After months of hard work by all involved, the Library’s Conference Room II was transformed into a new computer lab/instructional facility. The new lab was opened on Tuesday, September 25, 2001. This facility has 20 state-of-the-art workstations, SMART Board™, an instructional workstation, and LCD projection system. One of the workstations is wheelchair accessible. Additional chairs allow seating for approximately 40 people. The workstations have Microsoft Office, Internet Explorer, Acrobat Reader and Front Page installed on them. In addition to the standard floppy drive, a DVD-ROM drive is also installed on each workstation.

To celebrate, an Opening Reception was held on Friday, October 5th from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

The lab is open during the following hours, unless reserved for a class. The reserved times are posted on the door. Students, faculty, and staff of Georgia Southwestern State University have first priority in using the lab.

- Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.
- Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- Sunday 3:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

To schedule a class or training session, please contact Kay Bell at 229-931-2259. Requests can also be submitted via a link from the Library’s website or by e-mailing Mrs. Bell at kmb1@canes.gsw.edu.
FROM THE DIRECTOR’S DESK:

The James Earl Carter Library’s newsletter, “Check It Out”, is entering its second year of publication and the reception it has received from the GSW alumni, friends, and campus community has been very positive and gratifying. We thank you for your support!

In this issue, we are focusing on three serendipitous Library events. In July, we welcomed Jonathan C. Darby to our staff as our new Reference/User Services Librarian with responsibility for coordinating the Library’s Instructional and Distance Learning Program. In his 3 months at GSW, Jon’s witty, knowledgable, and enthusiastic service has won him many plaudits. If you are in the vicinity of the Library, do stop by and introduce yourself to our newest staff member.

A phone call in July informed me that the JEC library had been named in the will of the late Mrs. John Paul Jones as the beneficiary of the Dr. and Mrs. John Paul Jones Music Collection. We feel deeply honored to have inherited this wonderful collection of Dr. Jones, the former Director of the Humanities Division at GSW. We also wish to thank Mr. Burton Lenk, brother-in-law of Mrs. Jones, and his wife, executors of the estate, who were so helpful in facilitating the transfer of the collection from Tennessee to GSW.

We completed work on our new state-of-the-art computer lab/instructional facility just in time to host a session with Dr. Stephen Portch, Chancellor of the University System of Georgia, during his visit to our campus on September 20th. The Library is grateful to President Michael Hanes and Dr. Cathy Rozmus, Vice President for Academic Affairs, for selecting and funding the Library proposal, the Instructional Technology Committee for its support and advice, and Physical Facilities, Administrative Computing and Purchasing for their extraordinary efforts in implementing this wonderful new facility. It was truly a collaborative effort which has resulted in a facility which will be a great boon to all our users.

Again, our thanks go out to the Library’s supporters whose donations and gifts permit us to improve our collections and services. We look forward to hearing from you and appreciate your suggestions.

For those of our readers who would like to view our Newsletter on-line, it is available on the Library’s website: http://www.gsw.edu/~library.

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WHAT’S NEW AT THE LIBRARY

Selective List of New Titles/Acquisitions
In August 2001:

Dictionary of World Philosophy
A. Pablo Iannone
REF B41.I26

The Computerization of Work
James Taylor, ed.
HD6331.C676

Classroom Strategies for Interactive Learning
Doug Buehl
LB1050.45.B84

Shakespeare’s Kings
John Norwich
PR2982.N67

NANDA Nursing Diagnoses
REF RT48.6.N67

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.

Test Critiques, Volumes I-X
$698.00
Daniel Keyser, Richard Sweetland

Encyclopedia of the American Constitution
Second Edition
$500.00
ed. Leonard W. Levy and Kenneth L. Karst

Barrington Atlas of the Greek and Roman World
$325.00

Euripides: Medea
Films for the Humanities and Sciences
#BVL748
$89.95

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT: Jonathan Darby

The newest member of the James Earl Carter Library staff is Jonathan Darby, the new Reference/User Services Librarian and Coordinator of the Library’s Instructional Program. Jon is a recent (December 2000) graduate from the University of Alabama School of Library and Information Studies and is very happy to be at Georgia Southwestern State University. A native of a small town in Alabama, Jon earned a BA in history from Auburn University at Montgomery.

This is his first position as an academic librarian although he has previous experience as a medical librarian. His professional background is a blend of supervisory positions in customer service and paraprofessional positions in the mental health field.

In addition to reference duties, the things he most hopes to accomplish while at GSW are the development of a web-based tutorial, a distance learning web page, and other projects designed to aid students in their intellectual development.

Jon’s long range plans include earning a subject Masters degree in either history or psychology but, for now, he is more interested in gaining fluency in Spanish and computerese. Another professional goal is to eventually work and study at any of several American universities in Europe and Asia. His interests include almost all areas of history (particularly Classical, Byzantine, the Enlightenment, World War II, and the history of information technologies from Olduvai Gorge to Silicon Valley), science fiction, movies, theater, astronomy, medical advances, cognitive psychology, popular culture, and most anything else. While he doesn’t consider himself a Renaissance Man, he likes to at least think of himself as a High Middle Ages sort of guy.

Jon’s great sense of humor is readily apparent and he has the ability to put those seeking reference assistance immediately at ease. He is sincerely glad to be at GSW and looks forward to helping patrons in any way. The Library is pleased to have him here.

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Dr. and Mrs. John Paul Jones

In July of 2001, the James Earl Carter Library became the beneficiary of the music collection from the estate of the late Dr. John Paul Jones, former Director of the Humanities Division at Georgia Southwestern College from 1954 to 1962. The collection includes books, records, and sheet music from the nineteenth century through the 1960’s.

Dr. and Mrs. John Paul Jones received his B.A. from Tulsa University, his M.A. from the University of Iowa, and his Ph.D. from George Peabody College for Teachers. He was a multitalented person with a sharp sense of humor. His musical taste covered all areas from opera to pop. He published many music articles, some band music, and several books. His arrangements included a piano-duet of The Entertainer, and an easy teaching piece, Country Rock.

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Dr. and Mrs. Jones retired and moved to Athens, Tennessee.

The James Earl Carter Library is proud to be the recipient of Dr. Jones’s collection.

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