October 25, 2016

Dear Friend of the Albin O. Kuhn Library & Gallery:

We invite you to become a 50th Anniversary member of the Friends of the Albin O. Kuhn Library & Gallery. Continue your current membership or become a new member during the 50th Anniversary of UMBC by giving $50.00, or multiples of that amount, to be entered onto the rolls of those helping us celebrate the golden anniversary of the Library & Gallery.

The library was the centerpiece in developing the campus in the mid-1960s, and the first full time UMBC employee was Library Director John Haskell who was hired in early 1965. His job was to begin collecting the 75,000 books and serials needed for the founding library. On the day of the official opening of the campus, September 19, 1966, the library was located in Hillcrest, the former Spring Grove Hospital building on Walker Avenue, but was soon moved to Academic One (now named the Biological Sciences Building), when that location was completed. In 1968 the library had its own building when Phase 1 was opened, and the building was expanded in 1972 and 1995 to achieve the current architectural stature.

Please consider giving to the Friends at any level but most especially to join the rolls of those giving in honor of the 50th Anniversary.

Most sincerely yours,

Lois Kuhn Romeo
Chair of the Friends Council

Patrick José Dawson
Director