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## Changes Coming to NC LIVE Collection

**N**ew resources will be added to the NC LIVE collection on January 1, 2006. The new collection for 2006–08 expands NC LIVE content in the broad subject areas of business, health, history and genealogy, literature, news, reference, and fine arts. Some new resources will be added as well. For the first time, NC LIVE will offer an art image database, a selection of audio books, a genealogy data resource, and a set of online practice tests for common standardized exams (Learning Express Library). Investment information and additional business directories are also included. These resources complement a substantial, expanded set of high-quality reference resources and multidisciplinary, full-text journal and article databases.

NC LIVE seeks to identify and provide a collection of relevant, high-quality resources that enhance and enrich the lives of North Carolinians. These resources complement the collections of participating libraries and enable them to offer a breadth and depth of information not otherwise available. Resources are selected through a collaborative and inclusive process involving all four NC LIVE Communities of Interest (COIs). The collection scope encompasses the wide range of interests of individuals, communities, businesses, and organizations across the state. Further details and updates, including trial links, may be found at the NC LIVE Web site (<http://www.nclive.org>). ♦

## Peggy Hoon To Lead ARL Copyright Education Initiative

**T**he Association of Research Libraries (ARL) has appointed Peggy Hoon (NCSU Libraries) as its visiting scholar for campus copyright and intellectual property projects. Hoon is currently the scholarly communication librarian and special assistant to the provost for copyright administration at North Carolina State University. Hoon will lead the planning and development of a multiphase ARL Copyright Education Initiative for ARL member institutions while working closely with the Public Policies Steering Committee and key ARL and Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition (SPARC) staff. The initiative will offer information, resources, and tools that reflect library principles and goals and specifically target major campus constituent groups.

Hoon joined the NCSU Libraries in January 1998, when it became the first academic library in the country to establish a Scholarly Communication Center (SCC). In April 2004 she took on the additional role of special assistant to the provost for copyright administration. In May 2005 Hoon provided affidavit information that was instrumental in the Washington, D.C., Circuit Court of Appeals decision to overturn the “broadcast flag” regulation adopted by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The regulation would have prevented the copying of transmitted programming for teaching and consumer use. Hoon outlined the adverse impact that the flag would have on distance education activities at NC State. Hoon helped the nation’s higher education community understand the ramifications of the 2002 TEACH (Technology, Education and Copyright Harmonization) Act by providing a TEACH Act Toolkit via the NCSU Libraries’ Scholarly Communication Center Web site in 2002. ♦

## NCSU Libraries Featured in the *New York Times*

**A** November 20, 2005, “Ideas and Trends” feature in the *New York Times* highlighted the NCSU Libraries’ pioneering efforts toward enabling library patrons to customize their Web experience. *New York Times* reporter Alison Leigh Cowan said,

At the library at North Carolina State University, students and faculty will soon be able to sign up for an Internet-based service that will alert them when favorite journals are published, with links to the articles. They will also be able to create home pages with links to databases, books, journals, Web sites and other resources. The library is one of several around the country that are borrowing techniques from Amazon, Netflix, and other Internet companies that keep information about their customers’ purchases and preferences so they can better cater to their needs or tastes.

The article cited Associate Vice Provost and Donald E. Moreland Deputy Director of Libraries Carolyn Argentati as well as NC State graduate student Michael Cropper.

Currently, NCSU library users can access a suite of personalized services through “My Library,” such as managing their library accounts (renewing checked-out items, requesting items through Interlibrary Loan, etc.) and viewing the reserves and other online resources for the courses they are taking (“My Courses”). Soon, the new “My Links” service will make it possible to create a personal list of links to favorite databases, electronic journals, and other resources, and “Alerts” will provide the current tables of contents for selected journals, with links to the full text of articles when available.

The NCSU Libraries pioneered in offering library users the ability to customize their library experiences by selecting favorite journals and databases to appear on their “MyLibrary” home pages. The original “MyLibrary@NCState” service was introduced in 1998. The new service, launched as part of the redesigned library Web site in August 2005, does not require users to move into a separate “MyLibrary” space. After logging in with a valid university ID, users access their “Library Account” at the top of the home page and can see electronic reserves for any courses in which they are enrolled. ♦

## Martin Clark Featured FOL Speaker This January

**T**he Friends of the Library of North Carolina State University will host a special reading by Virginia Circuit Court Judge Martin Clark, author of *Plain Heathen Mischief*. The event will be held on Wednesday, January 11, 2006, at 4:00 P.M. in the D. H. Hill Library’s Assembly Room (East Wing, Room 2130). The event is free and open to the NC State community and the general public. A book signing will follow the talk.

Clark, who also wrote *The Many Aspects of Mobile Home Living*, provides insights into the criminal justice system, the psychology of criminals, and the difficulties convicts face on reentering society. For more information, please call the Friends of the Library at 515-2841, Monday through Friday, 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. ♦