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CIRCULATION

A Fascinating Friends Of The Library Dinner Event Supports Jesse H. Jones Community Health Information Service

The Friends of the Texas Medical Center Library hosted An Evening With ... Houston's Most Fascinating on Wednesday, October 21, 1998, in the Crystal Ballroom of the historic Rice Hotel. The October 21, 1998 dinner-dedicated to the legendary Jesse H. Jones and celebrating the fortieth anniversary of the Friends of the Texas Medical Center Library-was the most successful fund raising event in the HAM-TMC Library's history. Approximately 400 people from the Houston community and local foundations attended the event. Fifty of Houston's most fascinating personalities were in attendance.

Proceeds from the evening, over \$100,000, will support the Library's new Jesse H. Jones Community Health Information Service. In addition, the Houston Endowment awarded a \$50,000 grant for the Community Health Information Service. The Center is a cooperative consumer health information project to enable the Library and its partners, the UT Houston Health Science Center, the Houston Public Library, the Harris County Public Library, and the Houston Department of Health and Human Services, to improve information services to the community. It is designed to help citizens locate specific health materials to meet their immediate health needs, and to serve health care providers, and health professional students in training. The project includes the TEXAS HealthInfo Web site and consumer health resources provided by the Library.

Chaired by a dynamic duo, Dr. and Mrs. E. Lillo Crain, the evening proved to be one of sparkling conversation with Houston's most fascinating individuals. Each of these people (listed on page 5) was recognized for special talents and contributions to Houston's milieu. Dr. and Mrs. Crain were assisted by members of the Steering and Underwriting Committees: Mr. and Mrs. Ben M.

POLICIES

Audiovisual materials: 7 days, 2 renewals.

Books; 2 weeks, 2 renewals.

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Nursing journals: Inhouse use only.

Unbound journals: 2 hours.

Renewals:

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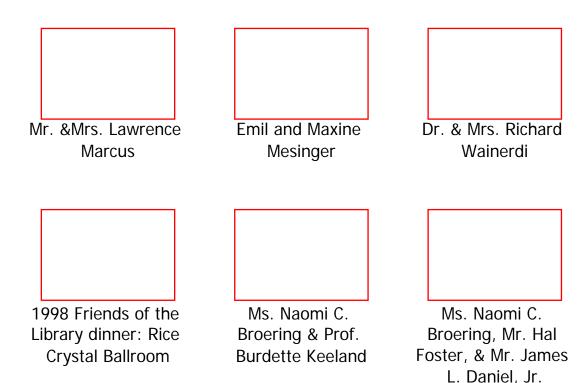
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Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Jack S. Blanton, Dr. and Mrs. Earl J. Brewer, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Fred T. Couper, Mr. James L. Daniel, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Elkins, Jr., Mr. Hal Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred C. Glassell, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Richard J.V. Johnson, Dr. Mavis P. Kelsey, Mr. and Mrs. Russell McFarland, Dr. and Mrs. G. Walter McReynolds, Mr. H. Joe Nelson III, Ms. Betsy Parish, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Welsh, Jr., Mrs. Margaret Alkek Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar S. Wyatt, Jr., Mrs. Daniel C. Arnold, Mr. Gail Crawford, Mr. Tom McIntosh, and Mr. Hart Peebles. Underwriters for the evening were the Compag Computer Corporation, Freddy and Lillo Crain, Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Elkins, Jr., the Ray C. Fish Foundation, Louisa Stude Sarofim, Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Simpson, and the Chas P. Young Company. Many thanks to the attendees and donors for their support. The Library encourages everyone to join the Friends of the Texas Medical Center Library. The Friends serve as advocates for the HAM-TMC Library and support Library programs. See page 6 for the Friends membership enrollment form, which can be dropped off or sent to the Library. These donations to the Friends qualify as charitable donations.

Fascinating Fotos! 1998 Friends Of The Library Dinner Click on any photo to see a larger version.



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Dr. E. Lillo Crain, Dr. & Mrs. G. Walter McReynolds, Mrs. E. Lillo Crain Dr. David Yawn, Mr. & Mrs. Russel McFarland, Mrs. Mona Rapier, Mr. James L. Daniel, Jr.

TEXAS HealthInfo, a New Web Site at the Houston Academy of Medicine-Texas Medical Center Library

Do your patients or family members ask you health questions? Of course they do! In most cases, what they're seeking is basic health information or non-technical information about a recent diagnosis. A new addition to the HAM-TMC Library is the Consumer Health Information Center, located in the reading room off Library lobby. It includes a collection of books, videos, and brochures on a variety of topics such as living with diabetes, how to cope with learning disabilities, healthy living, etc. In selecting these materials, the library makes an effort to include general literature that is easy to understand and written for the layperson. Patients, their families, and friends will find a wealth of information available to them in this section on diseases, conditions, and wellness.

The Consumer Health Information Service reaches "beyond the walls of the Library" with the TEXAS HealthInfo Web page. Anyone with access to the internet can go to the TEXAS HealthInfo Web site (http://txhi.library.tmc.edu/index.html) and browse the health topics. The Web site includes links to reviewed and reputable sites with information on cancer, support groups, etc. It also lists the consumer health books and brochures owned by the HAM-TMC Library and electronic/full-text resources. In addition to the National Library of Medicine MEDLINEplus announced previously, two library databases are particularly helpful to the layperson seeking health information. (1) Health Reference Center allows you to type in a subject and it will list relevant book chapters, magazine articles, and pamphlets. It provides full-text access to most of these resources so you can

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Executive Director: Naomi C. Broering, MLS, M.A. print the article or pamphlet right off of the computer! (2) Alt-HealthWatch is an index to topics in the ever-growing field of alternative health and medicine. It includes full-text of the journal articles indexed.

If you have questions about the Consumer Health Information Service, please call Liz Williams at (713) 799-7183.

McGovern Challenge Grant Receives First Gift

This Fall, the Board of Trustees of the Houston Academy of Medicine presented the Library with a check for \$25,000 to fulfill the first portion of a challenge grant from Dr. John P. McGovern. This Challenge Grant, a most generous "two-for-one" offer, matches the \$25,000 donated by the Houston Academy of Medicine with \$50,000. Dr. McGovern's matching gift was received in November and he has offered to repeat this process three times.

This will create a total of \$300,000 for the John P. McGovern Historical Collections and Research Center Endowment Fund. This Fund will be used to support the preservation, indexing, cataloging, exhibits, and other services needed to make the Library's historical book and manuscript collections available to the Library's cardholders and to the wider audience of scholars in the health sciences. The fund will also be used for acquisitions to enhance the quality of the history of medicine collections and to provide secondary or tertiary resources needed by students and scholars.

The McGovern Challenge Grant will continue until December 31, 1999. Each gift for the Endowment Fund will be matched two-forone by Dr. McGovern and will greatly enhance the Library's historical services and the client access to these collections. Contributions to the Endowment are welcomed and qualify as tax deductible contributions. For further information, please contact Naomi C. Broering, Executive Director (713-799-7116) or Elizabeth White, McGovern Historical Collections and Research Center (713-799-7139).

Welcome Aboard

was appointed Associate Director of the NN/LM SCR-Regional Medical Library Program at the HAM-TMC Library and joined the staff on December 9, 1998. She is actively leading the ongoing program and implementing new initiatives supported by the NLM. Prior to this position, Ms. Bougard was the User Support Manager in the Medical Sciences Library at Texas A&M University, and before that at the HAM-TMC Library 1992-1998. Ms. Bougard has a strong and diverse background. She graduated from Louisiana State University - Baton Rouge in 1990. Her first Librarian position was with Lake Charles Memorial Hospital, as the Director of the Walter O. Moss, MD Medical Library. Ms. Bougard joined the NN/LM SCR at the HAM-TMC Library in March, 1992, where she was the Network Coordinator for over six years. She was responsible for managing all aspects of DOCLINE, developing and teaching document delivery and Network - related workshops, maintaining the Network Membership Database, editing the Directory of Health Science Libraries, Network News, DOC it! and the NN/LM Document Delivery Manual. Ms. Bougard is working with the region's professionals, in collaboration with the RML Board of Directors and Naomi C. Broering, RML Director, to provide leadership for the five-state NN/LM SCR.

The Library welcomes back **Renée Bougard**, MLIS, AHIP. She

Originally from Indiana, Laurel Sanders joined the Knowledge Network Services department on November 16. She obtained her MLIS from Louisiana State University while gaining a variety of library experience: at Tulane's Howard-Tilton Library in the following areas: serials, science reference, and cataloging. At Loyola University she worked with nursing distance learning students; and at the U.S.Army Corps of Engineers she handled general library functions. After graduation she spent a year with the New Orleans District as cataloging librarian, then moved to Houston.

Donald Sewell joined the Library in November, 1998. He left his previous position as a Systems\Network Support Technician at Austin Community College to move to Houston. He graduated from Crockett School in Austin, Texas, and spent seven years in the United States Navy as an Electronics Technician. Since that time he has worked in many areas of the computer industry. He is

responsible for computer/network support at the library.

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