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# MUNTZ LIBRARY MUSINGS

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## From the Library Director

—Jeanne Pyle, Library Director

### What is a library?

Ask most people and their first response will most likely be that a library is a building with a collection of books. This is a fair response. Since early times there have been famous libraries such as the Ancient Library of Alexandria (third century BC) or the Roman Library of Celsus in Ephesus (110 AD). From the earliest library to even the smallest community library today, libraries are places of discovery and learning.

Today's libraries continue to build collections in a variety of formats like books, magazines, and videos. But the bigger role of the library and the information professionals who work there is often one that few even realize is taking place. That role is ACCESS and because it usually happens so easy and seamlessly, few realize the efforts that are taking place behind the scenes.

Your UT Tyler Library has one of the best collections of ONLINE resources available to a university of our size. These resources, whether EBooks or collections of online articles, are available due to the work of UT Tyler Librarians. Our librarians work with faculty and students to identify resources needed to support new academic programs and the information needs of students and

researchers. Librarians evaluate, recommend, select and organize information resources to provide ease of access. The world of online resources also means that licenses must be negotiated to ensure that our users have access when and where they need it.

Not everything available on the "web" is free or accurate. Researching through the library's collections is a good first step to ensure the QUALITY of resources found.

Overwhelmed with trying to find the information you need from all the possible selections out there? Not sure where to start? Or how to ensure that you get the best without having to wade through the irrelevant stuff too? Oh, yeah...we have an "app" for that too...Your UT Tyler Librarian! Librarians are available to help you figure out the best places to start your research and the best search strategies.

They are here to help you find and get the actual resource once you've found it. Check us out...we're ready to help... whether in person, online, or over the phone.



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## An Evening of Verse at 8th Annual Student Poetry Awards

—Angel Rivera, Outreach Librarian

The UT Tyler Robert R. Muntz Library hosted the 2010 Student Poetry Awards on Tuesday, April 13, 2010. This was the library's capstone event for National Poetry Month. The event took place at Braithwaite Auditorium. Our keynote poet for the evening was Karla Morton, the 2010 Texas Poet Laureate. Karla Morton has been described as "one of the most adventurous voices in American poetry." After the reception and book signing, the event drew students and members of the community for an evening of verse and recognition.

The 2010 winners of the Student Poetry Contest are:

- First Place: Laura Ragsdale for "and linger and orbit."
- Second Place: Jennifer Simmons for "Stream of Consciousness."
- Third Place: Tina Bausinger for "Remember Us."
- Fourth Place: Felicia Gonzalez for "Sleep Chamber."

Trophies were awarded for first, second, and third place. Fourth place received a certificate. All winners received a money voucher that can be used in the campus bookstore, and it is good for up to a year. They also received a signed copy of Karla Morton's book *Redefining Beauty*. A panel of five judges made the choices: two librarians, two members of the English Department faculty, and a local professional poet.

Anne McCrady, award winning East Texas poet and friend of the library, gave a warm welcome and introduction for Karla Morton. McCrady talked about the many lessons she had learned from Karla over time.

After the introduction, Karla Morton read from her works and talked about the craft of poetry. Her love for Texas and poetry were evident in her verses and her enthusiastic performance. After Morton's performance, the student poets were invited on stage to receive the awards. Karla Morton and Mr. Jim Ewbank, representing

the UT Tyler Friends of the Arts, presented the awards. The students then read their poems for the audience. This year's student poets brought to the stage a broad range of moving verses and imagery in their poems.

The Muntz Library would like to take a moment to thank the UT Tyler Friends of the Arts for their generosity, which made this event possible. We would also like to thank the Texas Poetry Society for their assistance, and I would like to thank Anne McCrady for her assistance and support.



Pictured left to right: Anne McCrady, Jim Ewbank, Karla Morton, Jennifer Simmons, Felicia Gonzalez, and Angel Rivera.

### Trivia:

**What is National Poetry Month?** Inaugurated by the Academy of American Poets in 1996, National Poetry Month is now held every April, when publishers, book-sellers, literary organizations, libraries, schools and poets around the country band together to celebrate poetry and its vital place in American culture. Thousands of businesses and non-profit organizations participate through readings, festivals, book displays, workshops, and other events. For more, visit [www.poets.org](http://www.poets.org).

# Notes from the Circulation and Interlibrary Services Departments

—Penny Reynolds, Circulation and ILL Librarian

## FINALS week is almost here!

FINALS week is right around the corner and for those of you that would like a place to study, finish your projects and those last minute papers, the Library will be the place for YOU! The Library hours for finals week are as follows:

### Sunday, May 2 through Thursday, May 6: 7:30am – 2:00am

To help you stay focused, alert and/or semi-awake, the Library will be providing coffee, tea and hot chocolate!

**Library Room 401** has been reserved for you as a **QUIET** study hall during this time (Sunday through Thursday) from **7:00pm until 2:00am**.

As a friendly reminder, please keep in mind the **ZONES** for each floor of the Library. We have posted **Know Your Zone** signs throughout the Library for your convenience so that you can appropriately choose the area in the Library where you would like to work and study. The **RED Zone** is the **silent** area. The 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, also called the Stacks, is the area you want to be in if you need a quiet place. Also, as mentioned above, **LIB 401 is a RED Zone from 7:00pm until 2:00am**. The **GREEN Zones** are located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor and the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the Library. Group study, moderate conversation and limited cell phone use is appropriate for these areas.

Once again, the Student Government Association (SGA) has graciously agreed to provide in-library security during this time period. Because only U.T. Tyler students, faculty, and staff are permitted in the Library from midnight until 2:00am, security may ask to see your U.T. Tyler I.D. card, **so don't leave home without it!**

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## Do you know about the **Library's Practice Presentation Room?**

Located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Library, room 202 was created with our students in mind to give them the opportunity to practice/rehearse any in-class presentations assigned and view VHS/DVD tapes as assigned. State-of-the-art equipment as well as a whiteboard with dry erase markers are provided in Room 202. Students may reserve this room 2 weeks in advance although reservations are not required. With a U.T. Tyler I.D. card, students (minimum 2 students in group) may check-out the room from the Circulation desk for one two-hour checkout per day, (per group-not per person in group).

For more detailed information and/or a copy of the policy, please stop by the Circulation desk or call us at 903-566-7342.

## Notes from the Circulation and Interlibrary Services Departments (continued)

—Penny Reynolds, Circulation and ILL Librarian

### Group Study Rooms on the 3rd floor

The Group Study Room are located in the 3rd floor of the library, which is in the **Red Zone** (the designated quiet zone). When three or more students gather in the group study rooms, it is almost impossible to keep the noise level down. To help keep the sounds in the rooms and not outside of the rooms, sound proof panels were recently installed into the Library's three group study rooms, Lib 312, 313, 314. As funding permits, the future plans are for all of our study rooms to have the sound proof panels.

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### What is Interlibrary Loan (I.L.L) and ILLiad?

Have you ever visited the Library and searched for books and articles only to find that the Library does not own what you are looking for? You wonder, now what am I going to do? What you are going to do is - I.L.L with ILLiad! When you I.L.L. materials, you are asking us to locate the materials that you need from other libraries in the United States. The way that you request those items is by accessing one of our newest electronic resources called ILLiad. Provided to **currently enrolled** faculty, staff, and students, via your "My Utyler" username, ILLiad makes it easy for you to submit requests and allows you to track your requests and receive photocopies via electronic delivery. If you would like more information on ILLiad, assistance with your requests or a visit to your office or classroom for a one-on-one instruction, please call the Interlibrary Services Department at 566-7396 or stop by Library 221.

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### Library now has two Bookdrops

In addition to the bookdrop that is currently available at the entrance to the Library, an additional bookdrop has been placed outside, by the 1<sup>st</sup> floor entrance to the Metamorphosis Café, also referred to as "The Met". Both bookdrops are "usually" emptied and the contents discharged from your Library record, two times per day. **However**, you may want to return those items that have accrued fines to the Library Circulation desk for prompt payment and removal of any holds that may have been placed on your student records.



### What does GOFR stand for?

It stands for: *Getting Our Faculty Resources*. During the month of April the Library launched its newest service called GOFR. This **new faculty document delivery service** provides PDF copies of UT Tyler-owned journals and book chapters as well as delivery of full-text database articles via your ILLiad account. For more information on GOFR and/or ILLiad, please contact the Interlibrary Services office at ext. 7396.

## Reference Q&A

—Sabra Jennings, Reference Librarian

### Printing & Copy Money Explained

A student recently asked: Why can't the money students receive for printing be used for copying at the library?

Each semester, currently enrolled students receive a \$25 credit on their P2 cards to be used toward printing on campus. Equivalent to 500 black-and-white pages, this is "free" money provided by the university and can be used in any campus computer lab, including the library.

Students often wonder why they cannot use this printing money at the library copy machines. The library would love for students to be able to use their printing allotments for copying, but the solution is a bit more complicated than it seems.

Campus printing and copy machines operate under two separate accounts. The printing money is allotted to all students by the university's Cashier's Office. Printing around campus is done through the Pharos Printing System, which was implemented by Campus Computing Services.

The copiers in the library are maintained and managed by the university's Copy Center (1<sup>st</sup> floor of the library building), which operates under a different account from Pharos. You can add money to your P2 card that can be used for copying, as well as for some other campus purchases, but when the university set up the Pharos system, the "free" money was allotted to be used for printing only. Please understand that each university department is also billed for the copy costs incurred by its staff and faculty.

The library has looked into the possibility of getting the printing allotment work for copying as well, but as of now, the two systems don't work together.

We welcome all questions, comments, ideas, etc. If you have ideas to make the library better, please let us know. We do take all student concerns into consideration and strive to provide the best possible service.



*The Patriot Spot* (<http://uttylerlibrary.wordpress.com>) is the official blog of the UT Tyler Robert R. Muntz Library. It is one of the tools we use to stay in touch with our campus community and friends. Find news, announcements, and items of interest in our blog. Readers are welcome to post comments on the blog. We hope you will stop by *The Patriot Spot* and join us in creating new conversations.

## From the University Archives and Special Collections (UASC)

—Deirdre Joyce, University Archivist

### Archives Receives New Shelving Units

A few months ago, the UT Tyler Robert R. Muntz Library received L.E.R.R. (Library, Equipment, Repair and Rehabilitation) funds from the U.T. System that allowed us to remodel the University Archives, located on the first floor of the library. The original shelving took up too much space and left us little room to expand our collections—or work on them.

We devoted several weeks to moving thousands of documents related to The University of Texas at Tyler, Lt. Governor Bill Ratliff, journalist Sarah McClendon, Judge William Steger, and others into various areas of the Library, causing much confusion, clutter, and a cramped working environment. However, after extensive consultation and planning to provide new shelving and some little bumps in the road, the remodel is finally complete! We now have new, movable shelving units that provide us more room to put all

our documents, with plenty of room left over for new acquisitions. After that, it is just a matter of putting everything in its place.

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### Upcoming Events from the UASC

- The University Archives and Special Collections will feature an online exhibit of Sarah McClendon materials during the month of May 2010. This exhibit will be accessible via the Robert R. Muntz Library website (<http://library.uttyler.edu>).
- Materials from the UASC political collections, featuring items from the Tim Jackson Collection of Presidential Memorabilia, will be on display in the UC Ballroom on May 25.

For these and other UASC events, or for further questions and information about the UASC and its holdings, you may contact Deirdre Joyce at 903-966-5849 or e-mail [djoyce@uttyler.edu](mailto:djoyce@uttyler.edu).

## Library Offers Research Consultations

—Vandy Dubre, Instruction and Distance Education Librarian



Having trouble finding enough or the right kind of sources for your paper? Have you had a library session, but still find it hard to navigate through the website? Has your professor screamed an emphatic “NO” to your use of Wikipedia, and you don’t know what to do next? Well, never fear.

You can schedule a private or group research consultation with your department’s librarian. Each department on campus is assigned a librarian who works closely with the faculty, the library resources, and the research trends in that field. So when you schedule a consultation with that particular librarian, you are getting a trained research professional who not only knows your faculty but also has knowledge about your discipline and knows the tricks that will help you find better resources for your paper or assignment. Scheduling an appointment ensures the librarian is here and dedicated to you specifically. So just call the Reference Desk at 903-566-7343 and we will help you set up an appointment.

# Wanted: Texas Authors

## East Texas Book Fest 2010



**Saturday, September 25, 2010**  
**10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**  
**UT Tyler Ornelas Activity Center**  
**3402 Old Omen Road, Tyler, Texas**

Thanks to fabulous authors and generous sponsors, the 2009 East Texas Book Fest was a smashing success. We now invite you to participate in the bigger and better 2010 East Texas Book Fest. This year, we expect to present many more authors and welcome an even larger audience. The 2010 East Texas Book Fest is organized by SALT (Smith County Public Libraries) and UT Tyler Muntz Library.

We offer participating authors space, time, audience, and learning opportunities. All you need to bring is enthusiasm for reading, libraries, the book-loving audience – and for your own books, of course.

The East Texas Book Fest is free of charge to the public. Attendees will be able to browse and buy books throughout the six-hour event. Though the schedule also includes talks by invited authors and small discussion groups, these will take place while the exhibit area is still open. There will be publicity before and during the Book Fest. If you are selected, you and your books will be part of it!

### Here's How You Apply:

- Complete and send the attached form to P. O. Box 9951, Tyler TX 75711 or by email to [etxbookfest@gmail.com](mailto:etxbookfest@gmail.com). (Digital versions of the application are available at [etxbookfest.org](http://etxbookfest.org).)
- The East Texas Book Fest Selection Committee will select authors according to a set of criteria, including genre. We again aim to offer a wide variety of books. Please check a maximum of three genres on the application form.
- The deadline for the receipt of your application is **May 15, 2010**.

### Here's How You Respond If You Are Selected:

- Authors will be notified about the decisions of the Selection Committee by June 1.
- A \$20 registration fee covers one half a table (three feet). You will also get a table cover, one chair, a sign with your name on it, bottled water, a badge, and lunch. If you need more space, \$35 covers a full table (six feet) and two chairs, plus the other items noted above.
- When notified that you have been selected, make your check payable to East Texas Book Fest and mail it to P.O. Box 9951, Tyler, TX 75711. Do not send a fee until you have been notified.
- At notification, we will request that you send to [etxbookfest@gmail.com](mailto:etxbookfest@gmail.com) the following: a signed author agreement, which includes requests for any special needs you have and your consent for our using your name and work in publicity; brief biographical information; and a digital photo.
- Set up time is 8:00-10:00 a.m. on September 25, 2010. Take down time is 4:30 p.m. You or your designee is expected to be present for the full time.

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Address your questions and other needs to [etxbookfest@gmail.com](mailto:etxbookfest@gmail.com)

## 2010 East Texas Book Fest—September 25, 2010

Author application Form-Complete and mail to address below.

**Due on May 15 or before.**

### Contact Information

Author's Name	
Mailing Address	
Preferred phone numbers	
FAX number	
Email address	
Web Site	

You will hear back from us by email or fax by June 1. If you use neither, we will mail a reply.

Your Book Titles	Publisher	ISBN #

**Genre: Please check no more than three genres, those that you consider your main focus.**

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Adult Fiction</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Adult Non-Fiction</b>
	Mystery		History
	Romance		Science
	Science Fiction		Biography and Memoirs
	Historical Fiction		How-To and Hobbies
	Other Fiction		Other Non-Fiction
	Poetry		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Children's Books</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Young Adult Books</b>
	Children's Fiction		Young Adult Fiction
	Children's Non-Fiction		Young Adult Non-Fiction
	Children's Poetry		Young Adult Poetry

Please indicate whether you prefer half table or full table.

Fees are not payable until you are notified of your selection to participate.

\_\_\_\_\_ \$20 for one-half table \_\_\_\_\_ \$35 for full table

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**Complete this form and mail or email as attachment to East Texas Book Fest.**

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P.O Box 9951

Tyler, TX 75711

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## New Summer Library Hours

With the limited number of students on campus and smaller class offerings during the summertime, the Library will close a couple of hours earlier during the week this summer. Beginning May 14 through August 13, the Library hours will be as follows:

**Sunday: 1:00pm -10:00pm**  
**Monday: 7:30am -10:00pm**  
**Tuesday: 7:30am -10:00pm**  
**Wednesday: 7:30am -10:00pm**  
**Thursday: 7:30am -10:00pm**  
**Friday: 7:30am -5:00pm**  
**Saturday: 9:00am -6:00pm**

Regular midnight hours will resume the first day of Fall 2010 classes, Wednesday, August 25.



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