



# CHECK IT OUT!

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## The History of Georgia Southwestern State University Part VII 1980-1999

The 1980's saw Georgia Southwestern College under the administration of Dr. William H. Capitan and continuing to grow and support the four-year institution status. At the December 1981 commencement ceremony, President Jimmy Carter was awarded an honorary degree and delivered the commencement address. In 1982, a Specialist in Education degree was approved, and in 1983 and 1986 respectively, the college gained Masters programs in Administration and Computer Science. Three dedications took place in 1983: Duncan Hall in honor of Beth King Duncan, Jordan Hall in honor of Mary Lou Jordan, and the Library's Rare Books Room in honor of Macy Bishop Gray.

1984 was a busy year for the college. SACS reaffirmed accreditation for the institution, and the Bachelor of Nursing degree was accredited by the National League for Nursing. The Bachelor of Fine Arts in Art and the Bachelor of Arts in Music degrees were approved, and the first of the GSW 100 freshman orientation classes were taught. GSW began participating in the Elderhostel network, and the Lakehouse was renovated.

In 1987, the Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving was approved for GSW by the Board of Re-



*Dr. William H. Capitan  
President 1979 - 1995*



*Dr. Michael Hanes  
President 1996 - Present*

gents. In 1988 the ground-breaking ceremony was held for what is now our Education Center, and that same year the Asian Language and Culture Center opened under the administration of Dr. Don Lee. The Library also saw changes in 1988 with the addition of a classroom, now used as a computer lab, and the expansion of the reference area.

The next decade began with the opening of the new Education Center, the dedication of the bell tower, and the opening and dedication of the Deriso pool. SACS reaffirmed our accreditation again in 1994, and in 1996 the institution officially became Georgia Southwestern State University. In 1997 Dr. Michael Hanes was inaugurated as the 9<sup>th</sup> president of Georgia Southwestern State University.

Coming attractions: Fall 2006 will be our Centennial issue. The information for this article was taken from two decades of The Sou'wester, the student newspaper. The library owns bound copies of The Sou'wester dating from 1962 to the present.

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## FROM THE DEAN'S DESK



### LIBRARY HOURS:

Monday-Thursday	8 AM-10 PM
Friday	8 AM-5 PM
Saturday	12 PM-3 PM
Sunday	2 PM-10 PM

### DEPARTMENTS:

#### Access Services

229-931-2266

Circulation:

[libcirc@canes.gsw.edu](mailto:libcirc@canes.gsw.edu)

Interlibrary Loan:

[libill@canes.gsw.edu](mailto:libill@canes.gsw.edu)

#### Administration

229-931-2259

#### Cataloging

229-931-2258

#### Collection Development

229-931-2261/2279

#### Reference/Government Documents

229-931-2850/2262

[libref@canes.gsw.edu](mailto:libref@canes.gsw.edu)

### Web Page:

<http://www.gsw.edu/~library>

### Circulation Policy:

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

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GSW has officially entered its Centennial Year of celebration! The Library is pleased to announce the completion of its Carter Display centennial project. A committee of Kay Bell, Tishana Smith, and Amy Wise coordinated this project from beginning to end and can take great pride in its successful conclusion.

On March 15<sup>th</sup>, President Carter, on campus to give the convocation address and present the Dolores Capitan Writing Across the Curriculum awards, stopped by the JEC Library to visit the Faculty Art Exhibit and to view the refurbished and updated President Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter display on level 2. He stated that he was very pleased with the renovated exhibit and shared several anecdotes relating to some of the photos displayed. He also took a moment to reacquaint himself with the refurbished photo display commemorating his father, for whom the Library is named, and to enjoy the display in which his mother, Ms. Lillian Carter, is fondly remembered. We felt very honored by his visit.

Our other centennial project, the creation



*President Jimmy Carter and Vera Weisskopf, Dean of the Library, March 15, 2006*

of a GSW Historical Collection to be housed in the renovated Macy Bishop Gray Rare Books Room, is progressing at a good pace. It is anticipated that a formal opening event will be held in September 2006. Kristi Peavy and Valerie Stroyls, members of the committee working on this project coordinated by Claudia Black, created three exhibits illustrating various elements of the GSW Historical Collection. On level one, you will find two exhibits: one displaying items relating to Charles H. Wheatley, the other honoring the GSW Nursing School, Class of '59. On level two, a display has been created about the GSW Faculty Women's Club.

We invite everyone to come by and view these displays. They include numerous items donated or on long term loan to the Library by alumni and others connected to the University. Examples include the UGA SEC 1976 football that can be found in the Wheatley display and the scrapbook and nursing cap in the Nursing Display provided by Sandra Griffin Wardell. We are very grateful to all of you who have contributed to these centennial projects and to the Library. We truly appreciate your continuing support!

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## WHAT'S NEW AT THE LIBRARY

### Selective List of New Titles/Acquisitions In Spring 2006:

Encyclopedia of Religious Rites, Rituals,  
and Festivals

Ref BL31 .E47 2004

Salamone, Frank A., Ed.

PDR Guide to Drug Interactions, Side  
EEffects, and Indications, 6th ed.

Ref RM75 .P37

Voices of a People's History of the United  
States

E173 .Z564 2004

Zinn, Howard

## 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.*

Encyclopedia of the Library of Congress:  
For Congress, the Nation, & the World  
\$125.00

Spanish Complete: The Complete Language  
Course : 3 Level Set (Learn in Your Car)  
(Audio CD)  
\$49.95

Henry N. Raymond  
Yes, I Am Not Iktomi (DVD format)  
\$149.00



# IN THE SPOTLIGHT:

## Kristi Peavy

The James Earl Carter Library is very glad to welcome the new Interlibrary Loan Assistant, Kristi Peavy! Kristi joined the James Earl Carter Library's Access Services department at the beginning of Spring semester. She will be performing the daily operations of Interlibrary Loan and will be Collection Development liaison for the Geology/Physics, Chemistry, and Biology departments.

Kristi is a recent graduate of GSW, where she obtained a Bachelor of Science in History as well as the certificate for European Union Studies. She became interested in libraries and archiving when she helped the museum curator at Andersonville during an internship. Born in Miami, she grew up in Fitzgerald, GA, and currently resides down the road in Vienna. Kristi is married with two children and likes to read and collect antique Christmas ornaments.

Please join us in welcoming Kristi to the GSW community!



Claudia Black, Access Services Supervisor, found the following poem in a May 1964 issue of *The Sou'Wester*, GSW's student newspaper. It won first prize in a Library Staff poetry contest held during National Library Week of that year. The author is Larry Leigh.

The Library  
Enter my doors in silence please  
With this one thought in mind...  
To read, to learn, and feast upon  
The fruits you're sure to find.

Pass not quickly through this room,  
But slowly, and with much care,  
For in each row, on every shelf,  
There's knowledge hidden there.

Choose at will the book you may  
Or whate'er you'd like to read,  
And on some pages within its covers  
It's sure to fill your need.

It's very wise to visit me,  
So come whene'er you can  
To read, and write, and meditate,  
And leave a wiser man.

## Congratulations!



**Mrs. Betty Harris (front left) retired on February 24, 2006. She has been with GSW for 37 years, and worked in the library for almost 10 of those. We will miss seeing her every day, and we wish her the best of luck!**

-Library Staff