FROM THE DEAN’S DESK: WELCOME!

A hearty welcome to all new students and welcome back to faculty and returning students. This month, as in previous columns, I’d like to share some interesting facts and figures about the Library. In FY07, 26,092 items were added to Library collections, 61% tangible items and 39% electronic items. The A to Z Journal list contains 6,985 new full-text journal titles, for a total of over 22,000 titles. New licensed databases added include: Environmental Impact Statements; Environmental Sciences and Pollution Management; full-text databases in civil, electrical, and mechanical engineering and telecommunications; LexisNexis; General Business; and Health Reference Academic. Notable gift collections received include: the John Millington Aviation Collection; the Lillian E. Fredericks Collection on Clinical Hypnosis (kindness of Dr. Richard Elmore); and the Hugh Thompson Collection on University Administration (kindness of Dr. Ray Bonhomme). The Edwin A. Link Digital Archive is now 94% complete and Web-accessible. In these and many other ways, the collections have grown in size and quality.

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The Fall 2007 Graduate Research Workshop dates have been set: Thursday, November 8 and Friday, November 9. Visit the LINK to enroll!

DISPLAYS

Four displays continue in the Evans Library.

- **Native American Culture and Art** is a first-floor exhibit of books, periodical articles, Internet sites, government information, and colorful art work.
- Also on the first floor is **Uncommon Threads: Textiles of Southeast Asia**, designed to promote library materials related to the Ruth Funk collection and gallery.
- Next to the first-floor stairway is a **Linkanoe**, designed, built, and named by inventor Edwin A. Link.
- In the third-floor federal depository is **U.S. Patents**, featuring a wide variety of interesting government information on utility, design, and plant patents.

Coming soon is “Colors of Our World”!

WELCOME, CHERYL A. DAVIS!

The Library is pleased to announce the permanent faculty appointment of Cheryl A. Davis to its Patron and Research Services. Ms. Davis received her MLIS from the University of South Florida in 2006 and her BS in Political Science and Public Administration from Northeastern University.

Her professional background includes human resource and education services, as well as her previous temporary position at Evans Library. Having presented “Hispanic Residents’ Perception of Spanish Language Material Availability and their Library Usage in Central Florida” at ALA’s 2006 Joint Conference of Librarians of Color, her research interests include library services related to cultural diversity and regional outreach.

WHAT’S NEW?

Visit the LINK’s **Library News** section to find out about the latest materials and Internet sites that have been added to library collections.

“America: A Narrative History” by George Brown Tindall and David E. Shi is listed in the ‘new books’ section on the LINK. Call number: E178.1.T55 2004