Author Wilma Dykeman was a voice for the people and land of southern Appalachia. Her legacy as an educator, environmentalist, novelist, and journalist touches students and scholars who visit our Special Collections to use the Wilma Dykeman Collection.

David Madden’s research, manuscripts, and correspondence are now available in Special Collections to scholars studying his work. The UT Libraries was fortunate to acquire the collected papers of the acclaimed novelist, screenwriter, playwright, critic, poet and short story writer.

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