This month, the nation is abuzz with news coverage, programs and retrospectives on the 60th anniversary of Brown v. Board of Education. The landmark Supreme Court decision ordering the end of segregated schools was issued May 16, 1955. Schools in the Farmville, Virginia, area were part of that case. VCU Libraries' new Freedom Now Project offers an online exhibit of 250 photographs from protests in 1963, scant months before the schools reopened. The project invites people to Explore, Witness, Participate.

Happy Birthday,
James Branch Cabell

In honor of the birthday of the namesake of Cabell Library, the Special Collections and Archives staff unveiled newly organized research guides and other materials, including a video. Explore and enjoy.

Honor a Grad or Parent with a Gift to Friends

The Friends of the Library fund invites graduation gifts. To honor a graduate, parent or alumnus, contact Antonia Vassar, (804) 827-1165, or give online and mark the "this gift is a tribute" box. The honoree will receive a special card.
"It really was a rewarding experience to have a chance to give some small help to our students."

*Friends of VCU Libraries Board Member Hatley Mason, about a study break sponsored by the Cabell Library Undergraduate Advisory Committee and the Friends of VCU Libraries*

### News

- [Academic Learning Commons expands hours, helps overcrowded Cabell through exam season](#)
- [Survey assesses faculty needs](#)
- [Knott elected to national office](#)
- [VCU Libraries projects provided trusted public health information](#)
- [Linden Street pattern changes](#)
- [Questions about construction?](#)
- [BrowZine: New way to read journals](#)

### Events

- Through Dec. 31: *"Through the Looking Glass"* exhibit
- Last chance for *"100 Years of Leadership"* Girl Scouts exhibit; closes in May

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**Videos posted:**

- [Black History Month Lecture](#)
- [Sanger Series Lecture](#)
- *"Scalawag"* Talk

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[Tompkins-McCaw Library for the Health Sciences Through the Looking Glass April-December 2014: An exhibition of microscopic images](#)
The marriage of art and science is captured in the new gallery show at Tompkins-McCaw. The library organized the exhibition by putting out a call for microscopic images. Some 40 were submitted from scientists in biomedical engineering, chemistry, biology and other disciplines. Learn more.