April 2nd will be a fantastic day for Laupus Library, as we are hosting a technology fair at the new East Carolina Heart Institute (ECHI) located on the health sciences campus of ECU.

The Innovation Expo aims to provide an opportunity for ECU faculty, staff, and students and area healthcare providers to interact with technology exhibitors and attend breakout sessions that will showcase the innovative use of technology in health sciences education.

There will be a number of exciting speakers, including Mr. Jerry York, Vice President & Chief Information Officer, University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. Mr. York’s keynote address will focus on the importance of collaboration in health sciences education.

Academic Medical Centers and Schools of Medicine at the University of Texas build their reputations on their ability to educate students, enable scientific discoveries and provide superior patient care. Within each mission, innovation can provide the institution a competitive advantage; it can enhance a reputation; it can attract higher qualified students; and it can help generate more revenue from multiple sources. Mr. York’s presentation will address various ways an institution can foster innovation by both breaking down barriers and supporting innovative activities. Some examples of innovative information technology activities at The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio will be presented, but the emphasis is intended on helping East Carolina University consider how they may encourage innovative products, services and results.

Throughout the rest of the expo, there will be concurrent sessions from which attendees may choose. These sessions include presentations from ECU faculty and students who are innovatively using technology in their research. Sessions will cover topics like telehealth application to audiology, the use of the Nintendo Wii Fit as motivation for the sedentary worker, and the changing paradigm of cardiovascular education. We also hope to broadcast a real-time surgical procedure highlighting the use of robotic instruments at the ECHI.

Vendors will also be on hand to answer questions about hardware and software technologies that can enhance the health sciences educational experience.

We hope that you will plan to stop by and take a look at the expo’s vendor displays in the lobby of the ECHI. Vendors will include Verizon Wireless, Touch of Life Technologies, Exam Master, Ovid Technologies, MD Consult, and many others.

Registration for the expo, which is not required but strongly encouraged, can be found at the Innovation Expo website - www.ecu.edu/expo. All registered attendees will receive a thank you bag at the registration table in the ECHI lobby. The best thing – everything is free! There’s no registration fee required for this event and there will be multiple opportunities to win raffle prizes provided by our vendors and the library, which was awarded a sub-contract by the National Network of Libraries of Medicine to host the Expo.

Please check our website regularly for Innovation Expo updates. A final schedule will be posted in early March. We do hope you’ll make time on April 2nd to attend. If you have any questions, please e-mail expo@ecu.edu or call 252-744-2066.
A Message from the Director

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New Years greetings and welcome back to all students, faculty and staff throughout the Division of Health Sciences, ECU and the greater Greenville community who are our dedicated and loyal users.

I am pleased to introduce two new employees to the Laupus Library family. Megan Besaw joined our faculty on November 1st as Research Instructor and Liaison Librarian to the College of Allied Health Sciences. Megan is a 2008 graduate in library sciences from the University of Pittsburgh. Casey Holland also joined our administration team in November as our new Budget Officer. Casey has worked with the university for approximately five years and comes to us from the Department of Telemedicine. These ladies have already made excellent contributions in their respective roles and we are delighted they have joined us.

While welcoming new employees is a happy job for the director, saying goodbye to long time faculty and dear friends is one of my saddest duties. On December 2nd, more than 175 guests attended a reception held in honor of Dr. John Moskop, Professor of Bioethics in the Department of Medical Humanities at the BSOM and Dr. Ruth Moskop, Associate Research Professor and Assistant Director for History Programs at Laupus Library. John is leaving to assume the new Wallace and Mona Woo Chair in Bioethics at Wake Forest University. Unfortunately for Laupus Library, where John goes, Ruth will follow and so we are losing one of the most beloved and influential faculty members in the history of our library.

Among Ruth’s many contributions to Laupus Library are the founding of the History of the Health Sciences program, facilitating the acquisition of the Country Doctor Museum in Bailey, NC, and the design of the history suite in the new Laupus Library building. Under Ruth’s leadership, the history collection has grown from 800 titles to almost 9,000 titles including journals, manuscripts, and oral history recordings as well as books that date from the 16th century into the 21st century.

During the reception, Ruth was presented a Laupus Bronze medallion as a token of appreciation for her many contributions to the History Programs of the Library and for our respect and admiration for all she has contributed to enhance the cultural mission of Laupus Library and ECU. In recognition of the shared interests between our library’s history programs and the Department of Medical Humanities, the two units collaborated to develop a History of Medicine Lecture series. In 2004, Ruth Moskop led the efforts to renew this series which continues today.

A fund has been established to endow this lecture series and when sufficient moneys are raised, to permanently name it in honor of Drs. Ruth and John Moskop. Donations may be made to this fund c/o Laupus Library or the ECU Medical and Health Sciences Foundation. For more information please contact Kelly Rogers at rogerske@ecu.edu or Cynthia Adams at adamsCy@ecu.edu.

Sincerely,

Dorothy A. Spencer, PhD
Director, Laupus Library
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Laupus Launches First Users Advisory Council

On January 28th representatives from each College and School within the Health Sciences Division gathered in the Laupus Library Teleconference Room for the first meeting of the Laupus Library Users Advisory Council (LLUAC). The purpose of this newly formed council is to serve as a vehicle to receive information, feedback, and advice regarding the library from faculty and student representatives in the Colleges, Schools and Departments served by Laupus Library.

This council will also provide needed advice and feedback to Laupus Library on library collections, services, service delivery, and resources. Representatives from each of the Colleges, Schools and Departments within ECU’s Division of Health Sciences were selected to serve on the LLUAC to address the overall informational needs of their area or discipline. The information exchanged at meetings will help keep DHSc faculty up-to-date about library resources, and assist Laupus Library in making decisions about future resources and services.

During the first meeting of this council discussion topics included a presentation and demonstration of the library’s new iPod touch project, updates regarding Multimedia Technology Services (MTS) and E-Resources. Discussion also included addressing methods for getting feedback from our users, reaching students and making LLUAC work.

The LLUAC will meet 2 times per year; once each spring and fall semesters. If you are interested in learning more about serving on this council please contact Roger Russell at russellr@ecu.edu or 252-744-3215.
Behind the Scenes: The Preservation Lab

Every tour of Laupus Library includes a visit to the splendidly prepared History Collections Reading Room, but rarely do visitors learn about what goes on behind the doors to the Preservation Lab. The lab is a well-equipped multi-purpose room. It serves as a staging space for mounting posters, preparing display labels, sorting donated materials in preparation for cataloging, and cleaning and repairing artifacts. It is also a very functional space where preservation specialist Charlotte Critcher undertakes minor book repairs.

Most of the books in the library’s circulating collection arrive in sturdy, pristine condition. If these are treated with due respect, they will remain useable for many years. In recent years, history collections personnel have been delighted by generous donations of older books that are mostly in very good condition. From time to time, however, books in the special collections are identified for which preservation measures must be undertaken before clients can use them.

While very rare books, particularly those to be displayed are sent outside the library for professional conservation, there are a number of in-house preservation procedures that Charlotte performs regularly. These range from re-attaching a loose page to repairing broken hinges and spines to building preservation enclosures including custom-built archival boxes, and phase boxes. The phase boxes allow very fragile books to go into the stacks where they can be located appropriately and used, albeit with great gentleness, by library clients.

Recently, history collections personnel have experienced the excitement of learning to use Japanese paper. This imported paper is available in a variety of weights and colors. It is delicately supple yet strong and, when applied with rice starch paste, is ideally suited for a number of different book repairs.

On your next trip to the library, make it a point to visit the Preservation Lab inside the 4th floor history suite. You might just find Charlotte at work. She will be happy to show you some of the techniques she applies to injured books to prepare them for use.

Charlotte Critcher repairing old books with Japanese paper in the History Collections Preservation Lab

On December 2nd a very special farewell reception for Drs. John and Ruth Moskop was held by Laupus Library and the Brody School of Medicine and attended by 175 people. This extraordinary event served to recognize the professional contributions and community service of both longtime ECU faculty members.

Dr. John Moskop, former Professor of Bioethics in the Department of Medical Humanities at the Brody School of Medicine has assumed the new Wallace and Mona Woo Chair in Bioethics at Wake Forest University.

Dr. Ruth Moskop served as Associate Research Professor and Assistant Director for History Programs at Laupus Library. Under her leadership the history collection has grown from 800 titles to almost 9000 titles including journals, manuscripts, and oral history recordings as well as books that date from the 16th century into the 21st century.

“We celebrate the careers of two fabulous people,” said Dr. Phyllis Horns, Interim Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences. “We take great pride in what they’ve given to this university.”

For almost 30 years, through their individual and combined contributions as faculty members and leaders in the educational, research and cultural endeavors of the Division of Health Sciences and East Carolina University and as contributors and leaders to the greater Greenville community, John and Ruth have exemplified the meaning of Service. Each has shared their intellectual, artistic, and community spirit individually and together.

Likewise, over the years, a strong collaboration has formed between the Medical Humanities Department and the History Programs of Laupus Library resulting in the establishment of a History of Medicine Lecture Series and Program. Through this series, members of the ECU and greater Greenville communities have enjoyed learning about the history and idiosyncrasies of medicine and health care throughout the ages.

It is with great gratitude for their contributions and service and as a lasting tribute to John and Ruth that we invite you to join Laupus Health Sciences Library and the Department of Medical Humanities in the Brody School of Medicine in establishing the John and Ruth Moskop Medical History Lecture Series Endowment. A leadership gift has been given to build support of this endowment with the goal of permanently naming the series in their honor.

Your tax deductible gift will support the establishment of this endowment and ensure the continuation of the lecture series as an educational and cultural experience for health professionals and the community at large. For more information on how you can support this endowment please contact Kelly Rogers at rogerske@ecu.edu or Cynthia Adams at adamscy@ecu.edu.

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Laupus Computer Lab: What’s New in 2009?

The latest addition to the Laupus Computer Lab for the New Year is the iPod touch loan. The iPod touch uses a touch-screen interface to navigate the handheld computer. It comes with Netter’s Anatomy Flash Cards installed along with a variety of pre-loaded basic software, Netter’s Anatomy Flash Cards for the iPod uses detailed anatomical artwork to help test and review your knowledge on the go. With hundreds of full-color images, it’s probably the most convenient way to brush up on your knowledge of the essential structures and functions. Stop by the computer lab to check out one today!

Also available this semester are several new software titles: VH (Virtual Human) Dissector Pro, Cardiac CT Atlas Plus, Introduction to Surgical Instruments, Surgical Instruments, and Fluids and Electrolytes Electronic Learning Program. Some programs are not available on every computer in the lab so please check with a lab assistant during your visit so that we can make sure you find what you need.

OpScan exam grading is offered through the lab as well. All Division of Health Sciences faculty are encouraged to take advantage of this service. We have a new drop-off location for this service which is located in the Computer Lab. All exams for OpScan must be accompanied by an OpScan Request Form (www.ecu.edu/laupuslibrary/opscan.cfm) and left in the drop-box at the lab’s front desk.

A variety of educational, interactive, training and board review software is provided in the computer lab to enhance the various curricula throughout the Division of Health Sciences. To facilitate group work, the lab offers two Collaborative Resource Centers (CRC’s) that feature large interactive SmartBoard® displays and speakers to provide sufficient audio if needed. The Assistive Technology Center is available for students with specific needs; it features an adjustable-height workstation, Optelec Clearview video magnifier, and JAWS® screen-reading software.

The computer lab continues to offer many services free of charge including the loan of laptops, digital cameras, digital camcorders and a TurningPoint audience response system which can be checked out on a weekly basis. Large-format poster printing is one of the more popular services, enabling students and faculty to culminate research projects with an exceptional visual display. Students that may need additional help with hardware or software questions are encouraged to stop by the computer lab or setup an appointment in advance with the Computer Lab Manager, Nate Saunders (saundersn@ecu.edu).

iPod touch with Anatomy Software Available for Loan

If you are a Health Sciences Division faculty, staff, or student, Laupus has an exciting new addition to our popular equipment loan program - the iPod touch.

Apple calls the touch, “the funnest iPod ever,” and, while we think that’s true, too, we also love it for its health and education applications (or “apps” as Apple calls them). We’ve installed the Netter’s Anatomy Flash Cards app onto all the touches available for loan.

This software allows students to flick through over 300 fully-annotated anatomical images with just the touch of a finger. It has a test mode that will let the user review the muscles, bones, vessels, viscera, and joints. This is a fabulous app to use for test review. Please come borrow a touch around test time!

Remember, though, you don’t have to be a student or have an anatomy test coming up to get some good use out of the touch. We also loan these out to our division’s faculty and staff. The touches include wireless capability, so you can access your work email, Blackboard content, or any other web-based information anywhere you’re allowed onto a wireless network. If you’re heading out for a meeting or conference and want to keep in touch without toting a laptop or pummeling one onsite from a pal, check out the touch and you’ll be able to keep up with a device small enough to fit in your jacket pocket or lab coat.

Laupus’ iPod touches are available for loan from the Computer Lab on the library’s second floor. You must show your ID in order to check out the device. For information about the loan period and device specs, or if you wish to make a reservation, please go to the Laupus website at www.ecu.edu/laupuslibrary and click on the link under Services for “Equipment Loan”.

Want a Free Umbrella?

In an effort to improve the look, layout and content of our newsletter, The Umbrella, the Laupus Library offers our readers the opportunity to contribute to our next issue. We encourage submission of articles, suggestions for how we can improve our publication, and/or feedback on previous issues. Send your comments and contributions to Kelly Rogers rogerske@ecu.edu and your name will be entered into a drawing for a free stadium-sized umbrella.

Drawings will be held each month before publication of the next quarterly issue, and the names of the winners will be announced in the new issue. If your name is drawn, you will be contacted via email. We are looking forward to hearing from you!
Fabric & Thread Art Exhibit Open Through February

A community-campus consortium is bringing the fabric and thread art of Diedre Scherer to the Greenville Museum of Art beginning Jan. 20 through Feb. 27.

Scherer uses fabric as paint, thread as brushstrokes and mortality as theme in two traveling exhibitions depicting intergenerational and nontraditional families from culturally diverse groups.

The artwork in the two series, “Surrounded by Family and Friends” and “The Last Year,” is made possible in part by a grant from the North Carolina Humanities Council, a state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities. It is sponsored by the End of Life Care Coalition of Eastern Carolina in collaboration with East Carolina University faculty and staff, surrounding community members, entities and businesses.

All events are free and open to the public. For a complete listing of events and more information, go to www.endolifecarecoalition.org or www.gmoa.org.

Scherer studied at the Rhode Island School of Design and developed her distinctive narrative approach with fabric and thread in the 1970s. She has presented in more than 150 solo and group shows nationally and internationally. She received the 2008 Humanities Award from the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine and was featured last year in an hour-long documentary by Rocky Mountain Public Television.

Scherer and her husband live in Vermont, where she is a studio artist.

Combining the techniques of layering, piecing and machine sewing, Scherer builds a rich, tactile surface of images with contours, highlights and shadows. Her unique approach to fabric and thread medium serves to tell stories and gives figures 3-D quality.

Area teachers, community college and university faculty are encouraged to bring classes to the museum, which is open 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 1-4 p.m. Saturday. Special exhibit event hours are available by arrangement.

Country Doctor Museum Welcomes New Docent

The Country Doctor Museum (CDM) has undergone several staff changes during the past few months. We gladly welcome our newest docent, Geoffrey Dull, who joins the museum with an undergraduate degree and graduate work in history, as well as four years experience as a high school history teacher. While learning the museum’s guided tour, Geoff started to expand the museum’s existing education programs. The museum’s goal is to relate to students of all backgrounds and expose them to the challenges faced by 19th and early 20th century health care providers. His enthusiasm for engaging, authentic and interdisciplinary plans has led him to develop new programs for elementary, middle and high school students.

If you have ever taken a tour at the CDM, you know that one of our greatest challenges is the small room sizes in several of our buildings. Educational outreach programs for classroom-based learning will help bring the museum experience to the students. Trunk kits, multi-media resources and docent presentations are a few of the options under consideration. One example, “Where in the World is Dr. Pittman?” is a history and geography lesson for elementary students who chart the travels of Dr. Pittman. During the mid-19th century, the good doctor went on several journeys from medical school in Philadelphia, home to Rocky Mount, off to Europe to meet with notable researchers and doctors of the time, and then back to establish a practice in Tarboro. Students will be able to use the life experiences of a CDM doctor to gain a better understanding of the history of medicine.

Looking to expand the museum’s impact through educational outreach programs, Geoff has quickly become an important member of our museum team. We are already researching grants and other funding opportunities to bring these educational plans to reality.
We are very pleased to announce the newest additions to MTS:

**Tom Skinner** joined the MTS team on January 5, 2009 as the ECU-TV Manager. Having worked in broadcast news and production most of his life, he will apply those experiences to his new position with ECU-TV. Originally from Nags Head, NC, with a bachelor's degree in mass communications from Kansas State University, his journalism career includes a 12 year stint with the U.S. Army where he worked as a Broadcast Journalist with assignments in Europe, Central America and Southwest Asia. Tom worked with the American Forces Network in Europe and also led a team of military journalists during Operation Desert Storm. He has worked in commercial broadcasting in Texas, Virginia, Missouri, Kansas, Florida and North Carolina. Just before coming to East Carolina University, he worked as a news anchor and reporter for local NBC affiliate WITN-TV. Tom will use his vast experience to help transform ECU-TV (Channel 99) into a university-wide resource dedicated to educating and informing the ECU community.

**Adam Brewer** joined the MTS team on November 25, 2008 as a Classroom/AV Support Technician. He is originally from Wilmington, NC and has lived in Greenville for 8 years. He has recently graduated from ECU with a Masters Degree in Instructional Technology. Adam's primary responsibilities include classroom support, AV setup and loan, and Blackboard support for the BSOM. He feels working at MTS will allow him to be emerged in many different technologies and he looks forward to being a resourceful employee by utilizing his education and training in instructional technology, client support, and audio/video support.

**Chris Motteler** also joined the MTS team on November 25, 2008 as a Classroom/AV Support Technician. He grew up in the Chocowinity-Washington area and graduated from Pitt Community College in 2002 with an Information Systems degree. He is currently a junior at ECU and hopes to graduate in 2011 with an Industrial Technology w/ Technology Systems degree. Chris’ primary responsibilities are to provide computer support for the MTS department, classroom support, and to assist the engineers with AV installation projects. Just before coming to MTS, he worked in the Laupus Library Computer Lab as the evening computer lab coordinator.

**Chad Waters** re-joined the MTS team on October 16, 2008 as the Chief Telecommunications Engineer. He grew up in Washington, NC and graduated from Beaufort Community College with an Associate’s Degree in Electrical and Electronics. He is currently taking classes at ECU in Industrial Technology. His primary responsibilities are to supervise the Engineering group, project management for AV and videoconferencing needs, and implementing new protocols for services within the department. His goal is to give the client the service and support that is needed to help them complete the task at hand.

**Sonya Braxton** joined the MTS team on September 29, 2008 as an Administrative Associate. She serves as the primary point of contact for the department. Just before coming to East Carolina University, Sonya worked as a switchboard operator for a local cardiology group. Her primary responsibilities for MTS are to provide administrative support and process work orders for internal and external clients. Some of her other responsibilities include processing purchase requests, scheduling portraits, and coordinating events.

These newest members of our group come at an exciting time and we look forward to having a long and rewarding relationship. They each have unique skills and talents to contribute and have already begun mapping the success of MTS.
Donors Make a Difference

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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- Kelly Rogers
- Melissa Nasea

If you would like to learn more about library donations, please contact:

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“The Dean appointed me the Interim Chair.”
“He must really hate you.”

4th Annual Faculty Recognition: Registration Open

The William E. Laupus Health Sciences Library, in partnership with the Brody School of Medicine, College of Allied Health Sciences and College of Nursing, invite faculty members to register publications for acknowledgement at the 4th Annual Faculty Author Recognition Awards Luncheon.

All full-time, teaching, research and clinical faculty from the Brody School of Medicine, College of Allied Health Sciences, or College of Nursing who published in books, book chapters, or peer-reviewed journals between January 1, 2008 and June 30, 2009 are eligible for recognition. The awards reception will honor and recognize these faculty members for their research and scholarly contributions to their area of study. This event continues to be an annual tradition that celebrates health sciences faculty academic achievements.

A bibliography of all publications written by this year’s honorees will be posted on the Faculty Author Recognition website. Faculty must register their publication online at http://www.ecu.edu/laupuslibrary/far.cfm to be recognized at the event. Online registration will be available beginning February 15th, 2009 through September 15th, 2009.

For details about eligibility criteria, registration form and deadlines, along with more information about the event, please visit the Faculty Author Recognition website at http://www.ecu.edu/laupuslibrary/far.cfm. For other questions or concerns please contact Roger Russell at russellr@ecu.edu or 744-3215 or Kelly Rogers at rogerske@ecu.edu or 744-2232.
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February 23
Who Was the First Physician?
R. Lee West, MD
Professor, Pathology

March 30
A History of Battlefield Medicine:
Compassion in the Midst of Carnage
David E. Long, JD, PhD
Associate Professor, History (U.S.), Harriot College

April 20
The “Doctor-Nurse Game” in the 1840s:
To Play or Not to Play?
Martha Libster, PhD, RN, CNS
Associate Professor, College of Nursing

4:30 p.m. • Evelyn Fike Laupus Gallery • 4th Floor Laupus Library
Everyone is welcome to attend and refreshments will be provided. Lectures may be audio or video recorded.

Individuals requesting accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) should contact the Department for Disability Support Services at least 48 hours prior to the event at (252) 737-1016 (Voice/TTY).