



The Harry G. Johns Living Learning Center

This residence hall is dedicated to Harry G. Johns '47 in recognition of his leadership, service and commitment to Central State University.

Dr. Johns left Wilberforce University in 1943 when he was called to serve in the U.S. Army during WWII. He received several military honors for his service with the all-Black 999th Field Artillery Battalion during the invasion of Normandy, including the Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition, the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with four Bronze Stars, and the French Jubilé de la Liberté Medal.

He returned to Wilberforce University after the war and graduated in 1947, the year Central State was established as a separate, state-funded institution. After receiving his master's degree in 1949 from the Columbia University Graduate School of Business, Dr. Johns was invited to join the administration of Dr. Charles Wesley, CSU's first president.

He went on to serve in several key leadership positions, including Assistant Bursar, Controller, Business Manager, Vice President of Fiscal Affairs, Director of Physical Plant and Future Planning, and Dean of the College of Business. He played a critical role in the construction of more than 25 buildings on campus during his tenure.

Dr. Johns was inducted into the CSU Alumni Hall of Fame in 2002 and was awarded an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from CSU in 2005. He has also received many awards and honors for his contributions to civic life in this area. The Harry G. Johns Living Learning Center recognizes him for his unwavering dedication and exemplary service to Central State University, the surrounding community, the state, and the nation.

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Dedicated October 15, 2011

Harry G. Johns Living Learning Center Dedication Ceremony

Saturday, October 15, 2011
10:30 a.m.

Welcome.....Dr. Jerryl Briggs
*Vice President for Student Affairs
and Enrollment Management*

Introduction of Invited GuestsDr. Jerryl Briggs

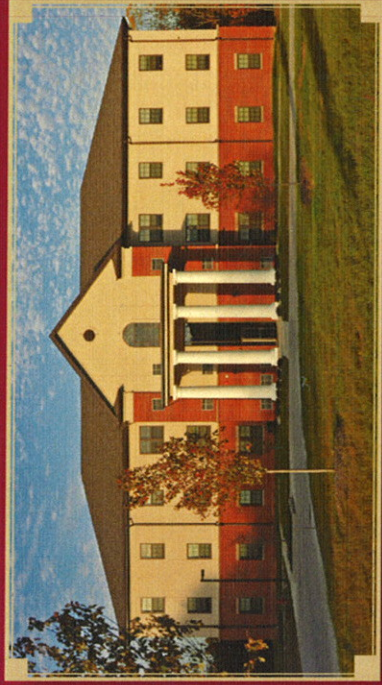
RemarksJohn W. Garland
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Dr. Harry G. Johns
Class of '47

Unveiling of plaque

Ribbon Cutting.....Invited Guests

Welcome to the
Harry G. Johns Living Learning Center!



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