

After 34 years at Miles Community College, Larry Torstenbo retired in May 2004. Larry advocated for the building of this library. Both Larry and those responsible for the plans can be commended for their foresight. We were able to physically rearrange the facilities in July and August, 2004, making the library appear much larger and allowing for better unobtrusive observation of the facilities and needs of our users. This was the perfect opportunity to significantly weeding the collection.

By teaching the use of the databases, catalog, and WebPages (Information Literacy Presentations) and providing space, materials, 24/7 access, and enough staff, I think these numbers show significant use of the library and its resources.

Fall 2004 (September 8-December 20, 2004)

Individual Information Literacy Presentations	18
Interlibrary Loans	74
Total users in Library 9/04-12/04	28,537
Total searches/Total retrievals - databases	3688 searches/2451 retrievals
Books cataloged	4592
Groups in study rooms/users served	345 groups/1627 users

4 study rooms – (Yellowstone, study rooms 1 & 2, and Lewis & Clark Room)
Serving – faculty/staff/students

There were 650 FTE students enrolled in the Fall semester – including distance students

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