



## FRESH FROM THE JAR LRC NEWSLETTER

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### WHAT'S BREWING FROM THE LRC — GRETCHEN BELL, DEAN, LRC

In a continuing effort to support the Teaching and Learning collaborative, the LRC has developed and is implementing the LRC Library Liaison Program. This program will enhance collaborations between instructors and the LRC staff in order to improve collection development and to provide support for learning and for the retention of students throughout the learning process. To maintain a collection that reflects curricular needs and to enhance communication between LRC staff and those involved in curricular programs, the LRC Dean and librarians will serve as liaisons with deans, program heads, and instructors. Each liaison will be responsible for specific areas—degree programs, departments, or curricular programs—to assure efficient and effective use of the limited financial resources allocated to the LRC.

Liaison librarians will provide a positive, collaborative relationship with faculty and administrators to ensure that all communities of interests are represented in the acquisition of materials and that an adequate collection of resources in a variety of formats is available.

The Gordon P. Allen LRC continues to develop its Business Center with the addition of a desktop computer and scanner to allow students, faculty, and staff to copy directly from their storage media to the copier with a choice of color or black and white. This enhancement truly moves the LRC toward completion of a desktop publishing facility.

Marketing efforts have increased in the LRC to bring community focus to PCC and its wealth of Learning Resources for the learning community. The LRC has reproduced a historical film on DVD and has created a strong demand for this nostalgic Roxboro/Person county film.

### ONLINE STUDENTS — ANGELA VAUGHN, DISTANCE EDUCATION STAFF ASSISTANT

Welcome to Distance Learning for the spring semester. The Distance Education Program consists of teleclasses, telecourses, internet classes, teleweb and hybrid classes. This spring, PCC offers ninety-seven classes through distance learning. If you are enrolled in an online class for the spring, remember you must complete an orientation. You may complete the orientation online by going to [www2.piedmontcc.edu/dlorientation](http://www2.piedmontcc.edu/dlorientation). Online orientation will be available through Jan. 19, 2007.

Be sure to check out the Learning & Studying Web Links on our webpage at [www2.piedmont.cc.nc.us/DL/online\\_services.htm](http://www2.piedmont.cc.nc.us/DL/online_services.htm). These links give you access to information on recognizing and coping with such things as alcohol and substance abuse, anger, anxiety, assertiveness, depression, disabilities, eating disorders, grief, relationships, stress, study skills, test taking, time management, and information on college life in general. We wish you the best of luck with your studies this semester.

If you have questions about Distance Education at PCC, please contact the Distance Education Coordinator, Libbie McPhaul-Moore, at 336-599-1181, ext 445, or the Distance Education Staff Assistant, Angela Vaughn, at 599-1181, ext. 245. Our hours are 8am-9pm, Monday through Thursday, and from 8am-5pm on Friday.



### I HAVE BEEN SEARCHING FOR.....TRY NCLIVE!! LIONELL PARKER, LIBRARIAN, CASWELL LRC

You will be surprised at what you may find when you use a popular search engine, such as Google, and search for different topics. Can you really trust the results that you find? Although many people use Google to answer questions or to locate people or places, NC LIVE provides a more trustworthy means of Internet searching. Colleges, universities, and public libraries throughout North Carolina provide access to NC LIVE's books, magazines, and newspapers.

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### THE WAY WE WERE . . . A GLIMPSE OF THE PAST— LIONELL PARKER, LIBRARIAN, CASWELL LRC

LRC Previews Movies of Local People, Roxboro, NC

"Things aren't the way they used to be," "the good old days," "I remember when. . . ." are all familiar lines in our ever-changing community. Well, many Roxboro citizens took a stroll down memory lane, saw a glimpse of the past, and saw the way we were.

Piedmont Community College and the Gordon P. Allen Learning Resources Center sponsored a pre-holiday sale and showing of **Movies of Local People**, Roxboro films restored on DVD with an added soundtrack. The LRC treated many Roxboro citizens to a taste of Roxboro's past. Several citizens came to see Roxboro, North Carolina in the 1930s and 40s. The demand caused the LRC to schedule three locations for the video showing.

The twin-set DVDs feature footage of people, events, and landmarks of Roxboro from 1937-1941. The pre-holiday preview of these films was held in the Gordon P. Allen Learning Resources Center on Nov. 10 from 9 am to 2pm. Many of Roxboro's senior citizens expressed their plans to share with their family and friends the excitement and enthusiasm of seeing Roxboro in a blast from the past during the holiday season.

A set of DVDs may be purchased for \$45. According to Gretchen Bell, Dean of LRCs, this was the best year ever for the films' viewing and sales.

"The LRC took a different approach to marketing the Films this year. We used posters, news media, and flyers to publicize the availability of the films. From all indications, our efforts were successful," Bell said.

## CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY

Discover and read more about these brave individuals and historical milestones and events.

**1599**—Estimates placed the New World slave population at 900,000.

**1773**—Phillis Wheatley, an African-born poet, published a book of poems.

**6/19/1865**—Juneteenth (Freedom Day or Emancipation Day) marked the day when word reached African-Americans in Texas that slavery in the United States had been abolished.

**1881**—Booker T. Washington establishes *Tuskegee University*.

**4/6/1909**—Matthew Henson, an African-American servant, accompanies Commodore Robert E. Peary to the North Pole.

**1922-1929**—The *Harlem Renaissance* emerged as a period of great achievement in African-American art and literature—poets such as Claude McKay, Langston Hughes, and James Weldon Johnson—novelists such as Wallace Thurman, Nella Larsen, and Zora Neale Hurston—sculptors Richmond Barthe and Augusta Savage—painters such as Aaron Douglas and Alice Gafford.

**4/9/1947**—Freedom riders were sent into the South by the CORE to test the U.S. Supreme Court's June 3, 1946 ban against segregation in interstate bus travel.

**2/1960**—F. W. Woolworth's sit-in demonstration in Greensboro, North Carolina.

**2/21/1965**—Black nationalist and former member of the *Nation of Islam*, Malcolm X was assassinated at the Audubon Ballroom in Harlem.

**10/1966**—*Black Panther Party* formed.

**4/4/1968**—Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated in Memphis, Tennessee.

**1970s**—A genre of black movies labeled *blaxploitation films* appears—*Cleopatra Jones* (1973), *Foxy Brown* (1974), *Shaft* (1971), *Superfly* (1972), and *The Learning Tree* (1971).

**8/30/1983**—Guion S. Bluford was the first African-American to travel in space aboard the *STS-8*.

**1989**—Talented filmmaker Spike Lee's *Do the Right Thing* explored Brooklyn's racial tensions.

**1/1/1990**—David Dinkins was inaugurated as the first African-American mayor of New York.

**10/16/1993**—*The Million Man March* was organized by *Nation of Islam* leader Louis Farrakhan.

**3/25/2002**—Denzel Washington and Halle Berry won the best actor and actress at the Academy Awards.

**2003**—*Forbes Magazine's* list of billionaires named Oprah Winfrey the first African-American woman billionaire.

**4/12/2003**—Army Specialist Shoshana Johnson, the first African-American female prisoner of war, was rescued by U.S. Marines.

**7/27/2004**—Barack Obama delivered the keynote address at the *National Democratic Convention* in Boston.

**10/26/2005**—Ken Williams, general manager of the Chicago White Sox, hosted the World Series championship trophy.



## AUDIO/VIDEO SERVICES

The Learning Resources Center's Audio/Video Department offers various services to enhance learning at Piedmont Community College. These services are available to both students and faculty.

Services include:

- Poster Printing
- Laminating
- Taping Satellite Broadcasts
- Document Scanning
- Classroom Videos
- Student Videos
- Department Videos
- Training Videos
- Duplicating Non-Copyrighted DVDs

## WHAT'S THE SOUL OF THE COLLEGE? VANESSA NWANZE, REFERENCE LIBRARIAN

The library, of course!

Have you heard of the *JAR* (Java And



*Research*)? The *JAR* is an area on the lower level of the Gordon P. Allen LRC. It is a popular gathering place for the College community. You can purchase coffee, tea, and snacks from the vending area inside the *JAR*. You can meet friends, converse with each other, and read or study leisurely.

The LRC staff invites you to stop by the Gordon P. Allen LRC or the Caswell LRC to take advantage of the quiet study area and use of computers, pick up materials like brochures and bookmarks, check out books, or visit us on the Web to enjoy using the online catalog or databases.

### Our Web Page, New Look!

The LRC Web page has a new look. The Web page is easier to navigate, has more information, great new color, and advertises the two full service LRC's very well. Please take the time to visit us and familiarize yourself with our new look.

Web address is  
[www2.piedmontcc.edu/lrc](http://www2.piedmontcc.edu/lrc)

## WINTER PARADISE JOSH JACKSON (STUDENT)

Freezing temperatures, snow every where, and no school are some of the reasons that enjoy a good snow storm. The white dusting across the roads and houses makes everything look beautiful and peaceful. The fluffy surroundings give me the urge to play in it. If I am not careful I could spend three to four hours in it just sledding, having a snow ball fight, or making the perfect snowman. This special weather event doesn't happen around here often, but when it does it is a great chance for families to have fun and spend time together. This type of weather has not occurred in Person County in a while but I will be ready the next time it does.

## COLLEGE IS NO JOKE LINDA CASH (STUDENT)

The way to make it when attending college is to realize that college is no joke—having the right mindset is the most important factor. A placement test must be taken prior to enrolling to help determine your capabilities. Seriously researching various majors will give your counselor or advisor insight to assist you in deciding what major you should pursue. There is much preparation needed. Tuition varies depending on where you live, and if you are a full or part time student. The Financial Assistance Counselors are there to assist in helping with paperwork to see if you qualify for any of the financial assistance programs they offer. This is one of the greatest adventures of your life time. Friends and sometimes family are not as enthusiastic as we are; therefore, they will demoralize you if you let them. We have a Student Support System here that goes beyond their expectations because they were once where we are now. I am looking forward to receiving my Business Administration Degree because this has been the most innovative goal I have pursued in 30yrs.

## THE LATEST MATERIALS

*Advertising and Promotion: An Integrated Marketing Communications Perspective*

*CCNP BSCI Exam Certification Guide: CCNP Self-study*

*Human Resource Management*

*IT essentials. I, PC Hardware and Software Companion Guide*

*The Legal and Regulatory Environment: E-commerce, International, and Ethical Environment*

*The New Mayo Clinic Cookbook: Eating Well for Better Health*

*The Quick Resume & Cover Letter Book: Write and Use an Effective Resume in Only One Day*