The Recovery Room

Masks and gloves — archival boxes and folders — strong backs and long hours are all necessary for the processing of more than 800 boxes of documents damaged by the June, 2001 flood. The Recovery Room (aka the James Sammons Auditorium) is located on the third floor of the Jesse H. Jones Library Building. This serves as our staff offices (the desk sitting at center stage being the prime location), storage area for supplies, and a very creative shelving arrangement based upon the row and seat numbers. The McGovern Historical Collections and Research Center staff have made this unique arrangement work for our recovery operations and are very grateful to the Houston Academy of Medicine for making this space available to the Library.

The Recovery Room Staff

Kimberly Youngblood is the project archivist for our flood recovery efforts. She has completed her Master’s degree in Public History from the University of Houston. While working on her degree she worked for a short while in the archive at Baylor College of Medicine. Kimberly is currently working with other staff members on the sorting and reprocessing the McGovern Center’s institutional collections. Her main focus will be manuscript collections from Dr. Sam Nixon, Dr. William Spencer, and other TMC faculty members.

Jeff Goldberg has a degree in psychology from Oklahoma State University in Stillwater. He worked for several years at ExxonMobil before coming to the
Library. Jeff’s current job is processing the damaged licensure files from the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners. He will be entering information from the records in the Gazetteer of Texas and assisting with manuscript collections and the recovery of the damaged book collections.

Pam Cornell has been with the Library for a little over a year. She is the project archivist for the collections of papers from R. Lee Clark, M.D. and other researchers at the U. T. M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. Her special project was funded through a two-year grant from the Friends of the Texas Medical Center Library. Because her office is on the second floor of the Library and large portions of her collections are in the Recovery Room, she has become one of freight elevator specialists in moving trucks of materials.

Manny Gonzales has a degree in English from Brown University. With over 300 serial titles in the archive, he is becoming the TMC newsletter expert. Manny is sorting the damaged serial titles, recording the losses, reboxing the volumes, and will be trying to locate replacements for the many gaps in our institutional collections. He will also be assisting Pam Cornell with the R. Lee Clark papers and handling requests from our clients for photocopies and reproductions. Although his Recovery Room desk is “Center Stage”, he also has work areas on the Street Level in the archive stacks and in the rare book room on the second floor of the Library.

NEW DATABASE JOURNAL CITATION REPORTS

The HAM–TMC Library now has a subscription to ISI’s Journal Citation Reports (JCR). JCR is a unique tool for journal evaluation, using citation data drawn from over 8,400 journals from over 3,000 publishers worldwide to access the impact of journals in the areas of science, technology, and social sciences.

It is the online equivalent to Journal Impact Factors. The science edition of JCR contains about 5,000 journals in the areas of science and technology. The social sciences edition includes about 1,500 journals in that discipline.

To access JCR go to: http://library.tmc.edu/dbaccesslevels.html

Please note that JCR is only available under TMC Educational Access and TMC Institutional Access.

For questions regarding JCR please call the reference desk (713) 799-7161 or e-mail us at: webmgr@library.tmc.edu

NOTE: If you find that you are having trouble accessing Journal Citation Reports, please be advised that the Library’s subscription has a limit of three simultaneous users.
EXTENDED REMOTE ACCESS SERVICES

On Monday, December 10, 2001, the HAM–TMC Library extended its remote-access service to cardholders not affiliated with TMC educational institutions. There are now 3 levels of access based on licensing agreements:

**TMC Educational Access** - includes students, faculty, and staff of TMC educational institutions. Those at this level have access to 4,000 ejournals and 100 databases.

- Baylor College of Medicine
- Institute of Biosciences and Technology of Texas A&M University
- Prairie View A&M College of Nursing
- Texas Woman’s University - Houston
- University of Texas Health Science Center - Houston
- University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center
- University of Houston College of Pharmacy
- University of Houston College of Optometry

**TMC Institutional** - This group includes HAM–TMC Library cardholders affiliated with TMC institutions that are not considered educational. Choose TMC Institutional Access if you are affiliated with any Texas Medical Center institution not listed above. Those at this level have access to 1,500 ejournals and 80 databases.

**Cardholder** - This group includes HAM–TMC Library cardholders not affiliated with TMC. For example, staff at a contract hospital, an employee of a law firm that has purchased one of our cards, and members of the Harris County Medical Society fall into this group. Those at this level have access to 1,000 ejournals and 30 databases.

**Open** - This includes all non-cardholders and allows access to 500 ejournals and 30 databases. This is the only level of access which does not require a HAM–TMC Library card and registration.

For more information please visit the Library’s Remote Access Service Help Page at: [http://www.library.tmc.edu/ras.html](http://www.library.tmc.edu/ras.html) and the Remote Access Service Frequently Asked Questions at: [http://www.library.tmc.edu/rasfaq.html](http://www.library.tmc.edu/rasfaq.html)

HEALTH INFORMATICS LAB NOW OPEN

After being destroyed by Tropical Storm Allison, the HAM–TMC Library’s Health Informatics Education Center Computer Lab is once again open to the public. The Library proudly invites everyone to come by for a look or to try out the facilities.

Located on the Library’s Street Level, the computer lab contains 17 networked computer workstations equipped with:

- Internet Explorer and Netscape Web Browsers
- Microsoft Word 2000 word-processing software
- PowerPoint 2000 presentation software
- Excel 2000 spreadsheet software
- Radio Easy CD Creator
- Black-and-white laser printing for $.10 per page and color laser printing for $.50 per page. Two color scanners are also available in the lab. The computer lab is open to all and has the same hours as the HAM–TMC Library except that it closes one half hour before the Library’s scheduled closing time.
Congratulations to the NN/LM SCR staff, for winning third place for “Best Exhibit” at the national American Association for Respiratory Care annual meeting in San Antonio, TX using the new NLM exhibit display.

Delores (Dee) Scott, new Executive Assistant to Dr. Elizabeth Eaton, graduated from Phyllis Wheatley High School and attended Texas Southern University and The University of Houston concentrating on Business Administration. Dee’s extensive experience includes more than 25 years in varied professional positions, including medical, legal, academic, and human resources.

Prior to her coming to the Library, she spent 11 years at Texas Woman’s University where she was the principal support for Dr. Kathryn Stream, who was during that time, Chief Operations Officer at TWU.

Dee is a Certified Literary Counselor for Fort Bend County. She has recently completed 500 hours as a volunteer telephone crisis counselor at the Crisis Intervention of Houston Crisis Hotline. Her hobbies include reading, writing (some published), and spending time with the (three) grandboys.

Donald Barclay, MA, MLIS and Deborah Halsted, MLS, MA have published a book titled:


Adela V. Calbillo is the Library’s new Consumer Health Librarian. Adela is a native Houstonian who grew up in Pasadena. She graduated from the University of North Texas with a BS in Music in 1994 and received her MLS in 1995. She worked as a Reference Librarian at the University of Texas Medical Branch Library in Galveston for a year and was a Children’s Librarian for five years at the Houston Public Library.

From left: Karla Bourque, Gretchen Schweiger, Greg Bodin, Renee Bougard, Ruicha Mishra, Carrie Rogers, Melissa Salas and Dr. Elizabeth K. Eaton

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