As we count down to moving day, the dream of ECU’s professional health programs coming together to create an Academic Health Center is becoming a reality. When asked for his overall feelings about the approaching moving day, Dr. Michael J. Lewis, Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences replied, “We are very excited about the move and having all of our schools together. We know it’s going to take a lot of work and even at best there are going to be some disruptions. However, the effort will be significantly outweighed by the gain on this project.” With the arrival of the School of Nursing, and School of Allied Health Sciences to join the Brody School of Medicine and its teaching hospital on ECU’s west campus, we now have become an Academic Health Center.

What are you looking at?

In the spring/summer of 2006 the Laupus Library will relocate to a new facility on west campus. We would like to provide our readers with a behind the scenes look at some of the new library’s astonishing structures and highlights. In every newsletter we will feature a photo to bring a specific space in the new library to your attention.

The photo on the right captures the new two-story high lobby atrium when viewed from the west balcony to the east. The entrance to the Laupus Library is located on the left north wall and the grand staircase to the main library entrance is opposite on the right south wall. We hope the new space will provide our clients with the warm and inviting environment they desire.
A Message from the Director

Last spring, I offered greetings and best wishes to the Division’s graduates of the Class of 2005 in a newly formatted version of the Library’s newsletter, News in Brief. At that time I spoke of the new building and the opportunities it held for an exciting future in the Division of Health Sciences. Now, almost one year later, I am writing, again, to wish the graduates of the Class of 2006 our very best wishes as they go forth to pursue their callings in medicine, nursing and the allied health sciences and to introduce a new publication, The Laupus Library Umbrella to the Division of Health Sciences and the ECU community.

The Umbrella is the creation of Kelly Rogers and Jason Cottle who have worked hard to develop an improved means for the staff of Laupus Library to share news, information and special features with all of our clients and friends as we become part of eastern North Carolina’s new Academic Health Center. Our visual identity, the umbrella, represents our efforts to serve all the areas of health sciences. We hope you will enjoy the look, layout and content of this new publication. In the future, you can look forward to quarterly updates on new personnel, resources, programs and activities of Laupus Library and our growing health sciences center. We hope you will also come to anticipate a very special feature, an original Pories cartoon, from the talented pen of our most beloved senior surgeon.

The move to the new building is now scheduled for early May. We have worked for almost two years to prepare the print and audiovisual collections for the move. After so many years in the old facility, the staff is excited to get to a work space that offers almost everyone a window. Crowned by an expansive half-dome ceiling, the new Journal Stacks Gallery is breathtaking. The information technology resources are state-of-the-art, and we believe the students will especially enjoy the seating and study areas on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th floors. The Library’s 4th floor will also feature a one and one-half story high ceiling and a north wall of glass leading to a terrace balcony. This flexible space is designed for use in presenting special events and activities.

Please be patient with us as we work through the many logistical challenges of the next two months. We are certain you will be pleased with the final results of all the planning and effort that has gone in to bring you a new William E. Laupus Health Sciences Library.

Sincerely,

Dorothy A. Spencer, PhD
Director, Laupus Library

Greetings

Patrice Barrow joined the Laupus Library in October 2005, as an administrative service assistant. Patrice is responsible for human resources, including administering payroll, processing hiring of employees, and maintaining personnel files.

Kelly Rogers joined the Laupus Library in September 2005, as the new Information and Communication Specialist. Kelly serves as the coordinator for all special events, public relations, and publications, and development and management of the Friends Group of the Laupus Library. She also serves as Chair of the Publications and Social Committees.

Good Luck

Barbara Mooring retired from her position as Library Clerk III in December of 2005. Barbara has been with Laupus Library for 10 years. She’s ready to do some traveling and spend much needed time with her family. We wish her well.

Elaine Sullo moved in January of 2006 to a position with the University of Maryland where she will continue and expand her work with distance education students. For over three years Elaine has served the Laupus Library as an Information Services Librarian. We wish her much success with her move and new position.

Congratulations to the Class of 2006!
In the spring of 2005, Laupus librarians were invited to participate on the PCMH Best Practices Committee. Chaired by Dr. Lars Larsen, Chief of Staff for PCMH and Associate Dean of Academic and Faculty Development for the Brody School of Medicine, the Best Practices Committee’s goal is to implement policies and procedures for the hospital to save people’s lives.

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Our goal is to answer these questions within a 2 hour window during business hours. Call 744-2230 to contact the Information Services Department with your question or to schedule consultation or library training.

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The Ask-a-Librarian service is an e-mail reference service offered by the Information Services Department. Clients can send a library-related question or search request to http://www.hsl.ecu.edu/Services/asklibrarian.cfm. The purpose of this service is to address questions as soon as possible. Queries related to patient care are the top priority.

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Ask-A-Librarian

To give you an idea of our services and resources we have listed a few sample questions and answers:

Q: I have a paper due next week and I need help finding several research articles. Is there anyone at the library that can help?
A: Yes, one of our librarians would be glad to help you. We can orient you to our online databases, show you searching techniques, and help you find articles on your topic.

Q: There is an article I need but cannot find online. How can I get a copy?
A: If the article is not available online, check the Laupus Library catalog to see if we own the journal in hardcopy here at the library. If we own the journal and appropriate volume and issue number, you can come to the library and make a photocopy of the article, or use our Document Delivery service to have a copy sent to you. If we do not own the journal, you can use our Interlibrary Loan service to get a copy of the article from another institution. Just remember, fees do apply for these services.

Q: I heard that you have an electronic tool that will help me format my paper and bibliography in APA format. What is it and how does it work?
A: RefWorks is a Web-based bibliography and database manager that allows you to create your own personal database by importing references from text files or online databases. You can use these references in writing papers and automatically format the paper and the bibliography in the style you choose. You can access RefWorks by going to the library’s home page, and then to the databases page.

A Role for Librarians in Establishing Best Practices

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Video Conferencing at the Laupus Library

There have been several videoconferencing events in the Laupus Library Classroom recently.

Last fall approximately 20 science teachers from Eastern North Carolina visited the Laupus Library classroom to view a presentation of robotic heart valve replacement surgery performed by Dr. W. Randolph Chitwood of the Department of Surgery, Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina University. Streaming media of the surgery, recorded previously, was described by Jerome Fuller, who was monitoring the presentation from Pennsylvania. The teachers are participating in a program called REVITALISE, which is a collaborative effort between East Carolina University and the National Center for Supercomputing Applications located on the campus of the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign. The program focuses on creating a virtual learning environment between the two schools to enrich teaching and learning for rural middle and high school mathematics and science teachers. The teachers had many questions for Jerome and enjoyed his presentation a great deal.

Streaming Media and Video Creation FAQ

**Q:** Who can utilize this service?

**A:** Division of Health Sciences (DHS) faculty can utilize this service.

**Q:** What are the copyright guidelines when you want to use video that is purchased from a secondary source?

**A:** In general, using video from a secondary source is acceptable as long as it is used for a specific class, purchased from a distributor, and delivered to students via Blackboard. Other uses will be considered on an individual basis.

**Q:** What kind of video services do we offer?

**A:** At this time we offer conversion of VHS tape to digital files, conversion of PowerPoint presentations to video, addition of audio to video clips, computer screen capture and conversion to video, and streaming media server for presentation of video over the internet.

**Q:** When are these services provided?

**A:** Monday through Friday from 8:00am – 4:00pm

Would you like to schedule an appointment to discuss your project? Contact C. W. Elbin at 744-3614 or eltonc@ecu.edu

NCLEX-RN Success by Meds Publishing Inc.

MEDS Publishing offers a wide range of learning resources for students. MEDS is the leader in NCLEX preparation. The Laupus Library Computer Lab has purchased the NCLEX-RN Success licenses for ECU students, PCMH staff, and students attending area community colleges.

Debbie Harper, Lab Manager, will be glad to assist you with registration and using the software to study and prepare to take the NCLEX.

The NCLEX software is the most current software available and mimics the exact NCLEX exam. It allows a student to test for the NCLEX in practice and assessment modes. The practice mode is a real test mode just like the real NCLEX exam, and the assessment mode gives the rationale to answers. Students can practice the NCLEX as often as they need prior to their exam. MEDS Publishing boasts, “This is an excellent program that put a lot of fears about the NCLEX to rest.”
Laupus Library’s Time Machine

The History Collections of the Laupus Library continue to offer the community a number of opportunities to look back in time. In addition to a growing collection of books from and about the history of health care, interesting displays fill the cases on the first floor of the library, and monthly meetings of the Medical History Interest Group host enlightening presentations followed by discussion.

This year important additions to the book collections have included three eighteenth century publications. Peter Shaw, physician to King George II and one of the most sought after physicians of his time, published two important texts by Karen Kruse Thomas, The Racial Politics of Health Care (1995) and The Wound of My People: Segregation and the Modernization of Health Care in North Carolina (1999) have also been acquired by the library.

The Laupus Library welcomes tax-deductible contributions to support the acquisition, preservation and conservation of valuable, historical materials. Watch for these and other books throughout the semester in the first-floor display cases or make an appointment to come look at them more closely!

The Country Doctor Museum: A Leader Within North Carolina’s Museum Community

It is an exciting time for the Country Doctor Museum as a host of improvements were recently completed and more are on the schedule for 2006. The driving force behind these changes was simple; the staff plans to make the museum the nation’s premier resource of rural health care history.

Our main goal was to make the earliest of these, A New Practice of Physic, in 1728. Another book by Nicholas Andry (1741) is the first monograph ever published on orthopedics. An engraving in Andry’s book of a crooked tree tied to a straight post has been adopted as a symbol of that medical field. Perhaps the most attractive of the three is John Hunter’s The Natural History of the Human Teeth (1798). The library’s copy of this book contains sixteen exceptionally fine copper-plate engravings.


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—Dr. Ruth Moskop

The museum is now open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Admission: $5 (adults), $4 (seniors 55 and older), $3 (students including college age who present school identification).

The Country Doctor Museum more group friendly, which required a three-step process. First, every exhibit room was overhauled to provide better protection for the artifacts, better viewing for guests, and space to accommodate groups of twenty people at one time. Second, the staff developed new tours with specific educational goals for each area of the museum. Staff will continue to answer as many questions as guests might have, but the new structured tours create better transitions from room to room and a consistent learning experience for all visitors. Third, the museum’s website received a massive upgrade. The Country Doctor Museum’s website now has pages dedicated to educational tours, exhibit descriptions, an on-line gift shop, contact information for the entire staff, and an extensive resource cache.

Along with improving the physical structures, the Country Doctor Museum also received a huge boost in professional manpower.

In August, Harold Jacobson, former curator for the Tobacco Farm Life Museum, became the new director. Harold has nearly ten years of museum experience, a master’s degree in public history, and was awarded the North Carolina Museum Council’s Early Career Professional Award in 2003. Jennie Schindler, who has a bachelor’s degree in history from Barton College, began working full-time at the museum in October 2004 and has since accepted the responsibility of being the program and event coordinator. Helping Ms. Schindler is Jessica Newton, a graduate student in history attending North Carolina Central University. Along with guiding tours, Jessica is the primary historical researcher for the museum. Rounding off the staff is the newest team member, Brandie Cline, who will graduate from East Carolina University with a bachelor’s degree in public history later this year. Ms. Cline works primarily with managing the artifact collection and plans to pursue further graduate elements.

With a new layout and a professionally diverse team of historians, the Country Doctor Museum is well on the way to becoming a vital resource of rural health care history and a leader within North Carolina’s museum community. As the year proceeds, the museum will apply for grants to begin assessment programs necessary for additional funding and accreditation. The museum will also begin plans for annual events, outreach programs, and a directed advertising campaign.

Please visit us online: www.countrydoctormuseum.org
Access Services: Anatomical Models Provide a Highly Visual Learning Alternative

The Laupus Library anatomical models collection is an under-utilized, but extremely useful aspect of the library’s available resources. The models present an interactive and tactile alternative to the typical, book-oriented study of anatomy and physiology. Within the collection are a wide variety of accurately detailed models. In addition to the models are a number of charts, working kits and functioning representations of physiological processes.

The anatomical models dominate the collection. These models range from tiny desktop versions of the human spine to giant, intricately detailed human ears. In the middle of this range are human-scaled skeletal models and muscular models. The skeletal models include a number of intricately-detailed life size human skulls, along with full skeletons, which are available for use within the library only, some containing life-like reproductions of the major human organs. There is even a skeletal arm that details the vascular systems associated with that appendage. The muscular models range from stand mounted disembodied arms and legs, to half-scale fully muscled figures, to full-scale torsos some of which also contain all major organ systems.

Our charts provide large scale representations of anatomy with the added advantage of more detailed information and visual depictions of microscopic structures and processes. Our kits provide practical training for such skills as catheter insertion, needle injections and CPR practice. Demonstration kits depict the function of systems such as the circulatory and renal systems.

These models and demonstration kits provide invaluable tools to both instructors and students. The costs of gathering and maintaining such a collection is generally outside the budget of many educational departments and certainly beyond the means of the typical student. This resource is an integral part of the services offered by Laupus Library.

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–Daniel Ojeda
Library Assistant
Audiovisual Collection

EAHEC: Digital Library Proves Helpful

Sandy Walton made an important discovery while attending the 2005 Adult Mental Health Services Best Practice Conference at Eastern AHEC earlier this year. She was introduced to the AHEC Digital Library (ADL) and found it to be much more than a place to look up references and journal articles. The ADL has proved useful as an educational tool for both Walton and her clients at LifeQuest, a private practice offering individual, couple, and family therapy.

“I had no idea of the volume of information accessible to me through this website,” Walton said. “I also found out that as a preceptor, I am eligible for free membership to full service.”

 Walton is also a member of the Psychotherapy Network, a group of more than 30 women who offer clinical services through a number of private practices. Beth Ketterman, EAHEC Outreach Librarian, attended one of the group’s month-ly meetings and showed them how to use the ADL. The group was particularly interested in posting the resources guide on the website for NC Health Info, a joint project of UNC-Chapel Hill and the National Library of Medicine. The Go Local link on this site directs users to health services in their local communities. The Psychotherapy Network has since posted their network contact information as a way to further market their services.

new e-journal titles

- AIDS Patient Care and STDs
- Cancer Biotherapy & Radiopharmaceuticals
- Cloning and Stem Cells
- Diabetes Technology & Therapeutics
- Foodborne Pathogens and Disease
- Journal of Women’s Health
- Obesity Management
- Pediatric Endosurgery & Innovative Techniques
- Surgical Infections
- Teledicine and e-Health

eResources: Additions and Updates

The number of journals and books moving into the online world is nothing short of astounding. Laupus Library tries to gain access to journals in both print and in an online format. Our driving factor is whether or not a journal can be accessed online. Usually, more people can access an issue of a journal in an online format than they could with the same issue of a journal in print. Now more users can access a journal from their offices, not having to make that trip down to the library.

One trend has been the involvement of Laupus Library, Joyner Library and ECU in statewide consortial joint purchases, through which we gain access to a publishers’ entire output of journals. These consortial arrangements gain ECU users access to more journals in the shortest amount of time. The savings in dollars for the libraries is tremendous. In addition, when we buy access to whole packages of journals many departments on campus benefit from increased access to titles that might have otherwise been unavailable due to cost. We have 820 regular print journal subscriptions that come to Laupus Library. With online access, we can access over 5,500 journals just in health sciences.

Collection Development continually seeks to expand our e-resources through addition of new quality titles. Our more recent acquisition is a package of titles from Mary Ann Liebert Publishing. These peer reviewed, authoritative journals cover subjects in some of the newest areas of biotechnology, biomedicine, the life sciences, clinical medicine and surgery and health related law. See left: new e-journal titles
Collaborative Resources Center
The Collaborative Resources Center (CRC) are localities within the computer lab that offer faculty, staff, and students collaborative resources to enhance presentations, group projects and much more. Use of the CRC is by appointment only. Proper identification is required.

Large LCD Monitors
A 40 inch LCD screen connects to a PC based computer with licensed software currently is used in the Laupus Library Computer Lab CRCs. Microsoft Office applications and the Internet are also available.

DID YOU KNOW?

SMART™ Beard Overlay
Digital Vision Touch (DViT) lets you use your finger as a mouse and write on the screen – without special tools or reduction in image quality. DViT technology uses cameras to track contact on the screen. These are placed over the large LCD monitors in the CRCs.

Equipment Loan Program
ECU Division of Health Sciences (DHS) faculty and students are allowed to checkout a laptop or digital camera. The Division of Health Sciences includes the Schools of Allied Health Sciences, Medicine, and Nursing. All other students can checkout laptops from Joyner Library.

Donors Make a Difference!
The Laupus Library gratefully acknowledges the following individuals who have recently donated books, in-kind gifts, and other materials relevant to health care to our collections:

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STUDENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES
The departments of Access Services and Technical Services seek highly motivated ECU students to work in the service desk area. Responsibilities include customer service and clerical tasks at the Service Desk. Hours are based around school schedules. For more information, please contact Vicki Daughtridge at 744.2297 or Delores Reeves at 744.5401.
Join us for exciting upcoming events!

Laupus Library History Collections
Department of Medical Humanities
Division of Health Sciences
East Carolina University

An Invitation to Participate in ECU's
MEDICAL HISTORY INTEREST GROUP
Spring 2006

What is the Medical History Interest Group?

The Medical History Interest Group is an informal group of students, faculty, staff, and members of the general public that meets informally once a month to learn about and discuss issues relevant to the history of health care. Individuals are invited to participate in the meetings at any level. Some simply come and listen while others may wish to make presentations to the group. Others may want to play an organizational role. Each meeting includes a presentation followed by discussion. Also, there are always refreshments for those who appreciate the opportunity to refuel.

For more information, please contact Ben Gersch (258-1842), Todd Savitt (744-2797), or Ruth Moskop (744-2240).