

## “Tennessee Reads” Features *Coldhearted River* Author Kim Trevathan

October 26, 6:30 p.m.  
Carpe Librum Booksellers

Join the UT Library Friends on Thursday, October 26 at 6:30 p.m. to hear author Kim Trevathan discuss his latest book, *Coldhearted River: A Canoe Odyssey Down the Cumberland*.

*Coldhearted River* is Kim Trevathan’s account of canoeing the Cumberland River, 696 miles from its headwaters near Harlan, Kentucky to Paducah. The once wild river, named because it was as “crooked as the Duke of Cumberland,” is now tamed by a series of TVA dams and is comprised of many large, recreational lakes.

*Coldhearted River* documents Trevathan’s journey along the Cumberland through storms, mosquitoes and curious characters; his tiny canoe surviving the wakes of large, powerful motorboats.

Photographer Randy Russell, whose images are included in the book, accompanied Trevathan.

Trevathan’s last book, *Paddling the Tennessee River: A Voyage on Easy Water*, depicted the author’s canoe journey along the Tennessee with his dog, Jasper.

Trevathan’s talk will also include video footage of the journey, including shots of cows invading their campsite and unusual alters in Kentucky.



This Tennessee Reads event will be held at Carpe Librum Booksellers, 5113A Kingston Pike (next to Gourmet’s Market in Bearden). The event is sponsored by the University of Tennessee Press, UT Library Friends, Carpe Librum Booksellers and WUOT.

## The William C. Cook Jacksonian America Collection

Exhibit opens October 23

During the past year, Tennessee businessman and collector William Cook donated his impressive collection of rare books and imprints to the University Libraries and the Center for Jacksonian America. To celebrate this significant donation, on October 23 the Special Collections Library will unveil an exhibit of materials from the Cook



William C. Cook

Collection. The following evening, on October 24, at 6:15 p.m., the Center for Jacksonian America will sponsor a lecture by Dr. Harry L. Watson in the Special Collections Library.

The Cook Collection is a significant addition to the Special Collections Library. The collection covers a variety of topics on Jacksonian America, and contains rarities such as first editions, autographed texts, and pamphlets.

The exhibit and lecture are free and open to the public. The Special Collections Library and the Center for Jacksonian America look forward to making this important collection available to researchers in October.

## Events

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### Writers in the Library Fall 2006

Join us at 7 p.m. in the Lindsay Young Auditorium in Hodges Library.

October 18  
**Vivian Shipley**

October 23  
**Knoxville Writer’s Guild Anthology**

November 6  
**Yusef Komunyakaa**

December 4  
**Roger Smith**

### William C. Cook Jacksonian America Collection

A lecture by  
Dr. Harry L. Watson  
6:15 p.m.  
Tuesday  
October 24  
Special Collections

For more information contact Library Outreach at 974-4273 or visit [www.lib.utk.edu/friends](http://www.lib.utk.edu/friends)



**The Commons offers popular library and technology services in one location on campus.**

## An Uncommon Library Experience

**Student-centered service is at the heart of The Commons.**

It is 11:00 p.m. on a weeknight and Hodges Library is hopping. All of the computer terminals are full. There's a group of students practicing a PowerPoint demonstration in the presentation room. More students circle around tables in the main rooms and sit in clusters on the floor and in the hallway, gathered around library loaner laptops.

There is an audible buzz in the room. This is The Commons.

The Commons opened in Hodges Library in August of 2005. A collaborative project between the University Libraries and the Office of Information Technology, The Commons offers popular library and technology services in one location on campus. Encompassing the former Periodicals and Reserve areas on the second floor of Hodges, The Commons provides an 80-workstation computer lab, with an additional 35 laptop computers available for checkout. Other equipment is also available for checkout, such as scanners, mice, and still and video digital cameras. Library reference and OIT HelpDesk services, student computer repair, a Department of English Writing Center, the Stat Lab, and practice presentation space are also provided in The Commons.

Student needs and work habits define and drive The Commons. To accommodate students' unusual work hours, The Commons is open 24-hours from Sunday through Friday evening. The Commons offers space for both group and individual study. It also provides access to the libraries' Media Center and Studio, where students can view items in the video collection, work on multi-media projects, or borrow a digital camera.

The Commons is designed to be a multi-phased project that changes to meet student needs and technological advances. Plans for the next year include adding movable and comfortable furniture, audio and video conferencing capabilities and additional multi-media conference/presentation rooms. Changes in the physical space, as well as greater access to the libraries' Studio and Media Center, are also planned for the near future.

## Year-End Giving

If you are planning to make a gift this calendar year in order to qualify for the 2006 charitable gift deduction, please note that this year December 31 falls on a Sunday.

Visit [www.lib.utk.edu/friends](http://www.lib.utk.edu/friends) for more detailed information or refer questions to the UT System Gift Records Office at 865-974-5477 or the University Libraries Development Office at 865-974-0037.

Thank you for remembering us in 2006!

## A Message from the Dean of Libraries

Dear Friends,

Once again, fall is upon us. While the turning leaves usually signify the end of the year, it is the sign of so many beginnings at the university libraries. As the semester begins, we greet new students and embark on a new journey of challenges and successes. I thank all the UT Library Friends for their continued support in our success.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the new members of the University of Tennessee Library Friends executive committee.

**Brent Trentham** is an American Express Senior Financial Advisor with Brent Trentham & Associates in Alcoa. He graduated from UTK in 1990 with a B.S. in education. Brent is married to Rachael and they have two daughters, Emma and Belle.

Brent's father, Paul Trentham, worked at the libraries for 35 years in Circulation and Auxiliary Services, and Brent created a library staff award in his father's honor. Brent has an interest in development, the libraries, and the university and is excited to help the library in its fundraising efforts.

**Karen Wentz** is very active in the Rotary Club and has served as that organization's district governor. Karen is a native of Sussex County, N.J. and is a graduate of Mount Holyoke College. She is married to Ron Appuhn and they have six children and five grandchildren.

Karen has a library background and has also worked in development. She is interested in serving on the international/intercultural subcommittee.

**Sandy Leach** is the head of the Pendergrass Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine Library. She is also the Latin American Studies subject librarian. Sandy is a graduate of Thiel College, the University of Pittsburgh and Emory University, where she earned her M.L.S.

Sandy is interested in travel and international student experiences. She is involved with the Open World program and helped host visitors from Russian libraries in July 2005. She has also visited Kasertsart Library in Thailand with a cohort from the Institute of Agriculture to develop potential collaborative projects.

**Aubrey Mitchell**

has served the Library Friends Executive Committee for many years as an ex-officio member, but will now join as chair of the international/intercultural subcommittee. Aubrey first came to work at the libraries as a student assistant in 1958, and on August 31 he retired from his position as Associate Dean.

Aubrey lives in Seymour with his wife, Marla. In retirement, he plans to spend more time with his five grandchildren and to work with the Blount County and Seymour public libraries.

Thanks to Brent, Karen, Sandy and Aubrey for serving on the UT Library Friends executive committee. We all appreciate your service and support of the UT Libraries.

*Barbara J. Dewey*

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Dean of Libraries



*At Aubrey Mitchell's retirement party (l. to r.): Bob Levy, UT Vice President for Academic Affairs, Mrs. Edith Jesse, Aubrey and Marla Mitchell. Mrs. Jesse is the widow of former library director William Jesse, who first hired Aubrey in 1958. She traveled from Nashville to attend Aubrey's party.*



### Meet Blue Dean... University of Tennessee Libraries' new Director of Development

The libraries are pleased to introduce Blue Dean, who started as Director of Development on July 31.

A Knoxville native, Blue graduated from UT in 1995 with a degree in English Literature. She has many fond memories of spending time in Hodges Library as a student, and looks forward to raising awareness and support for the libraries. Blue has worked previously as Director of Development for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and as Director of Volunteer and Visitor Services for the Knoxville Museum of Art.

Please wish Blue a warm welcome as she joins the libraries' family!

## Gifts or inquiries:

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## The UT Libraries are looking for...

October marks the beginning of the University of Tennessee's year-long Celebration of Appalachian People and Cultures. In honor of this celebration, we invite UT Library Friends to help build our collection of materials related to Appalachia. Sponsoring the purchase of these items will be commemorated with an electronic bookplate visible in the library catalog.

*Daughters of the Mountain: Women Coal Miners in Central Appalachia* by Suzanne Tallichet. \$65

*Glass Towns: Industry, Labor, and Political Economy in Appalachia, 1890-1930s* by Ken Fones-Wolf. \$65

*Highland Handcrafters: Appalachian Craftspeople* by Michael Joslin. \$20

*Homeplace Geography: Essays for Appalachia* by Donald E. Davis. \$25

*In the "Stranger People's" Country: Mary Noailles Murfree* by Charles E. Craddock (1850-1922) edited by Marjorie Pryse. \$20

*Wildlife, Wildflowers, and Wild Activities: Exploring Southern Appalachia* by Jennifer Bauer. \$20

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