



# INFORMATION LINKS

## NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM THE EVANS LIBRARY

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### FROM THE DEAN'S DESK

The Library faculty and staff extend to you best wishes for a happy New Year. The new year begins with a new look for the LINK, the Library Information Network, [www.lib.fit.edu](http://www.lib.fit.edu). We hope to provide the best possible organization of the content to suit the different needs of many patrons in many disciplines; intuitive travel among many web pages; and what we think of, frankly, as a sophisticated, professional 'look.' Behind the scenes, enhanced navigation has been built into our search engine. The front page displays full-screen on every computer system. Express Links appear on the front page and succeeding pages. Express Links are a persistent set of links to the most heavily used functions such as requesting an interlibrary loan, searching the catalog, or

logging into Blackboard or PAWS. Quick Search, one new Express Link, takes you quickly to Google, LINK, and Library catalog search options. We analyzed and evaluated the library websites of about fifteen of our competitor institutions, with an eye toward a Florida Tech Evans Library LINK better than all and uniquely our own. Special thanks to the Florida Tech Web Advisory Committee and to Rodd Newcombe, our representative on that committee, for providing University standards and guidelines; to Judi Tintera and her staff in University Publications for help with design; to Rhian Resnick, the Library's LINK architect and manager; to the Library faculty and staff, who work daily to improve the LINK; and finally to you, the faculty, and to every student, whom the LINK serves and to whom it is dedicated. The estate of Marion Clayton Link made early development and continuing support of the LINK possible. The Link Foundation continues to support the Link Scholars Program, awarding stipends to students who work with academic and library faculty advisers to improve the LINK. Please explore LINK resources and services often. A prominent new link at the bottom of the home page, Tell Us!, will make it easy for you to help us to continue LINK development. Tell Us! We really mean it!



*Arlene Long*

### EVANS LIBRARY HOURS

The Library's regular semester hours are:

**Monday - Thursday**  
8:00 a.m. - midnight

**Friday**  
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Saturday**  
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday**  
10:00 a.m. - midnight

### INTERLIBRARY LOAN - AWARD-WINNING SERVICE

Interlibrary Loans Librarian Tori Smith recently announced that the Evans Library was honored by the Central Florida Library Cooperative (CFLC) with the "ILL All-Star Award" at their annual meeting, held in December in Celebration, FL. Among regional libraries of all types, Florida Tech's library was second only to University of Central Florida, providing over 3,000 interlibrary loan items to libraries across the United States and the world. Interlibrary loan lending services are managed by Arlene Ferguson, whose hard work and dedication enhance the reputation of the Evans Library among its many lending partners.



### RHIAN RESNICK NAMED JANUARY MVP

The Evans Library's Information Technology Manager Rhian Resnick is the recipient of the Most Valuable Panther Award for January. His nomination described him as personable, efficient, and creative. He was commended for his Y2K troubleshooting efforts and his artificial reef research also. Congratulations, Rhian!

### SPRING 2004 GRADUATE RESEARCH WORKSHOP - DEADLINE APPROACHES

Tuesday, February 3, is the deadline for reservations for the Library's Spring 2004 graduate research workshops. These free workshops will be held on Friday, February 6, 1:00 - 4:15 p.m. and on Saturday, February 7, 8:45 a.m. - 12:00 noon and will take place in the Library's Edwin A. Link Multimedia Room. Additional information and a registration form may be found on the Library Information Network (LINK) ([www.lib.fit.edu](http://www.lib.fit.edu)) or at the Service Desk. Geared toward the research needs of graduate students, especially those preparing theses and dissertations, these two identical sessions will involve three distinct one-hour modules - 1) research essentials, 2) LINK features, resources, and services, and 3) subject-specific break-out sessions. For more information or registration, graduate students who are interested may contact Joanne Savage, Instructional Programs Technician, at [jsavage@fit.edu](mailto:jsavage@fit.edu) or at x7656. Reservations are required by Tuesday, February 3, and should include name, the last four digits of the Florida Tech ID number, email address, phone number(s), modules desired to attend, date of requested workshop, and student's program of study.

### DISPLAYS

Continuing in the Evans Library are three diverse displays - "Forensic Psychology," "Aviation: The History of Flight," and "Cook It By the Book II."

"I had," said he, "come to an entirely erroneous conclusion which shows, my dear Watson, how dangerous it always is to reason from insufficient data." With these words from his book, "The Adventure of the Speckled Band," Sir Arthur Conan Doyle provides readers with a glimpse into the world of forensic psychology. Florida Tech's School of Psychology's new degree program, Forensic Psychology, is the focus of an Evans Library's display that will be available through February 2004. Books, journals, government documents, and Internet sites provide clues to the worlds of the criminal, the victim, the detective, the criminologist, the sociologist, and the legal aspects of all concerned.

Also continuing on the Library's first floor is a display celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of flight, "Aviation: The History of Flight." Photographs, books, periodicals, government information, multimedia materials, Internet sites, and artifacts chronicle early aeronautical development and the pioneers who began the historical journey that continues to this day at Florida Tech.

Located near the north foyer is an on-going display featuring the Library's cookbook, *Cook It by the Book II*. Less than 100 copies remain for sale! For \$10, buyers may enjoy tried-and-true recipes submitted by the families of the current and former Florida Tech presidents and every Library staff member. To order, individuals may send an email message to Natalie Madden at [nmadden@fit.edu](mailto:nmadden@fit.edu), call 321-674-8086, stop by the Library, or complete an online order form on the LINK.

A complete Web archive of Library displays is on the LINK ([www.lib.fit.edu](http://www.lib.fit.edu)).