

## **1. Library Facility**

As stated on pages 14-15 of Newberry College's 2010-2011 *Catalog*, Wessels Library was dedicated in 1954, renovated in 1986, and subsequently expanded in 1990. Initial planning for a college "commons," which would house library resources and services, as well as other essential student services and academic services, was initiated in 2009 and is summarized in "Concept Development for a New Library Building."

Wessels Library presently provides seating for library users in configurations including single-seat study carrels, group-study tables, lounge seating and small-group study rooms. Additional conference-style seating is provided in the library's Special Collection Room. Wessels Library's resources, as described at the library's homepage, include the Gerding Library Classroom, a 30-seat bibliographic instruction facility equipped with wireless Internet access for students and a computer workstation for the instructor, as well as a computer projector, VCR/DVD player, document camera, and PA-equipped lectern.

As stated on pages 18-19 and page 33 of Newberry College's 2010-2011 *Student Handbook*, wireless access to the campus network and the Internet is available throughout Wessels Library for the convenience of faculty and students using laptop computers. In addition, 6 desktop computer workstations are available for use in the library's reference room and 6 more desktop computer workstations are located in study carrels adjacent to the library's main floor book-stacks. Wessels Library serves as a major service and distribution site for free student printing on the Newberry College network as described in the FAQ section of the library's homepage. Also, as stated on page 20 of Newberry College's 2010-2011 *Student Handbook*, Wessels Library provides students with scanning, faxing, and photocopying services.

## **2. Library Resources**

As documented in its South Carolina State Library annual report for 2008-2009, Wessels Library currently houses more than 84,874 monographs cataloged and arranged according to the Library of Congress Classification system. The library adds as many as, 1,000 monographs in print format are added to the collection annually through purchase or gift. As stated on pages 14-16 in the 2009 Newberry College *Faculty Handbook*, faculty members are encouraged to participate in the selection of resources and the development of the library's holdings.

Wessels Library uses the SIRSI Unicorn integrated library system for cataloging activities and public services operations. The library's online catalog may be accessed and searched at the library's website from both on-campus and off-campus locations.

Faculty and students can also use a growing collection of eBook resources. eBooks may be accessed directly from the library's online catalog or from the NetLibrary link on the library's website. Other resources, described on pages 13-14 of Newberry College's 2010-2011 *Catalog*, include a juvenile literature collection and a K12 textbook collection, located in the Curriculum Room and maintained for the use of students majoring in education, and the Special Collection Room, which houses materials supporting research concerning Newberry College, local history, and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in South Carolina.

Additional resources available to students include 439 magazine titles listed and described in the *Wessels Library Serials Bluebook*, 2009-2010 revision, and housed in the library's Serials Room. Of these titles, 136 are currently maintained as annual subscriptions and included in Wessels Library's South Carolina State Library annual report for 2008-2009. Retrospective coverage for many titles in the serials collection is provided via microfilm and microfiche holdings housed in the Serials Room and a microfilm/microfiche reader/printer is available for patrons using these resources. As evidenced by the Electronic Resources list available from the library's homepage on the Newberry College network, Wessels Library is transitioning from print format to electronic format as its primary means of providing faculty and students with access to information published in magazines and journals.

Other resources available to library users include music on compact discs provided in support of the College's music curriculum and videos in VHS or DVD format that support courses across the College's curriculum. This collection, as documented in Wessels Library's South Carolina State Library annual report for 2008-2009, presently includes more than 1,988 audio-visual resources. Cassette players, CD players and video-viewing equipment for resources in VHS and DVD formats are available in the library for student use, as described on pages 18-19 of Newberry College's 2010-2011 *Student Handbook*.

As documented on the PASCAL website, Wessels Library is a contributing member of PASCAL (Partnership Among South Carolina Academic Libraries). Wessels Library's membership and participation in PASCAL provides Newberry College students and faculty with online access to a significant collection of scholarly and full-text databases, as evidenced by the Electronic Resources list at the library's homepage on the Newberry College network. Additional databases are provided by DISCUS, South Carolina's Virtual Library, as documented at the South Carolina State Library's DISCUS website, and through subscriptions funded by Wessels Library's annual budget, as noted on the Electronic Resources page. All of the library's databases are accessible to students and faculty from the library's website. As documented at the library's home page and described on page 19 of the Newberry College 2010-2011 *Student Handbook*, on-campus access to subscription databases is provided through IP authentication and off-campus access is provided by OCLC/Lyris EZProxy software.

As stated at Wessels Library's homepage, the library's membership in PASCAL also provides Newberry College faculty and students with access to the collections of PASCAL's member libraries listed at the PASCAL website through **PASCAL Delivers** (courier delivery of materials requested online through the PASCAL union catalog) and **PASCAL Visiting Patron** (onsite borrowing at PASCAL member libraries). Policies and procedures for these programs are published at the PASCAL website. As described on page 18 of Newberry College's 2010-2011 *Student Handbook*, on page 14 of Newberry College's 2009 *Faculty Handbook*, and on page 15 of Wessels Library's *Public Services Policy Manual* for 2011, traditional Interlibrary Loan services are provided in support of faculty or students whose research needs cannot be met by the resources of Wessels Library or PASCAL Delivers.

Faculty and students have the opportunity to participate in the annual review of library services and resources, which is conducted online via Survey Monkey or via paper survey, as appropriate. As evidenced by the 2008-2009 Library Survey, and the Library Director's report on the 2008-2009 student survey, faculty and student responses are tabulated, analyzed and used, whenever possible, to improve library resources and services.

Other information resources available to faculty and students on the Newberry College campus include independent collections created and maintained by the Chemistry Program, the Education Department, and the Music Department in support of their activities and course-offerings.