

Fresh from the JAR

LRC Newsletter

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DUE TO RENOVATIONS, THE LRC'S TEMPORARY HOURS ARE

**MONDAY—
THURSDAY: 7:30
A.M. TO 5:00 P.M.
FRIDAY: 7:30 A.M.
TO 5:00 P.M.**

**CASWELL
RESOURCES CENTER
HOURS ARE**

**MONDAY—
THURSDAY:
7:30 A.M. TO 8:00
P.M.
FRIDAY: 7:30 A.M.
TO 3:30 P.M.**

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CELEBRITY BIRTH-DAYS ARE

8/24—YASSER ARAFAT
8/26—MOTHER TERESA
8/28—LEANN RIMES
8/30—MARY WOLLSTONCRAFT SHELLEY
9/02—SALMA HAYEK
9/07—ELIZABETH I, QUEEN OF ENGLAND
9/15—OLIVER STONE
9/26—T.S. ELIOT

LRC STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS ARE

CONGRATULATIONS TO JOSEPH SOLOMON, DISTANCE EDUCATION/AV TECHNICIAN ON HIS MARRIAGE TO ANGEL THOMPSON, ENGLISH/ DEVELOPMENTAL STUDIES INSTRUCTOR, ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2005.

LIBBIE MCPHAUL-MOORE, COORDINATOR OF DISTANCE EDUCATION RECEIVED HER CREDENTIALS AS A DISTANCE CERTIFIED COUNSELOR (DCC)

VANESSA BASS, REFERENCE LIBRARIAN ACQUIRED A SECOND MASTER'S DEGREE IN A MASTER'S OF ARTS IN ADULT EDUCATION AND DISTANCE LEARNING

Going Through Changes

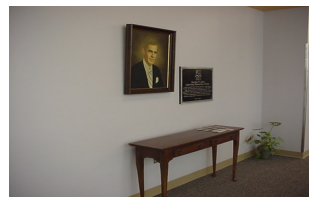
The Learning Resources Center (LRC) has been through numerous changes since August 2004. Gretchen Bell, Dean of the Learning Resources Center and Distance Education, and her staff met with the architects to help design the new building. With everyone's input, we developed the new design of Building H, formerly the gym.

We also have a new name. On June 26, 2005, the LRC was dedicated in honor of Gordon P. Allen. Mr. Allen is a "founding" father of Piedmont Community College. For over 30 years, he has played a major role in the continuing development of PCC.

The new building will provide more space, more computers, and more services. The LRC staff believes that the College community will enjoy the new LRC facility. Our new services include a Business Center,



Entrance of the new Gordon P. Allen Learning Resources



Picture of Gordon P. Allen and Dedication plaque

conference rooms, and the JAR (Java & Research).

The JAR promises to be a popular gathering place for the College community. At the JAR people can purchase coffee, tea, and snacks. People can meet friends, converse with each other, and read or study leisurely.

The LRC will also have a monthly coffee hour on the first Wednesday of every month. During this time, we will have fun and enjoy free coffee. The LRC staff plans to invite authors and poets to share their work, to provide performances by various musicians, to encourage group discussions, and to offer other interesting activities.

The LRC staff hope you will join us in using our new services and resources, and in participating in all of the activities we have planned in our beautiful new facility.

What's Up With Distance Education?

The Distance Learning division has changed its name and location. The new name is Distance Education (DE), and the new location is in Building H. Also located in Building H are the DE classroom and the offices of Libbie McPhaul-Moore, Distance Education Coordinator, and the Distance

Education Staff Assistant.

If you have never taken a DE class, stop by and speak with Mrs. McPhaul-Moore. She will be happy to help you with questions about your DE class. If you are a Caswell student and have questions about DE, please stop by to

speak with Mary Jones, Learning Resources Associate/Distance Education Technician. You can also find valuable information—dates of online or face-to-face DE orientation, Blackboard assistance, online services, and more—on the Distance Education web site.

Visit Distance Education

Online @ www2.piedmontcc.edu/lrc/Distance_Education/Default.htm

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Tech Byte. . .Your Virtual Library

The LRC's web site offers many ways to learn about the resources and activities at your library.

You can find a link to our electronic databases by clicking on "LRC Resources" from our web site. Electronic databases give you access to hundreds of online journals, magazines, and newspapers.

Database suggestion: The *CQ Researcher* database via NC LIVE is a detailed database that provides thousands of articles on social issues such as abortion, the death penalty, gangs, home schooling, and others.



Quotes & More Quotes

"Conformity is the enemy of thought and the jailer of freedom." - President John F. Kennedy

"I am dying, Egypt, dying." - Antony to Cleopatra from Shakespeare's *Antony and Cleopatra* (IV, xv, 41)

"Are you crying? Are you crying? Are you crying? There's no crying; there's no crying in baseball." - Jimmy Dugan (Tom Hanks) from the 1992 movie *A League of Their Own*

Reviews

Title: *Ray's Place*
Student Reviewer: Frances Olowu-Are

Recently, I enjoyed attending *Bob Timberlake's Coming Home* exhibition; several of his creations brought to life images of my childhood, especially *Ray's Place*. This is a painting of a snow covered old house, with wood stacked on the porch. To the side of the porch is a woodshed, and nearby rests the smokehouse, which as children, we called a crib. Close to the back door stands an outhouse. The picture came alive, as I smelled the aroma of coffee and ham cooking on a wood stove; I could see salt rubbed pork hanging from the ceiling of the crib to compliment the next meal. Finally, all scrubbed with lie soap, the outhouse awaited the next visitor. *Ray's Place* reminds me of how much progress has been made from the fifties and sixties until now and of the good times I shared with my family and friends.

Title: *Enter the Sith*
Student Reviewer: Lee Riffle

A long time ago George Lucas created a film called *Star Wars* and changed the movie scene forever. *The Revenge of the Sith* is the best of all the *Star Wars* movies. As a person who watched all three of the original series and collected every one of the action figures and starships, my degree in *Star Wars* is dedicated to . . . *The Sith*. The world needed to catch up to some of the *Star Wars* moments of . . . *The Sith*. It will inspire further enjoyment of 4, 5, and 6, because it answers questions we have asked, such as "Who is Darth Vader, and why does he wear that big, black helmet?" It is fair to say that *The Revenge of the Sith* redeemed the *Star Wars* saga, and it deserves the right to be called successful and will hopefully lead to the production of episodes 7, 8, and 9.

Googleit™

1. What **two** political leaders were assassinated the same year? Dates? Cities and states?
2. The country of Chad is about three times the size of California. What are the other countries that surround Chad?
3. Who said, "*Our greatest glory is not in never failing, but in rising up every time we fail*"?

*Stop by the Circulation/Reference Desk on the 1st floor to enter your answers by **September 15, 2005**.

*To enter, students, faculty, and staff must fill out ballots with the answers to all **three** trivia questions and provide their **names** and **e-mail addresses**.

***Two** lucky winners will be notified on **September 19, 2005** via **e-mail**.



Do You Have Suggestions?

If you have any suggestions, ideas, or concerns, please send them via e-mail. In the subject line, enter **Newsletter Suggestions** and send to Vanessa Bass, Reference Librarian, at bassv@piedmontcc.edu.

Thank You

A special thank you to everyone who helped with suggestions, submissions, editing, and ideas with putting together this newsletter.