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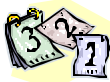
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Try to Remember

Don't forget these exciting February programs! Invite your friends to come with you to these events — they are free and open to the public.

Thurs., Feb. 16=> Open Books, Bud Phillips, L106, 12:30-1:15 p.m. Join us as local historian, genealogist, and author V.N. "Bud" Phillips talks about Bristol VA/TN. Bristol is celebrating its 150th Birthday in 2006 and we want NSCC and our community here to be able to share in the excitement!

Tues., Feb. 28 => Eating With the Experts, Sherman Patrick, Staff/Faculty Dining Room, 12:30-1:15 p.m. Join us as Mr. Patrick discusses Lord Dunmore and his "Ethiopian Regiment," and their role in the American Revolution. Instructors, this would be a great program to offer as an extra credit event for your students!



Just a Test

We are excited to announce a new database to our collection that can help students better prepare for numerous tests. The **Testing and Education Reference Center** (Full-Text) provides information on undergraduate and graduate colleges and programs, including distance learning programs, and vocational and career colleges, as well as financial aid packages, scholarships, and grants. It also features interactive online practice tests to prepare for college and military entrance exams, college credit, and civil service and licensing tests such as ACT, AP, ASVAB, CLEP, GED, GMAT, GRE, LSAT, NCLEX, PSAT, SAT, TOEFL, and others. It also includes full-text online books, both comprehensive guides and quick reference, to help with these exams. This database is available on the Library's homepage by selecting "Find Database Articles" at the top right of the screen, underneath the picture. Then choose "T" under "Databases by Title" or choose "Education or General Topics" under "Find Articles in Databases by Subject."

Additionally, the CINAHL database now offers **full-text** articles to over 330 journal titles and indexes to over 2700 titles. As always, if you have any questions about the databases, please do not hesitate to call the Reference Desk at extension 3558.
— Virginia Salmon, Librarian

Banner

The **HR (Human Resources) Module** went "live" at the beginning of January. During the Christmas break, all faculty and staff were asked to check their bank accounts on a particular day to ensure that one cent had been deposited by Northeast State, in order to test the new payroll system. Except for a few glitches, things went according to plan. Implementation of the HR module is the first major milestone achieved; the fact that it went unnoticed by most is a testament to the successful hard work of a handful of key individuals in Payroll, Personnel, and Computer Services. The next few months will be spent fine-tuning the module.

February will see a great deal of training taking place here, at ETSU, and at Austin Peay. Those involved in the **Finance Module** will be busy every week this month. There is much to accomplish before they go live in July. As always, your

patience and forethought are appreciated. Being in training means that they are away from their jobs for at least three days, leaving two days or less (depending upon travel time) to perform their normal job responsibilities. Training will begin this month for the **Financial Aid Module**, which is scheduled to "go live" in February 2007. The **Luminis Module**, scheduled to "go live" towards the end of February, has been pushed back to the end of March/ beginning of April.

The **Student Module** is beginning to get busy very quickly. This module involves the most training and will take the longest to implement (scheduled to "go live" in March 2007). This training involves a number of departments — especially Admissions and Financial Aid. As always, please plan for your needs accordingly.

— Submitted by Duncan Parsons, Dean of the Library

Lucky Star

Jonathan Michael joined the Kraft family on January 11th (8 lbs., 5 oz.; 20"). **Dawn, Clint, sister Caroline**, and baby **Jonathan** are all doing well... Join us in welcoming temporary staff member **Barry Hylton**, who is filling in for Dawn while she is on maternity leave... **Chris Demas** and **Robin Hammons** have announced their engagement and plan a June 2006 wedding... **Michelle Wyatt** completed her first semester of graduate school (she is working on a Masters in Information Sciences at UT) with a 4.0 GPA... Congrats to **Annis Evans** and husband **Steve** — Steve has been promoted to Captain and will be flying domestic 767 flights based in Atlanta!



Help!

February Research Tip #1: Make sure to get the most "bang for your buck" when printing articles from the databases. Depending on the database(s) you are using, you can do this in various ways. In **SIRS**, you can select the option for "Clean Copy for Printing," located at the top or bottom of the page. In **OmniFile Mega** (Wilson Web), you will merely click on "File," then "Print." In **Lexis-Nexis**, you can select the "Print" tab in the upper-right corner. In **InfoTrac OneFile**, you can either select "Print" from the left-hand sidebar, or you can scroll to the bottom of the article and select either a "Browser Print" or "Acrobat Print," with either option informing you of the approximate number of pages that will print. **AP Science** offers a "Print" button just under the full-text of articles. Also, don't forget that almost all of our databases allow you to email the articles to any valid email account, too!



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Anywhere Is

Where is a great place to read? Anywhere is! And when is a great time to read? You guessed it — anytime is! Here are some titles that you can enjoy anywhere, anytime — conveniently located in the Basler Library's Circulating Collection on the 2nd floor!

Fiction: *Panic* (Abbott); *Remains Silent* (Baden & Kenney); *Undertaker's Wife* (Estleman); *Kingston By Starlight* (Griffin); *By Order of the President* (Griffin); *Lighthouse* (James); *In Lucia's Eyes* (Japin); *Washington Story* (Langer); *Dearly Devoted Dexter* (Lindsay); *Inexcusable* (Lynch); *Rats of Hamelin* (McCune & McCune); *Outlaws of Sherwood* (McKinley); *Covington Christmas* (Medlicott); *Destruction of the Books* (Odom); *Lord of the Libraries* (Odom); *Perilous Proposal* (Phillips); *Origin in Death* (Robb); *Perfect Nightmare* (Saul); *Every Boy* (Shapiro); *Killer Swell* (Shelby); *Tea-Olive Bird Watching Society* (Trobaugh); *End of the Beginning* (Turtledove); *Boss Lady* (Tyree); and *Over the Moon at the Big Lizard Diner* (Wingate).

Non-Fiction: *Politically Incorrect Guide to Science* (Bethel); *Teaching Literacy to Students with Significant Disabilities* (Downing); *Memoirs of a Soldier, Nurse, and Spy* (Edmonds); *The Eighties* (Ehrman); *Million Little Pieces* (Frey); *Forever Free* (Foner); *Eyewitness D-Day* (Giangreco & Moore); *Graphic Novels Now* (Goldsmith); *Words of Fire* (Guy-Sheftall, editor); *Man Who Knew Too Much* (Leavitt); *Breaking the Confederacy* (Lepa); *Rebels at Rock Island: The Story of a Civil War Prison* (McAdams); *Tragedy and Farce: How the American Media Sell Wars, Spin Elections, and Destroy Democracy* (Nichols & Chesney); *Racial Profiling* (Pampel, editor); *Field of Dreamers: Celebrating Tennessee High School Sports* (Pearce); *Going Places with Youth Outreach* (Pfeil); *Masterpieces of American Indian Literature* (Regier, editor); *John Brown: Abolitionist* (Reynolds); *Striptease: The Untold History of the Girlie Show* (Shteir); and *Conversations with Tom Petty* (Zollo).

Time in a Bottle

Blue Bottle Club by Penelope Stokes [PS 3569 .T6219 B58 1999]



"When I grow up I want to..." How many of us have looked to the future and contemplated this phrase? It seems that there is a common need among humans to speculate on what we would like to do with our lives. Most of us find solutions to this dilemma by setting goals and working to see the plans come to fruition.

This is exactly the scenario for Penelope Stokes book, *The Blue Bottle Club*. Set in the 1920's, shortly after the Stock Market Crash, the book opens on Christmas Day 1929. Four teenage girls gather for the holidays and decide to write down what they would like to do with their lives. Once their goals are written and shared, they ceremoniously place them in a blue bottle and the bottle is hidden away for safekeeping. Sixty-five years later the bottle is found by reporter Brendan Delaney, who sets out to find the now-grown women and see if their lives turned out as expected. She interviews each woman and learns that, while their lives may not have turned out exactly as they wanted, they have found true happiness and fulfillment. While interviewing the women, Delaney learns more about herself and what she wants for her own life.

Penelope Stokes has written a true "friendship" book with this title. She brings the characters vividly to life and the reader will be able to identify with their celebrations and heart-breaks. Stokes injects a fair amount of spiritual growth into each character, but it is not presented in a preachy or "holier-than-thou" format. It is seen as simply the natural course of events for the character, and is totally in keeping with the tone of the environment the book is set in.

This is an easy book to enjoy. Stokes gives us characters that we like and a storyline that is intriguing to follow. Ultimately, it is not just a book about women; it is a book about life expectations and spiritual growth.

— Michelle Wyatt, Library Assistant III



President's Day



Mint Car

Crème de Menthe Brownies
(Contributed by Virginia Salmon)

Cake Layer:

1/2 C. butter
1 C. sugar
4 eggs, beaten
1/2 t. salt
1 C. flour
1 C. vanilla
1 C. Hershey's chocolate syrup

Cream together butter, sugar, and eggs. Add remaining ingredients and cream together. Pour into a greased and floured 9"x12" pan. Bake at 350° for 30 minutes. **Cool completely.**

Frosting:

1/2 C. butter
2 C. powdered sugar
3 T. crème de menthe

Mix together and spread over cooled cake.

Top chocolate layer:

1 C. semi-sweet chocolate chips
6 T. butter

Melt chocolate chips and butter together. Cool slightly and spread on top of frosting layer. Refrigerate overnight and use a wet knife to cut.

