front page.

### 3. Teachers can post reading lists.

Instructors can ask librarians to generate a list or compose their own. They will be accessed on the front page

### 4. Students can make their own list.

As students find pertinent items, they can drag the information to their own list and print it out to use to search or order the books.

### 5. See at-a-glance what others are reading

The top 10 checkouts are listed and constantly updated.

### 6. Fast turn-around time.

Students can order any books from the main library from the remote site and the books will be there first thing the next morning.

## Quote of the month:

"It's impossible to write about Native life without humor—that's how people maintain sanity."

( Louise Erdrich)

Author of Birchbark House, The Last Report on the Miracles at Little No Horse, The Painted Drum, Love Medicine, Tales of Burning Love, Tracks, Plague of Doves, Bingo Palace, Bluejay's Dance, Original Fire, Antelope Wife, Four Souls, Books and Islands in Ojibwe Country, and more!

Do you have a book or an author you would like to recommend ? Or maybe you have a suggestion of titles that you think we should have in the library. Please tell us! We're here to make this a better place for you.

Welcome to Agindaaso, The WETCC library Newsletter. This newsletter is designed and written by Library Director Holly Ristau. Pictures, stories or suggestions can be forwarded to her at [hristau@wetcc.edu](mailto:hristau@wetcc.edu).

## The legitimacy of Wikipedia

Last summer, at the Tribal College Librarians Institute at MSU in Bozeman, Montana, one of the sessions was on the legitimacy of Wikipedia. The presenters were an associate professor in the Native American Studies department, Kristin Ruppel; A library Technician named Bonnie Mccallum and Mike Cline, a member of the Association of Inclusionist Wikipedians. (Really! There is such a thing!) These speakers challenged librarians to test the legitimacy of Wikipedia. Why do these speakers believe in the veracity of this site? Everything in Wikipedia has to be verifiable with a reliable primary or secondary published source, or it is removed. Robots go through to find vandalism or errors and if any are found, the page is reverted back to the original. The articles are balanced by having a neutral point of view. The speakers suggested that Wikipedia should be used as a great source for ideas of where to start researching, since each article has to have primary and secondary sources,; to start there and then go deeper. We also learned that 20 % of the editors for Wikipedia are males under 30, and the site is crying out for diversity. Editors function in a collaborative vehicle with immediate feedback. They learn to edit, write, read and think critically. Isn't it time for WETCC to have a page in Wikipedia? What a great class project!

## Do you know how to find a book?

When you look up a book in the electronic library program on the WETCC webpage, you will get a call number to use to find that book or item on the shelves. The WETCC library books are in Library of Congress order, rather than Dewey Decimal order that you have used in high school or at the public library. Here's what the call number looks like, and how to interpret a call number:

### Find it!

1. Arranged alphabetically
2. Arranged numerically
3. Arranged alphabetically then decimally (both parts - there may be only one)



### Tips

1. H before HD  
HD before HF
2. 169 before 1696  
1696.79 before 1696.8
3. C2 before C24  
E28 before E8

If the call number has SAT on the top line, that means it is being housed in the satellite library, otherwise all items will be found in the main library. If the book is being housed in either place, you can request it and you will have it within 24 hours..

# October Calendar

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10 Columbus Day\*  
(College Founding Day)  
17-21 Mid-term Week  
31 Halloween

## Claudia's Cache

My "cache" consists of a variety of computer-based tricks and treats that you can use to enhance your computer skills and get your educational tasks done more efficiently. Also, since everyone needs a bit of fun once in a while, there will be some items mentioned in the column that are simply entertaining.

Cl1p.net is a very easy-to-use on line clipboard tool that enables you to paste in or type a small file. You don't have to send files anywhere. Simply share your URL with your intended audience, or leave notes for yourself to pick up on a remote computer. There's no need to email yourself a message. Here's how you use cl1p.net

1. Type a URL into your browser that starts with <http://cl1p.net> Example: <http://cl1p.net/claudia'scache>
2. A blank page will come up where you can type or paste in a document.
3. On any other computer open a browser to the same URL. Eureka! There is all the information you pasted or typed!
4. At the upper right of the screen is where you provide log in information. Go ahead. It's free. While you are working on filling up that blank page, there are some handy tabs on the left that will help you fine-tune your entry. Perhaps you'd like a personal message board? Click on the "type" button and select "message board." Under "options" you can protect your work with a password and even submit your email address to get your forgotten password. You can turn your cl1p.net page into a message board

Use the edit button to toggle between the edit mode for making corrections and the link mode for entering clickable links. (You need to type in the link, and then click the tab.) There is also a print option.

Think of the possibilities: I think you're really going to like working with cl1p.net/ Give it a try!

IMPORTANT! YOUR PAGE WILL EXPIRE IN 8 DAYS UNLESS YOU SET THE EXPIRATION DATE. CLICK ON "CHANGE" NEAR THE TOP OF THE PAGE FOR YOUR TIME OPTIONS.

Just for fun: Here is a link for you extreme Halloween pumpkin carvers!

[http://www.infobarrel.com/11\\_Crazy\\_Pumpking\\_Carvings](http://www.infobarrel.com/11_Crazy_Pumpking_Carvings)

by Claudia Seymour, Library Technician



## Focus

### Scary Stories for Halloween!

#### **The Nearly Departed: Minnesota Ghost Stories and Legends**

by Michael Norman  
33 Minnesota ghost stories including one from Becker County!  
Call No: BF1472.U6 N69 2009

#### **The Island of the Anishnaabeg: Thunderers and Water Monsters in the Traditional Ojibwe Life World**

by Teresa S. Smith  
A scholarly look at the monsters in Ojibwe legends. Call No: E99.C6 S715 1995

#### **Spooky Campfire Tales: Hauntings, Strange Happenings, and Supernatural Lore**

retold by S. E. Schlosser.  
This book is divided into two parts: "Ghost Stories" and "Powers of Darkness and Light" Call No: GR76 .S35 2007

#### **Spooky Canada: Tales of Hauntings, Strange Happenings and Other Local Lore**

retold by S. E. Schlosser.  
This book is by the same author, and is also divided into the two categories listed above. Canada map showing the sites included. GR 580 .S35