Frederick Douglas Library like every other library has a unique story to tell. Sharing this story, its history, and also, learning about its offerings, digital resources, exciting exhibits from the University Archives and Special Collections, and other informative and entertaining events is raison d’etre for Open House. As these offerings continue to evolve with the digital age to meet the changing needs of patrons, the Reference Department hosted an Open House for students, patrons, faculty and online impersonal communications, an Open House provides patrons many opportunities for face to face interaction.

Most straightforwardly, the FDL Open House provided patrons another avenue to meet library staff and discuss library services; discovered how to find multiple databases; learned about the vast collection of books, films, data, e-resources, and more; talked to experts about managing citations. We thanked all of you who came out in support of this Open House; joined us for a lively information session and suggestions. We look forward to serving you at our next event.

Hometown Freshman Wins Apple iPod

Miss Natasha Kersey, Freshman from the town of Princess Anne is the proud owner of an Apple iPod. The hometown lady won this portable media gadget after she entered the drawing to win fabulous prices at UMES Frederick Douglass Library during Open House ceremony recently. This was part of having fun library related trivia to make the experience light-hearted and encourage discussions among attendees.

Miss Kersey who wanted to be close to home and the first in her family to attend UMES registered her satisfaction with the Open House because like her newfound friends and professors, the “library staff is very friendly, helpful and readily explained all the different library processes to everyone.”

The Biology major hopes to attend medical school after her UMES days, and become a physician.
FDL is vital to Academia and Research

The Frederick Douglass Library (FDL) like other libraries is an economic and cultural asset. Everyone reaps the economic benefits of its investments both in basic research and scholarship. An educated and highly-skilled workforce of all ages can only function successfully in a dynamic economy, which continuously requires new skills and knowledge. By freely sharing its collections and offerings with patrons and community, FDL preserves and promotes our history and culture among students, faculty, staff and readers everywhere. In our continuous effort at evaluating the ongoing impact of research study, and to bring about beneficial outcomes at UMES, FDL’s staff person recently talked to Dr. Joseph O. Arumala, Professor, Department of Technology. Herewith is an excerpt of the interview:

Tell us why the Frederick Douglass Library (FDL) is your best friend.
Frederick Douglass Library is a place where my professional needs for books, journals, reference and research materials are met. The staff members are friendly, accessible, knowledgeable and always ready to give satisfactory assistance to obtain materials that I needed and I can genuinely say that FDL is my best professional friend.

Why do you support the library?
FDL provides very important services to support the academic and research programs and activities at UMES. The number of newly started, accredited and re-accredited programs in specialized areas of study at UMES is a testimony to the vital role it plays on campus and how proactive the leadership of FDL is in updating and providing current scientific and technological information and materials for personal, academic and professional development.

How has the library helped you do your job?
The library helped me by stocking books and journals related to my area of specialty and helped in providing my students with skills on how to study and use the library to do research, term papers and life-long learning.

What are the top three library services you use?
They are: Reference section, Inter Library book loans and obtaining needed references for Journal Publications.

What improvements would you look like in the near and distant future?
A LEED Platinum Certified Building with energy efficient systems and ample holdings in all media and areas of study with sufficient rooms for study, group discussions and amenities for relaxation.

How would you describe the FDL to others?
As the place to study and have solutions to academic and research needs satisfied by providing needed resources and guiding users in the right direction.

What information seeking/using advice would you offer today’s students?
Students should use the library more for their academic work and life-long learning and consider FDL as a partner in the quest for knowledge and discovery.

What’s the best information advice you ever got?
How to access relevant materials and on-line journals provided by the Library.

What do you do for fun?
Listen to music – gospel music.
**Frederick Douglass Library Goes Mobile**

*By Joseph Bree.*

Patrons can now access library resources from their mobile devices. University of Maryland Eastern Shore Frederick Douglass Library implemented its own mobile website at the beginning of August 2013. The latest innovation is geared toward the FDL’s continuous effort to revamp research, bring library resources to patrons and users, and also keep pace with the ever changing face of technological advancement and innovation.

The mobile website is designed to give quick and easy access to users of small mobile devices without having to zoom and scroll through the full library website. Access is made even easier through the use of Quick Response (QR) codes that allow a patron to use a mobile application to scan the code and access the site without having to type in a lengthy universal resource locator (URL). QR codes are available through signs within the library as well as locations around campus. A link to the mobile website is also available from the current library website. To access the mobile website through the QR code will require a QR code scanner app. There are many free QR code apps available.

Furthermore, some of the resources available on the library website include access to the library catalog, Research Port for Database access, Links to Interlibrary Loan accounts, Live Chat assistance, as well as library floor maps for finding your way around in the library. Patrons can also use social networking by liking us on Facebook: [http://www.umes.edu/fdl](http://www.umes.edu/fdl) The FDL first began looking into mobile resources through the purchase of various mobile devices to experiment with including tablets and e-readers. After seeing how other libraries were taking advantage of QR codes to assist patrons in accessing resources the devices were used to create a mobile website.

The library plans to take a step further by purchasing and checking out mobile devices to library patrons including Kindle Fire, HDs, IPods and IPads. These devices will allow patrons that would not otherwise have access to mobile devices to learn and take advantage of the growing technology. If you have any questions regarding the mobile website or suggestions on things to include please contact Joseph Bree at 410-651-6270 or jdbree@umes.edu.

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**Test your “Hawk Pride” — UMES History?**

**Question:**

I was one of the first teachers at the Academy (now UMES) and I taught grammar and rhetoric. I am a native of Maryland and during the first year of school - I assisted the first principal, Benjamin Oliver Bird and his wife, Portia. I resigned from the Academy in 1891, I returned to my alma mater in Baltimore, now officially known as Morgan State University to study theology in preparation for a life in the ministry.

Who am I?

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**FDL Acquires Sage E-Journal Package**

*By Cynthia Nyirenda*

The Serials /Documents Department recently acquired the Sage E-Journal Package of 646 titles. The titles cover a wide range of subjects including Administration, Business & Management, Communication, Criminal Justice, Economics, Engineering, Environmental Science, Journalism, Linguistics, Medicine, Music, Political Science, Social Sciences and Theology.

Title and Subject lists of this package were prepared and placed on each service desk in the library. In addition, these lists were distributed to Department Chairs. For most of the journals, access to the full text articles is available while on campus by using the given URLs. The process of adding the Sage e-journals to the Library Catalog is almost complete. Therefore, off campus access to these journals should be feasible in a few weeks’ time.
FDL Staff Attend ALA Conference

By Sharon Brooks

The American Library Association Conference was held in Chicago, IL, from June 28th - July 2nd. Librarians Sharon Brooks, Renise Johnson, Marvella Rounds and Dr. Ellis Beteck, Dean of Library Services, attended this conference with more than 20,000 others. Welcome and greetings were given by ALA president Maureen Sullivan and Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel.

The speaker for the opening general session was economist Steven D. Levitt. Throughout the conference there was a wealth of information offered through numerous sessions, exhibits, a tour of Loyola University’s Library, database instruction and demonstrations that pertained to every aspect of library services and resources. Opportunities to meet various authors included civil rights icon Congressman John Lewis with his new book titled March and Bryan Collier, a native of Pocomoke City, MD. He was an award winner for the illustration of the book I, Too, Am America by Langston Hughes. Pulitzer Prize winning journalist Pete Arnett spoke to an audience on his coverage of the Vietnam War for the Associated Press from 1962 to the fall of Saigon, 1975. His preservation of unpublished stories and service messages is now available in ProQuest’s History Vault Collection. The library conference offers a vast amount of information and serves as a means to collaborate, network and learn with professionals in both traditional and specialized library services.

Expressing Hawk Pride can be very personal, but at the same time it is a unifying force on campus. It does not matter what nation you hail from, the color of your skin or any other perceived difference. When you are here, you are a Hawk. Hawk Pride is growing everywhere. All the Hawks in the nest hollerin’ at one time, showing their maroon and gray in waves at our athletic events, they are proud to be Hawks. Mr. and Mrs. UMES in their regal splendor serving as ambassadors on and off campus, they are proud to be Hawks. Alumni mingling with students during Founder’s week and Homecoming celebrations, they too are proud to be Hawks and they will tell you about it! “Flyin’ High with Hawk Pride” is an exhibit that captures one vision of Hawk Pride on campus. Three-dimensional campus memorabilia and images of such elements as the alma mater, athletics, Harry the Hawk, King and Queen coronation regalia and more are on display until December 6th, 2013. So, get in a maroon state of mind and visit us on the second floor of the library in the Jessie Cottman Smith Library Exhibit Room.
As another academic year begins, we are celebrating the transformative impact the Frederick Douglass Library (FDL) has on academic life for students, faculty, staff members, visitors, and friends. Staff members are hard at work making a broad array of services available to patrons. For many students, the FDL has become a regular part of their life during their stay at UMES. It is always a delight engaging with students who are working hard on their classes and projects, as well as visitors, including prospective students and their families touring the campus.

Our efforts to strengthen the library services and resources, improve access to collections continue. We are working with other USMAI Libraries to develop new agreements that will provide more electronic book and journal content and broaden access to all academic disciplines. Recently, FDL acquired the Sage E-Journal package of over 600 titles. The Standard access to the Sage E-Journal package goes back to 1999, unless the journal was launched after that date. FDL will continue to focus on enhancing services that faculty and students need.

Fortunately, Dr. Bell is pushing the idea of providing a modern facility by building a new library. In Dr. Bell’s 2013 Capital Testimony to the Maryland General Assembly, she reprioritized UMES’ Five Year Capital Improvement Plan making the construction of a new, state-of-the-art Library number one priority project. “The University is making this request to provide a modern and resourceful Library that will support our university mission and our focus on STEM”, said Dr. Bell. As student enrollment continues to grow and academic programs increase, the library will serve as the academic center of campus and occupy a central location for scholarly information resources supporting the instructional and research programs. In a recent planning committee meeting, Dr. Bell asserted that the new facility will be user-friendly, inviting and serve as the place to be for academic gathering with numerous gathering spaces that foster engagement, collaboration and lifelong learning.

The opportunities for such a project require compelling justification for decision-makers. During the fall semester, we have begun conversations on campus about what kind of library UMES should have in the 21st Century. We continue to welcome your suggestions and encourage you to contact your department’s liaison librarian, faculty librarian, or any member of the New FDL Committee or Student Government Association.

We welcome you to the Frederick Douglass Library!

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**Notable Additions to the Collections.**

*By Marvella Rounds.*


Campus confidential [videorecording] written by Denice Ann Evans. 1 videodisc (30 min.) Roswell, GA : J’Hue Film Productions 2011.


Ms. Jennifer Carpenter was born and educated on the Eastern Shore of Virginia. After graduating from High School in 1978, she attended National Business College in Roanoke, Virginia, obtaining an Associate degree in Fashion Merchandising.

Furthermore, after working part-time at National Aeronautic and Space Administration (NASA) for two years, Ms. Carpenter was offered a job as a Technical Assistant in the Circulation Department of Frederick Douglass Library under the leadership of Mrs. Jessie C. Smith in 1984. Due to her industriousness, hard work and dedication, she managed the department without a Librarian most of the time.

Subsequently, Ms. Carpenter was promoted to Program Administrative Specialist after gaining a Bachelor of Arts degree in 2005. Her quest for education was again fulfilled with a Certificate in Medical Transcription in May, 2013. Her ultimate destination is to pursue a Masters of Library Science degree.

Her battle cry is to ease the transition and home sickness of a great many students who attend UMES from distant locales by nurturing and comforting them. Besides playing matriarch to students, she makes it her goal for students, staff, faculty and patrons to enjoy the best available proverbial “service with a smile” during their library stay.

More so, Ms. Carpenter adheres to the time honored adage, “Punctuality is a quality the need of which is bound up with social cooperation.” More often than not, her extreme broadmindedness and steadfastness compels her to always welcome early bird patrons into the library by virtue of being the first library staff to unlock library doors in the morning. A service she continues to render in the last twenty-nine years.

Ms. Jennifer Carpenter

EBSCO DISCOVERY SERVICE

By Marvella Rounds

New to the library is the EBSCO Discovery Service. The service is available from the libraries website www.umes.edu/fdl. Discovery provides searching for books, journal articles, e-books, primary source documents, magazines, news, images and many more from a single search box. Discovery continues to provide intercampus request and interlibrary loan to our patrons from within the USMAI (University System of Maryland and Affiliate Institutions) and other libraries as well.

There are databases which can be incorporated with your search to get added results called (Integrated Search). Databases listed in Discovery under (More Resources) are searched directly by clicking the database name.

For full access of the databases in Discovery, register your University I.D. card in the library at the circulation desk. Then at the Library website choose “Research Port.” which allows full access to the databases on or off campus.

Try the service and tell us what you think! Send your e-mail to refuser@umes.edu