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Focus On Faculty— Speakers' Series in Libraries

The UTA Libraries new speakers' series is called **Focus on Faculty**. Significant research is taking place on our campus, and the Libraries invite you to meet the faculty involved in some of that research. Our second speaker will be **Dr. Jennifer Gray**, Assistant Professor of Nursing, who will speak on **Wednesday, October 30, from 12:15 – 1:15pm** in the Sixth Floor Parlor of the Central Library. Her topic will be "HIV/AIDS: Are You At Risk?"

She will discuss the current status of the epidemic, personal risk factors, and present an overview of the worldwide spread and treatments that are becoming available.

Come for lunch in an informal setting. There will be time for questions. The Libraries will provide finger sandwiches, drinks and cookies. The session is free and open to all UTA students, faculty and staff. No reservations are required. For information about the program visit <http://www.uta.edu/library/faculty/> or call Tommie Wingfield at 817-272-2658 or email wingfield@uta.edu.

Chat with a reference staff online

UTA Library has launched an on-line chat service to allow users to communicate with an Information Services staff member in real time through QuestionPoint, a global, collaborative reference service.

This pilot project is available Monday-Thursday, 2:00-5:00 p.m., except holidays. The chat service works well with quick reference questions and short answers, so messages can be exchanged quickly. For more in-depth questions, we will ask you to give us a choice of either staying online, returning in a few minutes, or having questions answered to your email address.

The chat page URL: <http://www.uta.edu/library/ref/chat.html> or visit the Library's home page at <http://www.uta.edu/library>, click under "Ask us," you'll find "Chat With Us Live Online".

If you would like to give us feedback, please contact Terry Wang at twang@uta.edu, or 817-272-7521.



New Roof on Central Library underway

The work will include constructing covers for entrance walkway, powerwashing the building, repairing mortar, putting on a new roof and new skylights. Pardon our mess! For more information, contact Carleen Dolan at 817-272-3732.

SciFinder Scholar Tutorial

Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) announces a new interactive tutorial for SciFinder® Scholar. Available 24/7, the new tutorial is for students and faculty. The tutorial can be reached directly from the web at <http://www.cas.org/SCIFINDER/SCHOLAR/interact/>. Macromedia's

Authorware is required to run it from a browser; Macintosh users need to use a PC emulator such as Virtual PC.

Friends of the Libraries meeting

On Friday November 8 Celebrate the 35th Anniversary of the Texas Labor Archives, a part of UTA Libraries' Special Collections. Meet in the sixth floor Parlor of Central Library from 7:30 to 9:30.

In 1967 the University of Texas at Arlington Library, with the assistance of the M. M. McKnight Memorial Fund and the endorsement of the Texas AFL-CIO, 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. Since that time, UTA has built the largest labor archives in the Southwest, a result of the generosity of individuals, labor unions, labor councils, and other labor-related groups and organizations.

Special guest speaker will be Theresa Case "The Rise and Fall of the Southwestern Knights of Labor: The 1885-86 Gould Railway System Strikes."

The Friends' web site can be found at <http://libraries.uta.edu/friends/>. The Friends' meeting is open to the public at no charge. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Betty Wood at 817-272-7421 or email bwood@uta.edu.

Trial Databases

Find all of these at the UTA Libraries Online trial databases web page, <http://www2.uta.edu/library/research/trial.asp>.

Safari Tech Books Online UTA IP addresses only. 1995-present. Over 300 full-text book titles indexed. Revised monthly. Adobe Acrobat required. Web access to full text of information technology books from O'Reilly, Que, Sams, and others. All text can be searched with a multi-book search engine, or specific titles can be selected for chapter-by-chapter reading. Safari offers content in many categories, including software how-to books, certification guides, database technology, Linux/Unix, Macintosh, .NET, and Web administration and development.

The Conference Board's Research database. Trial ends December 31, 2002. 1995-present. TCB research is a searchable database of full-text research reports on the latest issues in business management and U.S. and global economics. Research includes studies of 500 companies on business trends, leadership decisions, performance excellence, corporate governance, human resource management, productivity, and more. Information is also provided on industry overviews and forecasts, consumer demographics, economic statistics, corporate management practices, and company financial data.

World of Learning Online is now available from the UTA Libraries Online Electronic Resources trial databases web page. The World of Learning: The International Guide to the Academic World, is the electronic version of its well-known print counterpart. Provides enhanced search capabilities and regular updates of content.

Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center (OVR) Trial ends October 30, 2002. Up-to-date coverage of current event topics and social issues. This social issues database includes secondary sources and full-text articles

from more than 30 major newspapers and newsmagazines (*The Nation*, *National Review*, *Newsweek*, *The New York Times*, *Time*, etc.). Research results provide quick access for pro/con viewpoints articles, contextual topic overviews, statistics, magazine and newspaper articles, images and links to related web sites. Cross-searchable with Student Resource Center 2.0 with search across both databases from the OVRC interface.

Market Insight Trial ends October 31, 2002. Updated daily. Market Insight utilizes the Standard & Poor's COMPUSTAT database, which provides fundamental data on approximately 10,000 actively traded and 11,000 inactive U.S. companies, as well as 12,000 global companies in 80 countries. Financial statements, ratios and valuation reports are available in Excel. Corporate actions track mergers and acquisitions and name and ticker changes. World Factbook reports are included and assess a country's outlook and economic policy, as well as currency exchange. Forecasts for growth, investments, fiscal balances, interest rates and more are given for over 100 countries.

Current Index to Statistics-Extended Database (CIS/ED) Trial ends October 31, 2002. 1975- present. Updated throughout the year as new information is processed. CIS/ED is a bibliographic index to publications in statistics and related fields. The American Statistical Association and the Institute of Mathematical Statistics are jointly responsible for the indexed articles in journals (174,000+), articles in edited books and proceedings (42,000+), and referenced journals (1,400+).

Rand Texas A trial of RAND Texas is now available from the UTA Libraries online trial databases web page. RAND Texas provides statistical data on Texas economic and public policy issues. It contains detailed statistical databases in the broad categories of health, community, education, government finance, business, economics, population and demographics. The focus is on data at the Texas state, county, city, and zip code levels, though much comparable data is available at national and state levels.

New On The Electronic Resources Page

Anthropology Review Database is now available from the UTA Libraries Online Electronic Resources web page at <http://www2.uta.edu/library/research/new.asp>.

Sweets-McGraw Hill Construction. Sweets has been the number one reference source for architects, engineers and contractors since 1906. In this catalog top manufacturers provide comprehensive and detailed product information. You can browse through over 61,000 products that are featured.

The History E-Book Project 1999-present. A collection of electronic backlist titles of major importance to historical studies. The plan is to convert 500 titles and to publish 85 completely new electronic titles. All titles in the collection can be searched simultaneously.

Current Research @ University of Texas-Arlington A digital collection of UTA theses and dissertations published in Dissertations Abstracts since 1997. This database allows searching citations (author, title, advisor, etc.) and abstracts, viewing 24 page previews, and downloading the full text of UTA theses and dissertations in the collection. Current Research @ is also a gateway site for searching dissertations from other universities published since 1997.

We have 3 new eJournals through **CatchWord**: *Proceedings of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers Part G Journal of Aerospace Engineering*; *Proceedings of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers Part H Journal of Engineering in Medicine*; and *Proceedings of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers Part I Journal of Systems & Control Engineering*.

We have 2 new eJournals through **MetaPress**: *Souls: A Critical Journal of Black Politics, Culture and Society* and *Justice Professional*.

We have 2 new eJournals in the **University of Chicago Press** collec-

tion: *Philosophy of Science* and *Quarterly Review of Biology*

Book Review by Nancy Wesley

Censorship : a world encyclopedia.

London ; Chicago : Fitzroy Dearborn, 2001

Location: REF Z657 .C393 2001 Central Library, Floor 2: Reference

This 4-volume encyclopedia takes a global and historical look at censorship through a myriad of processes and practices. Signed articles followed by carefully chosen bibliographies treat three types of content – biographical, thematic, and geographical. Biographical entries describe censors, individual and institutional, and the targets of censorship. Thematic essays examine a wide range of topics: visual arts, literature, broadcasting and the Internet, the press, performing arts, scholarship, religion, law and human rights, political ideologies, theories and practices of censorship. Country snapshots outline the history of censorship in a particular country. Coverage is well balanced and timely with 600 international contributors and up-to-date articles on topics like V-chips, video classification, and Internet Service Providers. This winner of an American Library Association outstanding reference source award makes a noteworthy contribution to the field of censorship and should interest students from many disciplines concerned with free expression. Entries such as Batman and Robin juxtaposed next to Baudelaire may spark curiosity in even the casual browser.



New sources added to World News Connection

The material in WNC is provided to the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) by the Foreign Broadcast Information Service (FBIS), a U.S. government agency. The information is obtained from full text and summaries of newspaper articles, conference proceedings, television and radio broadcasts, periodicals, and non-classified technical reports.

Al-Akbar, Pakistan; Malaysian National News Agency, Malaysia
Malysiakini, Malaysia; *B92 Radio*, Serbia
Mediamax, Armenia; *Daily Dispatch*, South Africa
SITA - Slovak News Agency; *Izvestia*, Russia
Kukpang Ilbo, South Korea; *Taehan Maeil*, South Korea
Vanguard Media, Nigeria; *Taipei Times*, Taiwan
Sowetan, South Africa; Angola News Agency

English Writing Center (4th floor Central Library)

<http://www.uta.edu/owl/>. Sign up in Writing Center, courses taught in 307 Preston Hall. Questions? Call 817-272-2601.

Grammar and Mechanics workshop (9-24 to 11-13)

<http://www.uta.edu/owl/service.html>.

Logic Workshop (9-7 to 11-11).

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