Shall We Dance?

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Abstract
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The Interns at Gettysburg College's Musselman Library captured their internship experiences since the spring of 2011. Over time the blog has featured Fortenbaugh, Smith, and Holley interns. They shared updates on semester long projects, responded to blogging prompts, and documented their individual intern experience.

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In other news, I finally got to rehouse the Lillian Quinn Letter Collection into new binder boxes. The letters are now really happy in their new home with their finding guide and are ready for eager researchers. That is all for today but be sure to tune in next week for the last updates on my, and the other interns’, projects. Ta-Ta for now!

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