FROM THE DEAN’S DESK - DR. CELINE LANG

The freshman class honored the entire Library faculty and staff with the April Cubby Award, for their outstanding contributions to student life. Participation in the Mentoring Program initiated last fall by Florida Tech Counseling and Psychological Services was one of the many ways in which the Library staff went above and beyond to improve the quality of student life. All of the Library faculty and staff participated in a mentor training session, reviewing the roles of resource person, positive role model, advocate for the student, and facilitator of the Florida Tech university experience. Many Library faculty and staff continued in the program and mentored at least one student for the remainder of the academic year. Each mentor developed a unique relationship with a student, including exchange of emails, get-togethers for lunch, attendance at sporting events on campus, meeting and entertaining the student’s parents and family, and attendance at the student’s special events. Those who were fortunate enough to mentor a student contributed to the well-being of the student and benefited in many ways as much as the student did from the opportunity to get to know a student well and to help with the challenges of adjustment to university life. On behalf of the Library faculty and staff, thank you to the freshman class for recognizing the Library with the Cubby Award.

SUMMER 2004 GRADUATE RESEARCH WORKSHOP

The registration deadline for the Library’s Summer 2004 graduate research workshops is Tuesday, June 15. These workshops will be held Thursday, June 17, from 5:30 – 9:00 p.m., and Friday, June 18, from 8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. For more information or registration, graduate students who are interested may visit the LINK’s workshop site or may contact Joanne Savage, Instructional Programs Technician, at jsavage@fit.edu or at x7656. Reservations must 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.

“Everything that can be invented has been invented.”
- Charles H. Duell, Commissioner, U.S. Office of Patents, 1899

Continuing on the first floor is “Innovations spelled I-N-V-E-N-T-I-O-N.” Little did Mr. Duell, quoted above, know what lay ahead in the twentieth century and beyond. Featured in this display are books, government documents, and Internet sites that will enlighten Library visitors about Edwin A. Link and his air and sea inventions, a myriad of other interesting inventions, Florida Tech patents, the patent process, and more!

GOVERNMENT INFORMATION TRACES GENEALOGY

Beginning this month, the Evans Library’s third-floor Federal Depository will display the results of using readily available government information to trace the family tree of Library employee Scott Blackwell. A Patron Access Assistant, Scott traced two branches of his family back to the 1600s, using U.S. Census Records, Bureau of Land Management documents, the National Archives and Records Administration, the U.S. Social Security Death Index, and The War of the Rebellion. Also included in the display are lists of valuable non-government materials and contact information for a Certified Genealogist Michael Boonstra, who works at the nearby Central Brevard Library and Reference Center in Cocoa.

EVANS LIBRARY COOKBOOK

Copies are still available of “Cook It By The Book, II”, the Evans Library staff cookbook. For only $10 this cookbook is a wonderful gift idea for the cook in your life or for yourself! Contact Natalie Madden at 674-7541 or nmadden@fit.edu or stop by the library or the bookstore to purchase a copy.

SUMMER LIBRARY HOURS

From Saturday, May 1, through Sunday, May 9, the Library will observe break hours.

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

- Saturday & Sunday
  CLOSED

Effective Monday, May 10, summer semester hours are:

- Monday – Thursday
  8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

- Friday
  8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

- Saturday
  1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

- Sunday
  2:00 – 10:00 p.m.