Welcome back! As I write this column, I can see construction workers outside my window and hear the sounds of sawing and drilling. If you’ve been in Joyner Library recently, you’ve seen the grey construction wall near the entrance. In March, this wall will come down and the new areas for the Office for Faculty Excellence and the University Writing Center will be revealed. We’re looking forward to even stronger partnerships with these two groups when that occurs.

Joyner Library published its annual report in December. The report documents some of the ways the Library provides the foundation for student learning and faculty research as well as valuable cultural and educational opportunities for the ECU community and the region. Please contact Dawn Wainwright if you’d like a print copy of the report. The report is also accessible here.

And, of course, there is always something new at Joyner. I hope that you’ll find the current exhibits, upcoming events, database trials, and services described in this month’s newsletter of interest and that we’ll see you in Joyner soon.

One of my favorite parts of my job is talking to faculty, staff and students about how the Library can continue to improve its collections, services, and spaces. I invite you to be part of the conversation by contacting me by phone (328-2267), e-mail or in person. I hope you have a productive and fulfilling spring semester.

From our Digital Collections:

The Daily Reflector Image Collection

First Baby Born in 1962

Description
A mother and newborn baby in a hospital bed.
Contributor(s): Daily Reflector (Greenville, N.C.)
Date: January 01, 1962 - January 02, 1962
Call Number: 741.27.a.1

Happy New Year!
ECU Libraries would like to integrate library resources right at your students’ point of need. Reach them where they already are learning: Blackboard!

Instructors at ECU can embed research guides directly into their Blackboard course to assist students in learning the correct techniques for conducting library research in their discipline. A research guide is a website with tabs, with each tab instructing students on a different concept needed to use information effectively.

There are basic research guides available at the undergraduate and graduate levels, as well as more in-depth subject guides that outline appropriate resources for a specific field of study. Research guides may cover topics such as basic and advanced search techniques, plagiarism, the evaluation of resources, and more. Click here for an example of a research guide that also will teach you how to embed these websites into Blackboard.

Interested in having a research guide uploaded into your course? ECU Libraries offer this as a service for instructors who need help selecting a research guide. If your discipline is served by Joyner Library, please fill out the form found here. For Health Sciences, please contact your Laupus Library liaison.

Noteworthy Exhibit in the North Carolina Collection

The Verona Joyner Langford North Carolina Collection (NCC) is celebrating the New Year with an eye on the pomp and pageantry of gubernatorial inaugurations in North Carolina. Entitled simply “North Carolina Inaugurations,” a newly installed exhibit features a number of noteworthy and valuable printed materials from the collection of Carroll H. Leggett, an administrative assistant to former N.C. Attorney General and U.S. Senator Robert B. Morgan.

Of note are programs, formal invitations, tickets, and other ephemera related to the installation of former governors Sanford, Holshouser, Hunt, Martin, and Easley. Also included in the exhibit are North Carolina Office of Archives and History prints of rare inaugural scenes associated with Gov. Locke Craig (1913) and Gov. J. C. B. Ehringhaus (1933), and First Lady Dorothy Martin’s inaugural ball gown from 1988. Among those materials originating from the files of the NCC are official programs for the inaugurations of Governors R. Gregg Cherry, Luther Hodges, and Dan Moore.

The Special Collections Division has developed a set of eight new posters featuring images of the treasures available for research in the North Carolina Collection, the Manuscripts and Rare Books Department, the University Archives, and Digital Collections. Colorful and artfully designed, the posters are mounted in the hall outside the North Carolina Collection, on the third floor. They are designed to help students understand the primary sources, including rare books, manuscripts, and university records, that they can use in their research projects.

Topics include the history of North Carolina, women’s sports at East Carolina University, international communism, slavery, and World War II.

The library is grateful to Joe Barricella, Martha Elmore, Kacy Guill, Susan Holland, and Ralph Scott for their work on this project.

For more information about the holdings of the Special Collections Division, contact Maury York at 328-0252 or at yorkm@ecu.edu.

Poster Panels in Special Collections

TRC Annual Conference

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The summit’s theme is “Dream. Discover. Explore.” and is designed to encourage K-12 school media personnel to network and to promote the essential role they play in student academic success. More than 225 attendees, facilitators, and volunteers are expected to register for the event. Concurrent sessions will be presented throughout the day on current topics and trends for school media personnel.

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If you have visited the library recently, you will have noticed a temporary construction wall on the first floor near the entrance. Construction will include partial glass walls for the Office of Faculty Excellence and University Writing Center. Lighting in this area will be improved upon completion of this project.

Joyner Library recently gained trial access to the database Rock’s Backpages and requests your feedback! Rock’s Backpages is an archive of music journalism from some of the finest music writers of the last fifty years. It contains approximately 21,000 articles (reviews, interviews, features, and more) from the early 1960s to the present and covers more than 2,000 artists. In addition, it makes available more than 350 audio interviews with musicians such as Kurt Cobain and Jimi Hendrix.

Trial access ends February 2, 2013. You can access the trial and an evaluation survey from here.

Stop by the TRC through February 22, 2013, to enjoy this fun-filled art exhibition!

New art is on display in the Teaching Resources Center. Kindergartners and first graders from Falkland Elementary School, under the instruction of Natasha Cannon, created a variety of colorful collages and paintings.

Additionally, the kindergarten class made tissue paper collaged animals inspired by books by Eric Carle, author of the famous The Very Hungry Caterpillar. Also included in the exhibition is art by homeschooled students under the direction of Meg Moore. These high school-aged students worked collaboratively to create a collage using magazine images and then reinterpreted and enlarged the collage using colored pencils.

For more information contact scotttr@ecu.edu 328-0265 or 328-6671.

COMING SOON

OFFICE OF FACULTY EXCELLENCE

and

UNIVERSITY WRITING PROGRAM

MARCH 2013
Martin Luther King Jr. Day is January 21st

The Teaching Resources Center has a rich collection of books about Dr. King and his important contributions to the Civil Rights Movement. Come learn something new from one of these amazing books!

The Friends of Joyner Library Invite you and a guest to the Annual Spring Banquet on Thursday May 2, 2013, at 6:30 pm. The guest speaker will be Georgann Eubanks, author of recently published Literary Trails of North Carolina, Eastern North Carolina Series.

Winter Clothing Drive

Please consider contributing to the Winter Clothing Drive sponsored by the Joyner Library Green Task Force.

Donations can be made at a box located in the fourth floor lobby of the Manuscripts and Rare Books Department.

Clothing for children and adults will be accepted through February 14th.

Collections will be forwarded to the REAL Crisis Intervention for distribution to our community.

Presentation

Joyner Library faculty Patrick Carr and Virginia Bacon have been invited to give the keynote presentation at Springer’s “ROI and Assessment” Summit on January 30 in Toronto. Springer is a leading global scientific publisher, providing researchers in academia, scientific institutions, and corporate R&D departments with quality content via innovative information products and services.

Carr is the head of service for Electronic and Continuing Resources Acquisitions and Bacon is Electronic Resources Access and Discovery Librarian.

Publication

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Personnel

Join us in welcoming our newest Joyner staff member, Wendi Mair. Wendi arrived in December and is a University Library Technician in Special Collections, Cataloging, Metadata and Authorities.

Wendi holds a Master of Library Science degree from North Carolina Central University and comes to us from Shaw University. You may contact her at 328-0460 or mairw@ecu.edu.