**Helproom:**

What is the helproom? A place where you can go to study cooperatively (i.e., chat with other students). It also has computers where you can log in to enter your CAPA solutions (see below for instructions). At certain times the helproom is staffed by instructors from this course.

**Where is the helproom?** Actually there are two helprooms, Biomedical Physical sciences building (BPS) 1248 (The Strosacker Center) and BPS 1240.

**When can I use it?** The Strosacker center is open from 8:00am to 9:00pm M-F. For BPS1240 opening hours are more restrictive. The helprooms are staffed by PHY232 TA's at the following times:

**Wednesdays, 3:00-9:00pm, BPS1240**
**Thursdays, 12:00pm - 9:00pm, BPS1248 (Strosacker Center)**

You can use the Strosacker Center at other times if it is not busy but priority goes to the class that is scheduled in there. The full helproom schedule can be found at:

http://www.pa.msu.edu/undergrad/StrosackerCenter.pdf
or by clicking the link on the course web-page (http://www.pa.msu.edu/courses/phy232).

**computer usage:**

In order to log onto the computers,

- Username: helproom-xx, where "xx" is the computer ID listed on the computer.
- Password: sparty02

Please don't give the password out to individuals outside the class. The Help Room is meant to be used only for the purpose of completing your homework and collaborative learning. It is NOT to be used for reading your mail or browsing. You are only allowed to be logged onto a computer for 15 minutes, so don't plan on camping out at a station. Be aware that your work on the computers may be monitored. Also, note there is no food or drink allowed in the helproom.

**Online discussion forum:**

At the top of your CAPA homework set you will see a "discuss" button. This can be used for posting questions and receiving replies from other students about your homework. You can post anonymously. The more you use this function, the more useful it will be. Instructors from the class will log-on to the discussion site periodically to resolve issues that are not taken care of by discussion between students. We will do our best, but you shouldn't count on a timely response.

**good luck and have fun!**