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Faculty Author Reception set Sept. 28

The inaugural Faculty Author Reception at the University of Texas at Dallas is scheduled for 4-6 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 28 in the McDermott Suite located on the fourth floor of McDermott Library.

The event is being presented for all UTD faculty, library staff and Friends of the Library members by Executive Vice President and Provost Dr. B. Hobson Wildenthal and Dr. Larry D. Sall, Dean of Libraries.

The recognition of faculty authors is also being

supported by university President Dr. David Daniel.

"We have long been proud of the books produced by our distinguished faculty and now we officially salute them with what we intend to become an annual event," Sall said. "Libraries are about books and we have many faculty authors and editors who have contributed to that endeavor."

McDermott Library maintains an ongoing display of faculty books in its showcases.



Left to right - Jean Vik, associate Director for Operating Systems; Ellen Safley, Senior Associate Director; and Mary Jo Venetis, Associate Director for Technical Services, share a light moment during McDermott Library's Annual Meeting in June. - Library photo

McDermott Library listed as 'top-notch'

In the 2006 *Texas College Guide*, McDermott Library is listed as one of four "top-notch campus facilities" at UTD.

A story in the June 9, 2006 *Chronicle of Higher Education* notes that quality libraries, dormitories, student unions and academic buildings play a significant role in helping colleges recruit and retain students.

True crime author to appear on Oct. 19

True crime author Patricia Springer will appear in the McDermott Library-UTD *Mercury* Writers Series on Oct. 19. The event is set for 2-3 p.m. in the McDermott Library Auditorium (MC 2.410). It is free and open to the public.

The Writers Series began in 2001 in a joint effort between McDermott Library and the UTD campus newspaper, the *Mercury*, to bring authors to the Richardson campus.

Springer's most recent true crime book, *Mail*

Order Murder, is the story of Jack Reeves who promised his mail order brides a better life - then killed them. Springer attended the trial of convicted child killer Darlie Routier. She spent countless hours researching the case with police, Routier friends, jury members, and experts in the field of forensics to write *Flesh and Blood*.

Springer is a former North Texas-area newspaper reporter and radio news director. She has



Patricia Springer

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SLA meeting included faculty influence on IR success

Reference librarian Susie Kutchi attended the Special Libraries Association (SLA) Annual Conference held in Baltimore, June 10-14, 2006.

She attended two pre-conference sessions, "Introduction to Molecular Biology Information Hubs" and "Molecular Structure Viewing," which were based on National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) databases and tutorials, with emphasis on the Protein and Structure databases.

Among the regular conference sessions she attended was "Institutional Repositories: In-house vs. Outsourced." This ses-

sion explored the pros and cons of creating an institutional repository (IR) by either using an institution's manpower and

that these students are not enamored by authoritative sources and use non-text sources (audio and video) as well as user-

generated content (wikis, blogs, message boards) for their information needs," Kutchi said. "She gave examples of things Wake Forest has done to try to reach students. I found it heartening that we have used almost all the same ideas."

Don King of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, gave a synopsis of his latest research

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- Susie Kutchi



data storage capacity versus utilizing an outside company such as ProQuest's Digital Commons. Repositories at the University of Connecticut (Digital Commons) and the University of Rochester (created in-house using DSpace) were discussed, with the pros and cons of both methods spelled out in detail.

"The most interesting comments in this session had nothing to do with how the technical side of an Institutional Repository is established, but rather with the influence of the faculty culture on the success or failure of the IR," she said. "The speakers pointed out that, 'the institution is not the relationship the faculty values; the research community is their family.'"

In the "Information Seeking Behavior of Millennials" session, Mary Scanlon of Wake Forest discussed how millennials, i.e. Americans born between 1978 and 2000, are multi-taskers and format agnostics and how this affects their information seeking behavior. "She also pointed out

into patterns of information seeking by academic scientists, broken down by science, social science and medicine in his presentation titled "What Social, Medical and Pure Scientists Want in Information."

"Some of the more interesting findings given were that current trends show all fields are relying more on libraries, rather than on individual subscriptions to journals, for their article selection and that the preferred method of delivery is moving very heavily to electronic journals," Kutchi said.

"He also presented very interesting statistics relating to the cost of print versus electronics that indicate electronic journals are more cost effective."

Kutchi said she has always found that SLA sessions are more relevant to academic libraries than other conferences, "perhaps because they have more 'meat' for the solo librarians and corporate librarians who make up the bulk of the membership."

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Library implements new UTD ID for better security, faster searching

Systems group has successfully implemented the UTD ID by replacing patrons' Social Security numbers (SSN). The conversion occurred in early July. McDermott Library now uses the newly-assigned UTD ID instead of SSN for its day-to-day

operations. Systems uploaded 40,000 new records and regenerated the keywords for faster searching and record display. Systems group is now working on making EZ Proxy authentication compatible with Galaxy single sign-on portal.

McDermott's History of Aviation Collection featured in *Dallas Morning News* Metro Section

The *Dallas Morning News* ran a large feature in its Metro Section in early September about the Braniff Airlines public affairs archive located in McDermott Library's Special Collections Department.

The archive, a part of the larger History of Aviation Collection, includes news releases, advertisements and photographs of Braniff stewardesses in designer uniforms of the era. Curator Paul Oelkrug was shown in one photograph and another featured Braniff planes at Greater Southwest International Airport that was located just south of DFW International.

The collection also has images of airliners splashed in bold colors conceived by artist Alexander Calder.

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appeared on *Current Affair*, the *Geraldo Rivera Show*, and has appeared on the Learning Channel's *Medical Detectives*. Springer resides in Denton, Texas.

Her first book was *Blood Rush*, a psychological profile about Texas serial killer Ricky Lee Green that was chosen as one of the featured selections of the True Crime Book Club in August 1994. The author witnessed Green's execution in October 1997.

Cometville Carnival



During the campuswide Fall 2006 Cometville Carnival held on the west side of McDermott Library, Loreen Phillips (left), head of Information Literacy at McDermott, greets Morgan O'Donnell new director of the Galerstern Women's Center located on the first floor of the library building. The library held prize drawings and awarded 10 thumb drives among 109 entries during the carnival. - Library photo

Freshman Orientation



Enrollment growth at UTD forced organizers of the Fall 2006 Freshman Family Orientations to move the event to the large gymnasium this year from the smaller gym in the Athletic Center. McDermott Library had brisk business at its table, shown in the lower left, during the initial orientation for the fall. The table was staffed by members of Library Information Technology - Joan Aquatero, Kirk Chambers and Nadira Zahkidova. - Library photo

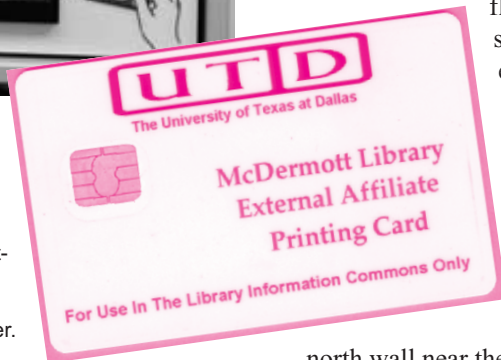
Friends Meeting



The Steering Committee for the McDermott Library Friends met in August in the Library Administration Conference Room. Left to right are Dean of Libraries Larry Sall; Jane Merz, Director of Library Services, the City of Richardson; author Frank Kryza and Rainer Schulte, Endowed Professor, Center for Translation Studies at UTD. Not pictured are Victor Contreras, Library Assistant II at McDermott, Kerry Tate, Coordinator of Disability Services at UTD and Tom Koch, McDermott Library Friends Liaison. - Library photo



The new UTD Printing Card allows affiliate users to purchase an electronic card that allows printing on the computers in the Information Commons next to the Reference Desk and Library Copy Center.



north wall near the Information Commons and Library Copy Center on

New printing card allows affiliate users to obtain computer copies

In the past, McDermott Library External Affiliates (Friends of the Library, Visiting Professors and Scholars) were unable to use the printers connected to the computers in the Information Commons. The library was not able to provide a card featuring an electronic chip in order to connect to the printers.

Users simply saved information to a floppy disk, CD or sent it to a personal email account.

That has changed with the McDermott Library External Affiliate Card. A new Card Service Center is located on the

the second floor.

The initial card costs \$5 and contains \$1 worth of printing. Only \$5 bills are accepted for the card. Two vending machines offer the means to purchase additional credit on the card's microchip. There is no change and the actual amount is necessary. More than the necessary amount will not be refunded.

The machines are able to provide up to \$50 of non-refundable credit on the chip. The machines are limited to accepting bills of \$1, \$5 and \$10 for added value.

Patrons use the Community Computer station and send the print job to the connected printer. Near the printer they insert their card into a reader that activates the printout. Copies cost 10 cents each.

Japanese visitors see innovation, dedication on McDermott tour

In July, a group of library representatives from Japan visited McDermott Library where they were updated on electronic advances in library science. Loreen Phillips, Head of Information Literacy, served as presenter and guide.

The visitors were Yuki Yokoi, chief, Kushior National College of Technology Library; Makoto Yonezawa, chief, Engineering Library, Tohoku University; Yutaka Sawamura, Administration Division, Kansai Gakuin University Library; Mika Yazaki, Manager, Kyushu Kyontsu University Library; and Yukino Aihara, Assistant to Director of the Content Division, National Institute of Informatics (NII).

Megumi Narisawa, chief, Training Section and Coordination Division of NII, reported that the group was impressed by the innovative and pioneering activities at McDermott Library.

They praised McDermott's dedication to improving services and termed the visit "fruitful and productive."

Loreen Phillips, left, Head of Information Literacy, shows the Japanese visitors a selection of maps on the second floor.



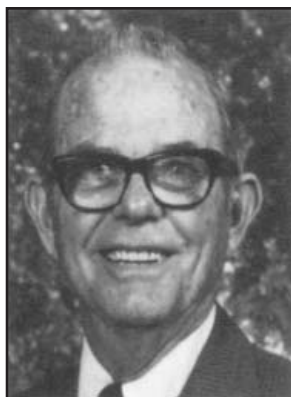
Debbie Montgomery, center, Head of Electronic Resources, describes McDermott Library's cataloging processes to visitors from various Japanese libraries. Second from left is Mona Metcalf, electronic acquisitions librarian, who assisted as an interpreter.

Set a solid foundation for world class WW I Collection

George H. Williams, Jr., namesake of the world class George H. Williams World War I Aviation Collection at McDermott Library, died July 9, 2006 at his home in Dallas.

A veteran of World War II and an insurance executive, Williams became interested in World War I research as a young man in Waco, Texas. His research evolved into a passion and he assembled considerable material that became the cornerstone of UTE World War I Collection. It has been praised by the Smithsonian Institution and The History Channel and used by researchers worldwide.

"George Williams was instrumental in making our History of Aviation Collection the premier place to study World War I aviation," said Erik D. Carlson, Ph.D., head of the Special Collections Department. "His dedication and effort had a tremendous impact on this archive that will last for many decades."



George H. Williams, Jr.

Williams not only donated materials to the collection but he became one of the first volunteers to process McDermott Library's aviation holdings. He was chairman of the Advisory Board for the entire History of Aviation Collection for 20 years. His dedication to the World War I collection was pivotal in UTE acquisition of the remarkable A.E. Ferko collection of rare German aviation photographs. The collection includes squadron lists and combat reports.

According to Larry Sall, Dean of Libraries at UTD, Williams was primarily responsible for making "our World War I aviation material one of the best collections of its type in the world." Sall, who administered the aviation collection for 20 years, also worked closely with Mr. Williams in organizing and enlarging the collection. That was made easier thanks to Mr. Williams' extensive connections with collectors and scholars who trusted and admired his dedication.

Williams organized and served as president of the League of World War I Aviation Historians and started the group's publication, *Over the Front*. He also organized a seminar for the League

of World War I Aviation Historians at UTD in 1988. The last three living U.S. flying aces from World War I gathered for the event that boasted 125 aviation scholars from around the world.

Born at Frost, Texas on April 7, 1915, Williams spent his youth in Waco and graduated from Baylor University in 1939. With the outbreak of World War II in Europe, he enlisted in the U.S. Army. After attending Harvard University to study radio and electronics, he was reassigned to the 94th Signal Battalion.

In late 1944 he was in the vanguard of Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army as it rushed to relieve surrounded U.S. soldiers in Bastogne, Belgium during the Battle of the Bulge. Dean Sall recalls Mr. Williams telling of the terrible conditions during that maneuver and of Gen. Patton's impatience which Lt. Williams experienced first hand as he and his men led Third Army north toward Bastogne.

In March of 1945 his unit arrived at the famous Ludendorff Bridge at Remagen the day it was captured, and he and his unit were responsible for maintaining communications across the bridge as the Germans attempted to destroy it. The bridge later collapsed killing several American soldiers but not before the 9th Armored Division established a bridgehead on the eastern bank of the Rhine. The bridge was never rebuilt. After Williams retired he and his son Scott went on a trip along the Rhine in the early 1980s and revisited the battle site. They also visited locations in France and England.

He remained active in the Army reserve through the early 1950s. In civilian life he worked in the mortgage loan division at Equitable Life Insurance Co. in Dallas. Williams was active in St. Luke's Episcopal Church on Royal Lane in Dallas.

His wife 62 years, Ginny, was at his side when he died. He was preceded in death by his daughter Holly Hays and granddaughter Kristi Hays. He is survived by wife Ginny Williams, daughter Kaye Peterson and husband Robert, son Scott Williams and wife Linda, six grandchildren, three great grandchildren, sister Emily Tooker, brother Ralph Williams and wife Lee.

The Williams family has asked that contributions made be made in his name to the George H. Williams World War I Aviation Collection, McDermott Library, The University of Texas at Dallas

McDermott brings celebrity images to campus through READ campaign

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Keira Knightley, and Rebecca Lobo.

"Although it was difficult to choose from all the dozens of celebrities available from ALA, an effort was made to select a representative sample that would be recognizable to many age groups in an academic setting," said **Loreen Phillips**, Head of Information Literacy at McDermott. "The initial response has been great. It was wonderful to see how well-known the ALA

READ campaign was to staff in different buildings."

Phillips said Information Literacy, Instruction and Outreach will make an effort to include as many campus buildings as possible to reach a maximum number of students.

In her poster shown on page 8, **Salma Hayek** poses with a book titled *Frida: A Biography of Frida Kahlo* - the Mexican painter she played in a 2002 biographical film of the same name. The poster, featuring a photograph by Kimberly Butler, measures 22 by 34 inches.

McDermott Library people



Erik Carlson

Coordinator of the Special Collections Department, **Erik D. Carlson**, Ph.D. moderated a World War II Veteran's Panel this summer at Haggard Library in Plano, Texas. The panel consisted of Gen. **James McPartin**, (USAF, ret.) **Robert Krause**, M.D., and **James Lee**. Dr. Carlson introduced the panel and asked questions during the two-hour session. The Plano Public Library System organized the event with the McDermott Library History of Aviation Collection. More than 120 people enjoyed the event on a hot Sunday afternoon . . . During July Carlson successfully underwent heart surgery for a defective valve and he had well-wishers from throughout the library . . .

Mary Jo Venetis, Associate Library Director for Technical Services, received one of two Amigos Fellowship Program awards presented by the Amigos Library Services Board of Trustees for her dissertation, "E-leadership Survey in Library and



Mary Jo Venetis



Mona Metcalf

Information Science." The award was in the amount of \$1,440. The awards, established in 1990, are presented to staff at Amigos member institutions to fund individual professional development projects. Amigos Library Services is located in Dallas, Texas . . .

Mona Metcalf has assumed the responsibilities of Course Reserves. As an electronic acquisitions librarian, she also processes many of the electronic journals, ebooks and databases used by students and faculty. "Aspects such as copyright compliance and permissions play a huge role in how reserves are managed and can affect the use of some materials," she said. Requests can be submitted electronically by email to ramona@utdallas.edu or libresv@utdallas.edu. An online request form is located on the library website under "How to" and forms. Her number is 972-883-2587 . . .



Nahid Karimi

Nahid Karimi is new in Technical Services as a Cataloging Assistant III. She came from Webber State University in Ogden, Utah where she worked as a reference professional for 10 years. She graduated from Webber with a degree in electronic engineering technology. She is interested in cross-training in other areas of the library . . . **Sharon Tadlock**, formerly of the medical library at Tulane University is a new in Circulation . . . **Dean Larry Sall**, a Dallas and state official in the Audubon Society, was included in a local television report commenting about a wild peacock that had taken up residence in a Grapevine, Texas neighborhood located north of DFW International Airport. The TV station was not an NBC affiliate . . .



Sharon Tadlock



Panelists James McMartin, Robert Krause and James Lee discuss their World War II experiences in a program at Plano's Haggard Library that was moderated by Dr. Erik D. Carlson, coordinator of McDermott Library's Special Collections Dept. - Photo courtesy of Haggard Library

Conference offers interactive training for information literacy

Loreen Phillips, Head of Information Literacy at McDermott Library, attended the Association of College and Research Libraries Regional Immersion from July 14-19 in Houston. The University of Houston and the University of Texas at Austin co-hosted this nationally-acclaimed program. This is her report:

Attendees stayed in University of Houston dormitories. In the weeks before I left for Houston I had several different types of homework. The most detailed assignment was to map the library's place in the campus community. I was grateful to get input from many of my colleagues in the library. The other assignment, which I actually enjoyed, was to create a portfolio of the library. This included the campus' mission statement and strategic plan as well as the library's mission statement and strategic plan. Then I had to create an action plan including the direction information literacy should take and why. I left for Houston with a gigantic binder filled with information plus all the reading assignments and the reports on the reading assignments. I was surprised to receive another gigantic binder the first day of the conference!

Regional Immersion is more a training session than the usual conference. The attendees begin by trying to define information literacy and map out the differences between instruction, bibliographic instruction and information literacy. The cohort leaders insist that there are differences in each term and theory. Each day the sessions continue from the topic the day before, building towards an idea of information literacy that incorporates ACRL Standards and Guidelines. The current trend in academic libraries is to integrate information literacy into the curriculum and that was the focus of my action plan. I left Immersion with an overview of a strategy the library could implement in its efforts to integrate information literacy into the core curriculum at UTD.

Immersion is beneficial in that it is an extremely interactive training experience. Attendees are definitely immersed; there is not a time when you can just sit and listen because the cohort leaders ask for participation. We were grouped at tables of five or six and the assignments were done out loud and as a group, except for the final written one. I participated in the Program Track, but there is a Teacher Track for instruction librarians who want to strengthen their teaching styles or become better instruction librarians.

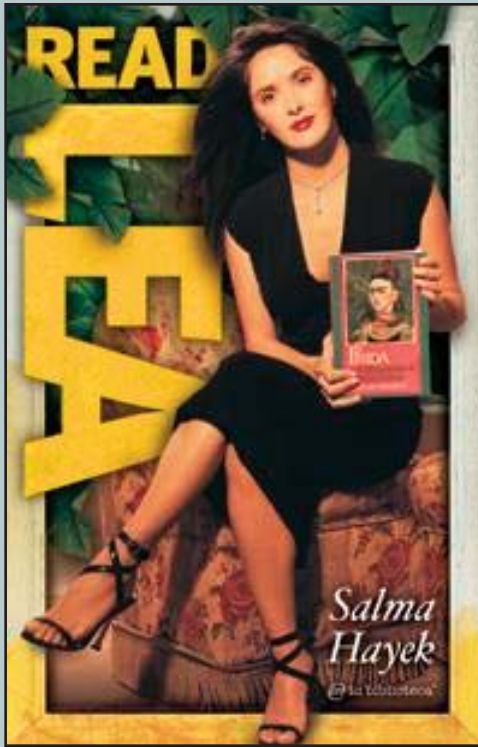
I consolidated the two enormous binders into one and will route it among the instruction librarians. It is available for staff who would like to look at the collection and read the articles. There is considerable information useful to the library in whichever direction we decide to take information literacy.

In Memoriam Dr. Larry D. Terry 1954 - 2006



- Library photo

In mid-June The University of Texas at Dallas lost one of its most up-and-coming and dynamic young leaders in the untimely death of Dr. Larry D. Terry. Dr. Terry was stricken while on a university trip to Atlanta, Georgia. He was a staunch supporter of McDermott Library and is shown above enjoying the annual McLemore Awards for Library Excellence banquet in the spring of 2004. Dr. Terry joined UTD in 2001 as Associate Vice Provost and Professor of Public Administration in the School of Social Sciences. Most recently, he was the Vice President for Business Affairs. During his five-year tenure at UTD, he earned the respect and admiration of many colleagues, faculty and staff, as well as numerous students. Dr. Terry was an exceptionally skilled scholar and administrator, a gentleman, a loving father to four children and a friend to so many. Dr. Terry was a renowned scholar in the fields of public affairs and political science. He was an acclaimed author, international authority in public administration and a member of the National Academy of Public Administration. In recent years, he served as editor of the prestigious scholarly journal *Public Administration Review*.



Posters promote READ @ McDermott

Denzel, Sean, and Salma are coming to a campus building near you, courtesy of McDermott Library. No, not real actors **Denzel Washington**, **Sean Connery** and **Salma Hayek** - just pictorial representations of them.

This fall the library's Information Literacy, Instruction and Outreach Department is using posters from the American Library Association's READ campaign to remind students about library instruction and research services. For years ALA has made these posters available for libraries to use in marketing their services. The posters are a clever, subliminal message. The library went a little further by labeling each poster with contact information for instruction and research. It's a way to alert students to the many services the library offers to them whether they are freshmen or Ph.Ds.

The 15 posters will be displayed in buildings throughout campus. Salma and Denzel, along with **Landon Donovan**, will be in the Student Union. Sean is being kept in the library since several library staff found it hard to part with him. Look for **Susan Sarandon** in the Women's Center. **Yoyo Ma**, **Jimmy Smits**, and **Aishwarya Roy** will be in the Multicultural Center. **Colin Farrell** is in the library's Multimedia Department. During the semester the rest of the 15 will be hung in other areas that are highly traversed by students. They include **Tara Dakides**, **Johnny Damon**, **Grant Hill**, **Chamique Holdsclaw**, **Keira Knight-**

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