

THE TCU LIBRARY WINDOWS

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The TCU Library *The Place For Great Minds*

OUR MISSION

To provide intellectual resources, innovative technology tools and an inspiring physical and virtual environment to serve TCU's diverse community of learners, supported by approachable and resourceful staff.

The TCU Library is a vibrant hub of campus life, melding technology with highly knowledgeable, service-oriented staff. In fact, 86 percent of students, faculty and staff have consistently come to the library each semester for the past decade. The library also provides a variety of programs with speakers like Tony Hillerman and Daniel Schorr and houses prestigious collections and archives like those of former U.S. House Speaker Jim Wright and Van Cliburn International Piano Competition.

Today, the library has more than two million physical books, CDs and videos and more than 65,000 current journal subscriptions. Additionally, the library collects and maintains access to numerous digital resources in the form of electronic books and journals, as well as more than 300 databases and streaming audio and video collections.

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President's Message



I hope you had a good book in hand during the recent ice days—a good read and a hot cup of tea or hot chocolate definitely make the cold days pass faster and more enjoyable. This we know about cold, frigid weather: we are ready for spring. Bring it on!

I love a good book, which makes me excited about this year's 2011 TCU Texas Book Award winner. The Friends of the TCU Library and TCU Press are co-sponsors of this award which honors the best book published about Texas. I am pleased with the judges choice to honor best-selling author, award-winning journalist and historian, Sam C. Gwynne for *Empire of the Summer Moon*. Gwynne will be presented his award, a \$5,000 prize, at the Annual Friends of the TCU Library Dinner on March 21. He will deliver some amusing and fascinating words about his career, his work and himself—I personally can't wait. Mark your calendars now for this *not to be missed* evening.

Our spring Friends meeting is scheduled for March 29, 2011 at 3:30 p.m. Afterwards at 5 p.m., Dr. John Harvey, Professor of the Economics Department at TCU, will present a FacultySpeak entitled, *The Truth about the Federal Debt and the Deficit*. In today's economy, this topic should be most interesting and certainly a timely one. Plan to attend and enjoy hearing Dr. Harvey.

The TCU Library continues to be a beehive of activity with students studying, doing research and pounding away on computers all hours of the day and night. The Friends of the TCU Library appreciate your support that allows library visitors to take full advantage of the resources we provide.

- Susan Smith
President, Friends of the TCU Library

Dean's Message



Someone asked me recently what was new about the library. What an opportunity to talk about the strong collections, the in-depth services provided by staff and then, well... our space needs. Until a new addition to the library is built, we will continue to have inadequate space. There is a bright spot I can describe this spring. We completed the first phase of a two-year project that erected a substantial compact shelving installation in the library's sub-basement. The newly-completed project includes 10 double-faced shelving carriages, each 30 feet long and seven feet high. The next phase will add a comparable number of carriages later this year. In planning for the library expansion, architects included this storage allocation in their plans; so in that sense, we are one step closer to realizing some of what will be included in a building addition.

And why would compact shelving be important to a library dean?! Because when you have a student body that spends as much time in our building as the TCU students do, you want the environment to be one that supports their studying, an environment that presents an engaging and comfortable feel to its experience. Currently, we have peak periods when students cannot find a place to sit down and frequent periods when the noise level is too high as a consequence of crowding too many people in a given space. This is certainly not the type of environment we want to continue. With the new shelving, we can move some book material to the sub-basement and then use that space for seating. We need around 900 more seats. By moving some material to compact shelving, we will be a little closer to our goal. So for this Dean, that's the good news for this year!

- June Koelker
Dean, TCU Library

TCU Library (Continued)



OUR COLLECTIONS

The library supports the University's global reach by offering resources to be used in studying, teaching and research on campus and worldwide. Particular collection emphasis is on American history, American and British literature, business, chemistry, music, mathematics, nursing, physics and U.S. European Union and State of Texas documents.

Current library endowments allow us to continually develop specific collections. Additional generous donations and active collecting have allowed us to develop the following special collections:

- Amon G. Carter Collections
- Pate-Newcomer Luxembourg Collection
- TCU Archives and Historical Collection
- TCU Photo Archives, including the Linda Kaye Collection
- Van Cliburn International Piano Competition Archive
- William Luther Lewis Collection

In addition to collecting unique materials, the library seeks to digitize selected items to allow others to discover and research them on the Web while preserving them for future generations.

OUR SERVICE

The library provides a wide variety of services aimed at helping students and faculty with their research. Assistance is provided at the reference desk, as well as via phone, e-mail and Instant Messenger. In-depth assistance is provided through consultation sessions with one of our nine subject specialist librarians.

TCU has served an early adopter and peer role model in recognizing the information commons service model. This model offers reference, technology and writing assistance through partnerships with Technology Resources and the William L. Adams Center for Writing, all within the library with close access to our continuously updated TTI, Inc., computer lab. More than 100 computer workstations and an additional 55 laptops are available to students for researching, organizing and producing assignments, presentations, electronic portfolios and electronic theses and dissertations. The latter are archived and maintained on the library's servers.

Innovative spaces such as our group collaborative computing areas or "Frog Pods," have been recognized in professional literature and emulated by numerous and other libraries and architects. The library's adaptation to changes in learning and teaching was made possible in part by financial support from the Student Government Association.

PROGRAMS

Each year, the library partners with the Friends of the TCU Library and the TCU Press to provide access to authors, faculty and other speakers such as Jim and Kate Lehrer, Tony Hillerman, Daniel Schorr and Timothy Egan through a variety of programs and exhibits:

- TCU Texas Book Award
- FacultySpeak
- Friends and TCU Press Autograph Extravaganza
- Friends of the TCU Library Annual Dinner

To create a world-class, values-centered university experience includes providing a place that is the heart of the university—the library!

HOW YOU CAN HELP: please contact Adam Baggs, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Schools and Colleges, University Advancement, at 817-257-5332 or a.baggs@tcu.edu.

As a general rule, the most successful man in life is the man who has the best information.

—Benjamin Disraeli

Upcoming Events: FacultySpeak Presentations

Dr. John Harvey: Get the Truth About the Federal Debt and the Deficit



On **Tuesday, March 29 at 5 p.m.**, the TCU Library will host the first of two FacultySpeak events during the spring semester, beginning with TCU Economics Professor, Dr. John Harvey, who will speak on the truth about the federal debt and deficit. Dr. Harvey will share some interesting facts on this topic: how the U.S. federal debt and deficit differ, how they impact each other and the economy. This talk is on a topic you will want to hear.

ABOUT THE PROFESSOR:

With more than 25 years experience, Dr. Harvey specializes in International Economics. He is involved in research and teaching of macro- and microeconomics, economic history, international trade and economic development.

B.A., M.B.A. and PhD in Economics from the University of Tennessee. Editor of *Currencies, Capital Flows, and Crises: A Post Keynesian Approach*, about the exchange and foreign exchange market.

ABOUT THE PROFESSOR:

A frequent commentator on global and Middle Eastern Affairs, he earned his PhD from the University of Texas at Austin and has taught at TCU since 1990. He is co-author of *Populism and Foreign Policy in Venezuela and Iran* and *Neo-populism in Comparative Perspective: Iran and Venezuela*.

Dr. Dorraj has earned several teaching awards while at TCU, including “The Most Inspiring Professor” award from Panhellenic Council in 2004; “Distinguished Teaching and Service” in 2000 and 2002; “Professor of the Year,” Student House of Representatives in 1998.

Dr. Manochehr Dorraj: Uprising in Egypt and the Larger Arab World: Their Regional and Global Impact

Recent protests in Egypt seem to have inspired new political awareness in other countries and the U.S. International response to the protests was initially mixed. What’s today’s emotion? On **Thursday, April 21 at 5 p.m.** Dr. Dorraj of the Political Science Dept. will talk about the uprising in Egypt and the larger Arab world. Come hear what Dr. Dorraj has to say about what’s going on and what’s to come and how it could impact the U.S.



Friends of the TCU Library sponsor “FacultySpeak” events and this spring they have arranged two fabulous speaking presentations. This is an opportunity to learn more about TCU faculty research. Light refreshments will be served.

Dinner With Friends

TCU Friends of the Library invites you to be their guest

Each year, the *TCU Friends of the Library* hosts a dinner that highlights a distinguished author. This year's event will honor the 2011 TCU Texas Book Award Winner, Sam C. Gwynne, *Empire of the Summer Moon*. As special guest, Gwynne will offer some unique writing and story-telling experiences and talk about his winning book which tells the story of Quanah Parker and the rise and fall of the Comanches, the most powerful Indian tribe in American history. There will also be an opportunity to get your book signed by Gwynne.



Save the Date! This event is **Monday, March 21** at the Kelly Alumni Center, 2820 Stadium Dr. in the Cox Banquet Room.

WANT TO COME TO DINNER? Call 817-257-6109 to reserve your spot today. Organizers are promising an entertaining and memorable evening.

Save the Dates

March 21: Friends of the TCU Library Annual Dinner, 6:30 p.m. at the Kelley Alumni Center. Dinner honors the 2011 TCU Texas Book Award Winner.

March 24: 4th Annual AddRan College Distinguished Faculty Lecture, 6-7 p.m. at Palko Hall featuring Dr. Darren Middleton (Religion)

March 29: FacultySpeak, 5 p.m. Dr. John T. Harvey, Professor of Economics and editor of *Currencies, Capital Flows, and Crises: A Post Keynesian Approach*, will discuss the truth about the federal debt and deficit.

March 30-April 3: TCU Main Stage Series Presents OKLAHOMA! Scott Theatre at 7:30 p.m.; April 2, 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. and April 3 at 2:30 p.m.

April 6: What's on Your Bookshelf?, 12-1 p.m. at East Campus: Steve and Sarah Smith Entrepreneur Hall, 104B. Executive Director of the Center for Texas Studies at TCU and editor of *A Century of Partnership: Fort Worth and TCU*, Mary L Volcansek discusses her fascinating new book.

April 6: 7th Annual 2011 Scheiffer Symposium. The annual symposium on journalism and current events.

April 11: Faculty and Friends Chamber Music Series, 7 p.m. at Pepsico Recital Hall

April 21: FacultySpeak, 5 p.m. Dr. Manochehr Dorraj, Political Science Professor will talk about the uprising in Egypt and the larger Arab world and their regional and global impact.



Did You Know...

There is a popular reading section located next to the Bistro. These books are chosen from the New York Times Best Seller List. Come in and check out a book that is all the rage for some good reading...

A Time for Giving

Making a difference any way you can

This holiday season, the library staff was very enthusiastic when asked to participate in the Christmas Adopt-A-Family Program through the Alliance for Children organization. Each year, Alliance for Children assists hundreds of children and their families during the holidays by providing shoes, toys and clothing.

“It’s a wonderful opportunity to give to a child who needs to know that someone cares, especially during the holiday season,” says Terri Chanlatte in Library Administration. “I found great pleasure shopping for the four-year old boy I adopted.”

Organized by James Lutz, Director of Library Administrative Services, this is the second year the TCU Library staff contributed their time to be part of this fulfilling volunteer opportunity. Each staff member adopted a child and agreed to provide clothing and toys.

Robyn Reid, Subject Librarian and Cari Alexander, Music/Media Librarian delivered the gifts to the Alliance For Children center early December. Upon arriving, Robyn and Cari were greeted by dozens of volunteers who pitched in to unload the large amount of gifts.

The mission of **Alliance for Children** is to protect **Tarrant County** children from child abuse through teamed investigations, healing service and community education. For more information visit their website: www.allianceforchildren.org.



Presents loaded for delivery



Robyn Reid and Cari Alexander deliver holiday gifts to Alliance for Children



The *Love* Letters Chronicled in New Display at the TCU Library

Seventy-two Civil War *Love* letters are on show as part of a Special Collections exhibit beginning March.

These aren’t actual “Love” letters, but letters written by James Marshall and Teresa Adeline Braden Love during the Civil War era (1861-1865). In it, the letters contain accounts of the Love family and their civil war experiences, showing

their sorrows of being apart, fears, sickness, misery, danger and hopes for the future after the war’s end.

You will be surprised as you read these letters to find that you will truly feel a connection with the Love family and a sensation of being part of their highs and lows during the war.

If you *love* history, you will absolutely *love* reading these letters.

TCU Library Bids Farwell To Karen Tjarks



*Karen and Library Systems Staff celebrate her final day.
Front (L-R): Stephanie Folse and Karen Tjarks
Back (L-R): Michael Weiss ,
Walter Betts, Jim Gribble, Kerry Bouchard and Desmond Hemphill*

On December 9, 2010, the TCU Library celebrated the retirement of Karen Tjarks, Computer Support Specialist. On this day she put to rest her hectic schedule for a much simpler pace and extra time for family and fun.

Since 1987, Karen has been instrumental in supporting library staff with her computer knowledge and ability to solve some of the toughest problems. She also helped train employees with the personal computing software used on a daily basis, like e-mail, word processing, calendars, etc.

Congratulations Karen, we applaud your efforts and bless your future endeavors!

Words To Know...

“It has been said again and again that the heart of the university is its library. It must be repeated, often and with fervor, lest we lose its true meaning. A university library is the haven for all in the campus community; it is a vital force for the faculty member and research worker; it is the constant companion of the graduate student; it is the place of inspiration for the undergraduate.

Many regard the library as the most important measure of a great university. It cannot be just a building, a collection of books, and a staff, although these are important. If the library is to be the heart of the university, then it must play its proper role as the agency that keeps all else alive.”

— Paul M. Parham, University Librarian 1968-1986



Staff Highlighter: Diana Boerner

Position: Research Librarian for Business, Economics, Journalism and Ranch Management

Age: Old enough to know better, yet young enough to still get in trouble

Hometown: Fort Worth, TX

Years of Service: I've worked at TCU for five years and as a business librarian for almost seven. Prior to becoming a librarian, I spent a decade working as a food scientist in the New Product Development Dept. at Pizza Hut's corporate office.

Job Description: Assisting professors and students with finding answers to research questions. I specialize in business, economics, ranch management and PR/advertising/consumer research, so if you are doing research in those areas, come see me! I also order

research material for the departments I liaison with and teach classes on how to use library resources. I am currently creating research guides for my subject areas and I maintain a business research blog at <http://www.blogs.lib.tcu.edu/wordpress/business>.

Biggest Surprise (at the library): I have had a few surprising phone calls working at the reference desk and neither call was prank. The opening lines went something like this: **Caller 1:** "I wasn't able to purchase tickets to the TCU football game. Can you tell me where I can find a good sports bar that will be airing the game?" **Caller 2:** "I have a bird feeder in my backyard and saw bees swarming around the feeder. Then they chased me and my husband into the house, so I know they are *Killer Bees*. What should I do?"

Favorite Book: I don't read a lot of fiction. I mainly read how-to books on topics like gardening, cooking and whitewater rivers. So, I have listed a few of my favorite cookbooks! *Moosewood Restaurant Low-Fat Favorites: Flavorful Recipes for Healthful Meals* by Moosewood Collective and *Mexican Everyday* by Rick Bayless

Favorite Music or Group: Lately, I've been listening to Pink and Lady Gaga, but my musical tastes are very eclectic ranging from Country and Bluegrass to Rock to Jazz to Classical. Country, Rock and Pop are my mainstays.

Other Hobbies: Running whitewater rivers (class I-IV) and camping. Both my husband and I have taught whitewater canoeing for over 20 years. I play piano and take lessons at TCU's Music Preparatory Division. Garden a bit, do yoga and fantasize about finishing craft projects.

Your path leads where? To a river... and of course, rivers run to the ocean... and oceans have water which gets evaporated into the sky... and the water in the sky turns to clouds and rains back down on earth and lands in rivers... well, never mind. I don't know where my path leads...

*Only a generation of readers will span a
generation of writers.*

—Steven Spielberg

Staff Excellence Award

A valuable asset



2011 STAFF EXCELLENCE RECOGNITION AWARD:

Ammie Harrison, Arts and Humanities Librarian, receives her award from Dr. June Koelker, Dean of the Library.

The TCU Library received numerous nominations from faculty, staff and students for their choice of the 2011 Library Staff Excellence Recognition Award. Each nomination was packed with outstanding examples of why that individual should be selected. But, there was one person who really stood out—Ammie Harrison.

Ammie’s knowledge, commitment, willingness to go beyond her official responsibilities and her enthusiasm to assist TCU students, faculty and staff at any time of day (and night) is an inspiration to everyone who works with her. As Subject Librarian for

Arts and Humanities for the last two and half years, Ammie has become a valuable resource to everyone on campus. She is not only a consummate professional, but a valued colleague. She is a problem solver; she gets results. Ammie does it all with the most endearing sense of humor and respect for others. Her skills and temperament are invaluable to the library and university.

“I want to emphasize how much Ammie does to maintain and forward the educational mission of this university through her support of professors’ teaching and student in

original research,” commented one TCU Professor. “Ammie is a winner in my book.”

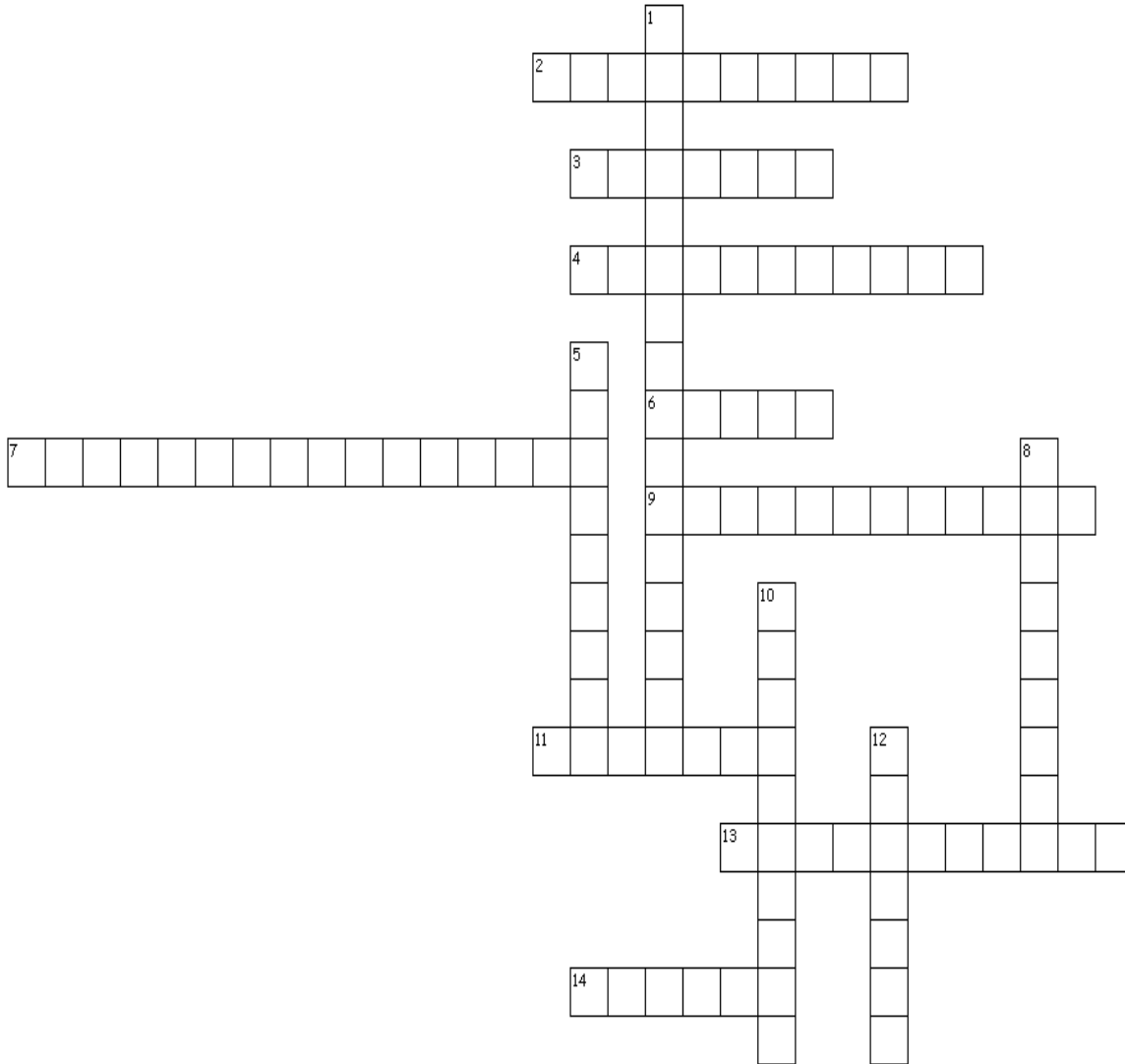
The TCU Library Staff Excellence Recognition Award is an annual award sponsored by *The Friends of the TCU Library* to honor a library staff member recommended for performance excellence. Ammie received a certificate of merit and monetary award at the Library Staff Luncheon in January.



The man who does not read good books has no advantage over the man who can't read them.

—Mark Twain

Crossword Puzzle



Across

- 2. TCU Mascot
- 3. XXX Super Bowl Champions
- 4. Started in 1935 with seating for 16 diners
- 6. King of Rock and Roll
- 7. Nathaniel Hawthorne Novel
- 9. Local Newspaper
- 11. _____ Geren
- 13. Speaker of the House
- 14. Fort Worth's Favorite Color

Down

- 1. TCU Motto
- 5. 17th Largest City in Texas
- 8. Samuel Longhorne Clemens
- 10. State Flower
- 12. First TCU Building Constructed on East Side of University Dr.

Answers: Across: 2. Horned Frog, 3. Cowboys, 4. Joe T. Garcia's, 6. Elvis, 7. The Scarlett Letter 9. Star-Telegram, 11. Charlie, 13. John Boehner, 14. Purple
 Down: 1. Knowledge is Power, 5. Fort Worth, 8. Mark Twain, 10. Bluebonnet, 12. Library

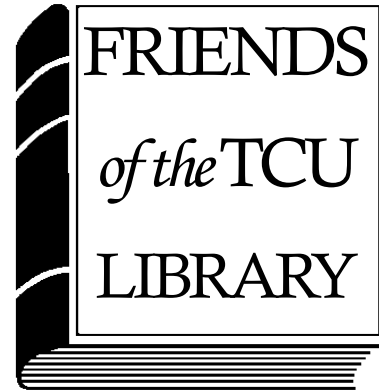
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