# The University of Texas at Arlington Libraries ANNUAL REPORT

for the combined years of 2002-2003 and 2003-2004



# **UTA Libraries Annual Report**

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The purpose of the *Annual Report* is to document and communicate the significant accomplishments, initiatives, and contributions of The University of Texas at Arlington Libraries and its staff. The *Annual Report* also recognizes the important contributions of the Libraries' donors.

What follows is the biennial report for the University of Texas at Arlington Libraries for the fiscal years 2002-2003 and 2003-2004. These years have been marked by impressive growth in all aspects of library service, from information resources to use, and from facilities to staff. In addition to growth, perhaps the other major theme that is reflected in this report is change. It is no exaggeration to say that academic libraries have undergone rapid and transformational change over the past decade, and the pace of change continues to accelerate. Whether we are talking about how scholarly information is collected and disseminated or rising user expectations generated by the internet and search engines like Google, libraries are literally under the gun to maintain their relevance and centrality to the academic enterprise. We do this by responding to the changing demands of our users and adding innovative services and products and discontinuing others that are no longer relevant or desirable.

Many milestones have occurred during the period covered in this report, but none more important than the retirement of Library Director Thomas L. Wilding. Tom became director on October 1, 1993, and retired at the end of July 2004. Much of the progress represented in this report is due to Tom's hard work, vision, and philosophy of service and the support he had of the staff, students, faculty, and university administration to make positive change happen. All of us in the Libraries miss Tom, and we wish him well in his retirement in Wales.

One more comment is in order. The reader will see that this report covers two years, not one, and so we are calling it a biennial report. Our last report also covered two years, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002. This is becoming an unintended tradition, but one that allows us to save printing and staff costs associated in the development and production of the report. I hope you, the reader, will understand.

I also hope that you will use the UTA Libraries and our fine staff's expertise for your information needs. I know you will not be disappointed.

Gerald D. Saxon Dean of Libraries



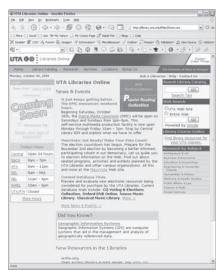
Gerald D. Saxon, Dean of Libraries

# **NEW AND/OR IMPROVED SERVICES**

#### BY GERALD SAXON

#### 24/5 Service

One of the Libraries most popular new services began in January 2003 with the implementation of 24/5 service in the Central Library. In the spring 2003 semester the Central Library began a schedule that included opening at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings and not closing until Friday evenings at 8:00 p.m. Saturday hours included opening at 9:00 a.m. and closing at 8:00 p.m. The new hours represented a change from being open 107 hours a week to being open 142 hours. The longer hours required that the library's Access Services Program add a new position to work the late night shifts and adjust other positions to accommodate the new hours. Also, the Libraries contracted with the UTA Police to provide security from midnight to 7:00 a.m. and with the Office of Information Technologies to have a staff member at the Help Desk during the late night hours. The new hours have been very popular with library users as our statistics demonstrate. Only UTA students, faculty, and staff can work in the building from midnight to 7:00 a.m.



The new UTA Libraries Online (UTALO) officially opened on October 4, 2004. Future enhancements are in development.



UTA's Central Library.

# Voyager Upgrades and Redesign

The Libraries' Information Technology staff upgraded the web-based online catalog, Voyager, and loaded the latest major release of the software. The public access component was also redesigned, using a clean aesthetic design that makes the catalog simpler to use and more visually appealing.

#### **New Website**

A number of staff members from throughout the Libraries, but especially the Digital Library Services staff, have been working on a new and greatly improved UTA Libraries Online (UTALO) website during the two years covered by this report. In 2002-2003, research and planning was initiated which defined the design, content, and structure of the site as well as the technical infrastructure that was necessary to meet users' needs. In 2003-2004, prototypes for site navigation were developed and the visual design refined after user feedback. All existing website content was reviewed and revised, and new content was created for information and services not previously available on the old site. In June 2004, the Libraries made the new



The Social Work Electronic Library opened officially on Nov. 18, 2003.

site available for preview and reactions, and some tweaks were made as a result. The new site officially opened on October 4, 2004, when the Libraries closed the old site.

# **ILLiad and Faculty Delivery**

The Libraries implemented OCLC ILLiad software for interlibrary loan services during 2002-2003. The software makes it possible to provide interlibrary loan services in an interactive e-commerce model that greatly improves staff speed and efficiency in processing loan requests and also makes the order process for users easy, accessible, and web-based.

In addition, users now have the capability to order materials online and to track the status of their requests and renew materials online as well. The implementation of ILLiad was not without its headaches and frustrations, but Access Services and Information Technology staff members worked to address all of the initial problems. ILLiad services were enhanced in 2003-2004, enabling users to place interlibrary loan requests from the WorldCat database directly into ILLiad. Also, a new web-based request form was added to ILLiad so that faculty could request library staff pull materials from the UTA collection and deliver them to their offices. The Faculty Resources Delivery service began in the summer 2004 as a new service and is growing in popularity.

#### **Public Access Workstations**

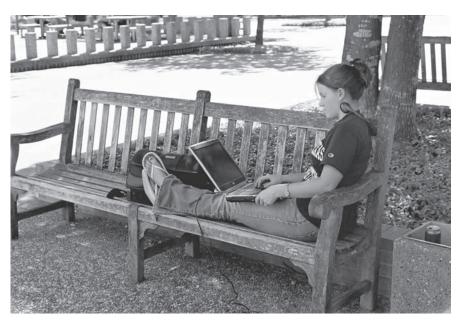
During the biennium, the Information Technology staff replaced all public access workstations throughout library facilities, replacing old IBM computers

#### **Improved Procedures**

Serials Solutions. In summer 2002, the Libraries contracted with Serials Solutions to provide automated updates of electronic journals. After a rocky start and several inaccurate reports by the software vendor, the Information Organization and Preparation staff was able to dramatically reduce the amount of time and the number of people maintaining the electronic journals website.

Houchen Bindery. During the biennium, the Libraries bindery contract was awarded to Houchen Bindery of Louisiana.

Print Management. During the biennium, the Libraries installed a new print management system called Pharos. The system is robust and has reduced the number of printing errors that plagued the old system.



Melissa Dickens, a public relations sophomore, takes full advantage of the offerings of the UTA Libraries while enjoying the mild weather. The park benches on the Library Mal are well within the range of the library's wireless network.

with advanced Dell systems. The public access workstations were configured as full scholar's workstations with the ability to support the computing needs of students and faculty. The Science and Engineering Library received ten additional public workstations, bringing their total to twenty-four.

#### Laptops

The Libraries started circulating laptops a couple of years ago, and the service has grown into one of our most popular services, though it is a challenge for the Libraries to manage. Laptops are available for check out at the circulation desks of the Architecture and Fine Arts Library, Science and Engineering Library, and Central Library. During 2003-2004, Student Congress funded the purchase of fifteen new laptops and requested that these computers have an extended loan period and be allowed to circulate outside of the library. Before this, all laptops circulated for four hours and had to stay inside a library facility. The addition of these new laptops brought the number of machines in Central to forty while SEL had eight and AFA

three. Space to store, recharge, and work on the new computers became a problem as did programming the laptops to log into the university's network. Maintenance and repair of the laptops also require significant staff resources from our Information Technology staff. Because the laptops are so popular, wear and tear on the computers is greater and they have to be replaced more frequently than the other public computers in the Libraries. To accommodate the traffic for the computers, Access Services designated a specific workstation at the circulation counter in the Central Library to handle only laptops.

#### **Expansion of Wireless Network**

The wireless network was expanded and upgraded so that wireless access connectivity was available in almost all public spaces in the libraries on campus. The IT staff worked with the university's Office of Information Technology staff to implement a new authentication module on the wireless network which has allowed university-affiliated users to obtain full network access, while limiting non-affiliated users to restricted access to the campus network.

# **NEW AND/OR IMPROVED SERVICES**



In 2004 the Information Commons desk was put into operation on the first floor of Central Library. Burton King (left) of Information Services speaks with library student employee Johnson Le.



Several rooms in the Central Library and the Science and Engineering Library were upgraded with the installation of large video display units, enabling students to connect laptops to the displays in order to work collaboratively in groups. In addition, two state-of-the-art group study rooms were added to Sam's Click Café on the first floor of the Central Library. These rooms include large projection screens, PCs, DVD player, and other technology to make group study possible.

# Digital Media Classroom (DMC)

The DMC in the basement of the Central Library is a self-service learning and multi-media production facility. It continued to evolve as new hardware, software, and extended service hours were introduced. New workstations were deployed early in the spring 2004 and new peripheral devices were also added, including a slide scanner, flatbed scanners with document feeds, MiniDV tape decks, Hi8/Digital 8 tape deck, graphics tablets, and jog shuttle controllers. New software titles included 3D Studio Max, Apple Soundtrack, Avid Xpress Pro, Bryce, Final Draft, Lightwave,

Maya Unlimited, Movie Magic, Poser, and QuarkXPress. On the staff front, two staff members were hired to oversee the DMC and extend its hours both during the day and into the evening. Also, student assistants were hired to provide assistance during open hours.

# Geographic Information Systems (GIS)

During the years of this report, the Libraries expanded GIS services. Among the changes was the purchase of a server to run ArcGIS software, allowing the Libraries to host maps and data produced in-house. The Information Literacy and Special Collections staffs are working on a project focusing on the historic maps in the Virginia Garrett Cartographic History Library. The maps are digitized and geo-referenced for access and manipulation. In February 2003, the Libraries hired Joshua Been as GIS librarian, and Josh moved GIS services into high gear, offering numerous workshops for students and faculty, giving one-on-one assistance in labs and libraries, purchasing materials for a GIS reference collection, promoting GIS on campus, working with a Graduate Research Assistant, purchas-



Josh Been, of Information Literacy, demonstrated UTA Libraries' latest GIS capabilities during a Friends of the Libraries meeting.

ing GIS datasets, and making plans to create a centralized archive of Texas spatial data, among other things.

#### Instruction

Library staff offers instruction to students in classes that cut across disciplines and colleges. During the biennium, staff members conducted 632 class sessions and reached 12,571 students. Many of these sessions were in lower level English and Biology classes as well as Education classes and numerous upper level and graduate classes. Staff also conducted research seminars at the beginning of each fall and spring semesters targeted to graduate students in specific disciplines. Some 231 students participated in 2002-2003 and 333 students in 2003-2004. Information Services staff continues to work closely with those faculty who are offering classes off campus and in a virtual environment.

# Ingenta for Graduate Students

In 2003-2004, the Libraries extended Ingenta services to select graduate students as a pilot project. Ingenta is a searchable database of more than 20,000 electronic journals. Articles can be ordered by the user and if charges are associated with the order then the

library pays the fee. This service has been offered to faculty over the past few years and is now offered to graduate students on a trial basis.

## **Popular Reading Collection**

In 2002-2003, the Libraries implemented the McNaughton Plan to provide popular reading books to the campus community. Approximately 900 popular titles are made available to UTA students, faculty, and staff, and

these titles are rotated on a continuing basis as titles and trends change and new books are published. The collection can be found on the second floor of the Central Library outside of the Multicultural Collection.

#### SFX

In 2003-2004, the Libraries purchased SFX software, and staff spent a great deal of time planning its implementation. In the summer 2004, the Information Organization and Preparation staff began populating the SFX KnowledgeBase, verifying electronic holdings, and working on the generation of an A-Z electronic journals list. SFX will eventually replace Serials Solutions as the product the Libraries use to manage electronic journals. Additionally, the SFX federated search engine, Metalib, will allow users to conduct one search and retrieve resources from multiple database once it is implemented in 2004-2005.

#### **Facilities**

**Infrastructure Upgrades.** During the biennium, the Libraries have had a number of major upgrades and renovations to its facilities. Some of the more significant have been a new roof for the Central Library, new air handlers were installed on each floor of the Central Library, a total overhaul of the public elevators was completed in Central, and new sliding entry doors were also installed.

Sam's Click Café. The Libraries and the Office of Information Technology re-opened a newly expanded Sam's Click Café on November 21, 2003, in a gala celebration. The café was doubled in size, seating capacity was increased to ninety seats, and the number of PCs available to users grew to 90 as well. The new Sam's also includes two state-of-the-art group study rooms.

Electronic Business Library (EBL). The use of the EBL continued to increase during the biennium, as hours were extended to 11:00-4:00 Mon.-Fri. and additional computers were added to accommodate a growing user base, making the total number of workstations eight. More than 2,500 students used the library in 2002-2003 while that number grew to 3,319 the following year. Also, GIS software was added to the all of the workstations in the electronic library.

Social Work Electronic Library. On November 18, 2003, the Libraries opened an electronic library, lovingly called SWEL for Social Work Electronic Library, in Room 111 of Building A of the Social Work Complex. John Dillard, librarian for Social Work, relocated his office from the Central Library to the Social Work library, and the library has proven very popular among Social Work students and faculty. The library's hours are Mon.-Thurs. from 10:00-6:00. The number of computer workstations were increased from three to six as the result of demand shortly after the library opened.

UTA/Fort Worth Library. The Libraries began offering limited service to the developing UTA/Fort Worth campus. In March 2003, the Libraries opened a space on the third floor of the building, staffing it when classes are in session. The Fort Worth library is open on Wed. and Thurs. from 3:00-7:00 and Sat. from 10:00-2:00.

User Spaces. The Libraries upgraded a number of user spaces during the 2002-2003 and 2003-2004 years. Among the spaces receiving new furniture and/or tables were the Architecture and Fine Arts Library and floors two, three, four, and five in the Central library as well as the basement. The Science and Engineering Library consolidated its reference desk with the circulation desk and added additional PCs to the old space, while the Architecture and Fine Arts Library added new oversize shelving.

Office Improvements. A number of work spaces for program area staffs were remodeled and received new office furniture during the past two years, including spaces for Information Resources, Access Services, Information Organization and Processing, and the Mailroom.



New air handlers were installed on all floors of the Central Library.



Social Work librarian John Dillard (right) splits time between Central Reference and the new Social Work e-library.



The grand re-opening of Sam's Internet Café was a chance for Sam Maverick (center) to visit with Library Director Tom Wilding and UTA VP for OIT Suzanne Montague.

# **OUTREACH**

A library is nothing if it doesn't keep in touch with the world around it by encouraging and fostering the use of its resources (its human resources as well as materials both digital and on paper). The following are a number of the ways we find throughout the year to bring users into the library or help them reach out to us. While it is possible to do a great deal of research via computer and never set foot in our buildings, the richness of our holdings beg for interaction with the public. As part of a state institution, the UTA Libraries are open to the public, and many of the following activities were specifically designed with the public in mind.

## **Library Information Fair**

In September 2003 and 2004, the Libraries hosted two highly successful Information Fairs designed to introduce students to library services. In 2003 more than 150 students visited three library information stations to find out about the Libraries; those numbers doubled in 2004. After visiting the stations the students were given a free lunch.

## **Technology Fair**

The Libraries continued to be an important partner with the Office of Information Technology, the Center for Distance Education, and other campus



Attendance at the annual Information Fair may well be boosted by student interest in the deli sandwiches offered at the last stop of the program.

units in the annual Technology Fair at UTA. On November 13, 2002, the second Tech Fair was held. In addition to numerous booths showing how technology is used at the university to advance research and foster teaching, special guest speakers Dr. Chris Dede, Timothy E. Wirth Professor in Learning Technologies, Harvard Graduate School of Education, and Clair W. Goldsmith, Associate Vice Chancellor and Chief Information Officer of the University of Texas System, discussed the application of technology to learning and network security in the academy respectively. The third Tech Fair was held on October 29, 2003, and for the first time

included a number of technology vendors' booths as well as those from UTA. Special guest speaker at the fair was Dr. William A. Wulf, President of the National Academy of Engineering, who spoke on "Some Speculations on the Future Impact of Information Technology on Universities."

# Third Biennial Virginia Garrett Lectures on the History of Cartography

The Garrett Lectures were held on October 5, 2002, and focused on "The Third Coast: Mapping the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean Sea." This was the most successful lectures to date, attracting an audience of 155 people from across the country. Speakers included David Buisseret, UTA; J. Barto Arnold, Texas A&M University; Louis De Vorsy, University of Georgia; Jack Jackson, Austin; Robert Weddle, Bonham; Dennis Reinhartz, UTA; and Richard Francaviglia, UTA. The lectures were held in conjunction with a meeting of the Philip Lee Phillips Society of the Library of Congress, an organization committed to building the holdings of the Library of Congress and promoting the study of cartographic history.



Apple computer was only one of dozens of venders to attend the annual Technology Fair.

## Outreach to Faculty and Students

The staff makes herculean efforts to meet with and assist faculty and extend services to students wherever they are. Major outreach efforts include attending departmental faculty meetings, graduate forums, lectures, orientation sessions, activities fairs, and Student Congress and constituencies meetings, as well as visits to campus dorms and the student center. For example, in 2003-2004, staff met with faculty in their offices 107 times, conducted 263 demo sessions and seminars with more than 5,700 students attending, hosted tables at 18 campus-wide events, and sponsored 38 library tours. Librarians also travel, when necessary, to set up networking access to library resources for students in study abroad courses.

### **National Library Week**

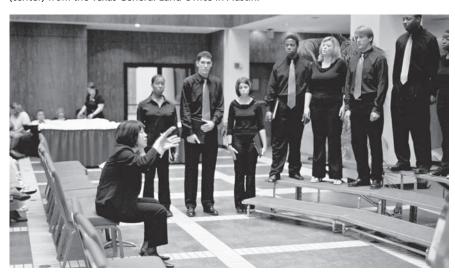
In April 2003, the Libraries worked with the Art Department to sponsor a series of programs relating to film and film history, including the screening and discussion of several seminal films, including Network and Lawrence of Arabia. Faculty who led discussions included Barton Weiss, Art Department; Richard Francaviglia, Director of UTA's Center for Greater Southwestern Studies and the History of Cartography; and Ken Harrison, keynote speaker who has spent thirty years in motion pictures and television production. In April 2004, the Libraries mounted a web exhibit for National Library Week featuring books selected by faculty receiving promotions and faculty honored at the spring faculty meeting.

# Maverick Orientation, Advising and Registration (MOAR)

The Libraries played an essential role in MOAR activities, including attending activities fairs, speaking at student services panels, hosting Coordinated Admission Program (CAP) students,



Many maps were on display during the Virginia Garrett Lectures. "The Third Coast" attracted visitors from near and far, including Friends member Bill Stallings (right) and Joan Kilpatrick (center) from the Texas General Land Office in Austin.



Jing Ling-Tam, head of the Choir Division in UTA's Music Department, led the UTA Chamber Singers in a National Library Week concert in April, 2004.

and conducting tours of the library for parents and students.

# **High School Outreach**

The library staff continues to focus outreach efforts on high school students and teachers. In 2002-2003, we hosted formal instruction sessions for St. Alban's School, Trinity, Martin, and Sam Houston high schools as well as a session for the secondary school librarians of the Arlington Independent School District. In 2003-2004, sessions were held for Arlington Country Day School, Trinity, L. D. Bell, and Sam Houston high schools, and Webb Elementary. Library

staff once again hosted the secondary school librarians from AISD.

# "Time Frames" in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram

In February 2004, Special Collections began a weekly column in the Sunday edition of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram Arlington edition featuring an image/ photograph from the collection pertaining to an event, episode, or individual in local, regional or national history. The images have served to inform thousands of people of the rich holdings of the Libraries and Special Collections.

# FOCUS ON FACULTY LECTURES, 2002-2004

In fall 2002, the Libraries began a series titled Focus on Faculty. The series is intended to provide a forum for members of the university community to meet and hear some of UTA's most distinguished teachers and scholars and learn about their research interests. The lectures are scheduled on Wednesdays at noon. For the past two years, the lectures have been well attended and have helped to make the Central Library a center of academic life on campus. The speakers for the series have been:

#### September 25, 2002

#### William Ickes

Professor of Psychology
"Measuring Mind Reading:
Research on Empathic Accuracy"

#### October 30, 2002

#### Jennifer Gray

Assistant Professor of Nursing "HIV/AIDS: Are You at Risk?"

#### January 29, 2003

#### Elise Bright

Associate Professor School of Urban and Public Affairs "Reviving America's Forgotten Neighborhoods"

#### February 26, 2003

#### Paul B. Medley

Assistant Dean of Science
"An Introduction to Geographic
Information Systems (GIS) as a Tool
for Interdisciplinary Research"

#### April 16, 2003

#### Craig A. Depken

Associate Professor of Economics "The Economics of Sports Arenas: A Property Rights Approach"

#### September 11, 2003

#### Richard Francaviglia

Director, Center for Greater Southwestern Studies and the History of Cartography "Reflections on 9/11"

#### September 24, 2003

#### James V. Cornehls

Director of the Law and Public Policy Graduate Certificate Program at UTA's School of Urban and Public Affairs "The USA Patriot Act and Censorship"

#### October 15, 2003

#### Beth S. Wright

Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Professor of Art History "Painting Thoughts: Delacroix and the Challenge of Romantic Historical Painting"

#### November 19, 2003

#### Sharma Chakravarthy

Professor of Computer Science and Engineering "Overview of Research Projects at the

"Overview of Research Projects at the Information Technology Laboratory"

#### February 4, 2004

## **Emily Spence-Diehl**

Assistant Professor of Social Work "Stalking and Cyberstalking: Understanding Stalkers and Protecting Victims"

#### February 25, 2004

#### Donald Frank Gatzke

Dean of the School of Architecture "Designing on the Edge of the Box: Architectural Education and the University"

#### April 7, 2004

#### James Campbell Quick

Professor of Organizational Behavior and Director of the Doctoral Program in Business Administration at UTA "Leadership: A Spirit of Personal Integrity"



Dr. Jennifer Gray led a frank discussion about real versus perceived HIV risk factors in the world today.



Dr. Craig Depken attracted a wide audience with his "Economics of Sports Arenas" topic.



Dr. Emily Spence-Diehl was introduced by social work librarian John Dillard at her Focus on Faculty talk. Her initial research on stalking consisted of interviews in the late 1990s with Florida women who had been the victims of stalkers. The result was her 1999 textbook *Stalking: A Handbook for Victims*.

#### Architecture and Fine Arts

**Music Cartoons and Quotes** August-December 2002

Dr. Morrow and Her Cello Class August-December 2003

Hollywood Film March-August 2003

The Movies of Fritz Lang March-August 2003

Artists' Books from the Collection May-Oct. 2004

Tchaikovsky March-August 2004

**Dragons in Art** March-August 2004

In addition to the exhibits above, the Architecture and Fine Arts Library exhibited the work of architecture students at UTA, including:

Lyricism in Architecture Models by the students of Martin Price Each Fall semester in 2002 and 2003

**Interior Design Projects** By the students of Elfrieda Foster Spring and Summer, 2004

Picasso Perspective Projects By the students of Lee Wright Second Summer 2003

**Small Metal Projects** By the students of Susan Sitzes Spring 2003, first Summer 2003

# **Central Library**

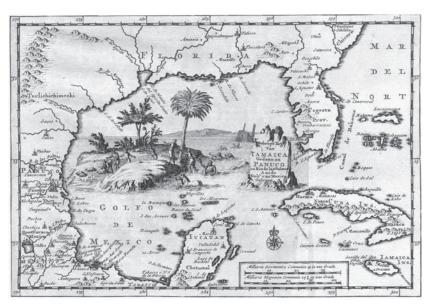
Act/React: Banned Books Week (physical and online exhibit) September 20-27, 2003

**Speed Exhibit** July 19-25, 2004

# Science and Engineering Library

Thanks to Edison, Putting "Light" on the Subject! January 2003

Recognizing Engineers Who Make it Possible: Space Flight, in Memoriam: Columbia Shuttle Crew STS-107, Tribute to Dr. Kalpana Chawla February 2003



Aa, Pieter van der. Scheeps Togr. Van Iamaica Gedaan na Panuco en Rio de las Palmas Aan de Golf van Mexico Gelegen. Leyden: Pieter van der Aa, [1702].

Get Rattled! Texas Rattlers and Other Poisonous Snakes March 2003

SciFi in Cinema: In Commemoration of National Library Week April 7-12, 2003

Math in May May 2003

Fly Away, Fly Away: Birds of a Feather June 2003

It's a Small, Small World: Nanotechnology **July 2003** 

**Evolution: Exhibit in Honor** of Banned Books Week September 2003

Our Standards Are to Meet Your Expectations in the Science & Engineering Library: Recognizing World Standards Day October 2003

**National Chemistry Week:** Earth's Atmosphere and Beyond October 2003

Solar Activity, November, 2003 12 Seconds: Kitty Hawk and Beyond, A Centennial Celebration December 2003

Is Cloning Baaaaa-d? January-February, 2004 To Go Boldly: The Possible Futures of Space Explorations March 2004

**International Week:** UTA—Take a Stand to Understand March 29-April 2, 2004

Art and Science: Salvador Dali and the Atomic Age: In Commemoration of Dali's 100th Birthday April 2004

Appreciation of Our "Buggy" Friends: **Bugs, Insects and Crawly Things** June 2004

Automobile Design: From Horseless Carriages to SUVs July-August 2004

Weather or Not, What's the Climate?, August-September 2004

## Special Collections

The Third Coast: Mapping the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean Sea October 2002-February 2003

Texas Women and Work March 2003-August 2003

**Three Primary Documents** of Texas' Independence March-August 2004

# Digital Theses and Dissertations

During 2002-2003 and 2003-2004, the Libraries contracted with ProQuest to digitize all UTA theses and dissertations that had been available on microfilm. This included all UTA dissertations and theses that were completed after 1987. The digital copies are available to users through the ProQuest Digital Dissertations database.

#### New Electronic Resources

In 2002-2003, the Libraries added twenty-seven new electronic resources to its holdings, including Anthropology Plus, Bio One Database, Corporate Affiliations, CQ Researcher and CQ Weekly, Fort Worth Star-Telegram Online, JSTOR Business Collection, JSTOR General Science Collection, PsycARTICLES, and Virtual Explorer, among others. In 2003-2004, we added another eight, including Aerospace and High Technology Database, Janes' All the World's Aircraft, JSTOR Arts and Sciences III, and Texas Newspaper Collection.



The Arlington Hotel was on the 200 block of Main Street in the first two decades of the  $20^{\rm th}$  century.

# **Archives and Manuscript Collections**

Special Collections continues to aggressively build its holdings focusing on the history of Texas, the U.S.-Mexican War, 1846-1848, labor, and Mexico, 1821-1910. Among the significant acquisitions were the Squire Haskins Photography Collection, Kenneth F. Neighbours Papers, Meacham-Carter Family Papers, J. W. Dunlop Photograph Collection, Dr. Emerson Emory Papers, Cirrus Bonneau-Ana Beaulac Photograph Collection, Philpott Collection, Lt. Delaney Floyd-Jones Letters, 1846-1862, Lt. Joseph Bennett Plummer Manuscript Copy Letter Book, 1849-1853, Communication Workers of America, Houston Local 6220 Records, and Professional Air Traffic Controllers Organization Records.



A Studebaker truck motors across the Commerce Street Bridge. Mobil Oil's Pegasus dominates the Dallas skyline in the distance.

# Maps

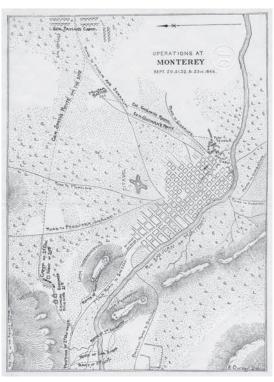
A number of significant maps have been added to the Virginia Garrett Cartographic History Library over the years covered in this report. Some of the more important are a series of early 19th century coastal charts of the Gulf of Mexico produced by the Spanish agency the Direccion de Hidrografia and a manuscript map of the Fort Davis region drawn by Lieutenant William H. Beck of the 10th Cavalry titled "Map of scouting expeditions from camps at the Chinati Mountains: from Jan. 12th to May 12, 1880...." Also, a complete set of FEMA maps for Texas was also added.

# **Special Collections Books**

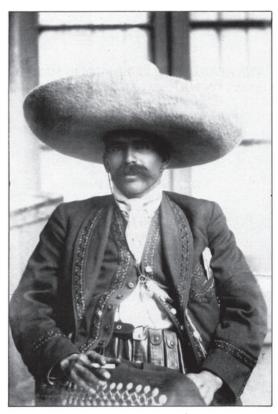
Significant additions were made to the Special Collections print holdings, including more than 200 titles relating to Mexico and the purchase of the historically significant and rare Derrotero de la expedicion en la provincia de los Texas..., by Juan Antonio de la Pena, a journal of the Marques de Aguayo's 1721 expedition to Texas to reestablish Spain's claim to the region.



Amon G. Carter, Sr., and Minnie Meacham Carter (right) enjoy a moment at a party with a friend.



Map of U.S. Army operations at Monterey, Mexico, September 20-23, 1846.



A photo titled "Revolutionary" is the frontispiece in The Revolutionary Process in Mexico: Essays on Political and Social Change, 1880-1940. This is one of the 200 new Mexican Revolution titles recently added to the collection.

# STAFF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The professional lives of approximately 125 people intersect in their jobs as employees of the UTA Libraries. While the library serves as a common denominator for all of these people, they arrive here from many fields of study. And many represent a new breed of librarian, whose technical prowess is an asset in any twenty-first century field where they might choose to work. The following list of accomplishments represents those areas of interest and scholarship that are "above and beyond" what is called for in the job descriptions. If our library employees simply performed their jobs as written, it would be a competent library. It is the tangible extra "something" demonstrated in the following list that makes the UTA Libraries superior in many ways.

- **Donna Andrews** participated in the Black History Project at Arlington Public Library.
- Julie Alexander is a member of the American Library Association (ALA), where she serves on the Library Administration and Management Association (LAMA) cultural diversity committee, and the human resources section's publications committee. At ALA's Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) meeting she was co-chair of the panel "Prenuptials, Marriage, and In-Laws: Partnerships and Connections—The Learning Community as Knowledge Builders," the 2004 President's Program held in Orlando, Fl., at the ALA Annual Conference. She had an article accepted for publication on the summary of this program. Julie was invited to participate in the planning and the program event for the University of North Texas Fall 2002 Reunion event for alumni, and was selected to attend

the ACRL/Harvard Leadership Institute in Cambridge, MA in August 2004.

- Evelyn Barker co-taught Technical Writing, ENGL 3373.
- Joshua Been was the Friends of the UTA Libraries 2004 STAR Award winner. He published the article "Faculty and their Institutional Librarians: Developing Labor Capital by Using GIS to Teach Social Science," in V. 22 # 1 (2004) of the National Social Science Journal. He presented the paper "Broadening the Use of GIS on Campus: ArcIMS as E-Reserves," at the annual ESRI Education Users Conference, August 2004. He cotaught the Marketing 5399 (Advanced Topics in Marketing Research) course in Spring 2004; and appeared on Channel 5 evening news for his summer 2004 GIS open demonstration on where to build the new Cowboys' stadium.
- Ruthie Brock co-wrote, with Carol Byrne, a chapter in the book The Basic Business Library: Core Resources. She and Carol Byrne submitted the "Competitive Intelligence" bibliography as a revision/ update to an Appendix for a chapter in the textbook Strategic Management. Ruthie serves in the ACRL, RUSA, BRASS, and Government Documents Round Table sections of the American Library Association; she serves on the Executive Committee of the Arlington Public Library Foundation Board. She was inducted into Phi Beta Delta, an International Honor Society, and continued to serve on the Arlington Public Library Foundation Advisory Committee.
- Carol Byrne co-wrote, with Ruthie Brock, a chapter in the book The Basic Business Library: Core Resources. She and Ruthie also submitted the "Competitive Intelli-





Director of Libraries Tom Wilding (left) presents the Friends of the Libraries partnership award to Barbara Howser of SEL. Above, archivist Brenda McClurkin supervises the processing of a new collection in Special Collections.

gence" bibliography as a revision/ update to an Appendix for a chapter in the textbook Strategic Management.

- **Beverly Carver** completed a two year term as Secretary/Treasurer for the ARLIS/Texas-Mexico Chapter in December 2002, and was re-elected to a three year term as Treasurer beginning January 2003.
- Diane Casebier attended an Arlington Public Library reference staff meeting and presented information on the QuestionPoint software in July 2003. She submitted a research paper on QuestionPoint to be presented at the Virtual Reference Desk Annual Conference in San Antonio, Texas, in November 2003, and received her MLS from UNT.
- Mary Castle served on the Friends of the UTA Libraries Officer's Nominating committee and the TLA Serials Roundtable Nominating committee.
- Jim Collins received his GIS certification in May 2003.
- Michael Doran was active in the Voyager (now called EndUser) Users Group, both at the national level and the regional level. He delivered several presentations, including "Multilingual WebVoyáge" (with Jonas Barck, Ron Davies, and Nanna Hakala) and "Implementing a Stand-Alone Continuous OPAC" at the EndUser Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 2003; "Introduction to ShelfCheck" at the South-Central Voyager Users Group meeting in Fort Worth, TX, October 2003; "Coded Character Sets: A Technical Primer for Librarians" and "Implementing Customer-Authored Tools" (with Paul Asay and Gary Strawn) at the EndUser Meeting in Chicago, IL, in April 2004
- Maggie Dwyer wrote the chapter "Sports and Recreation" for The Greenwood Encyclopedia of American Regional Cultures: The Southwest. Ed.



Associate Director of Libraries Gerald Saxon congratulates archivist Kit Goodwin for her work on the Garrett Lectures.

Mark Busby. 2004, 383-416. Her essay "Smoke and Mirrors: For Louis Owens" appeared in Studies in American Indian Literature, v. 14, nos. 2 & 3 Summer / Fall 2002, 85-89. Her book reviews included one of Grave Concerns, Trickster Turns: The Novels of Louis Owens by Chris LaLonde that appeared in Great Plains Quarterly, Fall 2003, v. 23, no. 4, 270, and The Crooked Beak of Love by Duane Niatum appeared in Studies in American Indian Literature, v. 14, nos. 2 & 3 Summer/ Fall 2002, 31-35. A photo essay titled "Images of Louis Owens" appeared in Southwestern American Literature, 28 (2): 2003, Spring, 33-34.

- **Kit Goodwin** is a member of the Texas Map Society and served on its program committee, planning the Fall 2002 TMS joint meeting with Philip Lee Phillips Society and the 2003 spring meeting; she acted as registrar for the meetings, and presented "Kit's Kartographic Korner." Kit wrote the article "Academic Institutions as Collectors" for the winter issue of Texas Heritage. She was elected a Councilor of the Society for the History of Discoveries.
- Barbara Hammond conducted a book repair workshop for Arlington ISD librarians and staff.

## **Employee Recognition** Winners

#### **Bright Ideas Award**

Given throughout the year, the Bright Ideas Award recognizes a library staff member whose ideas have enhanced service and/or efficiency or effected cost savings.

Peter Zhang

#### Applause Award

Given throughout the year, the Applause Award recognizes a library staff member for effective or noteworthy performance for an activity, a special project, an outreach pursuit, or outstanding service on a library committee.

Evelyn Barker Ellen Baskerville Ruthie Brock Carol Byrne Kit Goodwin (2) Barbara Hammond Mike Hayenga Diana Hines Susan Koubong Tom Lindsey Antoinette Nelson (2) **Rachel Robbins** Sue Sappington (2) Cathy Spitzenberger Peter Zhang

#### T.E.A.M.S. award

Given throughout the year, the T.E.A.M.S. (Together Each Achieves More Success) Award recognizes a team for outstanding achievement.

Lea Bowden Raeanne Cormier Barbara Howser Jason Neal Sunday Phillips **Donald Quarles** Amber Royer (2) Jean Sherwin

#### **Outstanding Student Assistant Award**

**Dennis Perkins** Erika Seay

#### **STAR Award**

Presented annually at the Spring Reception, the STAR (Super Talent Appreciated and Recognized) Award recognizes outstanding achievement, performance, or service to the Libraries

Josh Been (2004) Amber Royer (2003)

## **Longevity Pins**

#### **Ten Year Pins**

Carleen Dolan Ramona Holmes Sarah Jones Delores Morgan Sue Sappington Thomas Wilding

#### **Fifteen Year Pins**

Lea Bowden Patty Grubaugh Ann Kelley Fern Mayhugh Carol Randell Dwayne Schrag

#### **Twenty-Five Year Pins**

Julie Alexander Maritza Arrigunaga

## **Thirty Year Pin**

**Ruthie Brock** 

- **Diana Hines** received the Student Advisory Council (SAC) Maverick Star Award in August 2004.
- Ann Hodges wrote an article for the Southwestern Archivist on the NEH grant for W.D. Smith, Inc., 1950s negative rehousing project. In 2004 Ann served as the membership chair for the Society of Southwest Archivists and was elected to the SSA board. She made presentations on the Tejano Voices project and web site at the annual meetings of the East Texas Historical Association and the Texas State Historical Association.
- Karen Hopkins was a member of the planning committee for the 2002 South Central Voyager Users Group meeting in Galveston; she made the presentation "Assessment" for the library section of the Texas Association of Developing Colleges. She was a member of the Legislative Committee of College and University Libraries Division, TLA; Karen was a member of the 2004 TLA conference program committee; a member of the legislative committee of the College and Univer-



Accounting clerk Rosy Caballero receives recognition at a staff meeting from Associate Director of Libraries Gerald Saxon.

sity Libraries Division, TLA; and in April 2004, became chair-elect of the College and University Libraries Division, TLA.

- Helen Hough presented findings from the TEACH Act videoconference to a Nursing Brown Bag Luncheon called "Copyright Issues Online;" she contributed to a chapter in the upcoming edition (5th ed.) of Burns and Grove's The Practice of Nursing Research: Conduct, Critique and *Utilization*, fifth edition, edited by Nancy Burns and Susan K. Grove. Helen was requested to permit the Tests & Measures database to be a reference within the new chapter by Dr. Jacobson, S. F. (2004) Evaluating instruments for use in clinical nursing research, and in Frank-Stromborg, M. & Olsen. S.J. (Eds.), Instruments for Clinical Health-Care Research, 3rd edition. (pages unknown) Sudbury, MA: Jones & Bartlett. Published Nov. 2003. She team taught NURS 5308 and Nursing Informatics with Dr. Hegstad in the Fall of 2002 and 2003. She contributed a chapter on literature review to Burns & Groves Understanding Nursing Research, 3rd ed, in English by Saunders, and in Spanish by Elsevier Espana. She contributed a chapter on literature review to Burns & Groves Practice of Nursing Research, 5th ed. in Chinese.
- Barbara Howser was the corecipient of the Second Friends of the UTA Libraries Partnership Award with

Dr. Dereje Agnonafer, MAE. She also served as a volunteer at the ORIGINS Museum in the NASA International Space Station Exhibit in February 2002.

#### ■ Bobbie Stevens Johnson

received a certificate of recognition for service from UTA's Teacher Education Council.

- Carolyn Kadri assumed leadership responsibilities in the ALA's Maps and Geography Roundtable (MAGERT) by becoming chair of its membership committee and a member of its cataloging and classification committee. She was also MAGERT exhibits booth manager at the Orlando ALA conference.
- Ann Kelley taught Spanish for Medical Professionals through UTA's Continuing Education department in Fall 2003 and Spring 2004, and taught SPAN1441 in UTA's Modern Language Dept, Spring 2004.
- Maureen Kelley, a student employee, was the recipient of the Library's Outstanding Student Award in April 2004 and was a nominee for the UTA's Student Employee Award.
- Rusty Kimball presented his geology thesis topic in a technical session at the Southwest Section of American Association of Petroleum Geologists regional convention in Fort Worth, March 2003.
- member of the Historic Fort Worth, Inc., board of directors and the McFarland House committee; she was nominated as a candidate for Society of Southwest Archivists' Otis Hebert Scholarship Committee; she served on the Weatherford Main Street Advisory Board; Brenda co-authored, with Jonelle Ryan Bartoli, Historic Downtown Walking Tour: Weatherford, Texas. She participated in an ARMA International volunteer public service project

to microfilm an old ledger book at Weatherford Public Library. She also attended the 149th anniversary of the Prince C.M.E. Church in Weatherford where she was recognized during the celebration for information contributed to the church on the Eddleman Family. She prepared and delivered the presentation "Archives 101: On a Budget," to librarians at the Texas Association of Developing Colleges conference in Dallas. She also made a presentation on David Switzer to the Morris Camp, Sons of Confederate Veterans, in Fort Worth, and wrote two articles for the Southwestern Archivist. They were "Two Rare Collections of Mexican War Letters Go to University of Texas at Arlington," February 2004; and "Philpott Collection Yields Many Treasures: From Emily West and Santa Anna... to Dead Bank Robbers!" submitted for publication in summer 2004.

- Diane Neal was chair of Visualization, Images and Sound Special Interest Group in the American Society for Information Science and Technology (2003-2004); vice-chair/ chair-elect of the TLA Automation and Technology Round Table in 2003-2004. She was co-chair of the South Central Voyager Users' Group in 2002-2003. Her professional presentations included a session called "WebVoyáge Redesign: Collaboration IS What Gets IT Done" at EndUser 2004 (with Antoinette Nelson). She presented a session called "Our eXtreme WebVoyáge Redesign Process or: How We Learned To Stop Worrying And Love the Library Catalog" at the 2003 South Central Voyager Users' Group Meeting; and she presented a preconference session called "Tackling Technology for Non-Techies" at the 2003 annual meeting of the Texas Library Association.
- Antoinette Nelson received recognition and a trophy from the College of Science for help with ExxonMobil Texas State Science &

Engineering Fair, in April 2003; Antoinette is a member of the Display & Safety Board, ExxonMobil Texas State Science & Engineering Fair; a member of the Special Library Association, where she is chair of Professional Development Committee.

- Margaret Oerter served as juror for an interior design class project critique.
- Dennis Perkins, a student employee, received the Award of Excellence as the UTA Student Employee of the Year ceremony and one of the UTA Libraries Student Assistant of the Year awards.
- Amber Royer received the Friends of the UTA Libraries STAR Award, 2002-2003.
- Sue Sappington is a board member of the UTA Wesley Foundation, and was elected treasurer of District 7 of TLA.
- **Gerald Saxon**, former Associate Director of Libraries at UTA, became Dean of Libraries on July 1, 2004. He served as President of the Texas Oral History Association from 2002-2004 and is currently on the Executive Board of the association. In addition, he was on the Program Committee for the Texas State Historical Association in 2004. His annotated edition of George Wilkins Kendall's Narrative of the Texan Santa Fe Expedition was published in 2004. He and Dennis Reinhartz have completed a work titled Mapping and Empire: Soldier-Engineers on the Southwestern Frontier, which are proceedings of the first Virginia Garrett Lectures in the History of Cartography and will be published by the University of Texas Press. He is currently working on a book titled Historic Texas from the Air.
- Jonathon Scott gave a basic web design presentation entitled "Web Design Basics For You And Your

Organization" for the Office of Student Organization's "Hand's On" workshop series; he presented a basic web design presentation entitled "Web Design Basics For Greeks" at the 2002 Southern Greek Leadership Conference, hosted by UTA; and he presented two sessions at the Texas Leadership Consortium's Annual Leadership Conference, entitled "Web Design Basics for You and Your Organization."

- Cathy Spitzenberger received her MLA in 2004.
- **Gary Spurr** received the Ristow Prize for cartographic history and map librarianship for his paper, "Maps of Conquest: Indian and Spanish Maps of Mesoamerica."
- Mitch Stepanovich served as an external reviewer in the promotion and tenure process for a Portland State University librarian and wrote professional review documentation. He taught two Saturday seminar classes, Introduction to Architecture, and Model Design and Building, at Weatherford College for the annual Brazos Valley Merit Badge College.
- **Jeff Stone** wrote four articles for historical publications in spring 2004. These were for the upcoming Encyclopedia of German-American Relations (CLIO, 2005). The titles are "Radio Free Europe (RFE)," "Voice of America (VOA)," "Radio Inside the American Sector (RIAS)," "American Propaganda in and about Germany after WWII," and "American Movie and Television Portrayals of Germany after WWII."
- Terry Wang was chair of the UT System Reference Subcommittee; a member of the Advisory Committee in the recruitment of the UT System Digital Reference Librarian; she was guest speaker at the Vietnamese Student Association 25th Anniversary Dinner Reception in May 2003; Terry was a presenter at the North Texas Regional Library System meeting on

# STAFF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

QuestionPoint in Feb. 2003, and a presenter at the Arlington Public Library reference staff meeting on QuestionPoint in March 2003. Terry was selected to receive the 2004 McNair Service Award. The award is bestowed each year on a faculty or staff member who has made a significant contribution to the McNair Scholars Program at UTA. Terry was honored because of her efforts to coordinate in the spring the McNair library research seminars—seminars designed to train incoming McNair students on how to access, evaluate and integrate information into their research projects.

- Jim Wellvang serves on the Board of Trustees of Abbey Publications, a non-profit corporation set up to encourage the preservation of written or recorded information.
- Tom Wilding, Director of UTA Libraries, retired in July 2004. Among his professional activities were many with the American Library Association: he was a Councilor-at-large; the chair of the external review panel for the accreditation of the MLS program at the University of South Carolina; was the ALA chair of the external review panel for the accreditation of the MLS program at the University of Denver; and he was on the ALA Presidential Task Force on Salaries, and was the ALA Conference Committee chair. He served on the Transition Team for Allied Professional Association and was perhaps most visible with the ALA Library Administration and Management Association (LAMA) where he was most recently a Recognition of Achievement Committee member. He was a member of the National Leadership Grant Overview Panel of the Institute for Museum and Library Services. He served on the Standing Committee on Management and

The presentation to Tom Wilding (right) of a necktie with a Texas theme was made by Gerald Saxon (left) at Wilding's retirement reception. Abdul Kelani looks on.

Marketing, was Information Officer of the International Federation of Library Associations, and with that group was the co-chair of the Discussion Group on Marketing in Academic Libraries. Tom was chair of the Phoenix Group of Research Libraries in North Texas, and chair of the UT System Advisory Committee on Library Affairs. Tom was an Adjunct faculty member at the School of Library and Information Studies at Texas Woman's University, where he taught Library Management and College and Research Libraries courses. He served on the UNT Advisory Board of the School of Library and Information Studies. He gave the presentation "Surveys and Focus Groups," at the International Federation of Library Associations meeting, Berlin, August 2003, and "Practical Leadership as a Management Issue: Lessons Learned and Learning," at a post-conference satellite meeting of the International Federation of Library Associations meeting, Vienna, August 2003.

■ Lea Worcester attended TLA in 2004 and presented two papers "Ways of Knowing: Community Information-Needs Analysis" and "Staff Development Resources in Tight Budget Times." Her published articles include "Personalized Information"

Environments: Do public libraries want a slice of the pie?" in *Public Libraries* May/June 2003 and she submitted a final draft of the article "Ways of Knowing: Community Information Needs Analysis" for publication in *Texas Library Journal*, Fall 2004. She presented two posters at ALA. They were titled "Staff Development Resources in Tight Budget Times" and "Discovering the Library: User Education Staff Development."

**Peter Zhang** was a recipient of the UTA Libraries Bright Idea Award. He served as liaison on the ZLOT project at UNT SLIS Sept.02 - Dec. 02, Sept. 2002. This was a project of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC) and the Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund Board (TIF). The Library of Texas (ZLOT) project demonstrated the viability and effectiveness of a standards-based approach for distributed access to Texas libraries' resources. He was a guest speaker in the UNT graduate library science course SLIS 5000. As a special project he wrote PERL programs for a Marcive tape load that filters records with multiple 856 fields files (which he shared with the National Library of New Zealand by their request).



# FRIENDS OF THE UTA LIBRARIES



The tree-lined portion of the Library Mall in front of Central Library softens the edges of our blocky building.

Chartered in 1987, the Friends of the UTA Libraries supports a unique community partnership, where members of the Friends further their awareness and appreciation of the University Libraries while contributing to the enrichment of the Libraries' collections and services. At least six times a year members and guests are invited to programs that highlight the recent works of regional writers and a holiday program that usually features area performers. The Friends also support the Libraries by underwriting programs such as the annual STAR (Super Talent Appreciated and Recognized) award, which is given to the library staff member who has played a significant role in moving the library forward in terms of services and/or outreach. To learn more about this organization visit http:// library.uta.edu/Main/friends.uta.

The Friends' board activities mirror the school year, and in September the new slate of officers assumes their responsibilities. In 2002-2003 those officers were Betty Bob Buckley, president; Richard Francaviglia, first vice president; Dorothy Rencurrel, second vice president; Mary Ellen Emery, secretary; Stephen Stillwell, jr., treasurer; and Daniel Kauth, parliamentarian. Betty Clark, Sally Gross, Brent Nicholson, and Lisann Peters were elected as new members of the Advisory Council. Two new positions were added to the council. Nathan Dillinger was added as Undergraduate Student Representative and Marcus Smith as Graduate Student Representative. In 2003-2004 the new officers for the year were Richard Francaviglia, president; Dorothy Rencurrel, first vice president; Mary Ellen Emery, second vice president; Stephen Stillwell, jr., secretary; Brent

Nicholson, treasurer; and Betty Bob Buckley, parliamentarian. The new members of the Friends' Advisory Council include Shirley Applewhite, Richard Browning, and William Stallings, and they join continuing council members Beth Anderson, Betty Clark, Nathan Dillinger, Charles Duke, Jenny Hudson, Jim Johnson, Lisann Peters, Allan Saxe, Marcus Smith, and Terry Wang.

At the May 7, 2004 meeting, the Friends held elections for 2004-05. Elected as officers were Dorothy Rencurrel, President; Mary Ellen Emery, First Vice President; Bill Stallings, Second Vice President; Lisann Peters, Secretary; Brent Nicholson, Treasurer; and Richard Francaviglia, Parliamentarian. Don Kyle, Judy Reinhartz, and Tommie Wingfield were elected to the Friends' Advisory Council.

Membership dues or gifts in kind from Friends' members (other than through the Adopt-A-Journal program) total \$17,430.00 in year 2002-2003, and totalled \$14,820 in 2003-2004. There were 289 and 300 members in each year repectively. A joint effort to increase membership in the Alumni Association and the Friends' organization was initiated. For a \$150 gift the individual was enrolled in the Alumni Association at the Century level (\$100) and in the Friends at the Friends level (\$50).

Twelve members participated in this effort.

# HIGHLIGHTS OF FRIENDS MEETINGS, 2002-2004

**Joyce King** was the first speaker of the new year. On Sept. 20, 2002, her presentation was "Four Years Later: A Look at Jasper, Texas." In 1998, she was a news correspondent for KRLD radio and was assigned to cover the murder trials of three defendants accused of the dragging death of James Byrd, Jr. on June 7 of that year. Her intense interest in the case motivated her to leave her radio job and write a book, which she titled *Hate Crime*: The Story of a Dragging in Jasper, Texas. King also writes guest columns and opinion pieces for USA Today, The Christian Science Monitor, and the Dallas Morning News. After the program, the Friends hosted a reception and autograph party for Ms. King.

UTA alum Keith Alcorn of DNA Productions, Inc., and one of the creators and producers of the Academy Award-nominated animated film Jimmy Neutron, Boy Genius, spoke to the Friends on Oct. 18, 2002, about "Jimmy Neutron, From Idea to Silver Screen." Alcorn has served as creator, writer, designer, and director of an ongoing animated series of short features that have appeared on Comedy Central, Showtime, and MTV. In July 2002, the film came out in DVD and video. The Friends hosted a reception honoring Alcorn where copies of the DVD were sold.



Keith Alcorn, creator of "Jimmy Neutron," is a UTA alum and Friends speaker.



From the Texas Labor Archives, UTA Special Collections.

The 35th anniversary of the Texas Labor Archives was the occasion recognized at the Friends Nov. 8, 2002, meeting. Guest speaker Theresa Case, assistant professor of history at the University of Houston-Downtown Campus, spoke on "The Rise and Fall of the Southwestern Knights of Labor: The 1885-86 Gould Railway System Strikes." George Green and Gary Spurr, labor archivist in Special Collections, spoke briefly on why we keep labor records and the variety of labor records at UTA. In 1967, UTA began a statewide program of collecting, preserving, and making accessible to the public the records of organized labor and the working men and women of Texas. George Green, professor of history, and John Hudson, the late director of the UTA Libraries, founded the Texas Labor Archives, and it has now grown to be the largest labor archives in the Southwest. A reception followed marking the Texas Labor Archives' anniversary with a birthday cake.

The Friends holiday meetings are always standing room only, and the Dec. 13, 2002, meeting was no exception when **The Four Seasons Choral Society** performed. This group, made up of local residents of Chinese origin, entertained the Friends with Chinese songs, both holiday and non-holiday, and traditional western carols. At the end of their program, the choral society led the Friends and their guests in a lively sing-a-long, and a reception honoring the choral society followed the program.



Martin Jurow Seein' Stars was discussed by Philip Wuntch.

Hollywood in its heyday was the topic on Feb. 7, 2003, when local film critic and author, **Philip Wuntch**, spoke to the Friends about his new book *Martin Jurow Seein' Stars*. Martin Jurow was a theatrical agent and film producer of well-known movies such as *The Pink Panther, Breakfast at Tiffany's*, and *Terms of Endearment*. Wuntch brought to life the Hollywood tales of Sinatra, Audrey Hepburn, Ava Gardner, Elvis, and more. A reception and booksigning followed.

Friends traveled to where the west begins for lunch at Joe T. Garcia's and a tour of Fort Worth's National **Cowgirl Museum and Hall of** Fame on March 22, 2003. The Friends met at UTA and boarded university buses bound for Cowtown. After a Mexican buffet, special guest speaker Joyce Roach set the stage for a tour of Cowgirl Museum by inspiring her audience with stories of cowgirls and ranch women who were often quite ordinary but did extraordinary things. Roach served as a consultant during the planning of the museum and is a winner of several Golden Spur Awards from the Western Writers of America for her work, including one for her book, The Cowgirls.

The Director of Libraries Tom Wilding was the featured speaker at the May 2, 2003 meeting, following the Friends' annual election and business. At that time the Friends were pleased to award the second annual UTA Libraries Learning Partnership Award to Dr. Dereje Agonafer, of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, and Ms. Barbara Howser, the Libraries' Science and Engineering Librarian. Each recipient received a plaque and a \$500 stipend.

After the award ceremony, Tom gave a powerpoint talk on "The UTA Libraries in the 21st Century: Not Your Parents' Library!" He compared the libraries of his parents' time to the libraries of today and then what his grandchildren might expect libraries to be. Wilding was director of libraries at UTA from 1993 until his retirement in 2004. Before coming to UTA, he held administrative positions at the Smithsonian Institution Libraries and at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Following Tom's presentation, a progressive reception and tour of the libraries was given on four floors of



Even cowgirls get museums, according to Friends speaker Joyce Roach.

the Central Library. Sally Gross, Kit Goodwin, and Colin Toenjes gave a tour of Special Collections emphasizing maps, photos, and manuscripts. **Terry Wang** gave an overview of the reference area. James Stewart of the Office of Information Technology gave a tour of Sam's Click Café. Finally, Marie Irwin talked and answered questions about the Digital Media Classroom and Mary Jo Lyons and Joshua Been of the Information Literacy Program Area gave a tour of the Interactive Classroom.

At the Libraries' May 7, 2003 Spring Reception Richard Francaviglia, first vice president of the Friends, presented the annual STAR Award to Amber Royer, who worked in Information Services for the library. The award included a cash prize of \$350. The award, underwritten by the Friends, is presented to a library staff member who has had outstanding years of service and made substantial contributions to the library.

In consideration of the war in Iraq, the Friends added one more program to their season and asked Dr. Stephen Stillwell, jr., secretary for the Friends' Advisory Council, to speak. On June 27, 2003, Dr. Stillwell, who has studied abroad in Egypt and Israel/Palestine, discussed the troubled history of the region. He earned his undergraduate degree in Middle Eastern Area Studies from the School of International Service at American University and taught at UTA in the History Department. His first book, Anglo-Turkish Relations in the Interwar Era, came out in June 2003.

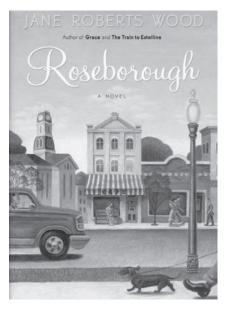
The Friends invited one of their favorite writers to open the 2003-2004 season. On September 12 popular novelist Jane Roberts Wood spoke to the organization about her new book, Roseborough: A Novel. The book is the story of two women whose view of the world and themselves is altered when their lives unexpectedly collide.



Texas Bad Girls were in the spotlight when J. Lee Butts came to speak to the Friends.

The Friends hosted a reception and autograph party in Wood's honor.

Western novelist J. Lee Butts spoke to the Friends about his popular book, Texas Bad Girls: Hussies, Harlots, and Horse Thieves, on October 17, 2003. The book is a collection of stories about some of the more colorful and notorious women who have helped to shape Texas history and folklore. Butts regaled the Friends with stories about such diverse women as Belle Star, Bonnie Parker, Etta Place, and Karla Faye Tucker. After Butts' presentation, the Friends hosted a reception and book signing.



Novelist Jane Roberts Wood returned in 2003 to speak to the Friends.

# HIGHLIGHTS OF FRIENDS MEETINGS, 2002-2004

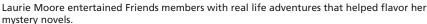
A "Holiday Tour" delivered by the 40 member Martin High School Varsity and Junior Varsity Show Choirs at the December 12, 2003, Friends meeting. Their performances featured singing, dancing, loads of personality, and holiday cheer. Kay Owens directed the choir. After the program everyone in attendance enjoyed a special holiday reception and took home sachets made of potpourri and cinnamon for their annual keepsake.

In 2004 the hot topic was the upcoming Athens Olympics. UTA's own **Don Kyle**, historian, author, and well known authority on ancient sport,



Dr. Don Kyle took a look at how the Olympics have changed since their ancient beginnings. Below: Don Kyle (left) visited with Friends members Bill Stallings and Jim Johnson after his talk about the modern day Olympics.





spoke on January 30, 2004, to the Friends about "The New Ancient Olympics." Kyle used a slide lecture to discuss the ancient games, their purpose and evolution. He paid particular attention to the ancient games and how they changed over time to reflect the changes in Greek society and attitudes. Kyle is the chair of the Department of History at UTA and is author of several books, including *Spectacles of Death in Ancient Rome* and *Athletics in Ancient Athens*.

Popular crime novelist Laurie Moore was the February 27, 2004, guest speaker. Moore talked about her book

Constable's Apprehension, which is set in Fort Worth and is part of a series of novels featuring fictional Tarrant County Constable Jinx Porter. Moore, a former police officer and investigator for a District Attorney's office in Central Texas, imbues her novels with gritty real-life situations based on her law enforcement background. In addition to being a novelist, Moore is also an attorney in Fort Worth. She autographed several of her books at a reception following the talk. These included The Lady Godiva Murder, The Wild Orchid Society, and Constable's Run.

On April 13, 2004, Friends' President Richard Francaviglia presented the Libraries' STAR Award (Super Talent Appreciated and Recognized) to Josh Been, who works in the Information Literacy program area. The award is underwritten by the Friends and is given to the library staff member who has played a significant role in moving the library forward in terms of services and/or outreach. Been was recognized for his work in building the Libraries' GIS programs and for his close collaboration with faculty and students.

Super-sized carrots were the topic of the evening when Jan Peck, a Fort Worth children's author, gave a fun and engaging presentation on April 16, 2004, of two of her most recent





Jan Peck's author photo in The Giant Carrot.

books, The Giant Carrot and Way Down Deep in the Deep Blue Sea. Jan involved the entire audience in the presentation and autographed copies of both books during the reception that the Friends held in her honor.



Novelist J. Lee Butts autographs a book for Shirley Applewhite following his talk about his popular book, Texas Bad Girls: Hussies, Harlots, and Horse Thieves.



Janis Saxon (left) and Jan Peck at the book signing following Peck's talk about writing children's books.



Stephen Stillwell, (left), Tom Wilding, and UTA President James Spaniolo (right) enjoyed the presentations by past Friends presidents at Tom's retirement reception.

The Friends hosted a special dinner on May 7, 2004, to honor Tom Wilding for his ten years of outstanding service as Director of Libraries at UTA. Many of the former Friends' presidents spoke about Tom and their work with him to advance

the UTA Libraries and the Friends' organization. The Friends also presented him with a red sweater to replace an old one that he has worn to holiday programs. Wilding retired at the end of July, and this was the Friends' official "send-off" for him.

# FRIENDS' MEMBERS, SEPT. 1, 2002-AUGUST 31, 2004

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**National Endowment for the Humanities Grants.** Special Collections staff completed a grant project to re-house the negatives from the 1950s from the W. D. Smith Commercial Photograph Collection and also submitted a proposal to do the same for the 1960s negatives.

**Summerlee Foundation Preservation Grant.** In 2002-2003, Special Collections staff, working with conservator Gayle Young, completed the three year preservation grant funded by the Summerlee Foundation in Dallas to identify maps and atlases in the collection that need repair, conservation treatment, and/or special housing. The grant was for \$15,000 and the work spanned three years.

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Faculty	1,089	1,135
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available electronically	27,461	32,319
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