

The Lucy Craft Laney Museum Traveling Exhibition goes to Jefferson County, Georgia:

The Lucy Craft Laney Museum Traveling Exhibition, which was commissioned in the summer of 2011, continues to rack up frequent flyer miles as it settles into its new home at the Wrens Library, Wrens, Georgia.

Thus far, the exhibition has spent time in Burke, McDuffie, Warren, and now Jefferson Counties. After leaving Wrens, the exhibition will proceed to its next home in Lincoln County.

The purpose of the exhibition is to give those people living in the outlying areas of the CSRA and introduction to the life and legacy of Lucy Craft Laney, fondly referred to as “The Mother of the Children of the People.”

The exhibition gives the reader an overview of Ms. Laney’s life and accomplishments, including the establishment of the Lamar School of Nursing, the first primary school for African-American students in Augusta and the Haines Normal and Industrial Institute.

Thousands of people have seen the exhibit thus far and expressed nothing but excitement and curiosity in learning about Ms. Laney.

We encourage all that view the exhibition to visit the Laney Museum to get a more in-depth look into Augusta’s African-American community.

The Laney Museum hopes to one day expand the exhibition to give it a more hands on profile. In addition, the incorporation of a companion exhibition entitled “The Ebony Legacy” is a top priority.

To learn more about the traveling exhibition or to just make a contribution to the Laney museum call 706-724-3576.

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