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*Best wishes from all of us to Dr. Jim Whorton who will be leaving NSCC for a position in New York. Jim, you will be missed! Keep writing those great novels and don't forget us!*

## We Built This City

If you haven't been to the Basler Library recently, you're missing some great excitement! No, we're not having programs or parties or anything like that during the Summer, but the progress being made on the Humanities Building is a real draw and brings in staff, faculty, students, and guests to our campus daily. For those of us employed at Northeast State who were not here for all of the bustle involved with building the Basler Library, each day offers new visual delights and amazement. Footers are poured one day and the next thing you know, there are cinder block walls two-stories high and a building is beginning to take shape! Around that are platforms of concrete that will form foundations for the rest of the expansive home for our new Humanities Building. And amid the digging, drilling, and other construction activities that permeate the end of the Library closest to the construction site, there is a sense of great expectation — the promise of potential becoming reality on many different levels.

Oh, and we are still open and fully operational, despite the way things may look from our back parking lot. We resume our regular hours on Monday, June 5 — as the first Summer Session is about to begin. And if you aren't taking classes this Summer, come see us for some great pleasure reading, DVD's, books-on-CD, music CD's, and more! We're gearing up for another activity-filled Fall Semester, but we want you to visit — whether it is to see us or the building going up just beside us.

## Banner

The beginning of the new fiscal year (July) will see the Finance Module "go live." There will still be a great deal of fine-tuning throughout the remainder of 2006, but considerably less "formal" training off-campus. This milestone marks the implementation of one of the Banner Modules for Northeast State, along with the other "Cohort 1B" TBR campuses (Nashville State, Austin Peay, and ETSU).

The Financial Aid Module is now well underway and is roughly 1/3 completed, with an anticipated "go live" date of February 2007. The primary individuals on campus who are involved in this implementation are Cruzie Lucero, Kathy McFarling, Cheryl Smith, and Connie Church. Their diligent efforts in completing their weekly training tasks ensure that each weekly report submitted remains in the "green status." Our campus has received nothing but "green status" reports since the process began over a year ago.

The beginning of July will see the loss of one of the Northeast State Executive sponsors for Banner imple-

mentation — Dr. Claire Stinson. Dr. Stinson will be leaving NSCC to assume her new responsibilities as Vice-President for Business Affairs at Tennessee Technological University. She has been very involved with overseeing many aspects of Banner implementation at NSCC. Probably no other academic VP in the TBR system has immersed himself/herself in the complete Banner process as thoroughly as Dr. Stinson. Her insights and guidance will be missed greatly here, but ought to be greatly appreciated at Tennessee Tech — a member of Cohort 2, which has only recently begun Banner implementation.

The training schedule for the upcoming Summer months will continue as planned. Please check the Banner Cohort 1B Training Schedule should you know of any needs that you may have involving staff from either the Admissions or Financial Aid offices. This schedule is accessible via the Banner Campus Calendar in Outlook.

— Submitted by Duncan Parsons, Dean of the Library

## Help!

**JUNE Research Tip:** Did you know that you can renew your library books online and avoid getting overdue notices by mail? That saves you the embarrassment of receiving the notice, saves the Library money on postage (which equals more great books, movies, journals, and database subscriptions that we can supply for all of our patrons), and also saves the time that it takes the Circulation Staff to send out the notices. If your materials are not yet overdue, go to the Library's online catalog — [www.NortheastState.edu/library](http://www.NortheastState.edu/library), then select "Library Catalog" from the thin blue header near the top of the page. There is a line of buttons you can select from once the page opens to the Library's online catalog. Choose "Your Library Account." Enter your Social Security Number (numbers only) and your Last Name in the appropriate boxes. Place a check mark in the box beside any items you wish to renew, and then click on "Renew Selected Items." If the items are not overdue or on hold for someone else, your renewal will be granted. Your new date will be displayed in the "Renewal Status" column on the far right. If an item cannot be renewed for any reason, you will see "Not Renewed" in the "Renewal Status" column.



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## Ice Cream

Caramel and Fudge Ice Cream Pie  
(Contributed by Virginia Salmon)

½ gallon vanilla ice cream  
16 oz. Hershey's hot fudge sauce  
16 oz. caramel ice cream sauce  
chocolate crumb crust  
whipped topping (optional)



Crumble and spread chocolate crumb crust into the bottom of a 9"x13" casserole dish.

Spread caramel ice cream sauce gently over crumbs.

Allow ice cream to soften for 5 minutes. Slice ice cream into narrow pieces and lay over caramel sauce. Then, spread the ice cream gently to create an even layer.

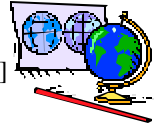
Cover ice cream with Hershey's hot fudge sauce.

Refreeze for 30 minutes and serve.

Top with whipped topping if desired. You can also add any additional toppings, such as Reese's or Heath, etc.

## Planet Earth

*Inventing the Flat Earth* by Jeffrey Burton Russell [E112 . R93 1991]



Over 500 years ago Columbus discovered America...and proved once and for all that the Earth was round and not flat, despite all the protestations and ignorance of the rulers and priesthood of medieval Europe. This is what Jeffrey Burton Russell, an emeritus professor of history at the University of California, Santa Barbara calls "the Flat Earth Error." It is true, from a European perspective, that Columbus discovered America. But as for the shape of the earth, there were no rulers, officials, or known church figures who believed that the earth was flat in 1492.

Where did such a misconception of history come from? Why has it persisted as a belief not only in popular culture, but also among professionals within the science community? These are the questions that Russell sets out to answer, and he comes well equipped for the job as he specializes in the history of medieval theology. Russell has authored many books, including a five volume set on the development of the doctrine of the Devil.

Russell lays out the case for the myth, and carefully refutes it. Along the way, you learn some details about the debates surrounding the voyage. Afterwards, Russell traces the myth back to two independent sources, Washington Irving (yes, THAT Washington Irving), who also wrote a popular biography of Columbus, and Antoine-Jean Letronne, who wrote an article in 1834 called "On the Cosmological Opinions of the Church Fathers". The error seems to be disappearing quickly in education materials, but persists in the rhetoric over science education even now. Russell also touches briefly on the rise of the "war between religion and science" that arose in the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

— John Grubb, Librarian

## IN THE SUMMERTIME

Ah, sweet Summertime! Time to enjoy life — relaxation is an art and one that takes lots of practice, so get to it! A great way to begin is to visit the Basler Library and check out one of these cool new books or some of our new DVD's or Books-on-CD. Grab a glass of lemonade and head to your favorite reading spot — Summertime doesn't last forever, you know!

**Fiction:** *Rasputin's Daughter* (Alexander); *Sisters Mortland* (Beauman); *Out of Order* (Benoit); *Capitol Murder* (Bernhardt); *Day of the False King* (Geagley); *Mad Ship* (Hobbs); *Seeker* (McDevitt); *Borkmann's Point* (Nesser); *Justice Riders* (Norris); *Send Me* (Ryan); *Holding* (Simonds); and *Amalgamation Polka* (Wright).

**Non-Fiction:** *Female Circumcision* (Abusharaf); *Being Martha: The Inside Story of Martha Stewart and Her Amazing Life* (Allen); *Bully of Bentonville: How the High Cost of Wal-Mart's Everyday Low Prices Is Hurting America* (Bianco); *Hallelujah: The Poetry of Classic Hymns* (Burgard); *Time to Laugh: The Religion of Humor* (Capps); *My Confederate Kinfolk: A Twenty-First Century Freedwoman Discovers Her Roots* (Davis); *Drama Kings: The Men Who Drive Strong Women Crazy* (Heyn); *Defining the World: The Extraordinary Story of Dr. Johnson's Dictionary* (Hitchings); *She Would Not Be Moved: How We Tell the Story of Rosa Parks and the Montgomery Bus Boycott* (Kohl); *Forensic Detective: How I Cracked the World's Toughest Cases* (Mann); *Witch Craze* (Roper); *Bad Childhood, Good Life* (Schlessinger); *Alcott In Her Own Time* (Shealy); *Reformation Study Bible* (Sproul); *Upon the Altar of the Nation: A Moral History of the Civil War* (Stout); *WeightWatchers' New Complete Cookbook*; and *Beyond Band of Brothers: The War Memoirs of Major Dick Winters* (Winters).