A Letter From the Dean, Larry Boyer

April is a busy time here at Joyner; students are trying to wrap up their research papers and presentations and to get ready for exams. The Presentation Practice Room is fully booked and finding an available group or individual study room can be a real challenge. Loaner laptops and iPads are hard to score. Sometimes it seems that by 4:00 or 5:00 in the afternoon, every seat, booth, or workstation is occupied. That’s why I don’t mind the dust and noise from the renovation work now taking place in Joyner.

The Teaching Resources Center is getting a complete make-over (see the article) that will add close to 75 new seats as well as a library instruction room. Work has finally begun on the Project STEPP (Supporting Transition & Education through Planning & Partnerships) area of the second floor. In addition to providing a new home for this important student outreach program, the Library will benefit by gaining 11 new group study rooms, a large meeting room, and more than 100 new seats. Despite this emphasis on space and seating, the Library is not forgetting its commitment to adding new books and resources. This academic year, more than 10,000 monographs, 1,300 journals, 1,000 eBooks, and 12 databases have been added to Joyner Library’s collections—a remarkable achievement in these tight budget times. Next year does not look as promising, but we, of course, will not know for sure until a final budget is passed sometime later this year. Keep your fingers crossed!

Check out the Dean’s blog: http://blog.lib.ecu.edu/libDean

Celebrating Earth Day

Each April, Earth Day is celebrated around the world to encourage the creation of a healthier environment. According to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Senator Gaylord Nelson established the first Earth Day in 1970. In part due to Nelson’s environmental movement, Congress founded the EPA in December of 1970.

This year’s theme is ‘A Billion Acts of Green.’ The Earth Day Network is campaigning to acquire a billion pledges to live sustainably. By pledging to walk to work or use a refillable water bottle, supporters contribute to a better environment.

You can join the cause by making a pledge on their website, Earth Day Network: http://www.earthday.org/earth-day-2011

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- The documentary, Thirst, was shown at Joyner Library Wednesday, April 20th. This film focuses on communities threatened by businesses desiring to privatize their water supply. Water is one of our most valued resources and Thirst presents the debate between human rights advocates and private for-profit entities. For more information on this event, please visit our Facebook page (JoynerLibraryGTF) or visit our LibGuide at http://libguides.ecu.edu/gtf
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Renovations in the Teaching Resources Center

Excitement grows in the Teaching Resources Center as the renovations for the area proceed. The construction of an Instructional Classroom was completed April 1st. When furnished, the classroom will seat 38 students and utilize the latest SMART Board technology. When not scheduled for instructional sessions, the room will be available for patrons to use for collaborative projects and as a study area.

Other renovation plans include:
- The service desk will be relocated in front of the Enhancing Teachers' Classroom (ETC).
- The Ronnie Barnes African-American Resource Collection has been relocated adjacent to the “L” collection in the TRC.
- As you enter the TRC, three large screen computer workstations will accommodate groups up to 7.
- Adjacent to the Ronnie Barnes Area will be booths designed to expand our collaborative work areas while exposing patrons to the Ronnie Barnes African-American Resource Center.

The “new look” and the transformations will improve access, collaboration, and provide a welcoming atmosphere that supports academic success.

Finish the semester strong with the Pirate Tutoring Center!

What students are saying about the Pirate Tutoring Center:

“The tutors at Pirate Tutoring Center were able to teach me the General Chemistry material in a different way than my professor. The way they present the material has more relation to objects or ideas that I am capable of remembering and understanding. I now go to Chemistry with confidence.”

“I love the PTC! I transferred to ECU from a community college and this free service is helping me tremendously in my homework assignments for physics. This in turn helps me with understanding more questions on exams. I have really benefitted from this service and hope that I continue using it for other classes I take next semester.”

Free tutoring services are offered by daytime appointment and Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights from 6:30pm until 9:00pm. All tutoring takes place on the first floor of Joyner Library. Inquiries should be directed to 737-3009 or by email at tutoring@ecu.edu.

The TRC now has two new book displays: Easter & Passover and a celebration of April’s National Poetry Month. We welcome you to stop by and checkout these displays.

Check out our new area for the Ronnie Barnes African-American Resource Center: Click here to visit the Facebook Page.

While you’re on our Facebook page, make sure to “like” us!
Exhibit opens in NCC on Native Carolinians circa 1585

Engravings that are more than 400 years old are the focus of a new exhibit in Joyner’s North Carolina Collection: “Native Carolinians, 1585: The Theodor de Bry Engravings of John White Watercolors.”

The Native Collections exhibit features 22 engravings created by Theodor de Bry which appeared in the English, Latin, and German 1590 editions of Thomas Harriot’s A Briefe and True Report of the New Found Land of Virginia. The engravings were based on watercolor paintings, created around 1585, by John White, who later became governor of the 1587 colony on Roanoke Island.

Harriot’s A Briefe and True Report of the New Found Land of Virginia was the first published account of native North Carolinians and the plant and animal life in the coastal area of North Carolina. It is still considered the cornerstone of North American natural history.

White worked with Harriot throughout the region to make a visual record that complemented Harriot’s written account of the environment and its inhabitants. ECU’s College of Arts and Sciences is named for Harriot, a scientist who accompanied Sir Walter Raleigh’s 1585 colony to Roanoke Island to conduct experiments.

The engravings are on loan from Michael N. Joyner of Cary, NC. In 2009, Joyner acquired his first de Bry engraving of the “Virginia Indians,” which are based on the original watercolors of White. He has now compiled a complete collection of de Bry engravings from A Briefe and True Report of the New Found Land of Virginia.

“We are grateful to Michael Joyner for sharing his prints and books for this exhibit,” said Maury York, assistant director for Special Collections at Joyner Library. “Through his exceptional generosity, the students at East Carolina University and the people of eastern North Carolina will have a rare opportunity to view important images of Native Americans as they were seen by Europeans during the lifetime of Sir Walter Raleigh.”

The collection will be on display through May 15 in the Verona Joyner Langford North Carolina Collection, located on the third floor of the library. Mr. Joyner said he hopes by making these images of native Algonquian Indians from coastal North Carolina available, a new generation of Americans will be inspired to rediscover the early history of the state and English exploration involving interaction with the native people of the Outer Banks and surrounding coastal communities.

Dr. Larry Boyer, Dean of Academic Library and Learning Resources, said he was thrilled that the library is able to offer the prints for exhibit. “For many years, John White’s images of native Carolinians have been familiar to almost every school child in America, but to be able to see and ponder these contemporary de Bry prints is certainly an extraordinary treat. We are truly grateful to Mr. Joyner for his generosity in agreeing to have them displayed here in Joyner Library for all of us at ECU as well as our eastern North Carolina neighbors to enjoy. This, perhaps, is a once in a lifetime opportunity not to be missed.”

Also on display will be a large print of “The Invincible Armada Defeated” depicting the English defeat of the Spanish Armada in 1588 along with prints depicting Sir Walter Raleigh and Queen Elizabeth I of England. In addition, the exhibit will include Raleigh’s Historie of the World and an early biography of him.
New Feature in Digital Collections

The latest neat feature in Digital Collections is the ability to browse materials online through a map of North Carolina counties.

Clicking on any of the colored-in counties will retrieve all the items we have related to that county. The darker the county is, the more items will be retrieved. Hovering over the county will trigger a small alert box with the number of results. You can try the map out at http://digital.lib.ecu.edu/browseMapNC.aspx, find it in the “Explore” menu in the header, or try out the mini-map of just Eastern North Carolina from the home page.

Call for Papers: W. Keats Sparrow Awards

Submit research papers written in ENGL 1100 or ENGL 1200 for consideration in the 2011 W. Keats Sparrow Writing Awards.

Award Amounts
First Place - $200
Second Place - $150
Third Place - $100

ENTRIES DUE
MAY 6, 2011
at 5:00pm

Papers may be submitted using this link:
http://www.ecu.edu/cs-lib/Reference/Instruction/awards.cfm

For more information contact Amy Gustavson, Reference Librarian at GUSTAVSONA@ecu.edu.
**Honors College Study Room**

Honors College students needing a larger place to gather in Joyner Library have gotten their wish! Room 2214, located on the second floor, west wing, provides a study and social environment for ECU honor students. The space can be used as a place to study, collaborate on projects, or just relax between classes.

The room includes a large work table that seats 7, power outlets and wireless networking (laptops can be checked out from the Circulation Desk), a moveable whiteboard, chalkboard, casual seating for relaxing, large plasma screen, and will feature READ posters highlighting Honors College students!

For more information, visit the Reference Desk or call 252.328.6677.

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**Save the Date**

The Friends of Joyner Library
Annual Spring Banquet
May 5, 2011
6:30 p.m.
Greenville Country Club

“Fascinating…. Whether you’re a native or a newcomer, Christensen’s book will tell you things you didn’t know about the people and forces behind [North Carolina’s] astonishing transformation.” — Charlotte Observer

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**Personnel**

**New Hires**
Joyner Library welcomed Teresa Muse to Special Collections Cataloging on March 7th.

Teresa Muse

She holds a BA in Psychology & Art from Salem College in Winston Salem and an MLS from ECU. Contact Teresa Muse at muset@ecu.edu or 328-0288.

Michael Blake, who is currently a library intern at Dickinson College (Carlisle, PA), will begin on June 1 as the new Web Development Librarian.

Katy Kavanagh, who graduates from University of Wisconsin Library School in May, will join us on July 1, serving in the Reference Department as our new Instructional Technology Librarian.

Susan Holland, a long-time Joyner Library staff member, has accepted the position as North Carolina Collections Librarian. She will start her new duties on July 1. Contact Susan Holland at buters@ecu.edu or 328-0292.

**Publication**

Congratulations to Mark Custer and Jonathon Dembo who published an article in the North Carolina Libraries Fall/Winter issue 2010. You can view the article at: www.ncl.ecu.edu

**Award**

Congratulations to William Gee on being selected for induction for the third year into the Servire Society at ECU. Members will be recognized at the 2011 University Awards Day Ceremony, on Tuesday, April 26.

**Contact** Bythe Tennent for reservations.