

INFORMATION LINKS

NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM THE EVANS LIBRARY
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FROM THE DEAN'S DESK - DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that the Library:

- Obtains 10,000 documents and books for faculty and students through interlibrary loans every year.
- Provides 3,000+ items per year to other libraries, making us the Central Florida Library Cooperative All-Star Library.
- Provides on the LINK an A-Z list of all full text periodicals available through the Library (print and electronic), about 8,000+ titles.
- Re-shelves over 99% of all materials within 24 hours, with a shelving accuracy rate of 99%.
- Has a never-ending process of reading the shelves (like re-painting the Golden Gate Bridge), to assure that materials are in their place.
- Enrolled 4,281 students in instructional programs in 2003-4, up from 2,781 enrollments in 1998-1999.
- Has Endowments valued at close to \$1M and uses the available interest to purchase resources for students and faculty.
- Combined funding from 3 funding sources to create the Edwin A. Link papers electronic archive.
- Offers 4 stipends of \$2,500 each, in the Link Scholars Program. The President and 3 members of the Board of Trustees attended the final presentations in 2004.
- Welcomes faculty to photocopy non-circulating materials with no charge to departments. Last year, faculty made 48,000 copies.
- Collects \$25,000 in revenues for the University in Library each year.
- Served 31,000 patrons on weekends in 2004, up from 20,000 in 2003.
- Is open 95 hours per week or 4,960 hours per 8,760-hour year or 56.4% of the time.
- Stays open until 2AM in the last 2 weeks of each semester. Several hundred students will be found in the Library at 2AM.
- Has employed close to 700 students in the Library in the last 20 years.
- Employs 24 Library faculty and staff, with combined 402 years of library experience, and 211 years at Florida Tech.



Alvine Song

DISPLAYS

Continuing in the Library is a display of Florida Tech faculty publications. Ever-changing and continuing for the next several months, this collection of published journal articles and books can be found in a first-floor lobby display case. The month of March focuses on [Computer Sciences](#) and [Business](#) faculty publications.

Also continuing is a first-floor display of information resources related to a cross-disciplinary topic - fractals. "Fractals Rock!" includes books, government publications, journal articles, Internet site references, and real-life examples of this colorful self-repeating geometry. This recently combined display is complemented by an exhibit of fractal art created by local engineer Frank Milordi, also known as the artist FAVIO.

"Fusion in Fabric" highlights the Ruth Funk collection of historical textiles, cultural artifacts, and hand-made crafts from around the world. Both colorful and exquisite in detail, the collection provides examples created by Funk (a textile artist and Melbourne resident) as well as stunning pieces from Asia, Europe, Central and South America. A myriad of textile-related books donated recently by Ruth Funk to the Library complements the beaded, dyed, and embroidered display items.



The Evans Library's popular "Cook It by the Book II" cookbook is still available for just \$10.00. Filled with favorite staff tried-and-true recipes, cookbooks may be purchased at the Library's Service Desk. Additionally, to place an order for this 64-page book, individuals may send a message to Natalie Madden at nmadden@fit.edu, call 321-674-8086, stop by the Library, or complete the online order form on the LINK (www.lib.fit.edu). Proceeds from the sale of cookbooks and exhibited fractal art benefit the Library's funds.



"If you have knowledge, let others light their candle at it."

- Margaret Fuller
(1810 - 1850)



LIBRARY HOURS

The Library's spring break hours, from Saturday, March 5, through Sunday, March 13, are:

Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday - Sunday
CLOSED

The Library will be open Sunday, March 27, from 6:00 p.m. to midnight only.

Otherwise, in March, the Library will observe its regular semester hours, which 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

April 15th

Deductions
TAXES

GETTING READY FOR TAX TIME

Evans Library is happy to announce the receipt of a variety of IRS forms, instruction books, and brochures. These are located in the stairwell on the first floor of the Library and are free for the taking. Any items that have not been received from the IRS can be copied from machine-reproducible forms in the Library or can be found at www.irs.gov. For specific tax questions, please call for **live tax assistance** at this toll-free number: 1-800-829-3676.