Laurence R. “Larry” Lee was a generous and uncommon friend of the library, as its name testifies. We sadly note his passing and extend heartfelt condolences to his wife Barbara, his sons Justin and David, and to the rest of his family.

Help! I’m off campus and need to access my files!
The VPN is now easier to install! Step 1 is to install the Virtual Private Network (VPN) by going to vpn.lakeforest.edu. This version of the VPN automatically figures out what kind of platform (Mac or PC) and what operating system (XP, Vista, Windows 7, Leopard, etc.) you have. Just log in with your email username and password, and follow these directions. In a minute or two you will be ready to...

Map a Network Drive: OK. So you installed the VPN. Now you just need to “map a network drive” and all of your files stored on the College server will magically appear on your computer. For additional help off campus call 847-735-5074 and ask for the Help Desk.

WebFeat going away March 29th WebFeat, the meta-search engine/database that searches any or all databases at once, will not be available after March 29. The consortium that provides it to the College is cancelling it. The good news is that there are other ways to search more than one database at the same time. Ask a librarian if you do not find the information you are seeking.

Google Scholar (google.com/scholar) searches books, articles, and monographs from academic sources. Click “Scholar Preferences” to set up “Library Links” for Lake Forest College. Also on the Scholar Preferences page, under “Bibliographic Manager,” click “Show links to import citations into” and select RefWorks.

In any of the EBSCOhost databases (such as Academic Search Premier), you can click “Choose database” and select up to 27 databases to search at one time.

WebFeat, Google Scholar, Academic Search Premier, and other databases are all available on the library website at library.lakeforest.edu.

Uncovering hidden treasures with new tools
The Archives and Special Collections web pages now offer extensive indexes to many previously unindexed materials, such as the Leverton Theatre Collection, which includes many plays from the 1930s. Garrett Leverton was a noted faculty member and director of the Garrick Players in the 1920s. Digital indexing by Google and others has revolutionized research of archival materials so they can be shared with students, faculty, and others. To see any of the materials listed in these indexes, call x5064 or x5071.

Requested articles arrive faster — and greener Back in 2001, if you wanted to request an article from another library, you had to write down the title, journal title, author, volume, number, and pages on a paper form. The process took 1-3 weeks, with printed articles delivered to campus mail boxes. Now, forms are filled out automatically when you click a few links, and it is quite common to get a PDF of an article within a day or two, or even within an hour.

Instead of using dozens of cartons of paper, Interlibrary Loan used only 1 carton this past fall.

Save Trees and Money When You Print in the 24-Hour Lab Print on both sides for just 5c. Click the Print icon, then click Properties and select Two-Sided (Duplex) Printing. If you’re in the Reference Area of the Library, just be sure to select either the LibraryLab1 or LibraryLab2 printer. If you forget to choose one of those printers, the Reference printers will still, so be sure you select one of the lab printers. Your fellow students will appreciate it.

100 Books for Understanding Contemporary Japan
The library was recently awarded the “100 Books for Understanding Contemporary Japan” grant from the Nippon Foundation. Many have already been cataloged and put on display in the reference area — ready to be checked out by interested readers. The books cover a broad range of topics and include works on media, government, culture, and business. Only 300 libraries, universities, and other institutions were selected to receive this grant.

What are you reading?

“People read books in order to gain the privilege of living more than one life.” — Garrison Keillor