# Tactile Energy History Exhibition

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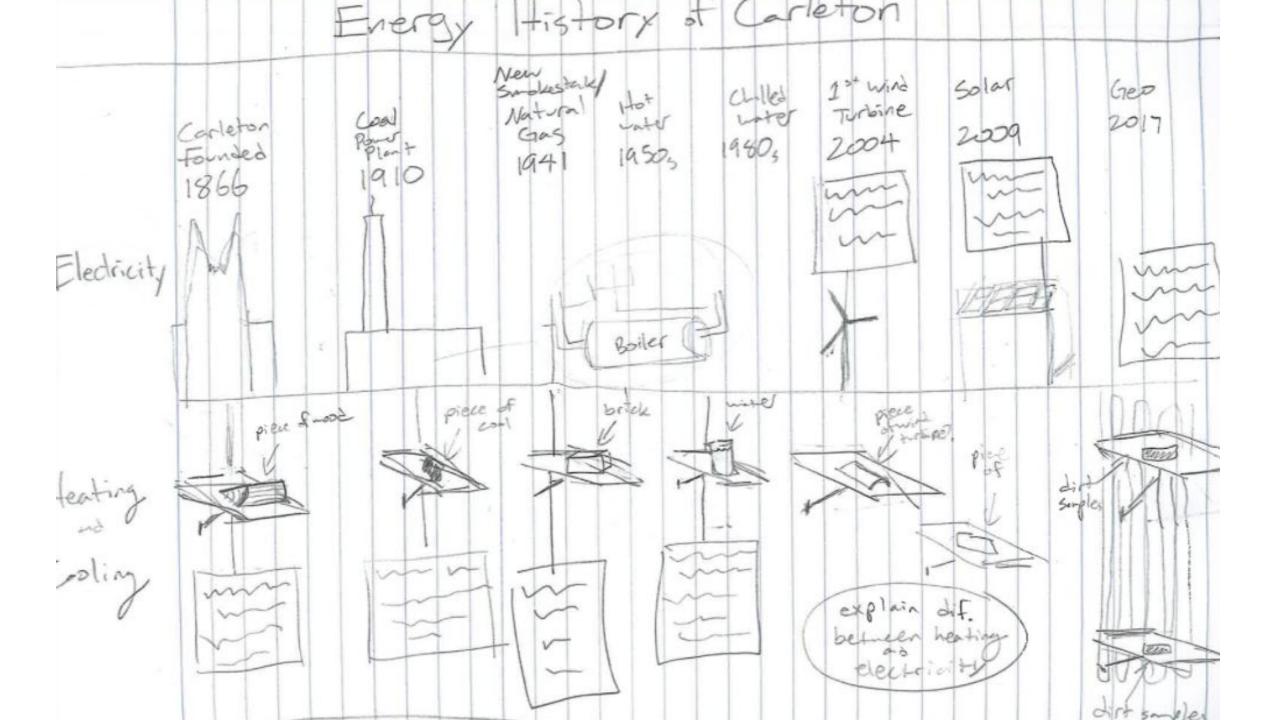
#### Our Plan

- Energy history of Carleton timeline
- Museum-style exhibition
- Hands-on with tactile components
- Temporary and permanent displays

#### Why?

- Bring awareness to historical significance
- Physically engage students in learning
- Target specific learning styles
- Draw most possible attention

## Our Design



### Energy History of Carleton















Two types of geothermal wells are installed on campus: horizontal wells are drilled under Bell Field, while vertical wells are drilled under the Bald Spot and the Mini-Bald-Spot. These wells will help with heating and cooling at Carleton.

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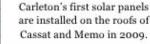
At the time of Carleton's founding in 1866, the college is heated with fireplaces and coal furnaces in each building. There is no electricity at Carleton yet (the light bulb wasn't invented until 1879).

The construction of a central heating plant in 1910 allows Carleton to stop relying on heating systems in individual buildings and is a major development in the college's energy history.

In 1941 and 1942, a new smokestack is built and Carleton switches the fuel in its heating plant from coal to natural gas. This is a major turning point in the history of energy and sustainability at Carleton.

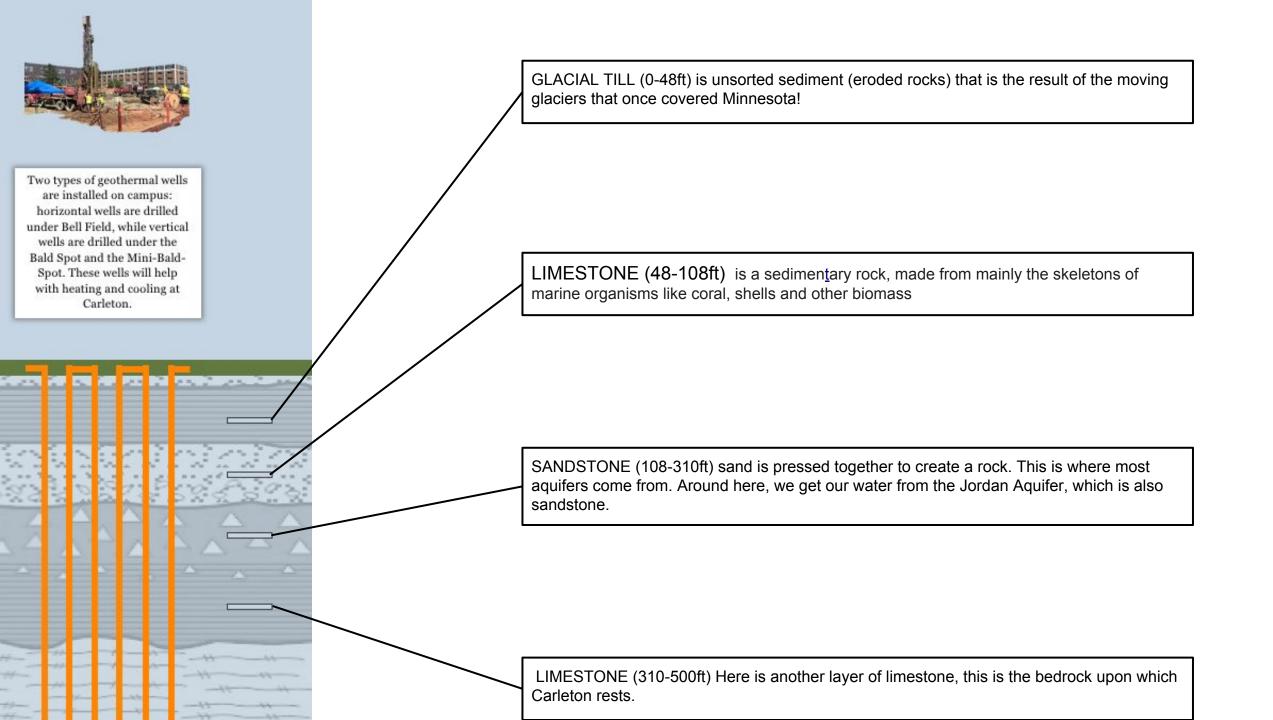
In the 1980s, the installation of chilled water cooling technology allows for the air conditioning of a number of buildings on campus.

The 2004 installation of a 1.65 megawatt wind turbine replaces about 40% of Carleton's electricity needs with renewable energy. This is the first utility-grade wind turbine in the country to be owned by a college, and marks the first step in Carleton's attempt at electrical energy reduction.





In 1908 the public electric grid comes to Carleton, giving the college electricity for the first time. The conversion of heating from steam to hot water radiators in the 1960s makes heating more efficient, especially in the new buildings of Myers, Musser, and Boliou.



### **Tactile Components**



#### **Tactile Components (Pt. 2)**

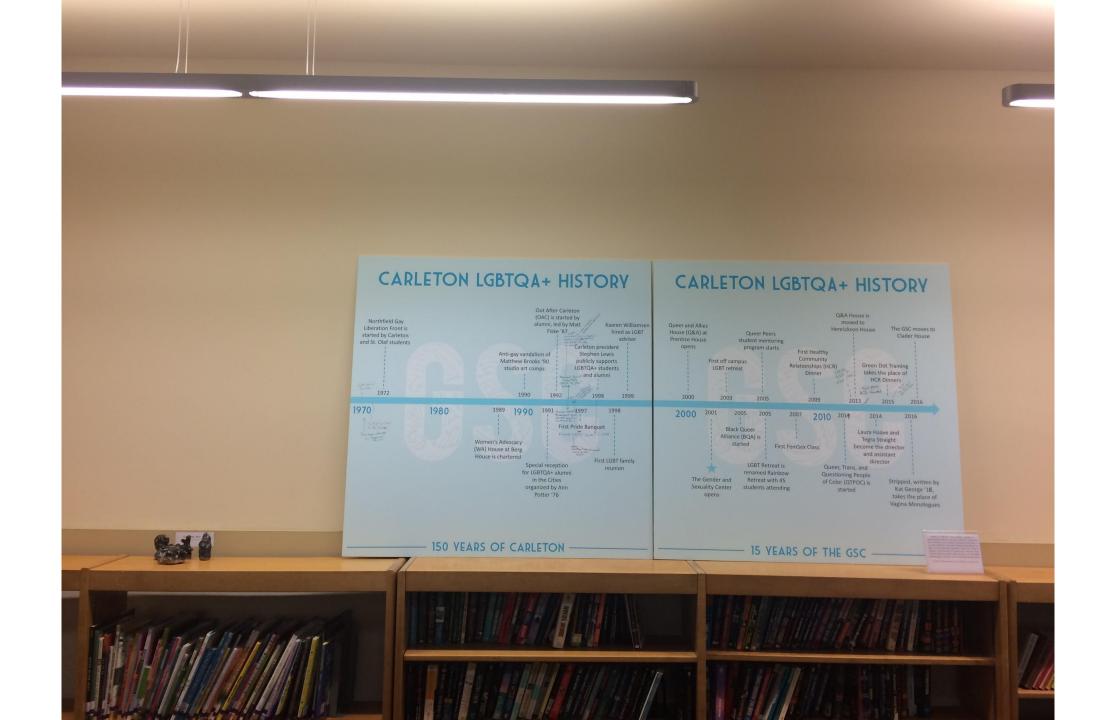


#### Tactile Components (Pt. 3)



#### Location

- Temporary display: The Rookery back wall, items placed above bookshelves
- Permanent display: potentially lobby of new science building, items placed on museum podiums



#### Where do we go from here?

- Leave prototype with the Sustainability Office and Geology department
- Follow construction of new science building
- Look for opportunities for permanent display

#### Conclusion

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