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A Century of Impact

Hailed in July 1925 as having "every modern convenience... beautiful grounds, ideal surroundings," Chipley Hall at Lander University has witnessed a century of success for its residents.

Over the years, the stately residence hall at the heart of Lander's campus has been the "home" to thousands of young women whose hopes and dreams have been linked to earning a college degree.

Residents – who arrived with suitcases filled with garments for classes, social occasions, sports and leisure – ultimately left, diplomas in hand, to become educators, nurses, lawyers, scientists, business leaders and entrepreneurs, as well as leaders in government and community and civic organizations.

Now, as Chipley Hall marks its 100th anniversary, Lander University is celebrating this revered residence hall and its nurturing and empowering environment for all who have walked its halls, lived in its rooms, and gathered in its communal spaces.

Celebrating 100 Years

With a century of memories, Chipley Hall welcomed a new group of 100 women in August 2024. These students will thrive academically, socially and personally as their predecessors have done.



Then (top) and Now (bottom)



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"A Very Special Place"

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"My Mom and Dad dropped me off with everything I needed in a footlocker. My second-floor room was huge, and once I settled in, I quickly realized the tile floor was a perfect place to hold dance parties; so, we danced often ... much to the chagrin of our house mother! My memories of my time in Chipley Hall are central to my Lander experience because Chipley is just a very special place."

– Molly Spearman '77, former South Carolina Superintendent of Education

"Chipley holds some of my favorite memories from my time at Lander. Our Resident Advisors would frequently put on community nights where all the girls would gather in the lobby, and we also would have self-care nights, movie nights, holiday parties and more. They truly made my experience the best. It felt like home. Chipley gave me the best first year at Lander, and I will be forever grateful!"

– Kathryn Roberts, '19

"One of my favorite things about Chipley was the history of all the women who once lived where I live. The beauty of Chipley doesn't come from the outside, but rather from all the girls on the inside who made Chipley so special. Living in Chipley was so much fun. It was the first time I lived on my own and met people who are still my friends to this day ... It was one of the most memorable years of my life."

– Brooke Brenneman, '24



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CHIPLEY HALL CELEBRATING 100 YEARS



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From its beginning, "Chipley Hall has been more than just a place to live; it has been a home away from home for generations of women who have studied at Lander," said Robyn Hoffman, vice president of University Advancement and executive director of The Lander Foundation. "As the university celebrates this 100-year legacy, it acknowledges Chipley Hall's rich history and the role it has played in shaping the lives of

women who have made indelible contributions throughout our nation – and even the world."

When Chipley opened, The Index-Journal newspaper included advertisements from local companies congratulating Lander: "Greenwood Welcomes Chipley Hall Because It Makes Lander A Modern College."

Securing Chipley Hall's Future

You can have a vital role in the legacy of Chipley Hall through Chipley 100, an exciting campaign to raise support for scholarships and the ongoing preservation of this iconic residence hall that has been an integral part of Lander's campus life.

As part of your gift, Lander University will proudly inscribe your name, or that of a family member or a beloved alumna, on a plaque which helps commemorate the rooms and spaces that are held dear by Chipley's residents.

Chipley Lobby and Study Room gifts will help fund the renovations of those

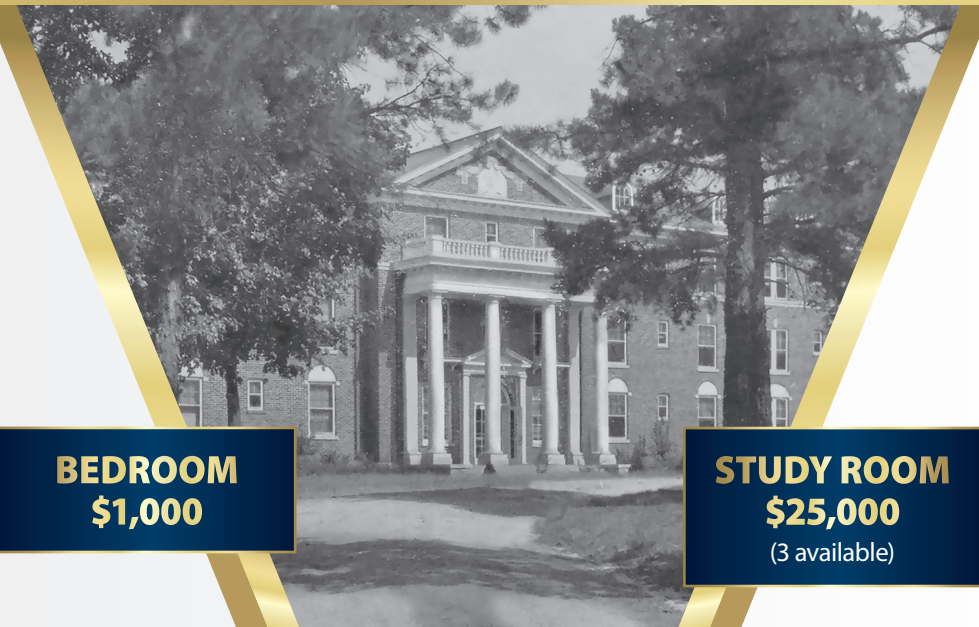
spaces, while contributions for individual rooms will support scholarships for future residents, ensuring this remarkable residence hall continues to play a role in the education of the generations ahead.

Giving Opportunities Include:

Bedroom..... \$1,000

Study Room \$25,000
(3 available)

Chipley Lobby\$100,000



BEDROOM
\$1,000

STUDY ROOM
\$25,000
(3 available)

CHIPLEY LOBBY
\$100,000



"A Very Special Place"

Residents of Chipley Hall say life at the residence hall was an integral part of their Lander story and the memories they have from their college experience.

"I moved into Chipley on the third floor in 1968! I lived there for two years and loved every minute of it. We had one pay phone at the end of the hall for all of us to use! We also had a "Third Floor" song that we all had to learn. I still know every word to that somewhat risqué song today! We made some incredible memories those two years!"

- Anne Walker, '72, Lander Board of Trustees

"Being an African-American country, farm girl from Johnsonville, South Carolina, Lander's campus reminded me of home - the green grass and trees and the flowers. It felt like family! Chipley was in the middle of campus and the heart of a lot of activities. Chipley was a meeting place for everyone if they were going elsewhere on campus or in town or just to sit in the grass and talk. The Dorm Mom, "Miss Gleason," was a kind-hearted person who treated everyone as if they were her own children. That was the key ... Chipley felt like home!"

- Bessie Ruth Eaddy Williams, '77

A Storied History

Lander University moved from Williamston to Greenwood in 1904. Expanding enrollment soon proved the need for a new dormitory for the women's college. Dedicated Lander Trustee, Marvin S. Chipley, a businessman from a prominent Greenwood family, offered \$25,000 toward the \$81,000 cost of the structure.

The building was designed by architects James Hemphill II, of Greenwood, and Rudolph Lee, of Clemson, who shared a vision for creating a supportive community for female students. Hemphill, with various partners, was the architect for numerous notable buildings in Greenwood at the time.

The design is said to have come from the style of buildings at Oxford and

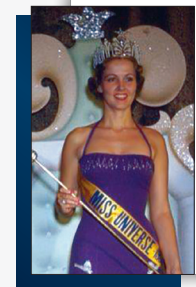
Cambridge in England. The contractor, C.M. Guest and Son, began construction on the facility in June 1924. The brick building, featuring 50 rooms for students, was completed in March 1925.



Sports, 1934



Horseback Riding, 1934



"The memories of the girls from Chipley and the lovely friendships that I made there have been in my heart ever since I arrived at Lander. The support that I received during those years carried me through many wonderful experiences. I'll never forget the excitement from my friends when I arrived back on campus from winning the Miss Universe pageant. The ladies at Lander were more than classmates. They were like sisters, and I cherish my Lander days and the lifelong friendships that I made."

- Miriam Stevenson, '55, Miss Universe '54

Outside Chipley Hall, 2024



Outside Chipley Hall, 1990s



Residential Room, 1982