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## *Library Coffee Shop Coming Soon!*

—Jeanne Standley, Library Director

Welcome to all our new and returning students! We're excited to tell you that the library will soon have a coffee bar! It's going in outside the main entrance to the library and will be open later in September.

In addition to serving the same great Starbucks coffee drinks as Blends & Brews and Liberty Station, our Campus Food Services will serve salads and sandwiches too.

We want the library to be an inviting and comfortable space for studying and we know that studying always goes better with snacks. We also want to preserve the library's collections, equipment, and furnishings. To that end, we ask for your assistance in keeping the library clean for everybody.

Please keep these things in mind:

- Let us know immediately of any spills.
- Dispose of any food and drink-related trash before you leave.
- Please use spill proof containers.
- Avoid snacks or aromatic foods that will disturb those around you.
- Consume meals (fast foods, etc.) in the Muntz Library Gardens or on the first floor of the Library.
- NO food or drink will be allowed in the University Archives.

There will be a few more changes to come later this fall, so visit often to see what's happening at the Library!

And don't forget to save the date for the fourth annual East Texas Book Fest on Saturday, September 8th at the Ornelas Activity Center, UT Tyler. Read more about the book fest later in this newsletter.



### Coffee: Did You Know?

- 54% of Americans over the age of 18 drink coffee every-day.
- Americans drink an average of 3.1 cups a day and the average size of the cup is 9 oz.

Source: Harvard School of Public Health

<http://tinyurl.com/9gbfncj>

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## *East Texas Book Fest Announces Authors for September 8, 2012 event*

More than 50 Texas authors, including 12 award-winning authors who will headline as featured speakers, will be in Tyler for the 4th annual East Texas Book Fest on Saturday, September 8, 2012. Taking place at the UT Tyler Ornelas Activity Center, 3402 Old Omen Road, this year's East Texas Book Fest land on National Literacy Day. Adults and children can come take part in all of the special events happening from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. as the Book Fest celebrates writers, books, reading, and libraries.

Featured speakers will lead workshops or discussions about their work and the art and craft of creating and publishing books. Among this group are best-selling fiction writers Taylor Stevens and Reavis Wortham, political scientist Cal Jillson, historian Derek Catsam, folklorist Jerry Lincecum, and Hispanic writer for readers of all ages Carmen Tafolla. Keith Graves and Alan Stacy, both children's books authors and illustrators, will work with event participants to prove that reading is fun and everyone can draw. Other speakers will talk about the latest phenomenon of Young Adult fiction; Joy Preble and Varian Johnson will talk about their novels, and Marianne Dyson and Laura Edge will explain their research and approach to Young Adult Nonfiction.

In addition to those who will lead discussions and workshops, more than 40 more authors will display and sell their books and chat with East Texas Book Festival attendees throughout the day. These authors come from many areas of Texas - from as far away as Odessa and San Antonio and as nearby as next door. "It's fun! It's free! And it's here in Tyler!" says Book Fest Chair Dee Brock. "This year's lineup of outstanding Texas authors is exceptional in quality and includes writers in a broad variety of genres for readers of all ages." Attendees have the opportunity to meet authors, ask them questions, and learn about crafting, publishing, and promoting books. For the complete list of authors at Book Fest 2012, as well as their biographies, pictures, and a schedule of events, check the website at [www.etxbookfest.org](http://www.etxbookfest.org).

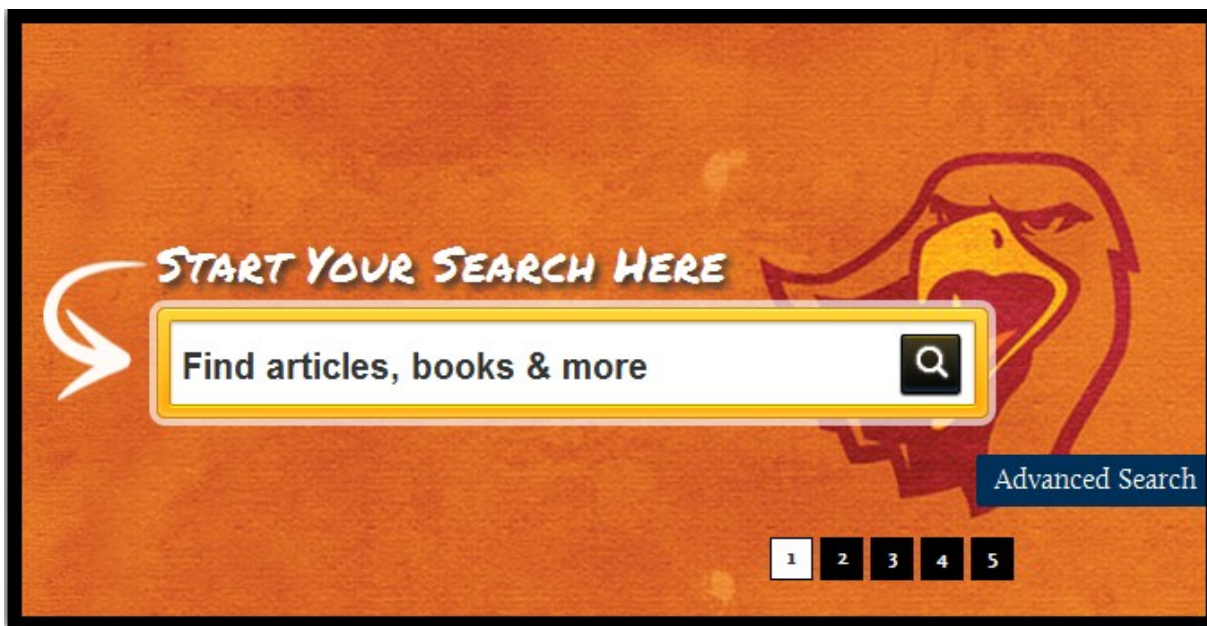
The East Texas Book Fest is presented by SALT, an organization of Smith County public libraries, the Lindale Library, Troup Municipal Library, Tyler Public Library, the Whitehouse Community Library, and the UT Tyler Muntz Library. Generous funding from the Smith County Library Foundation, the Junior League of Tyler, Friends of Smith County public libraries, and Humanities Texas, the state's affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, make this event possible.

For further information, you may contact Ms. Dee Brock at 903-565-6655 or you can send e-mail to [etxboofest@yahoo.com](mailto:etxboofest@yahoo.com). You can also visit their website at [www.etxbookfest.org](http://www.etxbookfest.org).

## *Check Out SwoopSearch*

—Margo Duncan, Systems Librarian

—Tiffany LeMeistre, Electronic Resources and Collection Management Librarian



The library's new discovery service, SwoopSearch, is out of beta and beginning an official launch this fall. Type any search terms into the big orange box on the library homepage to give it a try.

SwoopSearch combines the books and items in the library catalog with the articles, documents, and streaming media in the library's most popular databases. It is an excellent starting place for research because it brings most of the library's content to you in a single search interface.

SwoopSearch contains all EBSCO databases, Alexander Street Press content, ScienceDirect, Web of Knowledge, Grove Art and Music Online, ERIC, and Oxford University Press content just to name a few. It also provides access to indexes not previously searchable through the library such as the Government Printing Office Catalog, ArXiv, Persee open access collections, and Credo Reference.

Since SwoopSearch covers a variety of different sources with millions of potential results we are rolling out subject specific SwoopSearch interfaces this fall. The subject specific SwoopSearch will limit results to a select number of databases in your field of study, narrowing your results to the most pertinent resources. Talk to your liaison librarian for more information on this upcoming feature.

In an effort to improve SwoopSearch we will be conducting small group usability testing this fall. If you would like to participate in usability testing, or are willing to offer your students extra credit to improve the library please contact Margo Duncan ([mduncan@uttyler.edu](mailto:mduncan@uttyler.edu)/903-566-7174) or Tiffany LeMaistre ([tlemaistre@uttyler.edu](mailto:tlemaistre@uttyler.edu)/903-565-5614).

## Reminder

The library would like to remind students who use the library computer to always save their work and save it often. Use a portable USB drive, aka "thumb drive" to save all work. If you do not have a "thumb drive," you can always e-mail a document to your own e-mail account.

All library computers in the reference area are set to clean themselves out after every log-in. That means anything you put on the desktop will disappear and cannot be retrieved. Need help? Ask us how to save.

**Save to your personal device and do it often.**

## Upcoming Events @ Your Library

The Muntz Library is planning the following events for the Fall 2012 semester:



out of banned and challenged books.

At the end of September, the library will observe Banned Books Week. Banned Books Week takes place from September 30 to October 6. This year marks the 30th anniversary of Banned Books Week and the theme is "30 years of Liberating Literature." Activities include displays and a virtual read-

During October, the library will once again participate in Humans Versus Zombies. Look for our displays and watch for our team.



During November, the library will plan events for National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo). NaNoWriMo "is a nonprofit event that encourages kids and adults to tackle the challenge of writing a novel in November. We urge our student writers as well as the community to join us in writing. To learn more about NaNoWriMo, you can visit the official website at <http://www.nanowrimo.org/en>.

For more information on these events, you can contact Mindy Tomlin, Reference Librarian, at 903-566-7314 or via e-mail at [mtomlin@uttyler.edu](mailto:mtomlin@uttyler.edu).

## Student Reminder from Access Services

If you checked out books and materials from the Muntz Library, make sure you return them on time to avoid any fines.

If you placed an Interlibrary Loan (ILL request), and the

item has arrived, make sure you claim it. If you no longer want the item, you can call 903-566-7396 to tell us. Fines can accrue if an item you ordered arrives, and you do not claim it.



## *News from Archives and Special Collections*

—Terra Bianchi, University Archivist

The University Archives and Special Collections Department has had a busy summer processing the historical documents of UT Tyler. We have been arranging, describing, and preserving collections that detail the history of the University from two distinct points of view—materials created by the Marketing and Communications Department and administrative records kept by our first President, Dr. James H. Stewart.

The Marketing and Communications records span from 1974 to 2001 and contain news releases created by the University community and external publications concerning University hap-

penings—including information on campus activities, student life, classes, special events, faculty, and more.

Dr. Stewart's records begin with his inauguration in 1972 and span through his tenure as President until 1981. These valuable documents hold evidence on the creation of Tyler State College—including Board of Regents minutes, accreditation documents, drafts for the implementation of college departments, student organizations, and addresses to faculty and students.

You can follow the daily activities and findings of the University Archives and Special Collections Department on [Twitter](#)

([@muntzarchives](#)), [Facebook](#) ([www.facebook.com/muntzarchives](http://www.facebook.com/muntzarchives)), and our [Blog](#) (<http://uttyleruasc.wordpress.com/>).

We share historical discoveries about UT Tyler and our students, faculty, and staff—both past and present. Also be sure to check out our [monthly newsletter](#) (<http://library.uttyler.edu/UTASC/Exhibits>) “This Month in UT Tyler History”, to see what was happening around campus ten, twenty, and thirty years ago.

## *Learn more about the UT Tyler Institutional Repository*

—Terra Bianchi, University Archivist

An institutional repository (IR) is a digital space that captures and preserves the intellectual work of a university. Intellectual works may include research journals (published in digital, open-access form through the IR), drafts of peer-reviewed articles, and digital versions of theses and dissertations. In addition, an IR might be used as a place to store or preserve archival objects and/or information in digital form.

Implemented in the fall of 2011, [UT Tyler's Institutional Repository](#) (<http://dspace.uttyler.edu/>

[xmlui/](#)) manages the scholarly output of the UT Tyler community by storing, preserving, and providing access to documents and publications by students, faculty, and staff. The IR is an open access repository, where the full texts of 95% of works deposited are freely accessible to the world via the web.

UT Tyler's IR is currently holding student's theses and dissertations to ensure that their graduate work is preserved and more accessible. The IR allows

students to showcase their scholarly work to not only UT Tyler faculty and students, but to researchers worldwide. Created with open source software, UT Tyler's institutional repository joins a community of over 1000 institutions that use the DSpace platform to maintain digital materials.

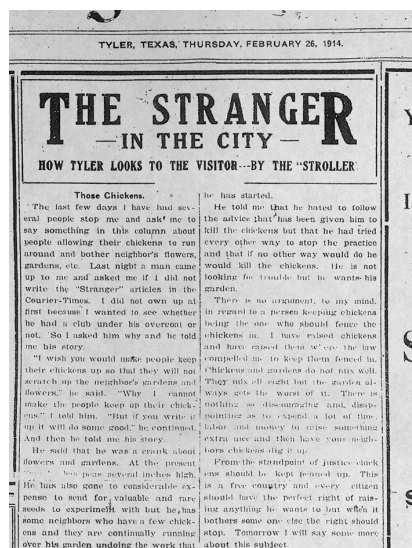
For further information or questions, please contact Terra Bianchi, University Archivist, at [tbianchi@uttyler.edu](mailto:tbianchi@uttyler.edu) or 903-565-5849.



# The Great Tyler Chicken War

-Vandy Dobre, Instruction Librarian

Tuesday August 7, our very own librarian and local historian extraordinaire Vicki Betts presented her MUCH anticipated program on the Great Tyler Chicken War of 1914. Needless to say it was both historical and funny at the same time- but what else could you expect with chickens in the title.



The program started with a copy of the Tyler Courier-Times, February 26, 1914 article from "The Stroller" which seems to highlight the growing tensions between wealthy housewives and their City Beautiful Movement

flower gardens to the poorer residents who needed chickens as a source of food. One would think this to be a frivolous topic, as did Ms. Betts to begin with, but on the contrary, it fueled serious debates ranging from food supply to city beautification, poverty, class, society, immigrants, urbanization, progress, and even the Kaiser. Tempers flared in newspaper articles, politics, law reforms and repeals from 1914 through the both World Wars and into the 1950's when city laws were still being rewritten to address the neighborhood chicken coop.

In fact, one might also think this is a topic only to be found in the pages of an old newspaper but in actuality, as Ms. Betts points out, the debate of urban chicken coops continues, "from locavores and food sustainability groups, those who like to know what their food is eating, some new immigrants, and just plain chicken lovers."



Ending with examples of how the urban chicken is still a favored topic and neighborhood pet, Ms. Betts pulls images and examples from Texas urban chicken celebrations such as the Austin "Funky Chicken Coop Tour" and images from the Bastrop, Tx Farm Street Historic Chicken Sanctuary which slows down traffic to protect its roaming chickens in a certain part of town. This topic is not just local to Texas but is a national concern illustrated in North Carolina with their "Tour de Coop" each May and an eight page article on Dixie Chickens in the August issue of Southern Living magazine. Proving that history is not dead, just repeated and urban chickens are not a past argument nor a trending fad but merely an issue that still clucks on.



Bastrop Texas

All quotes complimentary of Vicki Betts' presentation.

## *The Writing Center Comes to the Library*

*-Vandy Dobre, Instruction Librarian*

### Coming Soon.....

Keep an eye out for a brand new and exciting collaboration. The Writing Center, known for its excellent help and friendly tutors, will be holding hours in the library starting this fall. The hours will be posted soon in the library and around campus. The tutors will be available for drop-in sessions and will be located on the main floor of the library near the Reference desk. Needless to say, the librarians are very excited to have the Writing Center join us and are looking forward to a great year together. Hopefully they are not double checking my grammar in this article.

## *Scanner Deluxe*

For those who are new to campus and maybe a reminder to those who forgot, the library has a FREE scanner available to everyone. It can email your images and save to a thumbdrive. See below for a few highlights to remember:

- ⇒ Always bring a thumbdrive!
- ⇒ If you are scanning a book, scan and save one chapter at a time. If you don't the file will be too big.
- ⇒ If you need help, you can always ask the librarian at the Reference Desk...we've learned a few tricks when working with the scanner!!!!





## *Library Bids Farewell to Anthony Micchelli*



As we say hello to new students, we must also say goodbye. Anthony Micchelli, Reference Coordinator and Librarian to the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, has moved on to a librarian position at The University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio. Anthony joined the library in October of 2009, quickly introducing the library to a mobile webpage, QR codes, and LOL Cats. He worked tirelessly for the nursing students supporting them from the on-campus freshman to the distance PhD student; provided in-class library sessions and pioneered our use of Collaborate software to integrate online library sessions to the completely distant student. He also created the library's YouTube channel: writing, editing, and even reading some of our YouTube tutorials. His presence will be missed by staff, faculty, and students but we wish him well in San Antonio.

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<http://www.youtube.com/user/muntzlibrary>

## *Angel Rivera— Librarian and Friend*



This summer brought two losses to the Muntz library, the leaving of librarians Anthony Micchelli and Angel Rivera. Angel was the librarian for the education, psychology, and social sciences departments as well as our outreach librarian. So you probably met him at various student events such as freshmen orientation, the library first day tables, Swoopsation, the library facebook page, and student government functions throughout the year. Angel was also the librarian to the Spanish department bringing his native Spanish language to his library sessions; something no other librarian has provided here before. And as the editor of this newsletter, has completed this edition as his last official duty. Angel will be missed by his fellow librarians for his humor, wonderful help and support when ever anyone needed anything, and his skills as an educator and librarian. Yet, we are also happy for him to move on to a wonderful new library where he can share his talents with a new audience of students. We wish him well!

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Friday

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Saturday

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Sunday

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