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Book Review: *Still Alice*

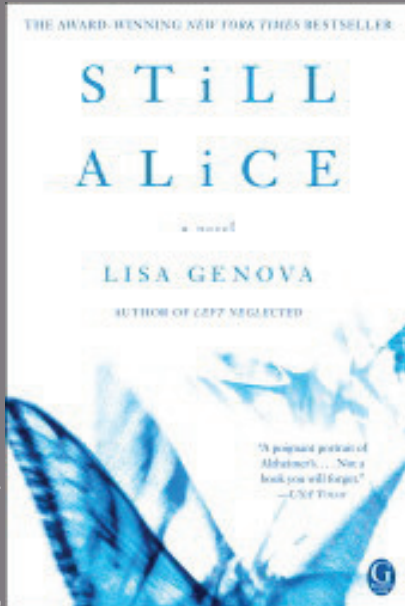


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By Brandi Schuster

Today's modern technology allows people to rely on their cell phones for, well, everything. People rely on them for a number of things, including their daily scheduling, email, and text messaging.

When fictional character Alice Howland is diagnosed with early-onset Alzheimer's disease, her phone quickly becomes her main anchor to her everyday life in Lisa Genova's debut novel *Still Alice*.

This powerful, compelling story takes you through Alice's journey as she slowly ceases to remember everyday objects, such as how to work a microwave, to much more personal matters, such as her daughter's name. *Still Alice* is a beautiful, heartbreaking story that is a must read for everyone.

This novel is available at MU Libraries.

Ellis offers quiet study areas

By Zac Boesch

Finals are quickly approaching no matter what you tell yourself. Most students will be looking for a quiet place to study and Ellis Library offers numerous locations to study in silence. Cell phone-free and conversation-free areas are available in rooms 201 and 202 and the 1st floor Current Periodicals Reading Room.

Planning to study with a group or finish up that final group project? Talking is allowed in the Information Commons, 1st floor colonnade and Bookmark Cafe. You can also reserve a study room on the Ellis Library

website.

The rest of the library is quiet with only whispered conversations allowed. I highly recommend studying in the stacks. Please remember to be courteous to those studying around you. If you have to ask yourself "Am I being too loud?", you probably are too loud.

Please keep headphone volume low. Though you may enjoy studying to Justin Bieber, surprisingly enough some students may not.

Whisper the word from the rooftops, "Ellis Library is the perfect place for quiet studying."

Extended Hours for Finals Week

By Jenn Paull

Ready to hit the books for finals? Then head on over to Ellis Library. Back by popular demand, Ellis will be open till 4 a.m. during finals week to make sure you have plenty of time to study. See below for a full list of the hours.

Day	Hours
Thursday, Dec. 9: Reading Day	7:30 a.m. – 2 a.m.
Friday, Dec. 10	7:30 a.m. – 2 a.m.
Saturday, Dec. 11	9 a.m. – 2 a.m.
Sunday, Dec. 12	9 a.m. – 4 a.m.
Monday-Thursday, Dec. 13-16	7 a.m. – 4 a.m.
Friday, Dec. 17	7 a.m. – 6 p.m.