Discover Special Collections on Open House nights:

~ View Prepared Displays of Materials
~ See Other Collections
~ Learn How Special Collections Works
~ Talk with an Archivist
~ Find out How Special Collections Might Help with a Project, Assignment, or Class
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Our mission is to collect, arrange, describe, and provide access to significant research collections.

Find resources of local interest at Special Collections including, for example, the records of Smithey & Boynton, the Roanoke architectural firm that designed Blacksburg’s Lyric Theatre.

Visit Special Collections

Everyone is welcome! No appointment is necessary.

Where: First Floor, Newman Library on the Virginia Tech Campus

When: Monday through Friday 8AM to 5PM

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The diary of Charles Landon Carter Minor, first president of Virginia Tech.

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Open House Dates: Spring 2012
First Tuesday of Every Month: February 7th, March 6th, April 3rd, May 1st
Evenings, 5:30–7:30

A selection of letters, diaries, and other documents:

- Letter from Charles Lindbergh to Michael Collins; 27 July 1969
- Civil War Diary of Alva Cleveland, 1st Wisconsin Infantry; 1862
- Letter from Elizabeth Carver to Lt. Edgar Knapp; 28 Jan. 1863
- V Mail from Jimmie Monteith; 27 May 1944
- Bill of Sale for a slave named Elijah, age 12; 27 Sept. 1796

Some of what you might see at

- Cicero’s *De inventione* and the *Rhetorica ad Herennium*, Venice, 1483
- Jell-O recipe books, 1917–1931
- Virginia Tech Archives and Artifacts
- Historical Photograph Collections
- Travel Diary of Sigrid Lorenzen Rupp

If you’ve never visited Special Collections, now would be a great time to get acquainted!

With collections in the following areas, Special Collections offers a wealth of material to support research, engage one’s interests, and enliven the imagination:

- The American Civil War
- Local and Regional studies
- Culinary History
- International Archives of Women in Architecture
- Science and Technology
- Speculative Fiction
- University History

Common formats found in Special Collections are:

- Manuscript collections that include letters, diaries, scrapbooks, oral histories, and more
- Rare Books, some dating from the 15th century, including literary first and other special editions
- University Archives that document the history and development of the University