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FROM THE DEAN'S DESK

The Best Department to Work for, and the Best Students to Work With!

Last week, the Student Employment Office challenged each office on campus to nominate itself for the 2005 Best Department to Work award. With admitted bias, I say that the Library is, without doubt, the best department! About sixty students work with us, six hundred and seventy one all told since 1985. Why do they come and stay?

Food! Library food is legendary. Hardly a day goes by without treats by the coffee station, for most of the 95 hours of our weekly operation. Student appreciation parties each semester are the equivalent of a fifteen-hour, fifteen course meal, cooked and lovingly catered by Library staff and faculty.

Fellowship (and fellowships)! Library faculty and staff work side-by-side with our students, providing access to information and the best possible service to our campus and local communities. Our students know that without their help the Library simply could not function. Link Foundation or Library-supported Link Scholars grants provide a few students with \$2500 awards each year to work with academic and Library faculty to improve the Library's electronic information resources.

Future success! Students who work in the Library have real jobs that require technical expertise; analytical, mathematical, and communications skills; project management skills; teamwork; and leadership skills. Success on the job in the Library translates to success in the workplace.

We also help with your homework . . .

NEW BOOKS

From *FlyBoys: A True Story of Courage* by James Bradley (D804 .J3 B73 2003)

"On March 3, 1942, the FlyBoys were ordered to assemble to meet their commander. Until now they had never even heard his name; his identity was top secret. In the large conference room the air was abuzz with the usual hanging-around talk when suddenly a door opened and in walked the great little man himself. There was a stunned silence. 'Doolittle is my name,' he announced. His audience knew exactly who he was. It was as if Frank Sinatra had walked into a college band practice and said he would be accompanying him.



"We're in for something really big," whispered twenty-five-year-old navigator Mac McClure to the men standing near him. 'Of course he was a legend,' bombardier Herb Macia recalled. 'Even then I would not have hesitated to call him America's greatest aviator. One thing was clear: This mission was very important if he was involved in it.' Davey Jones recalled, 'It didn't take but two minutes and you were under his spell. We were ready for anything.'"



TAX TIME

A variety of IRS forms, instruction books, and brochures are still available in the Evans Library. These are located in the stairwell on the first floor and are free for the taking. Any items that are not readily available there can be copied from machine-reproducible forms in the Library or can be found at www.irs.gov. For specific tax questions, **live tax assistance** can be obtained at this toll-free number: 1-800-829-3676.

DISPLAYS

During April, articles and books related to engineering and aeronautics are featured in the Library's continuing display of Florida Tech faculty publications. This ever-changing and ongoing display can be found in a first-floor lobby display case.

The United States government publishes many interesting documents about such natural disasters as tsunamis, earthquakes, floods, tornados, hurricanes, typhoons, and volcanic eruptions. Some of these documents approach their subjects from an historical perspective and others from a scientific perspective. Some are written with the goal of providing instructions for the general public. Currently the Evans Library has a "Natural Disasters" display of government publications on the third floor. It includes charts and graphs of disaster occurrences, helpful hints on surviving a disaster, Congressional hearings, and more.



Oldest known photograph of a tornado (1884) - [NOAA Historical Photo Collection](#)

LIBRARY HOURS

In late April and early May, the Library will extend its hours to support preparation for final examinations.

The Library will remain open until midnight on Friday, April 22, Saturday, April 23, Friday, April 29, and Saturday, April 30.

From Sunday, April 24, through Thursday, April 28, the Library will stay open until 2:00 a.m.

Otherwise in April, 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

DATES ANNOUNCED - SUMMER 2005 GRADUATE RESEARCH WORKSHOP

The Evans Library's Summer 2005 graduate research workshops will be held on Friday morning, June 24, and Saturday afternoon, June 25. These free workshops will take place in the Library's second-floor Link Multimedia Room. Registration deadline is Tuesday, June 21. More details and a registration form can be found on the Library Information Network (LINK) under "[Library News](#)" or at the Service Desk.

"The important thing is not to stop questioning."

-Albert Einstein