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Agnes Scott College’s McCain Library is pleased to announce the opening of The Betty Pope Scott Noble ’44 College Heritage Center. This museum and research room displays historical documents, photographs and artifacts relating to Agnes Scott (the person and the institution) and her Scott family descendants (including many alumnae). The Heritage Center allows the library to move archival treasures out of storage and into a more accessible space so that current and prospective students, faculty, staff, alumnae and other visitors may learn about the history of the College, its founder and namesake. A student docent will be available to answer questions about the exhibits during weekly hours. The room can be opened at other times by special arrangement for classes or groups.

The Library is grateful for the generosity of the Reverend J. Phillips Noble, Sr., who helped to create this Center in honor of his wife, the great-granddaughter of Colonel George Washington Scott, who founded Agnes Scott College in honor of his mother, Agnes Irvine Scott. The Center pays tribute to Betty Pope Scott Noble’s lifelong interest in preserving the College’s heritage and to the many hours she spent researching and writing its history. The collections offer insight into the history of women’s education in the South and the nation.

Fittingly, the Center’s opening coincides with the online launch of many digitized items [www.archive.org/details/agnesscottcollege] related to the College, from yearbooks and presidential reports to the books, Lest We Forget; A Full and Rich Measure; and the two family memoirs, The Story Of Agnes Irvine Scott and The Story of George Washington Scott. All these electronic resources are now freely available.

Augusta State news and notes

Within the past 15 months there have been five new faculty appointments at Reese Library. Three were position changes and two were new hires.

LouAnn Blocker became Electronic Resources/Serials librarian and assistant professor of library science in December, 2009. She received her M.I.S at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, in 2007. LouAnn worked as a paraprofessional at the UTK library for 15 years, including her time in graduate school. She and her husband, Carson, moved to Augusta in 2008. Their family consists of two cats, a Landseer Newfoundland and a hound of unknown origin.

Camilla Reid, associate professor of library science, was named director on April 1, 2010, having served as acting director since the retirement of Dr. William Nelson. Camilla brings to the job many years of service to the profession and the respect of faculty and staff of ASU as well as the library, since joining ASU in 2003. An active member of the community, she serves as secretary of the university’s chapter of the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi. Camilla is a 2008 recipient of the American Library Association-Allied Professional Association’s SirsiDynix Award, which is given to an individual, group, or institution that works toward improving the status and salary of library workers.

Kyle McCarrell was appointed the Acquisitions/Cataloging librarian and assistant professor of library science on July 1, 2010. He received his M.L.I.S. in May, 2010 from the University of South Carolina. While completing this degree, he worked part time in USC’s Music Library and was a grad assistant in the library school. Outside of the library, Kyle plays trombone and piano in a variety of settings, often with his wife, a flautist.

Jeff Heck, associate professor of library science, was named associate director on August 1, 2010. He served as automation librarian from 1995 until becoming associate director. He currently serves two roles for ASU, as the ASU faculty secretary, and as an elected member of the Faculty Policies Committee for 2010-2012.

On Jan. 3, Reese Library welcomed Rod Bustos as Automation Librarian and assistant professor of library science. Rod held the position of Systems Librarian at GSU for 13 years. He has also served as the webmaster and listowner for the Special Libraries Association Georgia Chapter since 1997 and is a long-time video reviewer for Library Journal.