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Former GSW President William Capitan, Dean Vera Weisskopf, and Mrs. Mildred Tietjen, at the opening of the Historical Collection

On September 21, 2006, the James Earl Carter Library officially opened the Georgia Southwestern State University's Historical Collection, housed in the Macy Bishop Gray Rare Books Room. The opening was the culmination of 5 years of ideas, discussions, and hard work involving nearly every department on campus.

The end results were well worth the

effort. The Collection includes papers, books, and artwork from GSW faculty, staff, students, and alumni (past and present). There is also a Presidential display containing memorabilia for the eight presidents that have governed GSW. Throughout the Library there are several display cases with historical material. These relate to the Nursing program at GSW, Charles Wheatley, the Faculty Women's Club, and a selection of pictures and papers, including the 1934 budget for GSW.

Making the opening extra special was the presence of Mildred Tietjen, former director of the Library, who signed copies of her book, A Century of Achievement, 1906-2006: Georgia Southwestern State University. Mrs. Tietjen had many anecdotes pertaining to the history of the University and the Library.

A large crowd attended the opening, and enjoyed the fellowship and refreshments. The Collection is open to the public, so please feel free to come reminisce at your convenience.

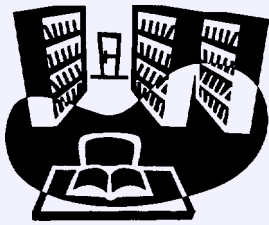
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FROM THE DEAN'S DESK



LIBRARY HOURS:

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| Monday-Thursday | 8 AM-10 PM |
| Friday | 8 AM-5 PM |
| Saturday | 12 PM-4 PM |
| Sunday | 2 PM-10 PM |

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| Books | 3 Weeks |
| Audio/Visual Materials | 3 Weeks |
| Reserve Materials | 2 Hours In Library |

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The Library began the Fall semester with the proverbial “bang”. We began Faculty Planning Week with a Library Open House for new and returning faculty and staff. Refreshments were served and information and short demonstrations of GALILEO provided. Faculty had the opportunity to meet their Library selector/liaisons and to validate their IDs.

September was marked by the grand opening of the GSW Historical Collection housed in the newly renovated Macy Bishop Gray Rare Books Room. It should be noted that while this opening marked the completion of our second Centennial project, we hope that the historical collection will continue to evolve with further submissions of materials by members of the GSW community. And, again, permit me to thank all of you who have contributed to this fine collection and, in general, to all for your continuing support of the Library.

The Library is blessed with a creative staff. One of their ideas, a series of brown-bag Luncheon Programs for GSW and the community, came to fruition on Sept. 26th and Sept. 29th with two programs celebrating Banned Books Week. These programs featured readings from their favorite banned books by faculty, staff, students, and a member of the local community. These included readings from works such as Andersonville, Brave New World, and All Quiet on the Western Front. The second luncheon program on October 13th featured Dr. Miles Cooper, GSW faculty, and Sherry Ratliff from the Sumter County Voter Registration office who provided an informative and lively discussion on civic participation and voter registration. The next Library Luncheon will be held on October 31st when the Library will host its first Annual Pumpkin Decorating Contest. This contest is open to all individuals and groups from GSW and the surrounding community who would like to participate. The Library will provide the pumpkins and decorating supplies. The last luncheon program for the Fall semester will be held on Friday, November 17th. An international program on “Holidays in Other Countries” will be presented by GSW’s ESL Program students. We hope you will join us for these interesting programs held in the Third World Room on level 2 of the Library, 11-1.

These are but a few of the JEC Library’s new collections, services, and events. We invite you to stop by the Library, browse through our historical collection in the beautifully refurbished Macy Bishop Gray Room, view the various displays in conjunction with the historical collection, and participate in our luncheon program series.



Mildred Tietjen
signs her
book,
A Century of
Achievement,
September 21,
2006

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WHAT'S NEW AT THE LIBRARY

Selective List of New Titles/Acquisitions In Spring 2006:

Women and Equality in the Workplace: a
Reference Handbook
RefHD6095 .G48
Giele, Janet Zollinger

Abstract Algebra and Solution By Radicals
QA162 .M39
Maxfield, John E.

Ghost Wars: the Secret History of the CIA
DS371.2.C63
Coll, Steve

WISH LIST

The Library is grateful to its supporters for their gifts and donations. These are often used to supplement the Library's limited collections budget. In each issue we will list a few examples of works we would like to purchase from donations.

Dictionary of United States History - 14
volumes
\$2,590.00

Aluminum display case 38' x60' x30'
\$1,200.00



IN THE SPOTLIGHT: The Macy Bishop Gray Rare Books Room



Nursing Display



Women's Faculty Club Display



Wheatley Display

The Macy Bishop Gray Rare Books Room was dedicated in 1983. As the James Earl Carter Library's contribution to GSW's Centennial Celebration, the room has been refurbished and now houses the Rare Books Collection as well as the new Historical Collection. This new collection contains works by members of GSW's past and present faculty and staff, from books and articles to works of art.

The Historical Collection contains the new Presidents Display, which honors each of GSW's eight presidents. The cabinet, as well as the room's shelving, was built by our own Wayne Bradley and is a fine piece of carpentry. Each president has his own shelf, with newspaper clippings and published works. In the drawers below the shelves, meeting minutes from Academic Affairs and other campus committees can be found.

The pictures hung within the room are of the campus and its people throughout the history of the institution. Some are from back when GSW was known as the State Agricultural and Normal College. There is a records cabinet given to us by John Paul Jones, former music professor at GSW, and above it hangs a portrait of Macy Gray as well as two of her diplomas and two service recognition plaques.

Also part of our Historical Collection are three displays honoring the Wheatleys, the Nursing Class of 1959, and the 1970-1980's Women's Faculty Club. These displays are located next to the Circulation Desk, next to the Oral History Center, and on the second level at the top of the stairs, respectively.

The room will be kept unlocked during regular business hours. Most of the items in the room, including those in the glass cases, can be checked out via Special Check-Out forms. Please see someone at the Circulation Desk for help.



Presidents Display

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