Woodruff Library and Morehouse Partner to Present Negro Baseball Leagues Exhibit

Before there was Jackie Robinson and Henry “Hank” Aaron, there was Josh Gibson, Satchel Paige, “Cool Poppa” Bell and James “Red” Moore. They were the stars of the Negro Baseball Leagues and this month, they are featured characters in DISCOVER GREATNESS: An Illustrated History of the Negro Baseball Leagues, an exhibit now on display at the Robert W. Woodruff Library of the Atlanta University Center.

Presented by the Woodruff Library, the Morehouse College Journalism & Sports Program and the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum (Kansas City, MO), the exhibit of 90 black-and-white photos, pennants, jerseys and other items chronicles the rise and fall of the Negro Leagues.

During a February 6 reception celebrating the exhibit’s opening, guests paid tribute to former Negro Leagues players James “Red” Moore and Henry “Hank” Aaron, who were in attendance. Aaron and Moore expressed their hope that the exhibit would help bring the Negro Baseball Leagues to life for today’s students and encourage more young people to participate in organized baseball.

“Exhibitions and programs are one of the Library’s unique contributions to the academic, aesthetic and cultural life of the College,” CEO & Library Director Loretta Parham said.

We’re Listening...More 24-Hour Library Access During Exam Periods

The Woodruff Library wants the students of the Atlanta University Center (AUC) to know that we’re listening. You said you needed more 24-hour library operations at exam time and this spring, that’s exactly what we’ve planned. For the spring midterm and final exam periods, the Library will expand its 24-hour operations to include the Friday and Sunday before exams begin. That gives students more overnight hours at key times before and during exam weeks.

Here’s a full schedule of extended hours for midterms and finals:

MIDTERMS

Monday, Feb. 25 – Friday, Feb. 29
(7:30 AM, Monday-12 AM, Friday)

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Sharing the Morehouse King Collection With the World: Woodruff Unveils New Web Site

During the annual MLK Birthday Week Celebrations, the Woodruff Library of the AUC unveiled a new Web site designed to share information about the custodianship of the Morehouse College Martin Luther King Jr. Collection with the world.

The new site chronicles all activities associated with the collection, from its acquisition in June 2006, through the first major exhibition of collection items in January 2007, and the arrangement, description and organization work in which Woodruff archival staff are now engaged.

The Web site also will keep readers abreast of future milestones, including completion of the organizational process and the collection’s forthcoming availability for research.

View Woodruff Library’s Morehouse King Collection Web site at: http://www.auctr.edu/mlkcollection/.

CHECK IT OUT! MACs and FAX in the Library

AUC faculty and students use a variety of software and media to do research and complete projects. For that reason, the Woodruff Library has added a couple new tools to your toolboxes.

MACs

Two MACs have been installed in the Computer Lab on the Lower Level. These high-end production-oriented MACs are available to Library users on a “first-come, first-served” basis.

Software programs available on the MACs include:
- MAC ILIFE suite (IMOVIE, IDVD, ICHAT,IPHOTO, iWEB)
- Garageband (music composition and podcast creation)
- Roxio Toast Platinum-(CD Burning)
- Adobe Creative Suite 3 Premium Web which includes:
  - Acrobat 8 Professional
  - Contribute CS3 hen
  - Dreamweaver CS3
  - Fireworks CS3
  - Flash CS3 Professional
  - Illustrator CS3
  - Photoshop CS3 Extended

REMEMBER: As with other equipment and resources provided to the AUC community, the Robert W. Woodruff Library Computer Use Policy applies to use of this equipment and its software resources. (http://www.auctr.edu/pdfs/RWWLPublicComputerUse.pdf).

FAX

Library users now have access to a fax machine for sending and receiving documents. Located at the Information Services Desk on the Main Level, the fax is reserved for local transmissions. However, users can still send documents to areas outside the AUC calling area using the scan and email functions on Library copy machines.

AUC faculty and students also can receive documents via the new self-service fax. For a complete list of guidelines for use of the self-service fax or information on any resources available at the Woodruff Library, visit the Library’s Information Services Desk, call 404-978-2067 or email: AskRef@auctr.edu.
Woodruff Library Updates on FACEBOOK!

The Robert W. Woodruff Library now has a face on “Facebook,” the leading social networking Web site among college students according to Educause.

Thanks to Morehouse College students and Library Student Advisory Council members Mark Anthony Green and Emerson Girardeau, there’s a “Woodruff Library Updates” group on “Facebook.”

The Library group was created by students for students in an environment where students spend much of their time online, making it an ideal way for AUC students to share important information about the Library. Using the site, members can send personal messages, post news, links, videos, photos and comments about various subjects, including the Library. Students also can organize events, or in the case of Library users, invite friends to a group study session or program to be held at Woodruff. Currently, the group has more than 40 members, including Library CEO & Director Loretta Parham. The group is a public group and open to any current or new Facebook members. To join the “Woodruff Library Updates” Facebook group, access your new or existing Facebook account and search for “Woodruff Library Updates.” Hope to see your face in our place!

Walter Rodney Collection Open for Research

On Friday, March 21, 6 PM-9 PM, the Robert W. Woodruff Library of the Atlanta University Center will host the evening program for the 5th Annual Walter Rodney Symposium.

Dr. Walter Rodney “Chucho” Garcia, one of Venezuela’s foremost experts on the Afro-Venezuelan community and a lifelong activist against racism, will be the keynote speaker. The symposium’s theme is “Walter Rodney’s Pan-Africanism and its Meaning in the 21st Century.”

The evening program will follow a day of faculty and student panel discussions to be held at the Morehouse School of Medicine from 9:30 a.m. -3:30 p.m. All symposium programs are free and open to the public.

The Woodruff Library’s Archives & Special Collections is the repository for the Walter Rodney Papers. The collection has been available for research since 2004. Soon, an electronic copy of the finding aid to the collection will be displayed on the Library’s website.

A Pan-Africanist historian, educator and political activist, Rodney is widely known for his work, How Europe Underdeveloped Africa, which was originally published in 1972, continues in publication today and is widely used as a text in colleges and universities in the U.S., Europe, Africa and the Caribbean.

For more information on the symposium, the Walter Rodney Papers or to make an appointment for research, contact Archives & Special Collections by email: archives@aucr.edu or phone: 404-978-2052.

NEW FOR YOU:
Microsoft Word 07

Attention Faculty and Students: the Library has upgraded to Microsoft Word 2007! Now, when completing projects you have started on other computers, you can open your Microsoft Word 2007 documents at the Library.

So, plug in your “jump” drives and dive right into work.

Charles Chesnutt on Display Until March 14

This month Clark Atlanta University, Morehouse College and Spelman College celebrated the unveiling of the Charles Waddell Chesnutt Black Heritage stamp.

The Archives & Special Collections Department of the Woodruff Library of the AUC has assembled a small display of first edition copies of Chesnutt books. View the display in the Exhibition Hall through March 14.
Faculty Publications Exhibit and Reception Held on Feb. 28

The Atlanta University Center community turned out in mass for the Woodruff Library’s third annual Faculty Publication Exhibit and Reception on Thursday, February 28, in the Virginia Lacy Jones Exhibition Hall.

From 10 a.m.-4 p.m., selected published materials and visual arts created by AUC faculty were on public display. AUC faculty and staff joined Woodruff Library staff in celebrating the work of their colleagues during a 6 p.m. reception.

A bibliography of displayed materials and other faculty publications accompanied the exhibit. The bibliography and photos from the event will soon be posted for public viewing on the Library Web site. To have your scholarship added to the bibliography or for more information on next year’s exhibit and reception, contact RWWL Reference Librarian Maud Mundava at mmundava@auctr.edu or 404-978-2100.

Back by Popular Demand! APA, MLA and Turabian Citation Style Workshops —

A new slate of workshops focusing on the proper use of APA, MLA and Turabian citation styles are being offered in March and April.

Learn to format in-text citations, create reference pages and more. Sessions focusing on each of the three styles have been planned. For a full schedule of workshops, visit the RWWL Web site at: www.auctr.edu.

All workshops will be held in Training Labs 1 & 2 on the Library’s Lower Level. Space is limited, so interested students are encouraged to pre-register for the workshops. Email: AskRef@auctr.edu to sign up. Call 404-978-2067 for additional information.

during the reception. “Programming might be considered a ‘bonus’ in some libraries, but we at the Woodruff Library intend to make programs and exhibits a part of our core services,” she said.

The reception was dedicated to the memory of lifelong baseball fan and former Woodruff Library Board of Trustees member Walt Sessoms. During the event, Parham announced the establishment of the Walter W. Sessoms Scholarship Fund to assist AUC students in completing their academic programs. The endowed fund will provide “gap” funding to one student at each of the four AUC member institutions each year. Sessoms’ close friend Hank Aaron, his wife Harriet, and her children and grandchildren were on hand for the announcement.

For more information about the Negro Leagues Exhibit or Sessoms Scholarship Fund to benefit AUC students, call 404-978-2000.

Users will not be admitted without a valid AUC identification card.

Also, regular shuttle service will be available until 12:30 AM. From 12:30 AM-7:30 AM, a one-way shuttle will be available to take students from the Library to the campuses.

For more information, about Library hours during exam time, visit the RWWL web site at: www.auctr.edu.

REMINDER: During 24-hour operations, any person entering the Library after 7 PM must present his or her valid Atlanta University Center (AUC) identification card.