

## The Library

Since the founding of the James N. MacLean Memorial Library at Hofstra University in 1951, the library has grown rapidly from a few volumes and documents at the start, to well over thousands of books and many documents, tapes, microfilm, newspapers, maps, photographs, journals and ephemera relating to individuals and families from the region.

The library staff has done a great deal of research and correspondence over the years to achieve the goal that has made the Memorial Library at Hofstra University, one of the most up to date, comprehensive libraries dealing with the history of New York State and Long Island. The collection provides High School and College students as well as researchers from the surrounding areas, with a most valuable tool when involved in such research.

To show appreciation to the Nassau County American Legion for its participation and staunch support, and to the Legion posts who contribute to the program, Hofstra sponsors an Awards Dinner in November on Veterans Day, to honor the County American Legion and the individual posts.

The Legion Post that has given the most money during the legion year, on a per capita basis, is presented with a citation and its name inscribed on a Plaque.

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The James N. Maclean Memorial Library Collection was Started by a Nassau County Commander who wanted to leave something of the history of Long Island and New York State behind for future generations.

This collection of books, manuscripts, maps, microfilm, posters, L.I. Sports, and theater programs, post cards, match book covers, letters, journals, and the history of industries from L.I. are only a few items in this collection.

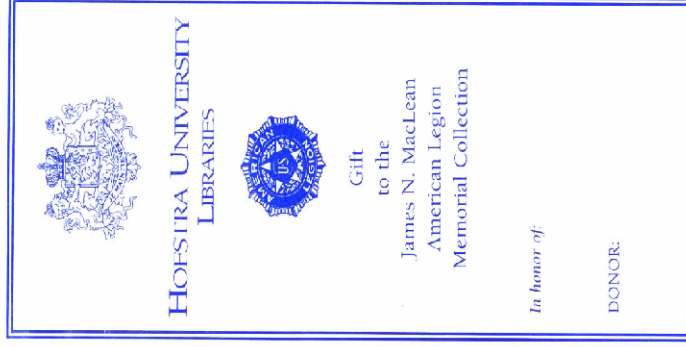
This fund was started by making donations in memory of or in honor of a Legionnaire or a family member passing away but it has grown through the support of the Nassau County Posts and their Auxiliaries and individuals who have kept this collection growing to where it is now recognized as the finest collection of New York State memorabilia in the country.

The receipt of each donation is acknowledged by Hofstra University. Both the sender and the recipient of the donation are notified and a tag is attached to the item being donated or acquired by the Special Collection

This card is placed on each item that is donated to or purchased by Hofstra for our collection.

A receipt is then sent to the family of the person being honored and a copy is sent to the donor.

The Memorial Collection is located at 619 Fulton Avenue in Hempstead in the Special Collections Department of the Hofstra University Library. Due to the rarity and scarcity of most of the volumes and documents, it is necessary to keep them under strict security, so that those persons who use the Memorial Library are restricted to the Special Collections Reading Room, and are not allowed to remove any materials from the area.



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American Legion  
James N. MacLean  
Memorial Library  
Collection*