

# Ventura College Library

October 2017

## Paul Aiello Award for Book Ordering Winners

It is with great pleasure that the VC Library announces the inaugural winners of this yearly prestigious Paul Aiello Award from the VC Library. This year's winners are Marta De Jesus (Biology) and Chloe Branciforte (Geology). Last academic year, Marta and Chloe combined ordered 100s of books for the VC Library. The topics that they suggested ordering books for ranged from their academic disciplines to popular reading materials. This award is lovingly named after long-time Ventura College Library friend and supporter, Paul Aiello. Paul was a fantastic Anthropology professor at Ventura College for many, many years. He retired from F/T teaching about 12 years ago and from P/T teaching just 2 years ago, but his presence is long- and fondly-remembered in the VC Library. He was a tireless advocate for the Library and ordered books for decades in support of his academic discipline. Given the small size of our Library we have a wonderful Anthropology collection due in large part to Paul's ordering of materials over the years. In addition to the award, respect and thanks from the Library, both Chole and Marta will each receive a \$25 Starbucks gift card (personally paid for by Library Dept Chair Peter Sezzi). Thank you to Chloe and Marta for helping to keep the Library collections up-to-date. If you would like to order books to augment the Library's collections, simply [click here!](#)

## Spring Lunch & Learn

Our fall Lunch and Learn Series is all booked, but we are still looking for speakers for the spring semester! Presentations will be in LRC 205. Date and time is flexible, and pizza will be served.

This semester, we have Oxnard College anthropology professor Arion Melidonis scheduled for October, and Moorpark College business professor Perry Martin scheduled for November.

If you are interested in presenting, contact [Kaela Casey](#).

### Upcoming Events

Get to Know Your Library  
October 10 at 11am  
VC Satellite Campus at  
Santa Paula

Get to Know Your Library  
October 11 & 12 at 11am  
LRC 205

An Anthropology of Monsters  
and the Undead  
October 31 at 12pm  
LRC 205

**LUNCH AND LEARN AT YOUR LIBRARY**

“...THE DEAD WILL WALK THE EARTH!”

**AN ANTHROPOLOGY OF MONSTERS AND THE UNDEAD**

In this lecture, Oxnard College anthropology professor Arion Melidonis will explore the anthropology of monsters, vampires and zombies with an emphasis on how these “religious” symbols reflect cultural values and insecurities.

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31 AT 12:00PM**  
**LRC 205**

**BRING YOUR APPETITE... FOOD WILL BE SERVED!**

Questions? Contact Kaela Casey at [kcasey@vcccd.edu](mailto:kcasey@vcccd.edu)

# Marathon Reading of The Handmaid's Tale

One Book One Campus is hosting a marathon reading of *The Handmaid's Tale* on:

Tuesday, October 17 from 9:00am-2:00pm  
Wednesday, October 18 from 9:00am-2:00pm

Bring a snack, relax, listen, and let VC staff and faculty take you away to Gilead as they read the entire novel aloud, start to finish.

Interested in being a reader? Send your preferred reading times to [Peter Sezzi](#).



## New Research Guides

We are currently in the process of creating discipline-specific guides that students can use to locate books, databases, websites, and other resources that are relevant to their subject.

Check [libguides.venturacollege.edu](http://libguides.venturacollege.edu) to see what's new.



If you would like to see something added to your discipline's guide, would like a guide created for your course, or have any comments or questions, contact [Kaela Casey](#).

### Welcome, Kaela!

Kaela Casey is our new full-time librarian! She comes to us from CSU Channel Islands where she led the library's outreach and social media efforts, created instructional videos, hosted exhibits and speakers, partnered with student support programs to reach historically underserved student populations, and more! Kaela graduated from Ventura College in 2006 and is excited to back here supporting our students. She is currently working to provide support to VCSP through on-campus workshops and videos and hopes to foster partnerships with programs across campus. Stop by the library and say "hi"!



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