

Stall Talk

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Coffee talk

In the eighteenth century, London's coffeehouses played a central role in society, providing coffee and conversation to prominent thinkers such as Jonathan Swift, Alexander Pope, and Samuel Johnson. Books were read, gossip passed on, and new government policies posted and scrutinized. When you think about it, the Alderman cafe really isn't all that different. Prepare for your next coffee session by reading the works of some movers and shakers at **[Eighteenth Century Collections Online](#)**, accessible through Virgo.

If you feel a little overwhelmed by research and writing this semester, or you just want to take better advantage of the Library's resources next time around, remember to ask about our individual term paper research tutorials. Librarians will assist you personally in learning which databases to use and where to find the best printed sources, as well as other in-depth researching skills. Information and a request form are available on the Library web site at

<http://www.lib.virginia.edu/tutorial.html>



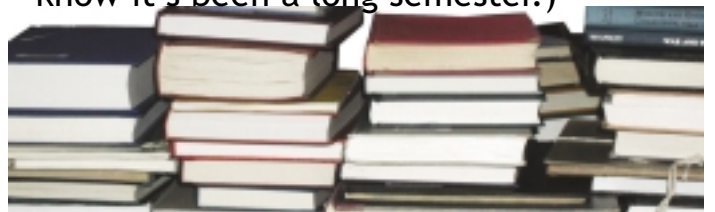
Getting ready

As you may have noticed, the Alderman ramps are down (huzzah huzzah!) and crews are working hard to get our newest building ready for the Library's Special Collections move this summer. Be sure to join us for the grand opening of the Harrison/Small building in the fall. To learn more, check out

www.lib.virginia.edu/newlib/index.html.

On time

During the end-of-the-semester rush to turn everything in on time, the library feels your pain. Even if you still have to return checked-out materials before the fall semester, at least you can, as always, bring those books to any of our facilities. (Books checked out at Alderman Library can be returned at the Music Library, books checked out at Fine Arts can be returned to Clemons, and so on and so on. We try to keep things simple, we know it's been a long semester.)



Congratulations Class of 2004

* Alexander Pope born May 21, 1688.