NEW COLLEGE LIBRARY!

In 2009 the College Administration began planning for a new College Library. The AJ Eastwood Library, built in 1966, is overcrowded and showing its age. The Executive VP, an architect knowledgeable in academic libraries, a consultant, and the library staff held a series of meetings to develop a plan for a new library to meet the needs of an on-campus student body of 1200.

A Capital Campaign began in 2010 to raise funds for a brand new building, which will be built between the Montgomery and Carroll Fine Arts Buildings.

The new plans call for tripling the seating capacity of the Library from 100 to 325+ seats. Shelving will increase 28%, using a combination of traditional stand-alone and compact shelving. The new building will be able to hold an additional 40,000 volumes. Other additions will include 9 study rooms, designated space for Archives and Reading Room, and Café.

The new library will complement a College proud of its past but looking toward the future.

For more information about the new building and Capital Campaign please visit http://limestonecampaign.org.

ANNOUNCING NEW DIRECTOR

Mrs. Lori Hetrick was officially named Director of AJ Eastwood Library in June 2011. She began her career at Limestone College as the Outreach/Instruction Librarian in September 2008. During that time, among other duties, she conducted research instruction sessions for both on and off-campus students, created numerous LibGuides and online tutorials, and helped implement PASCAL Delivers.

The majority of Mrs. Hetrick's library and research experience before coming to Limestone included working six years for a large public library system with two years spent managing the largest branch library. Duties included reference, collection development, budget planning, circulation procedures, programming for all ages, and staff training.

Mrs. Hetrick obtained a Master's in Library Science from the University of Kentucky in 2000. She received a B.A. in English from Alice Lloyd College in 1999.

Features of the new library include:

- A Central Learning Commons with 30 public computer stations
- An Information Literacy Classroom of 30 computers that will be available to students whenever the library is open, when not in use for class instruction
- 9 study rooms with white boards and electronic hookups, capable of holding groups of 6-8 people
- Seating for 325 that is comfortable, over-stuffed, and portable
- Front desk that can comfortably accommodate 3 staff members
- Two-room curriculum lab—one with a classroom and the other holding the juvenile, manipulative and textbook collections
- An Art Gallery to meet the requirements of the Art Department
- Space for Math and Writing Centers
- A café that will offer simple snacks and meals
- Large staff work spaces and offices
- A secure Archive room able to house a work bench, storage/shelving area, map files and a patron work area
- A large technical services area near an unloading dock
CAROLYN HAYWARD RETIRES

Mrs. Carolyn Hayward, Associate Professor and Director of the AJ Eastwood Library, retired in December 2010 after 16 years of service. During her tenure as Director of the Library, Mrs. Hayward supervised the computerization process of the library, initiated and increased online library resources and services to more than 3500 students, more than doubled the size of the library collection and staff, and expanded the library’s educational outreach program.

Library Staff pictured (left to right): Steve Smith, Nancy Rilling, Lori Hetrick, Susan Moore, Janet Ward, Carolyn Hayward, Blanche Luker, Sue Boynton.

DOLAN CD COLLECTION

On May 26, 2011, Daniel Lynn Dolan, M.D., age 80, passed away in Asheville, NC. Throughout his life Dr. Dolan enjoyed a lifelong passion for classical music. In Oak Ridge, TN, he played the clarinet and performed in several bands and orchestras. In college, he formed “Dan Dolan and the Blue Notes,” which played at various events. While in Springfield, MO, Dr. Dolan conducted a Charles Ives piece with the local symphony. He was well-read on his favorite composers and conductors, and he prided himself on his extensive music collection.

Dr. Dolan was also friends with one of Limestone’s Music Faculty, Dr. Chip Hill. This friendship prompted Dr. Dolan’s son, David, to contact the AJ Eastwood Library after his father’s passing. Over his lifetime, Dr. Dolan acquired an extensive Classical CD collection, totaling 2500 CDs. Through the generosity of his son, those CDs were donated to the AJ Eastwood Library. This single donation increased the library’s CD collection by 80%.

The 2500 CDs have now become known as the Dolan CD Collection. As the library staff continues to work through cataloging each title, the CDs will be moved to their permanent location on the 3rd floor of the library next to the general music collection and scores.

FROM THE CATALOGER’S DESK

The AJ Eastwood Library has always depended a great deal on the generosity of its benefactors in order to expand and enrich its collection. During the past three fiscal years, 2008-2011, gift materials have accounted for an average of just over 15% of total additions to the collection.

The very successful Book Acquisitions Campaign of Limestone College in 2008-2009 contributed a total of $34,827 from 360 donors, just under $92.00 per donor, adding 382 new hardcover books to the library collection.

However, historically, most of the donations the library receives come in the form of books, music recordings, and other materials given in small batches. Dozens of the faculty and staff have contributed over the years. Rarely do we see batches in the proportions offered by Dr. Randall Wolfe of the Psychology Department. Dr. Wolfe, since July of 2009, has contributed over 300 volumes to the library, most of them related to the topics of psychology and spirituality, although the subjects vary, reflecting his wide-ranging interests. Also, many thanks to Professor Gabe Stoeppler for his recent multi-volume gift of the comprehensive anatomical work, The CIBA Collection of Medical Illustrations. Our thanks go out to him and to all of you who have contributed to the future value and effectiveness of our College library. The most recent large donation came in the form of approximately 2500 compact discs of classical musical donated in memory of Dr. Daniel Dolan.

Other recent additions to the catalog have come in the form of books that have been around the library for quite some time. These are books that once belonged to former Limestone College presidents, whose personal collections have always been housed in the library but until recently were never cataloged. Presidents Harrison Patillo Griffith (1881-1896) and Dr. Lee Davis Lodge (1899-1923) left behind several hundred books dating from the early eighteenth century through the early twentieth century. Most of these books relate significantly to these men’s personal interests and the classical education of their time through the subjects of philosophy, literature, Greek, Latin, mathematics, and the sciences. Also, many older books housed in the library conference room have now been cataloged. In total, nearly 700 titles and over a thousand volumes of these collections have been added to the library catalog. Many of these books have signatures and other inscriptions and dates, and some have even been found to contain the crumbling remnants of someone’s antique homework. A listing of the Griffith and Lodge collections of books may be found in KATE by keyword searching “Lee Davis Lodge collection” and “Griffith collection.”
KATE CATALOG UPGRADE: NEW LOOK AND NEW FEATURES

To make it easier to search our collections, the AJ Eastwood Library upgraded its online KATE Catalog at the end of September 2011. The KATE Catalog searches the library’s entire physical collection, electronic books, and electronic videos. The upgrade includes new features such as book cover images, book reviews, high interest items, and more. The upgrade has also allowed library staff to easily add links to additional library resources including our Online Research Databases, Ask-A Librarian form, and Library Research Guides. Library staff can now create automated lists which are then displayed on the catalog’s main page. The goal is for students and faculty to easily access our resources from one place.

PASCAL DELIVERS

The AJ Eastwood Library started offering the “PASCAL Delivers” service to students and faculty in February 2009. “PASCAL Delivers” is a rapid book-delivery service provided by South Carolina’s virtual academic library. It enables our students and faculty to request books from over 50 academic libraries within the state of South Carolina (including Clemson, USC, and College of Charleston) with the click of a mouse. By going to www.pascal.org students and faculty can search through millions of titles, select which ones they want, and submit their request online. Up to 25 books can be requested and they will be delivered to Limestone within 3 business days. In 2010 “PASCAL Delivers” added the pick-up-anywhere option, which allows our students and faculty to designate at which PASCAL member library they’d like to pick up their request. For example, a student taking classes at Limestone’s Florence campus can request items through the PASCAL catalog and designate Francis Marion University as the pick-up location. PASCAL also offers the “Visiting Patron” option, which allows our students and faculty to physically walk into any PASCAL member library and borrow up to 3 books for 3 weeks. All of these options provided by PASCAL have proved to be a tremendous benefit to both our on campus and extended campus students and faculty. During fiscal year 2011 our students and faculty requested over 210 books and we have lent over 345 books to other institutions across the state.

LIBGUIDES

Beginning in January 2009, the AJ Eastwood Library began creating Library Research Guides, or LibGuides, to help better organize our services based on areas of study or classes offered by Limestone. These guides provide information such as recommended reference titles, journals (both online and print), and helpful online research databases. Thus far, 61 guides have been created and they have been viewed over 31,000 times. Each guide provides an instant message service that allows students to chat with a librarian when one is available. Through our feedback form that is available on the front page of each guide we have received such comments as “wow, this is good,” “this site is very helpful,” “the idea of asking a librarian a question online is a great one,” and “understanding how to use library resources as an extended campus student is helpful.” Our LibGuides can be found at http://libguides.limestone.edu

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ANNOUNCING NEW OUTREACH INSTRUCTION LIBRARIAN

Ms. Liza Ismail started her position as Outreach/Instruction Librarian at the Eastwood Library on July 25, 2011. She came on board from Northeast Pennsylvania with eight years of public services experience in academic libraries. Prior to coming to Limestone, Ms. Ismail was at Marywood University in Scranton, PA for four years, where she was the Coordinator of Public Services, overseeing all reference, instruction and outreach services as well as supervising circulation services. Ms. Ismail hopes to continue the great strides that have been made with library instruction at Limestone and plans to enhance instructional services to all students (both Day and Extended Campus) in a variety of formats.

Ms. Ismail received a Master's in Library and Information Sciences from the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, in 2001. She also obtained a B.A. in Journalism and History at Indiana University in 1987, and a Master's in Communications from the University of Pennsylvania's Annenberg School for Communication in 1990.

LIBRARIAN LED RESEARCH INSTRUCTION

The Librarians at the AJ Eastwood Library provide research instruction sessions for both on and off-campus students. These sessions involve showing students how to locate and use library materials, including searching our library research databases and online library catalog, requesting materials not owned by the library, critically evaluating sources, and much more.

The library saw an increase in the number of library instruction sessions for the fiscal year 2010-2011. The Library conducted a total of 73 instruction sessions (up from 57) with 1458 students in attendance (up from 867). Twenty-two of these sessions were conducted for our Extended Campus students, four of which were conducted online via a web conferencing application, GoToMeeting.

Together, these twenty-two sessions allowed us to make contact with over 550 Extended Campus students. The sessions were an overall success for both the students and the library.

Both our on and off-campus instruction sessions continue to grow, and we look forward to informing you of our progress.

NEW ONLINE DATABASES AND ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

The AJ Eastwood Library provides over 80 online research databases, reference, and many other resources for Limestone students, faculty, and staff — whether on or off-campus. Sports and Physical Education, Sciences and Social Sciences, Medicine and Health, and Career Guidance are only a few of the many subject areas that are covered by the online resources.

One of the vast resources is Films On Demand. Films On Demand is a web-based digital video delivery platform that allows you to view streaming videos anytime, anywhere, 24/7. Thousands of videos are available for in-class use and remote viewing. Subjects include: Humanities & Social Sciences, Business & Economics, Science & Mathematics, Health & Medicine, Technical Education, Family & Consumer Sciences, Careers & Job Search, and Guidance & Counseling.

Research Starters - Education is another online database, acquired for the Limestone Teacher Education Program. This database offers students a starting point for their research by providing comprehensive summaries of discipline-specific topics, broad outlines of a subject, and helps locate sources for researching in greater detail. All of the AJ Eastwood's online research databases and online reference material can be found at: http://www.limestone.edu/research-databases

All Limestone students, faculty, and staff have access to over 91,000 electronic books that can be accessed with an Internet connection. The electronic books collection consists of: Credo Reference, a cross-searchable database with access to over three million entries from hundreds of titles and publishers; Gale Virtual Reference eBook Library that contains encyclopedias, almanacs, and specialized reference sources for multidisciplinary research; Springer eBooks that provides Business and Science titles; and EBSCOhost eBooks, where the majority of our electronic books can be found. All of our electronic resources provide a user-friendly interface that helps students find the needed resources for all their courses.

It has always been our goal to provide the best resources and services to our on and off-campus faculty, students, and staff, and we are dedicated to supporting the community as a whole. We will continue to uphold these online resource objectives and will do so as we move forward into the new digital age revolution.
LIMESTONE COLLEGE ARCHIVES

The primary purpose of the Limestone Archives is to collect, preserve, arrange, inventory and label historical materials as they relate to the college.

As a result of a grant from the South Carolina Historical Advisory Board in 2009, we were able to focus on several different areas of historical materials. These areas included Drs. Thomas and William Curtis, President Dr. Lee Davis Lodge, oversized items for a map file, Commencement programs, and a still-active literary publication, the Canedabra.

Since the grant, we have significantly changed the face of our Archives from boxes of material to organized shelves of records that have been preserved.

- During the summer of 2011, Susan Moore, Public Services Parallibrarian, completed an internship in the Archives as part of her master’s program at the University of South Carolina. Her project was to begin the inventory and preservation process for Dr. Montague McMillan’s records.
- Limestone now has a College Historian, Dr. Patricia Hoskins, whose responsibilities include supervising the museum displays in the Winnie Davis Hall of History. The ground and first floors of Winnie Davis will contain permanent museum displays while the second floor will house rotating exhibits.
- Nancy Rilling and Susan Moore recently visited Clemson University to see how an archival management system called “Archivist Toolkit” functions.

MATERIAL FOR THE ARCHIVES

We welcome any Limestone College related materials. The Archives are especially in need of material from 1845 to 1900. If anyone has ancestors who attended Limestone during that time and have material (letters, scrapbooks, programs, etc.) they want to donate, we would certainly love to have them. Items will be properly preserved. If a donation is not possible, we will be happy to photocopy materials for the Archives and return the original document(s) to the owner.

Feel free to contact Nancy Rilling for questions, or to arrange an appointment to discuss donations. Nancy can be reached by calling 864.488.4445.

FACULTY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ARCHIVES

The Archives has a small, growing collection of faculty publications. Most of the materials consist of periodical articles, and a few books. Recently added to this collection is a CD by Dr. David Thompson, Professor of Music. Also housed in the Limestone Archives are the personal papers and photographs of Dr. Montague McMillan, a beloved instructor frequently referred to as the “Spirit of Limestone.” All Faculty members are encouraged to donate a copy of their publications for inclusion in the Limestone Archives.

We’re on the Web!
http://www.limestone.edu/library