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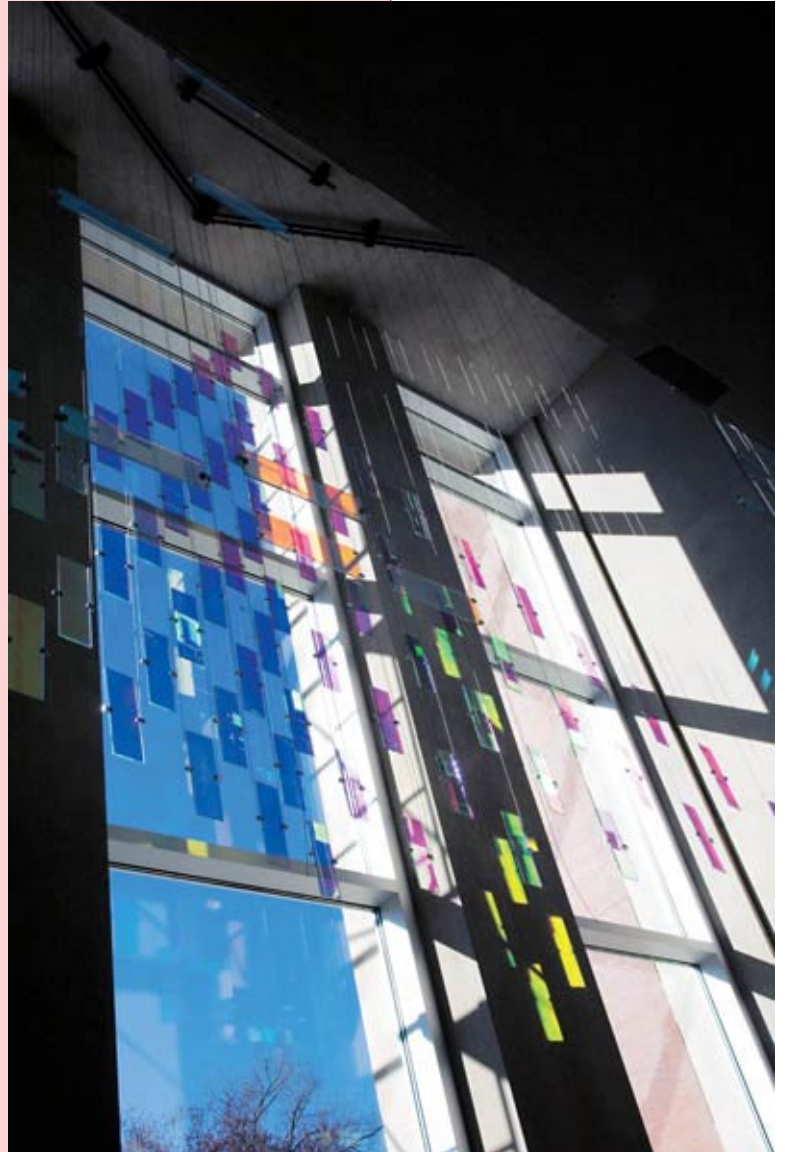
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*Conservatory with dichroic glass sculpture by artist Joy Wolke.  
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## Library Advocate Awarded Honorary Degree

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[Left to right] Roscoe R. Braham Jr.  
and NC State Chancellor  
James L. Oblinger.

Roscoe R. Braham Jr., a pioneering meteorologist and visiting professor at NC State, received an honorary Doctor of Sciences degree from Chancellor James L. Oblinger during NC State's fall commencement on December 20, 2006. Braham and his wife Mary Ann are life members of the Friends of the Library and established the **Edith B. Braham Endowment**, which supports the Libraries' meteorology collections in all formats and is named for Braham's mother. Their son, Richard R. Braham, is a professor of forestry and environmental resources at NC State and chaired the University Library Committee in 1988–89.

Roscoe Braham is an educator and noted expert in cloud precipitation physics. During his fifty-year career, he served as a research meteorologist at the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology and at the University of Chicago, as professor of physics and founding director of the Institute of Atmospheric Physics at the University of Arizona, as professor of meteorology at the University of Chicago, and as visiting scientist at NC State.

As a scholar, Braham has made numerous seminal contributions to his field. He helped lead the 1940s Thunderstorm Project—the first large-scale meteorological study undertaken—and co-wrote *The Thunderstorm*, which is required reading for meteorologists. He is also credited with the discovery of cell organization of thunderstorms and the coalescence-freezing mechanism of precipitation formation in natural clouds. Braham has published more than eighty scientific reports, books, and monographs during his academic career. Vice Provost and Director of Libraries Susan Nutter said,

This is an honor that Roscoe so richly deserves, as his contributions to the university and to the field of meteorology are extensive. His numerous publications, scientific discoveries, and important meteorological research are so impressive and have brought NC State a great deal of national attention. We are fortunate to have him. I am pleased that he is such a faithful friend to the NCSU Libraries. His generosity and support exemplifies the faculty stewardship that has allowed us to excel among research libraries. ❖

## LIBRARIES CAMPAIGN TOTAL CONTINUES TO CLIMB

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As NC State heads into the last year and a half of its historic \$1 billion *Achieve!* campaign, the NCSU Libraries has made steady progress toward its Carousel of Knowledge campaign goal of \$10 million. Through the end of December 2006, the Libraries' fund-raising total had reached \$8.4 million, or 84 percent of its goal. Special thanks go to those whose generous year-end gifts pushed the total to this level. The Libraries is pleased to acknowledge the following significant gifts received during fall 2006:

**Suzanne Kennedy-Stoskopf**, professor of environmental immunology in the College of Veterinary Medicine, completed funding to create the **Michael K. Stoskopf Library Endowment** in honor of her husband. The endowment supports the Libraries' aquatic wildlife health collections.

**Richard Loeppert**, professor emeritus of chemistry, completed funding to create the **Richard and Adeline Loeppert Endowment** in support of the Libraries' chemistry collections.

In addition, **Lois Madden Todd** and **Hope Hall Tate** each pledged gifts to create endowments in support of the Libraries' innovative Fellows program, which attracts top graduates with potential for academic library careers in science, engineering, digital librarianship, and library management.

New Incubator Endowments have been created by **Richard and Cynthia Bernhard**, **C. Tim Kelley**, **Robert P. Upchurch**, and **Garnett Whitehurst**.

The Libraries' also received several gifts for the library renovation, which are recognized on page 5 under the "Naming Opportunities" list. These building and renovation gifts are vital in helping to make the renovated spaces in the East Wing of the D. H. Hill Library more comfortable and attractive.

This issue's special campaign insert highlights the need for support of the Libraries at the grassroots level. Gifts of all sizes are needed for the Libraries to reach its \$10 million fund-raising goal. In addition to supporting the Friends of the Library through memberships, many other opportunities are available for donors, such as the Buy a Brick campaign, Honor with Books option, or Incubator Endowment opportunity.

For more information about the Libraries' Carousel of Knowledge fund-raising campaign, please visit the Web at [www.lib.ncsu.edu/support/capital](http://www.lib.ncsu.edu/support/capital). Questions may be directed to Associate Vice Provost for Library Advancement Suzanne Weiner by calling (919) 515-2841 or sending an electronic-mail message to [suzanne\\_weiner@ncsu.edu](mailto:suzanne_weiner@ncsu.edu). ❖

### NC State Community Memorials

Whenever the NCSU Libraries learns of the loss of an NC State student, faculty, or staff member, a special memorial is prepared. Librarians purchase a title reflecting the academic or personal interests of the deceased individual, mark it with a bookplate in his or her memory, and include the person's name in the catalog record. In this way, the NC State community member is permanently honored and remembered in the Libraries' collections and the intellectual life of the campus. Between November 1, 2006, and January 31, 2007, the Libraries commemorated the following

Walter Glenn Andrews Sr.  
Thomas Michael Hare  
Laura Nicole Parker

Vince Robert Parman  
Daniel Townsend Pope  
Randy Lynn Rose

## Honor with Books

One way to pay a lasting tribute to a friend, colleague, or family member is to request that gifts be made in their name. The NCSU Libraries is pleased to acknowledge the generous and thoughtful gifts made in honor or memory of the following individuals since the last issue.

### **In memory of Robert E. Beasley Jr.**

Henry and Jo Ann Bernhardt

### **In memory of his parents, Micou and Katharine Browne**

Micou Browne

### **In memory of Jack Cumiskey**

Jerry and Jinnie Davis

### **In memory of Dr. Deitz's father, Charles Phillip Deitz**

Lewis L. Deitz

### **In memory of Jared Goldstein**

Melba and J. Ray Sparrow

### **In memory of David H. Greenlaw**

Ralph and Alice Greenlaw

### **In memory of Arnold Addison and Mildred Barner Jackson**

William and Jacqueline Jackson

### **In memory of Marian Jud**

Howard and Lyn Satisfy  
Marguerite and Drew Schuld

### **In memory of Dr. Joseph E. Meritt**

Doris B. Meritt

### **In memory of Kenneth A. Raschke and Marian Jud**

Marianna K. Kelley

### **In memory of Hood Waldo and Mary Munch Rood**

Grayce Broili  
Richard B. Rood  
Robert T. Rood

### **In memory of his brother, Lawrence S. Rudner**

Earl J. Rudner

### **In honor of Charles D. "Zack" Arthur**

The Bell Family Foundation

### **In honor of Hans Petter Bernhard**

Richard and Cynthia Bernhard

### **In honor of Harold Christian Bernhard II**

Richard and Cynthia Bernhard

### **In honor of Jinnie Davis**

Audrey Pleasant

### **In honor of husband, Lt. Gov. Robert B. Jordan III**

Sarah C. Jordan

### **In honor of Professor Emeritus Clay Stalnaker**

Larry and Harriet Grand

### **In honor of husband, Professor Michael K. Stoskopf**

Suzanne Kennedy-Stoskopf

Establishing a named Incubator Endowment requires an initial donation of \$1,000, but for any donation of at least \$100, the Libraries prepares a bookplate naming the person commemorated by the gift. To learn more about memorial or honorary gifts, please contact Senior Development Officer Michael Gulley at (919) 513-7315 or send an electronic-mail message to [michael\\_gulley@ncsu.edu](mailto:michael_gulley@ncsu.edu). ❖



## Naming Opportunities

The Libraries would like to acknowledge the following gifts made since November 1, 2006, to support the East Wing renovation. For more information, please visit [www.lib.ncsu.edu/renovation/namingOp/](http://www.lib.ncsu.edu/renovation/namingOp/) or call Michael Gulley at (919) 513-7315.

### Named Gifts

Class of 1989	Special Collections Reading Room Table
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Francis P. O'Dell	Special Collections Reading Room Chair
Perry and Susan Safran	Study Carrel/ Workstation
Wartime Classes (1944–1948)	Special Collections Reading Room Service Desk

### Bricks (Red)

Charles and Gloria Baker  
Anna Cauthen  
Catherine C. Coots  
Kathryn Jenkins  
Carolyn S. Love  
M. E. May  
Sharon May  
Rick Parrotte  
Kevin and Eileen Schlesier

### Bricks (White)

Lee Fowler  
Chris R. Gould  
J. Anthony and Gloria Houser  
Francis P. O'Dell  
Page Marsh  
Leroy and Charlotte Martin



*Special Collections  
Reading Room table  
and chairs, many  
of which are still  
available as naming  
opportunities.*



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