FOL Welcomes Naval Station Norfolk CO to Perry Library

Naval Station Norfolk, the world’s largest naval station, is in the middle of its centennial celebration. The celebrations have highlighted the installation’s rich history and impact on Hampton Roads, the Commonwealth of Virginia and the Nation. More than 30 events have honored the past, celebrated the present and shaped the future of Norfolk’s proud Navy tradition.

Old Dominion University Libraries and the Friends of the Libraries are excited to play a part in those celebrations. As part of the centennial celebration, the Friends of the Old Dominion University Libraries is welcoming Commanding Officer Capt. Rich McDaniel to Perry Library to speak about the history of the naval base in Norfolk.

“Based on my involvement with the City of Norfolk’s Naval Station Norfolk’s Centennial Commission, I thought a talk given by the current Commanding Officer to the Friends of the Libraries would be a great way to help commemorate the naval station centennial as well as share some of the rich history with the students, faculty, and staff of Old Dominion University,” said Robert Clark, ODU’s military activities liaison. “ODU has been a part of Naval Station Norfolk’s history, we have enjoyed a close relationship with many of the Sailors that call Naval Station Norfolk home, and this is another way to help keep this relationship alive and well.”

You’re Invited

What: Naval Station Norfolk: A Centennial Celebration

When: November 9, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Where: Perry Library, Learning Commons Room 1310-1311
Dear Friends,

The University Libraries have been a good friend to me since I came to ODU in 1993. This is my 24th year at Old Dominion. So, my becoming a friend of the library in 2014 was long overdue. I’m honored to serve as the President of the FOL board—following Sue Doviak’s excellent work in that position.

I like to think of the University Libraries as the places where and when we enter into an “unending conversation.” The discussion began long before we arrived and will continue long after we’re gone. Some of us enter into conversation tentatively, some confident in what we know, but none of us qualified to retrace everything that has been said before.

And there are the University Libraries and our librarians at every step in the conversation—even when we take the conversation elsewhere—helping us to learn the language, helping us to expand the scope of the conversation beyond our circle of friends, frenemies, and acquaintances.

Thank you to those who have already joined or renewed their memberships in Friends of the Libraries. For those who haven’t, I hope you’ll join me in helping to keep the conversation going by becoming a member. And please join the conversation on the centennial of the Norfolk Naval Station with Capt. Rich McDaniel (Nov. 9, 630PM, in Perry Library, Room 1310-1311). Capt. McDaniel will speaking about the history of the Norfolk Naval Station, along with a special exhibition prepared by our University Archivist. There is convenient access to the building (one block away!) and metered parking in the Elkhorn Avenue Parking Garage (corner of 43rd and Elkhorn).

Best, David Metzger

Dear Friends,

As we all feel our attention stretch beyond the time in our days, we make decisions on what to spend our limited energies. We are grateful that you choose every year to renew your commitment to the Friends of Old Dominion University Libraries. This year has brought many wonderful opportunities to the Old Dominion University Libraries that we’re very excited to share with you.

You may notice a few changes in the Old Dominion University Libraries over the coming year. This is not a metamorphosis, as a caterpillar to a butterfly, but, rather, a leveling-up to the next level of research library—building on our existing strengths while developing new ones.

This includes a focus on scholarly communications, preserving access to critical information while increasing the reach of the great research done here at ODU. It includes a renewed focus on the Learning Commons and a better integration of all library spaces into an overall learning spaces strategy for ODU. We are also working on increasing our engagement with the University community, including instating a new student advisory council for the Libraries and implementing a new model for reference librarians that focuses on engagement with the colleges. We will also be working on establishing a dedicated space for dialog on difficult topics, both within and outside of ODU utilizing our actively neutral space, open to all, focused on none, and aspirationally respected by most.

Implementing these measures fully will take time and money. To that end, we are excited to announce our involvement with the new, $200 million development campaign recently launched at Old Dominion University. You can read more about that and our fundraising priorities on page 6. As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments you have.

Sincerely,

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Dr. David Metzger Takes Helm of FOL Board

The Old Dominion University Libraries Friends of the Library (FOL) are pleased to welcome Dr. David Metzger as the new president of the FOL Board. He has been an active member of the FOL Board, previously serving as the Board’s vice-president.

“I am excited to assume the role as president of the FOL,” said Dr. Metzger. “Sue [Doviak] did a terrific job and I’m confident that the FOL Board will continue to find new ways to support ODU Libraries while giving our members the kinds of exciting events they expect.”

Dr. Metzger came to Old Dominion University in 1993 after teaching at Montana State University. He earned a B.A. in English and French and an M.A. in English from Emporia State University (Emporia, KS), an M.A. in Jewish Studies from Hebrew College (Boston), and a Ph.D. in Rhetoric and Composition (classics minor) from the University of Missouri.

The author and editor of four books and over forty single-authored articles and book chapters, he currently serves as Dean of the Honors College and Professor of English. From 2010-2013, he also served as the Interim Dean of Academic Enhancement and led the reorganization of that unit. He has also been the Chair of English, Founding GPD for the PhD in English, Founding Academic Director for the Institute for Jewish Studies and Interfaith Understanding, and Founding Director of Writing Tutorial Services (now The Writing Center).

Dr. Metzger remains active in the English department--teaching classes and directing doctoral dissertations.

Thank You!

To Sue Doviak for her years of dedicated service as President of the Old Dominion University Libraries Friends of the Library
Captain Rich McDaniel took command of Naval Station Norfolk in March, 2017. He has served at sea on five U.S. Navy combatants and two afloat staffs. He has 23 years of naval service and has deployed multiple times to the Arabian Gulf, Western Pacific, Eastern Pacific, Indian Ocean, Mediterranean and Caribbean. McDaniel has been awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Navy-Marine Corps Commendation Medal and the Navy Achievement Medal.

“We’re excited to welcome Capt. McDaniel to Old Dominion University Libraries. The history of the naval station makes for a fascinating story about Hampton Roads and the nation. And Perry Libraries have put together a special exhibit with items from the Naval Station’s and Old Dominion’s archives,” said David Metzger, FOL president and Dean of the Old Dominion University Honors College.

As a part of the event, Old Dominion University Libraries Special Collections is partnering with Naval Station Norfolk Archives to put together an exhibit that showcases the history of the Naval Station in pictures and artifacts that will be on display leading up to and during the lecture event.
Old Dominion University Libraries recently celebrated the 2017 National Banned Books Week in Perry Library. The Libraries designed interactive exhibits to get students to think about books that have been banned and the various reasons that have been used to ban books. The Libraries also ran various messages throughout campus with interesting facts and statistics about banned book.

The Banned Books Week Coalition is a national alliance of diverse organizations joined by a commitment to increase awareness of the annual celebration of the freedom to read. The Coalition seeks to engage various communities and inspire participation in Banned Books Week through education, advocacy, and the creation of programming about the problem of book censorship. The 2017 celebration was held September 24 - September 30.

Banned Books Week was launched in 1982 in response to a sudden surge in the number of challenges to books in schools, bookstores and libraries. The Top Ten Challenged Books of 2016 are:

1. **This One Summer** written by Mariko Tamaki and illustrated by Jillian Tamaki
   Reasons: challenged because it includes LGBT characters, drug use and profanity, and it was considered sexually explicit with mature themes.

2. **Drama** written and illustrated by Raina Telgemeier
   Reasons: challenged because it includes LGBT characters, was deemed sexually explicit, and was considered to have an offensive political viewpoint.

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Captions: (Top) One Banned Books Week display featured a marble poll on which reason “Gossip Girl” was banned in 2015. (Bottom Left) Students vote in the “Gossip Girl” marble poll. (Bottom Right) Another display featured wrapped books with descriptions of the book and reasons it was banned. Students were able to lift a flap to discover which book it was.
ODU Libraries Launches $1M Development Campaign

Old Dominion President John R. Broderick delivered his 10th State of the University address Aug. 23 and announced a $200 million fundraising goal — the most ambitious campaign in ODU’s history; $160 million of the money will go toward academics including student scholarships, research and faculty.

“Our commitment to students must extend to scholarships, internships and study abroad,” he said. “We want to ensure deserving students who qualify for an internship or study abroad can say, ‘Yes,’ rather than, ‘No, I can’t afford to go.’”

The new fundraising campaign will build on more than $765 million already raised in recent years through private philanthropy and state support. It is intended to support academic scholarships, faculty and staff enhancements, and University learning spaces.

Coinciding with a revamping of the University Libraries own development program, the fundraising campaign includes a $1 million goal for the Libraries to raise over the next two years. The ambitious goal provided an opportunity for the Libraries to crystallize funding priorities that will help fulfill the Libraries’ mission to enrich the academic, research, and learning experience of the University community through people, collections, and spaces. (See sidebar for details on funding priorities.)

“We are excited by the opportunities this campaign gives us to help support ODU through enhancements to the ODU Libraries. There are few aspects of academics that do not, or should not, involve the Libraries and the money we raise will enable us to fully meet the growing needs of the ODU community,” said University Librarian George Fowler.

President Broderick announced the $200 million development campaign at the 2017 State of the University address on August 23.
3. **George** written by Alex Gino Reasons: challenged because it includes a transgender child, and the “sexuality was not appropriate at elementary levels.”

4. **I Am Jazz** written by Jessica Herthel and Jazz Jennings, and illustrated by Shelagh McNicholas Reasons: challenged because it portrays a transgender child and because of language, sex education, and offensive viewpoints.

5. **Two Boys Kissing** written by David Levithan Reasons: challenged because its cover has an image of two boys kissing, and it was considered to include sexually explicit LGBT content

6. **Looking for Alaska** written by John Green Reasons: challenged for a sexually explicit scene that may lead a student to “sexual experimentation.”

7. **Big Hard Sex Criminals** written by Matt Fraction and illustrated by Chip Zdarsky Reason: challenged because it was considered sexually explicit.

8. **Make Something Up: Stories You Can’t Unread** written by Chuck Palahniuk Reasons: challenged for profanity, sexual explicitness, and being “disgusting and all around offensive.”

9. **Little Bill** (series) written by Bill Cosby and and illustrated by Varnette P. Honeywood Reason: challenged because of criminal sexual allegations against the author.

Become a Friend of the Libraries!

Encourage your friends to support the Old Dominion University Libraries! Share this membership form with them and they can mail it with payment to the address indicated below; or you may bring it to the Circulation Desk in the Patricia W. and J. Douglas Perry Library for immediate membership. Membership also makes an excellent holiday gift! For more information, please call Carrie Anderson at 757-683-4146, or e-mail at c3anders@odu.edu

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