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From the Dean, Larry Boyer

This fall semester has been an exciting and invigorating time for all of us in [Joyner Library](#). We seem to be busier than ever, with students and other users visiting in ever larger numbers. We invite you to visit the Library at any time— we are open 109 hours a week, including weeknights until 2:00am. In response to student demand and to provide access to our services for those finishing up research papers or studying for final exams, we are also open 24 hours a day, Sunday through Thursday, during the last two weeks of the semester (December 6-17). Although university personnel follow a normal business schedule, many of our students don't get started researching, writing, and studying until the evening. Our busiest hours are between 6:00pm and 12:00 midnight, when it is often difficult to find a seat, score a computer work station, or reserve a group study room.

Recognizing this, we recently were able to make some much needed changes to the physical layout of the Library's first floor; providing 80 new seats, most of them having been configured to give our students work space more conducive to collaborative work and group projects. Although we have had to use surplus furniture and keep our infrastructure changes to a minimum because of the budget cuts the Library has experienced, we are proud of the enhanced services that we have been able to provide. We invite you to visit, especially on a weeknight, to see our dynamic, active, invigorating, and student centered Library.



Sustainable World: New Digital Collection

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Spearheaded by [Dr. Hunt McKinnon](#) for his Interior Design and Merchandising classes, the Sustainable World project brings students together for experience redesigning existing University-owned spaces using sustainable design concepts. Student assignments on the [Mattamuskeet Environmental Learning Center](#) focus on a redesign of the University-owned research station for coastal field studies near the proposed site of a Navy Outlying Landing Field. The Unplugged Office Space assignment requires a redesign of the Voice of America Site C, a former intelligence-gathering post decided to the University about eight years ago.

Dr. McKinnon has selected 15 exemplary student projects, together with a published journal article arising from one of these projects, to deposit to Digital Col-

lections and *The ScholarShip*, ECU's institutional repository. The [Sustainable World Digital Collection](#) brings together 65 images illustrating the student projects on the Mattamuskeet Environmental Learning Center and the Unplugged Office Space. The projects were photographed by a Digital Collections staff member then added to the searchable Digital Collections database with information about the class and the overall assignment. Each project can be reached through a persistent URL and the images can be accessed in a special viewer with zooming features to observe small details. Related to one of the projects, the article "[The Unplugged Office Space and the Role of the Sustainable Design and Higher Education](#)" was written by ECU students Alicia Stewart and Krista Radspinner, and published

in *Explorations: The Journal of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities for the State of North Carolina* and added to *The ScholarShip*.

The collaboration between Dr. McKinnon and the Library was successful for all involved! Joyner was pleased to support student success at ECU in exciting and innovative ways. For more information, visit [Digital Collections](#) and *The ScholarShip*.



Resource Spotlight:



Joyner Library is happy to announce the recent addition of the [HeinOnline Law Journal Library](#) to its arsenal of electronic resources. HeinOnline is a searchable digital library of full-text collections of legal journals, texts, cases, statutes, regulations, presidential materials, treaties, as well as international and foreign legal journals, cases, and materials. Though much of the included resources are current, many of the materials are of a historical nature, dating back to 1754. This wide coverage will allow ECU scholars to research the

development of law and legal theory. Unlike related resources such as Westlaw and Lexis-Nexis, HeinOnline archives its materials in PDF format, showing each entry as it appears in the work in which it was originally published. The product also includes a number of features that will help scholars in their research, including the ability to search by country, subject, or state, and the ability to easily find other articles or decisions that site a given resource. **In addition, researchers can set up a personal profile that will**

not only allow them to create virtual bookmarks to streamline locating often used resources but also set up alerts that will inform users when new content is added that fits their chosen search criteria. It is also rich in North Carolina content, featuring titles including the North Carolina, Duke, and Wake Forest Law Reviews and specialized titles such as the *North Carolina Journal of Law and Commercial Regulation* and the *Journal of Social Forces*.

Goings on at Joyner

Joyner Library is pleased to announce the appointment of **Angela Whitehurst** as the new Assistant Head of Reference. Angela has nearly a decade of experience working in academic library reference and is highly regarded for her time management and project organization skills. You may contact her by [email](#) or at 328-0723.



Faculty member and head music librarian **David Hursh** was recently awarded the North Carolina Society of Historians' Willie Parker Peace History Book Award for his biography of the colorful 19th century NC patent medicine entrepreneur and folk musician Alice Mor-

gan Person. Judges stated that the book *Good Medicine and Good Music: A Biography of Mrs. Joe Person* was both "well-researched" and "entertaining." The book was published by McFarland & Company and is available in both print and electronic versions via Amazon.com.

November is Native American History Month! A Native American Book Display will be set up in the Library lobby during the month of November. The display items are available for check-out. For additional information regarding Native American library resources, please [ask a librarian](#).

For information about the East Carolina Native American Organization (ECNAO), please contact: **Daniel Patrick**, President, or **Aleshia Hunt**, Advisor.

Joyner is a very impressive library. The NC Collection alone is amazing; I wish I'd started my research there instead of visiting it late in the process. In my line of research, there are many works that are nearly impossible to find in print.

Joyner had every one of them and more!

Bradley Dixon
student, NCSU

Upcoming Library Events

11/19/09 FaculTea

Presenters:

Dr. John W. Howard and
Dr. Laura C. Privera

Topic:

"What Are We Fighting For? Women, The Nation, US Militarism."



3:30-5:00

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University Archives Endowment

Unfortunately, the [University Archives](#) does not have funding available to process and care for all the materials that contribute to the rich history of the university.

We need your help!

For more information and to make a donation, contact **Kacy Guill**, University Archivist, at (252) 328-4861.



Courtesy of [University Archives](#):

4 students dressed as Puritans for Thanksgiving. TSQ Vol. 8. p. 298.

Photographer: Training School Quarterly
Date: 1921

Special Collections - New Acquisition

Robert Lee Ghormley Papers

The Special Collections Department is excited to note the acquisition of a large collection of research materials documenting the life of Vice Admiral Robert L. Ghormley. The Robert L. Ghormley Papers (#1153) document Vice Admiral Ghormley's life from his childhood and education through his 40-year naval career. The collection contains extensive documentation on both Ghormley's naval career and his personal life, including family correspondence, biographical and genealogical files, clippings, dispatches, reports & orders, photographs, and maps. A member of the U. S. Naval Academy Class of 1906, Ghormley rose rapidly through naval ranks. As a lieutenant, he was in command of U. S. Naval Forces during the brief Nicaraguan Campaign of 1912. During World War I, he served as Flag Lieutenant to Vice Admiral A. W. Grant, Commander of Battle Force One based in England. After the war, he served as Assistant Director and later as Director, Naval Overseas Transportation Services, in the Navy Department. Promoted to Rear Admiral in 1938, Ghormley served as Director of the War Plans Division in the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations. In 1939, he became Assistant Chief of Naval Operations. In August of 1940, even before American entry into the war, President Franklin D. Roosevelt promoted him to Vice Admiral and

named him Special Naval Observer to the American Embassy in London. His secret reports, included in the collection, helped convince the U. S. Government that Britain would maintain its independence and defeat the German "Blitz." In April of 1942, after U. S. entry into the war, Roosevelt named him Commander of all U. S. Forces in the South Pacific Area (SOPAC) and instructed him to plan offensive operations against Japan. Despite critical shortages of men and supplies, Ghormley quickly reorganized the Allied forces in the region, which had been in constant retreat since December 7, 1941. In August 1942, this resulted in the U. S. invasion of Guadalcanal in the Solomon Islands. Believing that Ghormley had become too "pessimistic," Admiral Chester Nimitz, replaced him, in October 1942, with Admiral William Halsey. A letter in the collection reveals that Nimitz feared that Ghormley was nearing a nervous breakdown. The collection contains a vast trove of correspondence, dispatches, logs, reports, and interview transcripts relating to Ghormley's actions as Commander of SOPAC. The Navy found Ghormley to be guilt-



Admiral Ghormley, second from left, leading a tour for visiting Allied dignitaries, shortly before his departure from Germany in 1945. The unidentified man standing behind Ghormley gazing upwards bears a striking resemblance to a very young future president, John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

less of any wrongdoing and he served throughout the war in positions of great responsibility. He served as Commander of the 14th Naval District and the Hawaiian Sea Frontier from February 1943 to October 1944. From November 1944 through December 1945, Ghormley then served as Commander of U.S. Naval Forces in Europe where he supervised the destruction of German naval forces and participated in the military government of Germany. He retired in 1946. [The Special Collections Department is currently processing the Ghormley Papers and hopes that they will be ready for researchers to use within the next few weeks.](#)

ECU Celebrates Open Access Week

More than 110 ECU faculty, students, and staff attended Open Access Week presentations sponsored by Joyner and Laupus Libraries in October. Open Access is a movement towards free, open, and accessible research results, processes, and educational resources. To kick off the week, Dr. **Belinda Patterson**, Assistant Dean of the ECU Graduate School, and **Jan Lewis**, Associate Director at Joyner Library, presented *Open Access to Electronic Theses and Dissertations: What's Right for Me*. This presentation geared at ECU graduate students working on or preparing to start their thesis or dissertation, is available in [The ScholarShip](http://hdl.handle.net/10342/1915), ECU's institutional repository, at <http://hdl.handle.net/10342/1915>. Patterson and Lewis will be meeting with graduate program directors and graduate students on both campuses this fall and spring, as ECU completes its transaction

to electronic-only submission of theses and dissertations. To schedule a visit, please contact them at pattersonb@ecu.edu or lewisja@ecu.edu.

On October 20, Kevin Smith, J.D., Scholarly Communication officer at Duke University spoke on *Author's Rights and Scholarly Communication Issues*. Smith's [Scholarly Communications @ Duke](#) blog is a good way to keep up with open access, copyright, and digital rights management issues.

ECU's Dr. Diane Kester, Dr. Sue B. Steinweg, and Biwu Yang shared their experiences with developing an online journal in the presentation *Open Access Journals: The Nuts and Bolts Experience of ECU Faculty*. Steinweg is one of the founding editors of the peer-reviewed journal *JoCI: the Journal of Curriculum and Instruction*. Kester is the journal's executive editor. Both are faculty members in the College of Education.

Yang, Coordinator of Platform Research and Development in Academic Outreach at ECU, customized the Open Journal Systems journal management/publishing software and provided technical assistance in the development of the online journal. As an open access journal, *JoCI* is available to readers worldwide at no cost. *JoCI* has received visits from 117 countries/ territories and all 50 states. More than 100,000 unique visitors have accessed the journal since August 2007, showing the power and value of making high-quality resources available through an open access model. The presentation is available in [The ScholarShip](http://hdl.handle.net/10342/1914) at <http://hdl.handle.net/10342/1914>. To learn more about open access and other scholarly communication issues, please see the [ECU Scholarly Communication](#) guide or contact librarians at [Joyner](#) or [Laupus Libraries](#).