This past week was National Philanthropy Week, and we were able to celebrate it in a big way here at Joyner Library. Joyner is fortunate to be the recipient of the single largest individual gift to East Carolina University. In 1998, Mrs. Verona Lee Joyner Langford donated her $8 million estate to create an endowment to “provide support for the purchase of books, publications, equipment, furnishings or other resources to supplement the educational and research opportunities available to students and faculty at Joyner Library.” Since its creation, of the endowment, the Langford Endowment has been used to buy books and equipment and to upgrade and enhance the Library’s electronic instruction rooms as well as many, many other things beyond the Library’s state provided budget. To say thank you to Mrs. Langford and to recognize the many other wonderful donors who have contributed to the enrichment of our collections and facilities, the Library along with Mrs. Langford’s niece, Emily Monk Davidson, hosted the third annual Verona Lee Langford birthday celebration. Birthday cake, in the shape of a purple pig, and iced tea were served to the hundreds of students and other guests who attended for this special ceremony.

ECU has benefited immeasurably from Mrs. Langford’s gift as well as from the philanthropy of Joyner Library’s many, many friends. So thanks to all of you--students, faculty, staff and community supporters; without you Joyner Library would be unable to provide many of the wonderful services and collections of which we are so proud.

“Copyright and Distance Education (aka TEACH Act)” Program

The third and final program in the copyright series presented by Peggy Hoon will be Thursday, December 2nd from 2-4pm in Joyner Library Room 1418.

One of the most frequently asked questions on campus is what materials can be posted in an online class. Instructors and students alike wonder whether they can post articles, papers, slides, diagrams, audiovisual works, music, and other works online. If so, what conditions must be met? The Technology, Education, and Copyright Harmonization Act of 2002 (the TEACH Act) updated copyright law as it applies to transmissions of performance and displays of copyrighted works, particularly in digital distance education. However, there are rigorous requirements that must be met. Educators and institutions wishing to use TEACH will need to be able to make informed and conscious choices in how they select and transmit copyrighted materials. Only then will our faculty, staff, and students be optimally positioned to create, innovate, excel, and realize the potential of our digital future.

Please join us for this important and essential session for anyone with an online component in their course. This series has been sponsored by the Office of Faculty Excellence, Joyner and Laupus Libraries.

For more information, contact Beth Winstead, Copyright Officer.
Presentation Practice Room

Joyner Library’s new Presentation Practice Room has the tools to help you become a more effective public speaker or presenter.

Rehearse and record your presentation, then play it back for review. The Presentation Practice Room is located in room 1415, on the first floor between Java City and the Reference Department.

Availability can be viewed online by visiting http://blog.lib.ecu.edu/prez-Room/week.php. Reserve the room by clicking the “Request to Reserve” link.

To enter the room, present your Pirate ID to the security staff in the lobby.

When not reserved for presentation practice, the room may be used for class viewing of films from the Joyner Library DVD and VHS collection.

State of the art technology includes:
- document and presenter cameras
- split screen capability
- recording system
- saving the video file to flash drive
- audience seating

The Presentation Practice Room operates with the same hours as Joyner Library.

Michael F. Bassman Honors Thesis Award Winner Named

Joyner Library is pleased to announce that the winner of the 2010 Michael F. Bassman Honors Thesis Award is Daniel Landon Allen.

An Honors Student and EC Scholar, Landon Allen graduated summa cum laude with University Honors in May 2010. He completed dual degrees in Biology and Chemistry with a minor in Business Administration and a certificate in Hispanic Studies. During his undergraduate career, Landon won multiple awards – an Elite Pirate Leadership Award, the Keith D. Holmes Scholastic Chemistry Achievement Award, the Robert H. Wright Alumni Leadership Award, the Thomas Harriot College of Arts and Sciences Academic Award, and several ECU Research and Creative Achievement Week awards. Landon’s winning thesis project was completed under the direction of Dr. Colin Burns in the Department of Chemistry. Landon is completing his Master’s of Business Administration degree at ECU and will enter the Brody School of Medicine in Fall 2011.

The Michael F. Bassman Honors Thesis Award was established in 2010 to recognize excellence in research and writing by students in East Carolina University’s Honors College.

The award, in the amount of $500, is sponsored by Joyner Library and honors Dr. Michael F. Bassman, Associate Professor of Foreign Languages & Literatures, formerly Associate Vice Chancellor of the Honors Program, and its first Distinguished Honors Professor.

Presentation of the award will take place at a ceremony in Joyner Library on Tuesday December 7, 2010 in the Joyner Library Administrative Conference Room, Room 2409, 2nd floor of Joyner. All are welcome to attend.

November’s Hot topic display has materials to help plan your future with confidence! Topics on this display include:
- Perfecting your resume
- Succeeding at your new job
- Work networking
- Interviewing for a new position
- Negotiating your salary, job and purchases
- Becoming a persuasive and successful leader
- Saving money and Investing
- Preparing for retirement

Items on the display include:
- The Money Book for the Young, Fabulous & Broke by Suze Orman
- The New Savage Number: How Much Money Do You Really Need to Retire? by Terry Savage
- Thrift: Rebirth of a Forgotten Virtue by Theodore Roosevelt Malloch

Items will be displayed through the end of November in the Circulation Reading Room on the first floor of the Library. For more information, visit staff at the Circulation Desk or Reference Desk.
NEW SUBSCRIPTION: Films On Demand

The ECU Libraries are pleased to announce a new subscription: Films on Demand, by Films.com. Films on Demand provides streaming access to nearly 7,000 titles from Films for the Humanities & Sciences, which is recognized as an outstanding source for a wide range of educational programs. The Libraries’ subscription is to the Films on Demand Master Academic Collection. This collection includes videos in subject categories including Humanities & Social Sciences, Business & Economics, Health & Medicine, Science & Mathematics, and Archival Films & Newsreels.

Films on Demand dramatically expands the ability of ECU faculty to incorporate videos into their courses, filling a need especially for distance education courses. The resource significantly increases the number of educational films at faculty’s disposal, permitting them to isolate clips to show instantly in class without the need to check out a physical item and locate a player, and permitting students to watch the clips or the whole film repeatedly at their point of need. The resource also radically expands our service for distance education students, who currently face strict limits on how they can access educational films. Because Films on Demand videos are available all ECU users regardless of their location, the resource eliminates these barriers.

To access the Libraries’ Films on Demand subscription, go to http://media.lib.ecu.edu/erdsb/erdsb_description.cfm?id=645. From within the Films on Demand interface, users can browse or search the database to discover what videos are available. Links to whole films or to segments can be embedded in Blackboard.

Contact a Reference staff member at Joyner or Laupus Library if you have any questions.

Joyner Library to host film on Jewish History in NC

On Tuesday, November 30th, the Verona Joyner Langford North Carolina Collection is sponsoring a showing of Down Home: Jewish Life in North Carolina. On hand will be Dr. Leonard Rogoff, a co-writer of the film and author of a book of the same title. The showing will begin at 3:00 in room 2409 of Joyner Library. Light refreshments will be served.

The Down Home film documents the experiences of Jewish people in the history and development of North Carolina, literally from the earliest explorations of Roanoke Island through the beginnings of the twenty-first century.

In conjunction with the film viewing, the North Carolina Collection has mounted an exhibit “Tracing the Jewish Experience in North Carolina.” The exhibit will be on display in room 3300 of Joyner Library through the end of December.


Want To Read A Book? Try a Nook!

Electronic Book Reading Devices are now available. Joyner Library is offering faculty, students and staff an opportunity to check out Amazon Kindle and Barnes and Noble Nook electronic book readers.

These E-readers can hold thousands of titles at a time. Currently, we have six Kindles and six Nooks to lend. The titles initially on all E-Readers are a variety of popular current or classic books. Additional titles may be loaded after library users try them out and tell us what they are interested in reading.

The lending period for these new devices will initially be for two weeks with no renewals. Only ECU affiliated users will be eligible during the pilot period.

Direct links to these resources in our catalog:
- click here for the Nook
- click here for the Kindle

If you are interested in learning more about the Kindle and Nook, please inquire at the Circulation Desk.
3rd Annual Joyner Library Graduate Student Art and Design Exhibition Winners

Friend of Joyner Library Purchase Award - $1,000
Rachel Deeley
Untitled One

College of Fine Arts & Communication Dean's Award - $400
Bethany Pipkin
Knit Together

School of Art and Design Director's Award - $400
Leslie Pearson
Nasar

College of Fine Arts & Communication Dean's Award - $300
Andy Denton
Balasana with Deer (fluorescent orange)

Judge's Honorable Mention - $100
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The exhibit will be on display through December 18th in the 2nd floor gallery.

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Jeff Kiefer
Sprout

Stephen Micheletto-Blouin
Little Branch Table

Sally Sutton
Enlightenment

Personnel

Welcome Heather Seibert-Racine as a permanent member of the Joyner team as of October 18th. Heather was previously employed as a graduate assistant in Collection Development.

Heather received her Bachelor's Degree in History & English and is currently pursuing her Master's in Library Science. She was previously employed at The Oakwood School as Media Coordinator/Librarian.

She is employed as University Library Technician in Cataloging. She may be reached at 252.328.0412 or siebertracineh@ecu.edu.

David Hursh, Head Music Librarian was recently invited to become a member of the editorial board of the journal Music Reference Services Quarterly.