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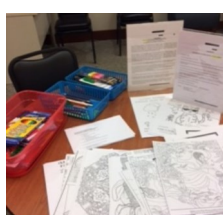
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Teen Tech Week



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Blackout Poetry Event

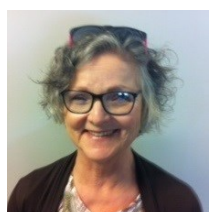


March's Coloring Night



Undergraduate Research

## Spotlight on: Retiring Library Director Alexa Bartel



**Favorite Library Memory:** I will always remember the look on students' faces as they entered the Library for the first time in January 2008 at the start of the spring semester. Their jaws would drop and they just looked around in wonder. This is such a beautiful building. So very different from the old library building. So even though students' jaws don't drop anymore, it is still good to see them coming in and using this great space.

**What I Will Miss the Most:** I will miss my colleagues. The Library has a great staff. I enjoy working with them. I will miss helping students with their research questions. I always learned something when working with students. But I am excited about this next chapter in my life. So just like our seniors who are graduating next month and our incoming freshman in the fall, I am also embarking on new adventure.

**Retirement Plans:** I will get at least 8 hours of sleep a night. I have lots of home and garden projects to work on. I will be doing some traveling this summer. I have family in Colorado, Kentucky, New York, Minnesota, Virginia and Florida and I hope to see them more often. I will continue to sing with the Hartsville Community Chorus and work with the Hartsville Coker Concert Association. I will be volunteering at the soup kitchen and the Darlington County Humane Society. I also plan on training our dog, Rosie, to be a therapy dog. Wish me luck on that one.

**Summer Reading:** I love reading about history, particularly historical novels. *Blood & Beauty: The Borgias* is the last one I read and I highly recommend it. David McCollough's *The Wright Brothers* is on my summer reading list. I also want to reread some classics. I enjoy reading Charles Dickens. My mother was a Great Books discussion leader for 7th and 8th graders at my school. I had to read those books then, but I want to go back and savor them now. I can't wait until I can sit out on the back deck and read during the middle of the day.

Alexa, we will miss you so much! Best wishes on this new chapter in your life!

## Library Events

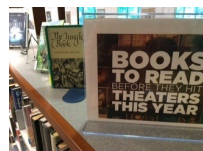


For National Poetry Month, the library is hosting a poetry reading and discussion Tuesday, April 26 at 7 pm in the Drawing Room. Come to hear some of Coker's faculty and staff read their own poetry and talk about writing inspiration at this Trans4mation event.

We will be holding a book discussion for Sexual Assault Awareness Month featuring the book *Speak* by Laurie Halse Anderson on Thursday, April 28 at 6 pm in the Drawing Room. There are copies of the book available for check out at the library's circulation desk.

We also have two upcoming Coloring Nights, on Tuesday April 19 and May 3, both starting at 6:30 pm in LITC 228. Take a study break, reduce stress, and enjoy creativity!

## Your Resource for Summer Reading!



**Read 'em before they hit the theatres!** Some say the book is better than the movie—now you can decide for yourself. This collection highlights titles that are inspiration for current movies. So check out a book, get cozy, even pop some popcorn if you want, and read it before (or after!) the hotly anticipated adaption arrives at a theatre near you. You can find this display on top of the recreational reading shelves.

**Read it now/When to watch it:** *The Jungle Book* by Rudyard Kipling/April 15; *Through the Looking Glass* by Lewis Carroll/May 27; *Tarzan of the Apes* by Edgar Rice Burroughs/July 1; *The Girl on the Train* by Paula Hawkins/Oct 7.

**New York Times best sellers available!** We check the bestsellers' list and order new books each month in the fiction, nonfiction, and young adult categories. They are on the first floor on top of the cabinet housing the newspapers. Please check them out and let us know what you think!

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## Become a Library Ambassador!



**Students**—would you like become part of an advisory board for the library and give feedback about library services and resources? How about helping to promote the library and plan fun programs and events? Let us know at [kjones@coker.edu](mailto:kjones@coker.edu)!

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