

The first University library consisted of books donated from trustees. By the 1900s, there were more than 3,500 books in the collection.



President Harry W. Chase requested a new facility.



Wilson Library, named for the University librarian

The library (and the Bell Tower) can be seen in a flyover shot in "Kiss the Girls" (1997,) starring Ashley Judd and Morgan Freeman.

The "Kiss the Girls" costume designer was Abigail Murray. She also designed the costumes for "Tremors," a 1990 Bacon movie.



Frank Porter Graham, University president in 1930

Graham's brother Archibald "Moonlight" Graham played professional baseball for one inning in 1905 with the New York Giants.

That short stint in the big leagues was dramatized in the 1989 movie "Field of Dreams," in which Amy Madigan played Kevin Costner's wife.



Madigan starred in "Uncle Buck" with John Candy.

"Uncle Buck" John Candy starred in "Planes, Trains & Automobiles" (1987), in which Bacon played a taxi racer.



Silent Sam, erected in 1913, faces Franklin Street.

The cast of "Dawson's Creek" — including Katie Holmes — filmed in Wilmington but would come inland to film on Franklin Street.



TomKat, 2005 (Need we say more?)

Tom Cruise starred as a paralyzed Vietnam vet in "Born on the Fourth of July" (1989) with leading lady Kyra Sedgwick.



Sedgwick, married to Bacon since 1988

6 Degrees of Kevin Bacon

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With UNC-Chapel Hill celebrating its 214th birthday this University Day, a little game of Six Degrees was bound to turn up some interesting links to the campus. So go to the ceremony, eat some cake and marvel in the ties that bind us together.



The original old well kept the campus hydrated.

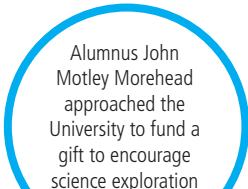
During a state of campus beautification, University President Edwin Alderman decided the well needed a makeover.



Old Well, inspired by the Temple of Love

The well (and other campus staples such as Old West and Carroll Hall) show up on the campus scenes in the 1998's "Patch Adams," starring Robin Williams.

Bob Gunton of "Adams" also had a role in the 1991 ensemble "JFK." (You knew the "JFK" link was coming. Promise it's the last.)



Alumnus John Motley Morehead approached the University to fund a gift to encourage science exploration among students.



Morehead Planetarium, built in 1949

Between 1959 and 1975, almost all astronauts participating in space programs (including Apollo) trained at Morehead.



James A. Lovell, mission astronaut on Apollo 13

Lovell coached space navigation to the cast of 1995's "Apollo 13," which included Tom Hanks, Bill Paxton and Kevin Bacon.



First women's dorm named after Cornelia Phillips Spencer

The 1972 passage of Title IX banned lack of dorm space as a reason for refusing women admission. It also gave women athletic opportunities.

Carolina soccer phenom Mia Hamm receives special thanks in the credits of "Bend it Like Beckham" which co-starred Keira Knightley.



Knightley in "Pride and Prejudice" (2005)

"Prejudice" co-star Donald Sutherland also stars in "Animal House" (1978), with Bacon as Chip Diller. (Okay, it's a stretch. But cool, huh?)