FROM THE DEAN’S DESK: Amazing Facts About You
For your summer reading enjoyment, we offer a few amazing facts about Library service to Florida Tech students and faculty:

- You receive thousands of documents and books through interlibrary loan each year.
- You receive journal articles through interlibrary loan this year in an average of 4.5 days (down from 7.8 days last year).
- You can find over 17,000 full-text journals in the A to Z list on the LINK. Double last year’s number.
- You can find 99+% of returned Library materials on the shelves within 24 hours of their return, 99++% in correct shelf order. Maintaining the collection is like painting the Golden Gate Bridge – a never-ending work of art and technology.
- 87 faculty use Reserve Item Services and items check out about 4,900 times in an academic year.
- 900 faculty, students, and members of the community visit the Library each day.
- 77,000 unique visitors used the LINK in 2005.
- Bonus fact: biannual student appreciation parties, for the 65+ students employed in the Library each semester, are 12 hours long because students work during all the shifts in our 95-hour per week service schedule.

MEET THE AUTHOR
Dr. Fred Ham, Harris Professor of Electrical Engineering, has published his first novel! On Wednesday, July 5, the Library will host a meet-the-author reception in the Link Multimedia Room. Dead River, an e-book thriller published by Digital Pulp Publishing, is set in Brevard County. The event will be held from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. on the second floor of the Library.

LIGHTS! FURNITURE! ACTION!
The Evans Library’s Link Multimedia Room is undergoing a bit of an extreme makeover. In progress is an upgrade to its furniture, equipment, lighting, and décor. By Fall 2006, campus users will be treated to the Room’s new look and improved capabilities.

LATEST AND GREATEST
Visit the LINK’s Library News to find out about the latest New Materials (http://www.lib.fit.edu/pubs/newitems) and New Links to Internet Sites (http://www.lib.fit.edu/pubs/newlinks) that have been added to the Library’s collections.

DID YOU KNOW?
Did you know that the Dean of Libraries, Dr. Celine Lang, writes a column for each and every issue of the “Information Links”? In this issue, she details eight amazing facts!

LIBRARY DISPLAYS
Coming soon! Beginning July 1, the Library will highlight an age-old yet timely topic, “Banned Books”. Featured will be materials that the Evans Library owns that have been challenged in various libraries, schools, and governments over time. Also included will be information on current discussions regarding intellectual freedom, censorship, and published materials that have come under fire.

“The World of Business Etiquette: How Do You Do?”, which continues until the end of June, is for everyone, especially those who are interested in paying attention to professional protocol, feeling more confident in public, and being more successful in the work world. This two-case lobby display features books, government information, Internet sites, and a variety of artifacts that relate to impressing a potential employer or conducting business around the globe.

“Women in Science: Trials & Trials of a Phenomenal Five” showcases information resources about well- and little-known female scientists. Located on the first floor, it provides books, government publications, journal articles, and Internet sites by and about:
- ophthalmologist and inventor Dr. Patricia Bath
- anthropologist Dian Fossey
- pioneer molecular biologist Rosalind Franklin
- award-winning geneticist Barbara McClintock, and
- botanist-turned-children’s-author Beatrix Potter.

“US-Iran Relations” features government documents relevant to the development and current status of the relationship between the United States and Iran. As part of the Library’s third-floor federal depository, it also provides a fact sheet containing information about Iran’s government, demographics, and economy.