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*Aerial view of site of future James B. Hunt Jr. Library (red dot marks the spot), Centennial Campus, NC State University. See story on selection of architects in the "Library News" section.*

# Friends of the Library News

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## Introducing Jim Ruth, New FOL Director



James L. Ruth has been appointed to the position of director of the Friends of the Library and Annual Giving, effective September 10, 2007. Ruth joined the Libraries in 2006 as an NCSU Libraries Fellow, with a department assignment in Research and Information Services and a project in the Libraries' advancement program. He has been instrumental in a number of NCSU Libraries' fund-raising initiatives, including the successful "Name a Brick" program and the new "Honor with Books" program. Ruth's experience as a Carolina Academic Library Associate at UNC-Chapel Hill provided a strong

grounding in the work of academic libraries, including reference and Web services, collection management, and preservation. His library experience and background in engineering make him ideally suited to working with the Libraries' Friends, donors, and alumni.

Ruth holds an M.S.L.S. Master from UNC-Chapel Hill and a B.S. in mechanical engineering, with a minor in economics, from Duke University. As an undergraduate, he received the Kevin Deford Gorter Award for his work as founder of and fund-raiser for one of Duke University's sports clubs. ❖

### Michelle Landry Joins FOL Staff

Please join the Friends of the Library in welcoming Michelle Landry to its team. Landry recently became administrative support specialist for the Friends after previously working with the Libraries as a library assistant in the Collection Management Department.

Landry brings a wide range of professional experience, built after graduating *cum laude* from the University of Massachusetts Amherst in 2002 with a B.A. in anthropology and a minor in classical civilizations. Since then, she has lent her experience across the globe working in museums and libraries in London, Scotland, Maine, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire before joining the good southern living of North Carolina. Her positive outlook, incredible ability, and steadfast dependability provide major assets to the Friends of the Library office. ❖





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