Administrative Notice of the Baby Variety!

As I type this, dear Reader, The Stall Street Journal’s Graphic Artist ExtraordinaireTM is having a baby! What does this mean to you? A Stall Street Journal out-of-crayon*, for starters, and the world being a generally better place if you’re a big-picture kind of person. Which you are. That’s why you are taking summer classes at this fine institution of higher learning. So, please stand by while the Stall Street experiences technical difficulties and join me in welcoming a beautiful baby boy to the world and congratulating Blythe Marshall Webster (yes, you can call her Beemer for her initials; I’ve permission). The World and I thank you.

*Okay, it isn’t out of crayon. But yes, this is a table and it is in Word. Gasp! Blythe, commmmmme baaaack. I mean, enjoy your bundle of goodness.

Snazzy New Look*AND! Olde Tyme Charm

So, the renovation of the library is nearly complete, and we’ve learned a few lessons. 1) Different departments in the library can work at the same desk without causing injury to the other. It’s true! 2) If you practice Skills of Living: a complete course in you and what you can do about yourself**, you can cope with the sound of concrete cutting and one man clapping. 3) It is hard to readjust to the world after having the caution tape tell you where to go. It’s a free-for-all. I can go here or I can go there. You just never know these things.

Now, an orientation. The Reference Desk is now on the right as you come in (no more large doughnut-shaped (and maybe jelly-filled) center-stage goodness (poor Homer Simpson)), and there are lower Reference Collection shelves because the natural sunlight keeps you the student and we the library folks from becoming mole-like which some of us are wont to do when surrounded by books and computers. There are also fantabulous*** smart boards for group study work—2 in the back of the 1st floor and 6 on the 2nd floor.

I urge you to explore your new library. It’s got the same inner-goodness of the olde librarie with new stuff that we hope will help you get your research on. It’s kind of like how some of the classics such as Jane Eyre and Pride and Prejudice are getting new book jackets in order to appeal to the Twilight crowd. I can’t wait for the Team Mr. Rochester and Team Mr. Darcy T-shirts.

We hope you like the changes.

*Quite Unlike This Issue, yes.
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***Wow. I had no idea that was really a word until Microsoft Word didn’t underline it and now on further inspection, it looks like its first documented use was in 1959, referring to air travel. I have lots of different adjectives about air travel. Fantabulous not among them.