

Annual Report 2014

Lamar State College - Orange



Ron E. Lewis Library

Your Knowledge Source, Onsite and Online

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Embraces the LSCO R-I-S-E initiative

- * Locating and supplying research materials for the QEP Team
- * Purchasing materials to support reading tutors
- * Promoting lifelong reading with graphic novels, fun reads, special event displays and guest speakers
- * Participation in various community reading programs
- * Modeling our love of reading



Art installation on 2nd. Floor of the library

Other library news.....

- Librarian Marilyn Greene retired to travel the country in their RV
- New librarian, Samantha “Sam” Smith joins the staff
- Dr. Shelley Thrasher returns to promote new book
- LSCO staff participated in World Book Night



LSCO Team prepares to distribute WBN books

Lamar State College-Orange Professor Returns for Book Signing



Dr. Shelley Thrasher, retired Lamar State College-Orange English professor, will give a brief presentation, chat with readers, and sign copies of her recently published historical novel, *The Storm* (Bold Strokes Books), at the LSCO Library in Orange, TX, on Thursday, Sept. 5, from 4-6 pm. Light refreshments will be provided.

The Storm, set in rural East Texas during 1918-19, focuses on the conflicting values of three women who have experienced the Civil War, World War I, the great influenza pandemic, a university education, and women's fight for suffrage. Thrasher relied both on extensive research and oral history for the rich details of her novel.

Copies of *The Storm* will be available at the event or can be purchased early at www.amazon.com or at www.boldstrokesbooks.com.

An East-Texas native, she earned her BA and MA in English at North Texas State University, and her PhD in English at the University of Houston. She has also studied theology at the University of Chicago; German, Hebrew, and French abroad; and creative writing in New York, Iowa, Florida, and Colorado.

Though Thrasher still teaches part-time at LSCO, she retired as Professor Emerita of English from a long teaching/administrative career there. After retiring, she led study/foreign-travel groups in Europe and became an editor at Bold Strokes Books, located in upstate New York. To date, she has edited more than 140 novels. She is also a published poet and essayist.

This is her first published novel. A second one, *First Tango in Paris*, is scheduled for publication in 2014.



Library Statistics 2014						
	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014
Hours open per week	53.7**	63.5	63.5	41.1	63.5	53.56730769
Staffing						
Librarians	3	3	3	3	3	2.75
Support staff	3.5	2.5	2.5	3.3	3.5	3.5
Student assistants	5	4.0	5.0	3	3	2.75
Holdings						
Total volumes in print	44708	41517	42589	47691	37678	37802
Total titles eBooks	36157	0	36157		42282	36157
Media	3954	4115	2058	2420	2021	2211
Periodicals in print	237	212	158	150	141	140
Ejournals	76001+	0	0	45156	144915	146053
New items	1038	1015	1052	888	1113	889
Items withdraw	601	488	1481	1083	527	565
Circulation transactions						
Total Transactions	3741	3986	4469	3526	3689	3372
Students	2643	2669	3171	2336	2708	2412
Faculty	681	804	685	465	247	372
Alumni/friend	14	13	7	1	0	23
Staff	376	500	599	718	708	564
Other	27	0	7	6	26	1
Interlibrary Loans						
Loans to other institutions	417**	606	166	219	80	68
Received from other institutions	223**	92	38	7	7	20
Unfilled		8	0	32	237	314
Public Service Transactions						
Reference	1374**	1641	1733	1351	1287	1269
Directional	1551**	2699	4265	3641	4196	2272
Technical	637**	878	674	711	1525	1317
Gate Count						
Count	27860**	86195	91266	77837.5	70491	61011
Databases						
Total available	54	48	43	48	55	55
Added	0	1	0	3	10	0
Dropped	3	1	5***	3	3	0
Class/Group Presentations						
No. Groups	66	136	87	96	96	59
No. Persons in Groups		21	1518	1783	1789	1197
Computer Use Statistics						
Visitors		93	1654	1568	2343	1893
Orange Public Library		0	0	0	0	0
Alumni		0	0	0	6	10
Other Institutions						253
Perspective Students						138
Exhibits						
Total Exhibits	2**	7	2	0	2	16
Total Campus						13
Community						6
Fines						
Forgiven	\$ 3,968.50	\$ 1,439.50	\$ 4,328.91	\$ 2,332.87	\$ 2,052.14	\$ 3,127.46
Paid	\$ 3,650.19	\$ 4,173.21	\$ 4,175.92	\$ 2,713.81	\$ 3,387.53	\$ 3,798.16
Over due notices sent						
Daily emails	744	647	584	623	1224	893

** Partial amounts because of Hurricane IKE (unable to record amounts or library facilities unusable)

* I was unable to verify where the statistics came from

***TexShare changes