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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This is my last President's Message, so I thought I would take the opportunity to make it a "State of the Association" message. I think it is safe to begin by saying that the state of the Association is on the whole quite good, though there is certainly room for improvement.

Fiscally, we are doing reasonably well. AAHM has substantial assets in its own accounts and those of the History of Medicine Foundation. Thanks to the efforts of Ken Ludmerer and the generosity of many members, we raised some \$318,000 (exceeding our goal) in the recent campaign to endow our awards. The interest on this sum will allow us to pay the cost of awarding the Association's prizes, an important component of our activities.

I believe that the annual meeting program for Rochester demonstrates that the Association's scholarly program is thriving. The scope and diversity of the papers to be presented is truly remarkable. Especially encouraging is the number of papers on the program by younger members at this and at other recent meetings. We seem secure in having a new generation of scholars to continue to advance the field.

On the other hand, our membership has been relatively static for many years, hovering around 1200. In the mid-1980s, membership was over 1500, and it would be wonderful to once again reach that figure. The Association should devote some attention to considering ways to increase membership.

In spite of our sound fiscal position, we will need additional resources to ensure the future of the Association. As you know, recently our Secretary-Treasurer of more than nine years, Todd Savitt, resigned his post. We were fortunate to be able to recruit Chris Crenner to succeed Todd. As the Association and the discipline grows more complex, I fear that it will become more difficult to locate competent and dedicated individuals willing to take on this demanding job on a volunteer basis. We need to start thinking about the possibility of hiring a part-time or full-time executive secretary for the organization, or at the very least providing the Secretary-Treasurer with considerably more resources. In an effort to achieve this aim, the Council is planning a renewed fund raising campaign, about which you will hear more shortly.

I want to close by thanking the members for giving me this opportunity to serve as your President, and my fellow officers, Council members, and committee members for their support, encouragement and assistance during my term. I will leave the office confident that AAHM will be in good hands with Bruce Fye filling the position. Ciao!

*John Parascandola,  
AAHM President*

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### AAHM NEWS

#### AAHM 2008 Rochester, NY

By the time you read this, you should already be familiar with the program for the Association's 81<sup>st</sup> annual meeting. It's been available on the meeting Web site since late January, and if the postal services have done their work the printed version should have arrived at your home by mid-February. As we're sure you'll agree, this year's program contains unusual riches and variety plus some special features: the Sanford Meyerowitz Memorial Lecture by Anne Harrington of Harvard; the Garrison Lecture on "The Aesthetic Grounding of Modern Medicine" by Yale's John Harley Warner, delivered in the beautiful setting of the George Eastman House and International Museum of Photography; the Awards Banquet Saturday night enhanced by the musical performance

of the Eastman School of Music all-female wind quintet, "Arabesque Winds"; a rousing finale on Sunday morning with five concurrent sessions including one on "Religion and Conscience" and another on "Sex and Surgery in China."

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News items of 250 words or less are invited and may be submitted by e-mail, fax, or regular mail. Deadlines: 1 July, 1 October, and 15 February.

Obviously, the aesthetic satisfaction and intellectual stimulation of the meeting will be of high order, but what will the city of Rochester have to offer? First, if the law of averages continues in force, the daily high will be 53 degrees and the daily low will be 34. Rain is harder to predict, so bring an umbrella just in case. The principal meeting venue, the Hyatt Regency Hotel, is located on Main Street in the heart of downtown, just ten minutes or so by cab or van from the Rochester International Airport. For train buffs, the Amtrak station is even closer. The hotel is in easy walking distance to the Genesee River and its High Falls, the High Falls Historic Preservation District, the historic Corn Hill neighborhood, the world-famous Eastman Theater (home to the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra), the Strong National Museum of Play, the Excelsus Blue Cross Arena, and dozens of excellent and interesting restaurants. Within

a few blocks of the Hyatt, you can find Tapas 177 featuring wild game and seafood dishes, Nathaniel's Pub, Dinosaur Bar-B-Que ("a genuine honky tonk rib joint"), and the elegant Max's Restaurant across from Eastman Theater. Just a little farther away but still in easy striking range are dozens and dozens more, with every variety of atmosphere and cuisine, including charming old Erie canal houses, English pubs, live music venues, and American, continental, Mediterranean, and Asian favorites.

Additional cultural and recreational options range from tours and tea at the Susan B. Anthony House, guided tours of the Memorial Art Gallery, a Triple A baseball game between the Rochester Red Wings (a Minnesota Twins affiliate) and the Syracuse Chiefs (a Toronto Blue Jays affiliate), lots of hockey, a free contemporary percussion concert at Kilbourn Hall of the Eastman School of Music, performances by the Pegasus Early Music Group in the wood-paneled living room of the Rochester Academy of Medicine, a showing of "Pulse: A STOMP Odyssey" at the Strasenburgh Planetarium, a range of foreign and independent films at the Little Theater, and a complimentary tasting of Finger Lakes' wines.

There will clearly be plenty to enjoy in Rochester in addition to the superb program of lectures, papers, and workshops. We look forward to hosting you and to sharing our city.

*Ted Brown and Stephanie Brown Clark*  
2008 Local Arrangements Committee Co-Chairs

### **Nominating Committee**

The report of the AAHM Nominating Committee appears on the enclosed memorandum from AAHM Secretary-Treasurer Christopher Crenner. Biographies for the nominated candidates appear below.

**Theodore M. Brown** is Professor of History, of Community and Preventive Medicine, and of Medical Humanities at the University of Rochester in Rochester, New York. He received his Ph.D. in History of Science from Princeton University and was

a Postdoctoral Fellow in the History of Medicine at Johns Hopkins. He is the author of *The Mechanical Philosophy and the "Animal Oeconomy": A Study in the Development of English Physiology During the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries* (1981), and in 1997 he and Elizabeth Fee published *Making Medical History: The Life and Times of Henry E. Sigerist*, which they co-edited and substantially co-authored. He has published numerous articles on the history of psychosomatic medicine, American health policy, and American and international public health. He has been a member of AAHM for close to forty years and is this year's co-chair of the Local Arrangements Committee for the annual meeting. In the past, he served as chair of the Shryock Medal Committee and of the Welch Medal Committee.

**John M. Eyler** holds a B.A. in History from the University of Maryland and an M.A. and Ph.D. in History of Science from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. His formal training in the history of medicine came as a postdoctoral fellow for two years on Macy Foundation and NIH fellowships also at Madison. Following a visiting appointment in the Department of History at Northwestern University, he joined the faculty in the Program in the History of Medicine at the University of Minnesota in 1974. In 1999 he became Director of the Program. His research and publications have been in the history of epidemiology, public health, and state medicine. His publications include *Victorian Social Medicine: The Ideas of Methods of William Farr* (1979) and *Sir Arthur Newsholme and State Medicine 1885-1935* (1997). He is currently studying virus research and epidemiology in America between the World Wars. He joined the AAHM in 1973 and has been an active member since, serving as member and chair of several committees, twice as a Council member, and giving the Garrison Lecture in 2005.

**W. Bruce Fye** received his undergraduate and medical degrees from the Johns Hopkins University and, after a medical residency at New York Hospital, he returned to Hopkins for his cardiology fellowship. A Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar at Hopkins, Bruce received a master's degree from the Institute of

the History of Medicine in 1978. He founded the echocardiography laboratory at the Marshfield Clinic in Wisconsin where he served as Chair of Cardiology. In 2000 Bruce joined the Mayo Clinic as a cardiologist and Professor of Medicine and the History of Medicine at the Mayo Clinic College of Medicine. In 2006 he was selected to be director of the newly created Mayo Clinic Center for Medical History. He is the author of *The Development of American Physiology: Scientific Medicine in the Nineteenth Century* (1987) and *American Cardiology: The History of a Specialty and its College* (1996). He is now writing a history of cardiology at the Mayo Clinic, a project supported in part by an NLM Publication Grant. He has been a member of the AAHM since 1975, and has served on and chaired many AAHM committees. He is currently serving as AAHM Vice President.

**Norman Gevitz** is Professor of the History of Medicine and Chair of the Department of Social Medicine at Ohio University. He received his Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Chicago. He is the author of *The DOs: Osteopathic Medicine in America* 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. (2004); editor of *Other Healers: Unorthodox Medicine in America* (1988); co-editor of *Beyond Flexner: Medical Education in the 20th Century* (1992); and is the author of forty articles and chapters. He has received three honorary doctorate degrees as well as several public service awards. His research has been underwritten by the National Endowment for the Humanities, the National Library of Medicine, and the U.S. Department of Education. He is currently at work on a book titled *Puritan Medicine: Health and Healing in Seventeenth-Century New England*. He has been a member of AAHM since 1979 and has served as chair of the Education Committee, as well as being a member of both the Shryock and Osler Medal Committees.

**Leslie J. Reagan** is Associate Professor in the History Department and the College of Medicine at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, with affiliations in the Law School and the Gender and Women's Studies Program as well. She received her Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. She is the author of the prize-winning, *When Abortion Was a Crime: Women, Medicine, and Law in the United*

*States, 1867-1973* (1997) and editor (with Nancy Tomes and Paula Treichler) of *Medicine's Moving Pictures: Medicine, Health and Bodies in American Film and Television* (2007), which includes her chapter on the 1950s campaign for breast self-examination. Her newest work on epidemics, reproduction, and disabilities, *Epidemic of Anxiety: Mothers, "Deformed" Babies, and German Measles (Rubella) in America*, is forthcoming. Other current research projects include Agent Orange; child examination; and law, medicine, and privacy. She has been a member of the AAHM for almost twenty years and has served on several AAHM committees, as well as on the editorial board of the *Bulletin of the History of Medicine*.

**Nancy Tomes** is Professor and Chair of History at Stony Brook University. She is the author of two books on the history of psychiatry: *A Generous Confidence: Thomas Story Kirkbride and the Art of Asylum Keeping* (1984) and (with Lynn Gamwell) *Madness in America: Cultural and Medical Perceptions of Mental Illness Before 1914* (1995). Her last book, *The Gospel of Germs: Men, Women and the Microbe in American Life* (1998), won both the History of Science Society's Davis Prize and the American Association for the History of Medicine's Welch Medal. While a fellow at the National Humanities Center, she developed "Medicine and Madison Avenue," a digital collection on the history of health-related advertising available on the Duke University Library's Web site. She is currently finishing a book on evolving conceptions of patient/consumer "empowerment" from the New Deal to the Reagan revolution. Nancy has been a member of the AAHM since the early 1980s, and has twice served as Program Chair for its annual meeting.

### AAHM Student Section

The Student Section of the AAHM invites all graduate and medical students to the second annual Student Luncheon at noon on Saturday, 12 April during the upcoming conference in Rochester, NY. To ensure a seat for this pay-your-own-way networking opportunity, please check the box on your AAHM conference registration form. Location will be an area restaurant TBA.

In addition, student accommodations are being offered again this year. If you would like to be set up with a roommate, please contact Kristen Ehrenberger at [kehren2@uiuc.edu](mailto:kehren2@uiuc.edu) by 10 March at the absolute latest.

Finally, the Student Section will be launching its own page on the AAHM Web site later this year: watch for it!

### AAHM Luncheon Workshops in Rochester

Phil Wilkin and Jon Erlen will be presenting a luncheon workshop in Rochester. The goal will be to show the history of medicine/health care resources available in the European Union Library and Archives now located in Hillman Library at the University of Pittsburgh. This is a treasure trove of post-1960 primary documents.

We are asking your assistance in creating this presentation. We are asking any history of medicine scholars working in the post-1960 period to send us their research project we may use as examples in this presentation. Please remember that this resource provides international coverage not only of Europe; it also has extensive history of medicine holdings for most third world countries. Please email your post-1960 research interests to: [erlen@pitt.edu](mailto:erlen@pitt.edu). Thanks for your assistance in creating this presentation.

A luncheon workshop on Saturday, 12 April features members of Archivists and Librarians in the History of the Health Sciences (ALHHS). The description for the workshop, "21st Century History of Medicine Resources 'Out There: Three Perspectives from Archivists and Librarians,'" reads: The advent and acceptance of the Web changed many things, including a number of the resources used to teach or research the history of medicine. In some cases, the teachers of medical history are now learning from their students what resources are available electronically. This program will offer perspectives from three geographically diverse archivists and librarians, working at three flagship institutions, about what is "out there" in terms of researching medical

history topics. The speakers are Russell Johnson, UCLA; Micaela Sullivan-Fowler, University of Wisconsin, Madison; Paul Theerman, NLM. Joan Echtenkamp Klein, University of Virginia, will chair the session

### NEWS OF MEMBERS

**Kimberly Jensen**, Department of History, Western Oregon University has published *Mobilizing Minerva: American Women in the First World War* (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 2008). The study addresses women physicians' campaign for officer status and rank, wartime service, and their activism to address violence against women.

**Alix Cooper** reports that her book, *Inventing the Indigenous: Local Knowledge and Natural History in Early Modern Europe*, was recently published by Cambridge University Press. Cooper was recently promoted to Associate Professor with tenure at the State University of New York at Stony Brook.

**Florence Eliza Glaze** is 2007-8 winner of the Andrew W. Mellon Rome Prize in Medieval Studies. While resident at the American Academy in Rome, Glaze is completing her critical edition of the early Salernitan practical manual by Gariopontus/Guarimptus of Salerno, the *Passionarius* of *Book of Diseases*. The edition is to appear as part of the 'Edizione Nazionale La Scuola Medica Salernitana,' a new series under the direction of Agostino Paravicini-Bagliani and Danielle Jacquart.

**Kenton Kroker**, York University, **Jennifer Keelan** and **Pauline M.H. Mazumdar** of the University of Toronto are pleased to announce the upcoming publication of their co-edited volume, *Crafting Immunity: working histories of clinical immunology* by Ashgate Publishers.

The University of Michigan Press has just published **Heather Prescott's** new book, *Student Bodies—The Influence of Student Health Services in American Society and Medicine*.

**Conevery Bolton Valencius**, Associate of the Department of History of Science, Harvard University, has been awarded a 2008 National Endowment for the Humanities fellowship for work on *Sciences of the Shaking Earth*, an exploration of how we know what we think we know about the New Madrid earthquakes, a series of temblors that were centered in the Mississippi Valley in the winter of 1811-1812 and were experienced across eastern North America.

**Heather Perry**, Assistant Professor of History at University of North Carolina at Charlotte has won the 2007 Brooke Hindle Fellowship, from the Society for the History of Technology to support work on her manuscript, *Recycling the Disabled: Army, Medicine, and Society in WWI Germany*.

**Jeffrey S. Reznick** has been named Director of the Institute for the Study of Occupation and Health of the American Occupation Therapy Foundation in Bethesda, Maryland, a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society, and an Honorary Research Fellow in the Department of Modern History and Center for First World War Studies of the UK's University of Birmingham.

## OBITUARIES

### Joseph C. Keating, Jr., 1950-2007

Joseph C. Keating, the first Historian of the Chiropractic Profession, an endowed faculty position at the Cleveland College of Chiropractic in Kansas City Missouri, died Sunday, 14 October 2007 in Kansas City, MO., at the age of 57.

Joseph Keating was born 8 October 1950 and raised in the Hudson River Valley. Joe's training in clinical psychology had a heavy research methods component, developing his interest in rigorous scholarly methods and discourse. He earned his Ph.D. in clinical psychology at the State University of New York at Albany in 1981. His post-doctoral clinical residency was completed at a physical medicine and rehabilitation specialty hospital in Schenectady. Early in his academic career he developed an interest in the

history of the profession of chiropractic medicine. Since 1981 he has worked as a clinical researcher, faculty member, administrator, and historian at several chiropractic institutions

Dr. Keating grew and nurtured the fledgling interest in the history of the chiropractic profession into a formidable body. He served as president (1994-95) of the Association for the History of Chiropractic (AHC) and at the time of his death was a member of its board of directors. He authored over 500 professional papers, 19 book chapters or books, including: *A History of Los Angeles College of Chiropractic*; a biography, *B.J. of Davenport: the Early Years of Chiropractic*, published by the AHC; *A History of Chiropractic Education in North America* (also published by AHC), and a 1992 volume concerning clinical research for practitioners, *Toward a Philosophy of the Science of Chiropractic: a Primer for Clinicians*. Joe's career made an exceptional contribution to the scholarship of chiropractic history.

His contributions were expanded exponentially by his willingness and patience to love and mentor numerous neophyte historians of the profession. He always had time to share his research, comments, wisdom, and experience when one of us had a germ of an idea that needed nourishment. Joe grew several chiropractors into scholar-practitioners. The chiropractic profession has lost one of its most distinguished and prolific historians.

*P. Reginald Hug, D.C.  
Birmingham, AL.*

## CONSTITUENT CORNER

### The Society of Medical History & the Humanities in Chicago

In October 2007, the Society of Medical History & the Humanities in Chicago was accepted as a Constituent Society of AAHM. We were originally founded in 1909 to foster an interest in the history of medicine. In 2005, we became an affiliate of the Hektoen Institute of Medicine and were renamed to emphasize a broadening of interest to other aspects of the humanities.

Our President is James L. Franklin, M.D., a Gastroenterologist and Internist on the Faculty of Rush Medical School in Chicago. He has a long interest in medical history and is currently writing a biography of Chicago Gastroenterologist, Joseph B. Kirsner. Also on the board is George Dunea, M.D., President and CEO of the Hektoen Institute and Chairman of the Division of Nephrology/Hypertension at Stroger Hospital of Cook County in Chicago, and Georgia Lubben, M.D., Attending Physician at Jackson Park Hospital in Chicago.

Each year we hold eight programs at the Hektoen Institute on the first Tuesday of the month. Lectures are preceded by a cocktail reception, which allows the audience to exchange ideas. The lectures have covered a wide range of topics, some related to the history of medicine in Chicago and others exploring the interface between medicine and art, literature and music. The final meeting of the year has been traditionally dedicated to the memory of Dr. Morris Fishbein, the Society's past president and an influential physician and editor. Visit us at <[www.hektoen.org/societyofmed.htm](http://www.hektoen.org/societyofmed.htm)>.

### **The Waring Library Society**

Please join the Waring Library Society on 3 April 2008 at 5:30 p.m. in the Basic Sciences Auditorium on the campus of MUSC for the Joseph I. Waring Lecture and Annual Meeting with Dr. Philip Mackowiak, author of *Post Mortem Solving History's Great Medical Mysteries*, presenting his talk, "Surely the Greatest Tragedy in the History of Music: Mozart's Final Illness." This lecture is free and open to the public. A reception for our speaker and attendees will follow.

Dr. Philip Mackowiak is professor and vice chairman of the Department of Medicine of the University of Maryland School of Medicine and Chief of the Medical Care Clinical Center of the VA Maryland Health Care System. For more information please call the Waring Historical Library at (843) 792-2288 or [waringhl@muscd.edu](mailto:waringhl@muscd.edu).

### **Ohio Academy of Medicine**

On Saturday, 5 April, the Ohio Academy of Medical History will convene in Cleveland at the Dittrick. The meeting this year will maintain its customary morning session of papers on a variety of medical history topics. Following lunch we will offer something new and different, a panel discussion entitled "Collecting Medical and Scientific Antiques." Medical and scientific antiques have been sought by collectors for the past half century, but much has changed in just the past decade. To better understand the ins and outs, and the ups and downs, of collecting scientific and medical antiques, we have invited a panel of distinguished collectors to share their experiences, their triumphs, and their frustrations. Where do you start collecting? What sources provide the best information and guidance? What has been the impact of eBay and other online markets? To explore these topics, we will feature invited longtime friends of the Dittrick, including Percy Skuy (the Skuy Contraceptive Collection), Tony Tizzano, M.D., (specializing in ob/gyn antiques), and Tom Peterson (scientific instruments relating to magnetism and electricity). We have also invited Andrew Richmond (Garth's Auctioneers & Appraisers, Delaware, Ohio) to join us and provide an overview of the 'trade' from the perspective of an auction house that has featured medical antiques. So mark your calendar and plan to join us for this unique occasion. For more details, contact the Dittrick at (216) 368-3648; [jennifer.nieves@case.edu](mailto:jennifer.nieves@case.edu).

### **FELLOWSHIPS/GRANTS**

**The Barbara Bates Center for the Study of the History of Nursing** offers the **Alice Fisher Society Historical Fellowship** of \$2,500 to support 4 to 6 weeks of residential study. Selection of Alice Fisher Society scholars will be based on evidence of interest in and aptitude for historical research related to nursing. The scholarships are open to those with masters and doctoral level preparation. Alice Fisher Society Scholars will work under the general direction of nurse historians associated with the Center and may participate in Center activities. It is expected that

the research and new materials produced by Alice Fisher Society scholars will help ensure the growth of scholarly work focused on the history of nursing. Scholars may be asked to present their work at seminars sponsored by the Bates Center. We are grateful to the Alumni of the Philadelphia General Hospital School of Nursing, who established this scholarship. Deadline for submission of applications: 29 February 2008. Date of awards: 31 March 2008. Three copies of the proposal should be sent to the Barbara Bates Center for the Study of the History of Nursing, University of Pennsylvania, School of Nursing, 418 Curie Blvd., Philadelphia, PA 19104-6020. For additional details visit <[www.nursing.upenn.edu/history/research/fisher.htm](http://www.nursing.upenn.edu/history/research/fisher.htm)>.

**The Barbara Bates Center for the Study of the History of Nursing offers an annual Lillian Sholitis Brunner Fellowship** of \$2,500 to support 6 to 8 weeks of residential study. Selection of Brunner scholars will be based on evidence of preparation and/or productivity in historical research related to nursing. Candidates with doctoral preparation will be preferred but the fellowships are open to those with pre-doctoral preparation. Brunner scholars will work under the general direction of nurse historians associated with the Center and may participate in Center activities. It is expected that the research and new materials produced by Brunner scholars will help ensure the growth of scholarly work focused on the history of nursing. Brunner scholars may be asked to present their research at Center seminars. Deadline for submission of applications: 29 February 2008. Date of awards: March 31, 2008. Three copies of the proposal should be sent to the Barbara Bates Center for the Study of the History of Nursing, University of Pennsylvania, School of Nursing, 418 Curie Blvd., Philadelphia, PA 19104-6020. For additional information go to <[www.nursing.upenn.edu/nursing/research/brunner.htm](http://www.nursing.upenn.edu/nursing/research/brunner.htm)>.

Dr. Thomas Schlich, Associate Professor and Canada Research Chair in the History of Medicine, **Department of Social Studies of Medicine at McGill University**, is looking for a graduate student interested in undertaking research on the history of modern surgery. Available financial support is contingent on the student's acceptance in McGill's

graduate program in history. Prospective students with a strong interest in the field should contact him directly at [Thomas.schlich@mcgill.ca](mailto:Thomas.schlich@mcgill.ca).

**The David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA and the UCLA Louise M. Darling Biomedical Library History and Special Collections** are pleased to announce the availability of the Charles Donald O'Malley Short-Term Research Fellowships for further investigation into the history of medical thought and healing practice and art from the earliest times to the recent past. Two fellowships will be awarded, each of which carries a grant of up to \$1,500 to defray travel and residence costs for research conducted at UCLA special collections libraries between 1 July 2008 and 30 June 2009. The award commemorates the work of Charles D. O'Malley, Ph.D. (1907-1970), the Vesalian scholar and first full-time chair of the Department of Medical History at UCLA.

U.S. citizens or permanent residents with a legal right to work in the United States who are engaged in graduate level, post-doctoral, or independent research are invited to apply. The fellowships are available to graduate students and independent scholars *primarily* interested in using the special collections of the Biomedical Library. Other special collections on the UCLA campus also may be utilized, including the William Andrews Memorial Clark Library, Charles E. Young Research Library Department of Special Collections, and University Archives.

For this year, applications must be received on or before 15 May 2008, and must include: cover letter; curriculum vitae; outline of research and special collections to be used (two pages maximum); brief budget for travel, living, and research expenses; dates to be spent in residence; two letters of recommendation from faculty or other scholars familiar with the research project.

Applicants will be notified of the selection committee's decision by letter or email by 15 June 2008. Mail applications to: Charles Donald O'Malley Short-Term Research Fellowships, c/o Katharine E. S. Donahue, History and Special Collections, Louise M. Darling Biomedical Library, UCLA, 12-077 Center



for the Health Sciences, Box 951798, Los Angeles, California 90095-1798.

The Foundation for the History of Women in Medicine is pleased to offer two fellowships to support research related to the history of women in medicine at the Center for the History of Medicine and its Archives for Women in Medicine. The Foundation will provide two \$2,000 grants to support travel, lodging, and incidental expenses for a flexible period between 1 June 2008 and 31 May 2009. In return, the Foundation requests a one page report and a copy of the final product as well as the ability to post excerpts from the paper/project, Fellow photo, and bio on our website <[www.fhwim.org](http://www.fhwim.org)>

Foundation Fellowships are offered for research related to the history of women in medicine. Preference will be given to projects that deal specifically with women physicians or other health workers or medical scientists, but proposals dealing with the history of women's health issues may also be considered.

The fellowship proposal should demonstrate that the Countway Library has resources central to the research topic. Preference will also be given to those who are using collections from the Archives for Women in Medicine, but research on the topic of women in medicine using other material from the Countway Library will be considered. Preference will be given to applicants who live beyond commuting distance of the Countway, but all are encouraged to apply, including graduate students.

Application requirements: Applicants should submit a proposal (no more than two pages) outlining the subject and objectives of the research project, length of residence, historical materials to be used, and a project budget (including travel, lodging, and research expenses), along with a curriculum vitae and two letters of recommendations by 1 March 2008. The decision should be made by 1 April 2008.

**The Historical Library of the Harvey Cushing/John Hay Whitney Medical Library at Yale University** is pleased to announce a new

research travel grant for use of the Historical Library honoring Ferenc A. Gyorgyey, Historical Librarian emeritus.

The travel grant is available to historians, medical practitioners, and other researchers who wish to use the collections of the Historical Library. There is a single award of up to \$1500 for one week of research during the academic fiscal year 2008-2009 (1 July-30 June). Funds may be used for transportation, housing, food, and photographic reproductions. For now, the award is limited to residents of the United States.

Applicants should send a curriculum vitae and a description of the project including the relevance of the collections of the Historical Library to the project, and two references attesting to the particular project. Preference will be given to applicants beyond commuting distance to the Historical Library. This award is not intended for primary use of special collections in other libraries at Yale. More information and an application form can be found at <[www.med.yale.edu/library/historical/](http://www.med.yale.edu/library/historical/)>

Applications are due by 17 March 2008. Applications will be considered by a committee and candidates will be informed by 9 May. For questions, please contact Toby Appel at (203) 785-4354 or [toby.appel@yale.edu](mailto:toby.appel@yale.edu).

**The Investigator Awards in Health Policy Research program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF)** funds highly qualified individuals to undertake broad studies of the most challenging policy issues in health and health care facing America. Grants of up to \$335,000 are awarded to investigators from a variety of disciplines. Successful proposals combine creative and conceptual thinking with innovative approaches to critical health problems and policy issues.

Applications are welcomed from investigators in fields such as anthropology, business, demography, economics, engineering, ethics, genetics, health and social policy, history, journalism, law, medicine, nursing, political science, public health, psychology,

science policy, social work, and sociology. We seek a diverse group of applicants including minorities and individuals in non-academic settings.

If you have a project idea that holds promise for enhancing our understanding of significant health-related problems and informing the development of sound health policies, we encourage you to consider applying. Deadline for four-page Letter of Intent applications is 26 March 2008.

The complete Call for Applications is available at <[www.investigatorawards.org](http://www.investigatorawards.org)>. Please visit our Web site for more information about the program and its awardees or contact Cynthia Church, Program Administrator, Investigator Awards in Health Policy Research, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, 55 Commercial Avenue, 3rd floor, New Brunswick, NJ 08901-1340; (732) 932-3817; (732) 932-3819 (fax); [cchurch@ifh.rutgers.edu](mailto:cchurch@ifh.rutgers.edu).

**The Medical Heritage Center at the Prior Health Sciences Library, The Ohio State University** is seeking applicants for its scholar-in-residence program for a flexible time period between 1 July 2008 and 30 June 2009.

The Medical Heritage Center maintains a rare book, archival, and artifact collection that speaks to the development of central Ohio's health science history. The collection is particularly rich in documenting innovation in the areas of medical education, dentistry, nursing, nuclear medicine, homeopathy, and surgery. The Nathaniel Coleman Rare Book collection contains over 10,000 volumes representing limited edition and one-of-a-kind references and prints dating back to 1555. The scholar will also have access to the rich holdings of The Ohio State University and regional libraries. The Medical Heritage Center's archives currently include papers and memorabilia from regional and nationally recognized institutions, organizations, and luminaries such as William G. Myers, Ph.D., M.D.; Arthur G. James, M.D.; Charles Doan, M.D.; and Robert Zollinger, M.D.

Suitable potential scholars can come from a variety of backgrounds (i.e., students, clinician historians, Ph.D. historians) and each application will be reviewed

based upon the quality of the application and proposed use of historical collections. Preference will be given to scholars whose research is directed toward local or regional medical historic issues. Use of the in-house archival and rare book collections is suggested but not limited to the collections of the Medical Heritage Center. The intent to publish in nationally-known presses and peer-reviewed journals is highly essential. Scholars will be expected to provide a mid-point and final report discussing the progress and result of the residency project. At least one presentation and publication is expected from a successful scholar residency.

The scholar-in-residence program provides a stipend up to \$5,000 to support the activities of the scholar. This funding is provided by the Columbus Medical Association Foundation endowment for the Medical Heritage Center and can cover but is not limited to equipment, travel, support staff, publication costs. Scholars also receive office space, basic office equipment, and extensive access to the collections of the Medical Heritage Center.

An application package should be submitted for consideration by 30 March 2008, and a successful applicant will be decided upon by the Medical Heritage Center advisory committee by 30 April 2007. For more program details, including an application package, please contact Medical Heritage Center head curator Judith Wiener at (614) 292-9273 or [judith.wiener@osumc.edu](mailto:judith.wiener@osumc.edu).

## MEETINGS/CALLS FOR PAPERS

The **Anesthesia History Association's** 15th annual Spring Meeting will be held 7-10 May 2008, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Deadline for submission of all abstracts is 1 April 2008.

Abstracts for twenty-minute papers are invited on historical aspects of anesthesia, critical care medicine, and pain management. Abstracts on medical humanities or ethical topics that relate to the history of one or more of these broad areas are also invited. Abstracts should be no longer than one or two pages in length; text should be in 12-point font size. If possible, abstracts should indicate the research

problem, sources used, methodological approach and should contain no more than 15 references.

Abstracts may be submitted by regular mail, fax, or electronic mail. Abstracts submitted in electronic format may be made available to registrants in advance of the meeting and on the AHA Web site as decided by the Organizing Committee. All accepted abstracts will be included in material distributed to meeting registrants. Individuals who wish to organize a paper session around a theme should contact the committee as soon as possible.

Send abstracts, inquiries, etc., to: Doris K. Cope, M.D., UPMC, St. Margaret Pain Medicine Center, 200 Delafield Road, Suite 2070, Pittsburgh, PA 15215; (412) 784-5343; (412)784-5350 (fax); bloombergdj@upmc.edu

Call for papers for: **The 14th Congress of the European Association of Museums of the History of Medical Sciences** to be held 17 – 21 September 2008 at the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh <[www.rcsed.ac.uk/site/455/default.aspx](http://www.rcsed.ac.uk/site/455/default.aspx)>.

The theme will be “Body: Simulacra and Simulation: models, interventions, and prosthetics.” Models in wax or plastic, wood or metal, plaster or papier-mâché are held in almost every medical museum in the world; while the development of surgical interventions and prosthetics has also led to a range of materials being used to replicate and imitate external and internal parts and movements of the body. Congress 2008 will explore aspects of the use, culture, history, art, and manufacture of models, surgical interventions, and prosthetics. It is hoped that the conference will be the catalyst for the development of a European-wide electronic catalogue of models and prosthetics held in medical collections.

Keynote speakers for the Congress include Thomas Söderqvist, Medical Museion, University of Copenhagen, and Ken Arnold, Head of Public Programmes, Wellcome Trust.

Submit proposed papers to: Dawn Kemp, Director of Heritage, The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, Nicolson Street Edinburgh EH8 9DW Scotland UK; (0131) 527-1649; (0131)557-6406 (fax); d.kemp@rcsed.ac.uk.

For further information see the Association Européenne des Musées d'Histoire des Sciences Médicales /European Association of Museums of the History of Medical Sciences Web site: <[www.aemhsm.net/](http://www.aemhsm.net/)>. Questions may also be addressed to Jim Edmonson at [james.edmonson@case.edu](mailto:james.edmonson@case.edu). The Association's meetings are always stimulating and memorable, and it is enriching to meet colleagues in an international setting. The Congress in Edinburgh promises the best in many years. Don't miss it!

**The National Coalition of Independent Scholars** will hold its 2008 Biennial Conference from 24-26 October 2008, at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, California. We welcome participation by all scholars whose research is not supported by employment in an academic or research institution; this includes adjunct faculty and graduate students. Presenters need not be members of NCIS. The Program Committee invites proposals for individual papers, formal sessions, and short panel discussions for either the practical track, on independent scholarship itself; or the scholarly track, focusing on presenters' individual research and findings.

Proposals should consist of an abstract of not more than 250 words; a brief scholarly biography (50-100 words) including degrees, scholarly fields and no more than two publications; any audio-visual requirements; and full contact information. Proposals must be submitted as an e-mail attachment (Word only) no later than 12:00 a.m., 1 April 2008, to Kendra Leonard, Program Chair, at [caennen@gmail.com](mailto:caennen@gmail.com). Please use your last name as the document title, as in Smith.doc. As in the past, only one submission per author will be considered. If you are interested in serving as a session chair, please indicate this in your submission.

**The Society for the Social History of Medicine** 2008 Annual Conference, “History and the Health Population: Society, Government, Health and Medicine,” will be jointly organized by the Centre for the Social History of Health and Healthcare Glasgow, a research collaboration between Glasgow Caledonian University and the University of Strathclyde <[www.gcal.ac.uk/historyofhealth](http://www.gcal.ac.uk/historyofhealth)> and the Centre for the History of Medicine at the University of Glasgow [www.arts.gla.ac.uk/History/Medicine/](http://www.arts.gla.ac.uk/History/Medicine/).

The conference will embrace all historical perspectives on the broad issue of how health has been defined and by whom. It will also consider the reasons that the various agencies involved in healthcare, including patients and communities, have adopted their approaches and strategies. The event is framed by reference to the generation of historians influenced by the idea that issues of health and healthcare are entangled in the projects of government, and seeks to engage with and critique ‘governmentality’ as a tool of analysis in the history of medicine.

Deadline for abstracts: 31 March 2008. To submit a title and abstract of no more than 300 words please contact Lydia Marshall [lmarsall@arts.gla.ac.uk](mailto:lmarsall@arts.gla.ac.uk).

**The American Association for the History of Nursing (AAHN) and the School of Nursing, University of Pennsylvania**, are co-sponsoring the Association's 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference to be held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 25-28 September 2008 at the Hyatt Regency Philadelphia Hotel. The conference features peer-reviewed papers and posters on the history of health care and nursing. The Conference is an excellent forum for all interested in sharing and learning about the historical events, people, and issues that shape health care's current science and practice. AAHN conferences draw participants from across the nation and around the world. This year's Keynote Speaker is Barbara Brodie, Ph.D., R.N., F.A.A.N., Emeritus Professor and Associate Director, Center for Nursing Historical Inquiry, School of Nursing, University of Virginia. The Association and the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing welcome all scholars, students, and individuals who wish to join them at the Conference

and in celebrating 25 years of such research conferences.

For further information regarding the conference please visit the AAHN Web site at <[www.aahn.org](http://www.aahn.org)>.

Queries and requests for information can also be directed to the Barbara Bates Center for the Study of the History of Nursing. Please contact Betsy Weiss at: [ehweiss@nursing.upenn.edu](mailto:ehweiss@nursing.upenn.edu) or (215) 898-4502.

## LECTURES/SYMPOSIA

**“Modern Medicines: New Perspectives in Pharmaceutical History”** will be held 17-18 October 2008 at the American Institute of the History of Pharmacy in Madison, WI.

The evolution of the modern pharmaceutical enterprise over the long twentieth century—from its early intersection with the image and later the structure of scientific research, to its dramatic postwar expansion and late-century saturation of medical and marketing media—has implications that stretch far beyond the traditional history of pharmacy and medicine to impact broader social, cultural, economic, business, legal, regulatory, and political developments. This conference seeks to foster and reflect on the growing body of pharmaceutical scholarship across historical disciplines and encourage novel theoretical and methodological developments by featuring newer scholars alongside more established figures in the field. Scholars are encouraged to submit a one-page proposal by 1 February 2008; some travel funds will be available for graduate students, and established scholars interested in using the resources of the American Institute of the History of Pharmacy can apply for travel funds through the Sonnedecker Visiting Scholar Program of the UW-Madison School of Pharmacy. See <[www.aihp.org](http://www.aihp.org)> for further information. AIHP Conference Planning Committee: Jeremy Greene, Dominique Tobbell, Arthur Daemmrich, Michael Flannery, Elaine Stroud, and Greg Higby.

**The WHO 60th Anniversary History Seminars**, Geneva, Switzerland, 2008, is a series of lectures that

deals with some of the most important elements of international and global public health. Apart from dealing with the origins of the WHO and some of the early challenges faced by it over time in national and international contexts, these lectures also delve into the history of the development of different disciplines and specialisms within a multi-faceted organization with a goal of providing universal healthcare in the broadest possible way.

Co-organized by the Global Health Histories initiative (WHO Geneva), the Wellcome Trust and The Wellcome Trust Centre for the History of Medicine at UCL. For further details, contact Thomson Prentice [prenticet@who.int](mailto:prenticet@who.int) or Dr. Sanjoy Bhattacharya [joygeeta@hotmail.com](mailto:joygeeta@hotmail.com). Web sites: Wellcome Trust Centre for the History of Medicine at UCL: [tinyurl.com/2vo9x9](http://tinyurl.com/2vo9x9); WHO Global Health Histories [tinyurl.com/3cxs9n](http://tinyurl.com/3cxs9n)

The annual **Henry E. Handerson Lecture** of the Dittrick Medical History Center of Case Western Reserve University will be held 17 April and feature Dr. Sam Alberti, Manchester Museum and University of Manchester. Dr. Alberti's presentation, "Bodies on display: morbid specimens in nineteenth-century Britain," will focus on the history of nineteenth century anatomy collections, their ownership, acquisition routes, and place in wider culture. This topic should have particular relevance and resonance given debates in recent years over human remains in museum collections, both here and in the UK. Dr. Alberti's presentation is part of a larger project exploring nineteenth-century anatomy collections. The lecture will take place in the Herrick Room on the ground floor of the Allen Library. It is free and open to the public, and will be followed by a reception in the Powell Room. If you plan to attend, please RSVP by calling (216) 368-3648, or email [jennifer.nieves@case.edu](mailto:jennifer.nieves@case.edu).

**The Hektoen Institute of Medicine's Society of Medical History & Humanities** announces its winter/spring 2008 lectures. Lectures take place at the Hektoen Institute, 2100 W. Harrison Street in Chicago, IL. A reception starts at 5:30 p.m. All

presentations begin at 6:15 p.m. Cost is \$15.00. For more information visit, [www.hektoen.org/societyofmed.htm](http://www.hektoen.org/societyofmed.htm) or call (312) 948-2522.

March 11, 2008, **Mindy Schwartz**, M.D., Associate Professor of Medicine, University of Chicago, "Tuberculosis: A Journey Through Time."

April 8, 2008, **Elizabeth Steinhauer**, M.D., Staff Psychiatrist, Student Counseling & Resource Service, University of Chicago, "A Historical Overview of Depression and Psychosis."

May 6, 2008, **Robert D. Johnston**, Ph.D., Associate Professor, History Department, University of Illinois at Chicago, Morris Fishbein Lecture, "History of Vaccination in the United States."

**The C.F. Reynolds Medical History Society** Lectures for 2008 will be held in Lecture Room #5, Scaife Hall, University of Pittsburgh, at 6:00 p.m. Members will receive notices for each lecture. A dinner for members and their guests in the 11th floor Conference Center, Scaife Hall will follow each of the five individual lectures. We hope that you and any interested colleagues will join us for these five evenings of historical lectures and discussions. The C. F. Reynolds Medical History Society appreciates your continuing support and is confident that you will enjoy this coming year's programming. Please refer all questions on the Society and its programming to Dr. Jonathon Erlen, (412) 648-8927; [erlen@pitt.edu](mailto:erlen@pitt.edu).

February 21, 2008, **Gregory Anstead**, M.D., Ph.D., Associate Professor, Department of Medicine, University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, "Southern History, Rats and Fleas: Murine Typhus in the United States."

April 3, 2008, **Peter Warren**, M.D., F.R.C.P. C., Professor of Medicine (ret.), University of Manitoba School of Medicine, Twentieth Annual Mark M. Ravitch History of Medicine Lecture, "Too Shocking for Public Perusal-Public Accessibility to a Surgeon's Record."

September 25, 2008, **John Eyler**, Ph.D., Professor of the History of Medicine, University of Minnesota School of Medicine, “Taming the Flu: Influenza Vaccines and American Virology, 1937-1957.”

November 6, 2008, 15<sup>th</sup> **David H. Darrow**, M.D., D.D.S., Professor of Otolaryngology and Pediatrics, Eastern Virginia Medical School, Annual Sylvan E. Stool History of Medicine Lecture, “Ails to the Chief: Three American Presidents and Their ENT Maladies.”

**The Hannah Chair Lecture Series of the University of Ottawa** will be held on Fridays at 12:30 p.m., Pavillon Roger-Guindon Hall (2012). For additional information visit their Web site: <[www.medicine.uottawa.ca/HistoryOfMedicine](http://www.medicine.uottawa.ca/HistoryOfMedicine)>

February 29, 2008, **Jane Elliott**, “Giving Birth in the Gatineau.”

March 7, 2008, **Matthew Ramsey**, “The Drekapotheke Contested.”

March 14, 2008, **Toby Appel**, “Kate Hurd-Mead, International Medical Woman and Historian of Medicine.”

March 28, 2008, **John Last**, “Lessons from the History of Public Health,”

## ARCHIVES/LIBRARIES/MUSEUMS

**The University of California at San Francisco Library and Center for Knowledge Management** is pleased to announce a new Web site featuring the Japanese Woodblock Print Collection at <[asian.library.ucsf.edu/](http://asian.library.ucsf.edu/)>.

Visitors to the Web site may search for prints by keyword or artist, view prints by theme, and read essays about five prominent themes in the collection: Contagious Disease, Drug Advertisements, Foreigners, Religion and Health, and Women’s Health.

The UCSF Japanese Woodblock Print Collection is of interest to scholars of Asian medicine, the history of medicine, and Japanese art. Consisting of approximately 400 prints, it is the largest collection of woodblock prints related to health in the United States and an important component of the Library’s East Asian Collection.

The prints offer a visual account of Japanese medical knowledge in the late Edo and Meiji periods. The majority of the prints date from the mid- to late nineteenth century, when Japan was opening to the West after almost two hundred and fifty years of self-imposed isolation. Funding for the digitization of the UCSF Japanese Woodblock Print Collection was provided by the California Digital Library (CDL). Images of the prints can also be accessed through the CDL’s Web sites Calisphere and the Online Archive of California.

*Reflections on Health in Society & Culture* is a new exhibit series in the **Claude Moore Health Sciences Library, University of Virginia**, with four exhibits in 2007-2008 and more in coming years. This joint project of the Health Sciences Library and the School of Medicine, examines the interweaving of social and cultural themes in our understanding of health, illness, and ourselves. *Reflections* exhibits, displayed in the lobby of the Health Sciences Library, present art, essays, and cultural objects on topics in the social and cultural history of health and illness. *Reflections* on the Library Web portal <[hsl.virginia.edu/historical/reflections/](http://hsl.virginia.edu/historical/reflections/)> includes expanded essays on the display topics, useful Web links, recommended readings, and handouts of the exhibits’ essays. The first two *Reflections* exhibits are “Watery Grave: Drowning and Resuscitation” and “Too Close for Comfort: Corsets, Fashion, and Health.” Bookmark the site and visit often! For further information on the *Reflections* exhibit series, please contact Joan Echtenkamp Klein at [jre@virginia.edu](mailto:jre@virginia.edu).

**The Otis Historical Archives of the National Museum of Health and Medicine (Armed Forces Institute of Pathology)** has recently digitized several texts of historical significance, including *The Medical and Surgical History of the War of the Rebellion*, a six-

volume, in-depth study of Civil War wounds and diseases, based on specimens collected from the battlefield; "A History of the United States Army Medical Museum, 1862-1917," a formerly unpublished manuscript; "A Catalogue of Surgeons' Instruments, Air and Water Beds, Pillows, and Cushions, Bandages, Trusses, Elastic Stockings, Inhalers, Galvanic Apparatus, and Other Appliances Used by the Medical Profession" (1866); *The Medical Department of the United States Army in the World War*, 15 volumes recording "...the permanent written record of the accomplishments of the Medical Department in [World War I]...;" *A Medical Survey of the Bituminous-Coal Industry* (Report of the Coal Mines Administration, 1947), well-illustrated with photographs of life in coal towns; and a collection of several medical texts and journals, some hand-illustrated, from a captured Viet Cong physician. We hope to have these materials available soon. Most are too large to provide access through on our Web site.

We've been mostly digitizing photographs, working with Information Manufacturing Corporation (IMC), to scan the Medical Illustration Service (MIS) Library. The MIS Library is one of the NMHM's largest collections, with 4,500 boxes of medical photographs. The Library was transferred to the Museum in late 2004, and houses millions of photographs from World War II through the 1990s representing diseases and their effects on humans and animals. Included in the collection are rare illnesses such as smallpox and the Asian flu. Over 191,000 images have already been scanned and are currently almost completely catalogued and indexed including the Army Medical Museum collection of pictures of the Spanish-American War, Museum and Medical Arts Service (MAMAS) photographs taken by Museum staff during WWII in Europe and Asia, images from the "Atlas of Tropical and Extraordinary Diseases," historical portraits, medical pictures dating from U.S. involvement in World War I through World War II, the Medical Museum's 19th-century logbooks, Korean War pictures from the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research (WRAIR), AEF autopsy and other photographs from WWI, Anita McGee's pictures of the Russo-Japanese War, Signal Corps medical images

(a subset of those held by the National Archives), and Vietnam War images (especially of surgery) from the Swan and Hansen collections, while also scanning in-house thousands of photographs from the Civil War.

Additionally, Otis Historical Archives has just begun to digitize a collection of about 8,000 combat casualty cases from the Vietnam War known as WDMET (Wounds Data Munitions Effectiveness Team), comprised of approximately 200,000 pages of original documents, 120,000 slides, and several filing cabinets of bullets and shrapnel, collected from 1967-1969. The project is expected to take somewhat over one year.

We are working on solutions to providing access to these images on the internet, including a plan to load the Museum's entire catalogue for online use. For slightly over a year, we have been uploading selected images on Flickr, and have recently noted the dramatically increased viewership of our photographs. Links to our three Flickr sites and museum's Web site are: <[nmhm.washingtondc.museum](http://nmhm.washingtondc.museum)>; <[nmhm.washingtondc.museum/collections/archives/archives.html](http://nmhm.washingtondc.museum/collections/archives/archives.html)>; <[www.flickr.com/photos/99129398@N00](http://www.flickr.com/photos/99129398@N00)>; <[www.flickr.com/photos/7438870@N04/](http://www.flickr.com/photos/7438870@N04/)>; and <[www.flickr.com/photos/22719239@N04](http://www.flickr.com/photos/22719239@N04)>.

This year's Annual Scientific Assembly in Chicago saw the unveiling of a major new exhibit by the **Center for the History of Family Medicine (CHFM)** to help celebrate both the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) in 2007 and the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the American Academy of Family Physicians Foundation (AAFP/F) in 2008.

More than 14,000 attendees at the AAFP's 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Assembly this year in Chicago enjoyed the exhibit. Entitled "The AAFP & AAFP/F: A Tribute to Excellence," this special joint exhibit highlighted each decade in the Academy's and Foundation's histories. Rare photographs, artifacts, and other materials from the Center's library, archives, and museum collections were featured in the

Gathering Place, a special exhibit area that was set up for the exhibit at the Assembly.

“I found the exhibit to be very entertaining and informative,” said Dr. Eric E. Fryxell, a family physician from Cleveland Heights, Ohio, who was one of the many Assembly attendees to see the exhibit. “My residency teacher imbued me with an awe for the early activists who worked so hard for the specialty. The only way to sustain such energy and idealism is to know our history.”

For those who were not able to see the exhibit at Assembly, an online version will be developed and placed on the Center’s Web site.

Housed at AAFP headquarters and administered by the AAFP Foundation, the Center serves as the principal resource center for the collection, conservation, exhibition, and study of materials relating to the history of Family Medicine in the United States. For more information on the Center, please contact Center staff via telephone at (800) 274-223 (ext. 4420 or 4422); (913) 906-6095 (fax); [chfm@aafp.org](mailto:chfm@aafp.org), or visit our web site at [www.aafpfoundation.org/historycenter.xml](http://www.aafpfoundation.org/historycenter.xml).

The 2008 **Wood Library-Museum (WLM) Laureate Historian of Anesthesia** was elected on 16 October 2007. David J. Wilkinson, M.B. B.S., F.R.C.A., was named the 2008 Laureate just prior to the Lewis H. Wright Memorial Lecture at the American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) Annual Meeting in San Francisco, California. Investiture will occur at the ASA 2008 annual meeting in Orlando, FL.

The Laureate of Anesthesia program, established in 1994, has as its purpose increased recognition of the richness and importance of the history of the specialty by recognizing the work of scholars who have made singular contributions to the field. The honor is awarded every four years by the WLM Laureate Committee to an individual who has a demonstrable record of contributing over the years outstanding, original materials related to the history of

our specialty as reflected by articles published in peer-reviewed journals, and/or in monographs.

Dr. David Wilkinson has published two books, 17 book chapters, 43 peer-reviewed articles, 19 non-peer reviewed articles, as well as nine posters, and three booklets on the history of anesthesia. His book chapter, “The History of Trauma Anesthesia,” published in *Textbook of Trauma Anesthesia and Critical Care* in 1993 is the definitive treatise to date on the topic. Dr. Wilkinson has arranged a variety of audiovisual projects focusing on the history of anesthesia including 38 such presentations. In 1991, he won a British Medical Association film award for his “Some Things Never Change” video.

On 31 January, **Harvard University’s Open Collections Program (OCP)** launched its third online collection, “Contagion: Historical Views of Diseases and Epidemics.” The new, Web-accessible collection is online now at [ocp.hul.harvard.edu/contagion](http://ocp.hul.harvard.edu/contagion).

Created with support from Arcadia, the new Contagion collection brings carefully selected historical materials from Harvard’s renowned libraries, special collections, and archives to Internet users everywhere. The collection, which includes more than 500,000 pages of digitized books, serials, pamphlets, incunabula, and manuscripts, contributes to the understanding of the global, social-history, and public-policy implications of disease and offers important historical perspectives on the science and the public policy of epidemiology today.

In developing “Contagion: Historical Views of Diseases and Epidemics,” Harvard’s Open Collections Program has been guided by a distinguished committee of Harvard faculty members: Allan Brandt, Dean of the Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences and Amalie Moses Kass Professor of the History of Medicine and Professor of the History of Science—Harvard Medical School; Katharine Park, Samuel Zemurray, Jr., and Doris Zemurray Stone Radcliffe Professor of the History of Science—Faculty of Arts and Sciences; Charles Rosenberg, Professor of the History of Science and Ernest E.



Monrad Professor in the Social Sciences—Faculty of Arts and Sciences; and Barbara Gutman Rosenkrantz, Professor of the History of Science, Emeritus—Faculty of Arts and Sciences

Harvard libraries, special collections, and archives contributing to the “Contagion” collection include: Andover-Harvard Theological Library—Harvard Divinity School; Baker Library/Knowledge and Library Services—Harvard Business School; Center for the History of Medicine/Francis A. Countway Library of Medicine—Harvard Medical School; Government Documents/Microforms Collections/Social Sciences Program—Harvard College Library; Harvard Law School Library; Harvard Map Collection/Social Sciences Program—Harvard College Library; Harvard University Archives—Harvard University Library; Harvard-Yenching Library—Harvard College Library; Houghton Library—Harvard College Library; Arthur and Elizabeth Schlesinger Library on the History of Women in America—Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study.

For more information about “Contagion: Historical Views of Diseases and Epidemics,” visit <[hul.harvard.edu/news/2008\\_0204.html](http://hul.harvard.edu/news/2008_0204.html)>.

### **News from the History of Medicine Division of the National Library of Medicine**

#### **Exhibitions**

The traveling version of *Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating America's Women Physicians* traveled to eight sites from April through September. In Iowa City and Council Bluff, Iowa, and Birmingham Ala., alone, about 45,000 visitors viewed the exhibition.

Traveling versions of *Opening Doors: Contemporary African American Academic Surgeons* visited the annual meeting of the Association of American Medical Colleges in Washington, D. C.; University of South Alabama, Mobile; Morehouse Medical Library, Atlanta; Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit; University of Cincinnati; Meharry Medical Library, Nashville; and

Spectrum Health Sciences Library, Grand Rapids, MI; and East Carolina University, Greenville, NC. Over 100,000 people visited these exhibitions.

The reanimated (pun intended) *Frankenstein: Penetrating the Secrets of Nature* traveling exhibition visited the Howard County Public Library, Columbia, Maryland (October and November) and Georgetown University (November through February 2008).

#### **Online Access**

The Maxine Singer site joined *Profiles in Science* on 10 December—a collaboration with the Library of Congress—and the Arthur Kornberg site followed on 16 October—a collaboration with Stanford University's Department of Special Collections.

Catalog records from The Prints and Photographs Collection “Images from the History of Medicine” database <[www.nlm.nih.gov/](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/)>are now searchable in the National Library of Medicine online database LocatorPlus, <[locatorplus2.nlm.nih.gov/](http://locatorplus2.nlm.nih.gov/)>.

#### **Acquisitions**

Bruce Fye donated a Benjamin Rush letter; Mary Armstrong contributed her father's papers (Charles Armstrong, an NIH epidemiologist). Other acquisitions included papers of Murray Bowen, Adam Wesolow, and the Piedmont Orthopedic Society.

William Helfand donated six boxes of printed medical ephemera and David Cantor contributed a 1945 film, “Something You Didn't Eat,” on wartime hygiene.

Nearly 160 titles were added to the collection this quarter, about half through purchase. Chief among the latter was Hieronymus Bock, *Kreutter Buch* (Strasbourg, 1580), one edition of the great German herbal first published in 1539. The volume includes more than 530 woodcuts.

Forty-five books from The New York Academy of Medicine and pharmaceutical ephemera from William Helfand were also donated.

## POSITION ANNOUNCEMENTS

### NIH Office of History, Archivist Position

The NIH Office of History seeks a full-time Archivist to work with colleagues in history, museum studies, and social studies of science. The primary role of the Archivist involves overseeing the organization, processing, and digitization of scientific and biomedical research collections of the NIH in compliance with professional archival standards. Projects are diverse, multi-disciplinary, and include collaborations with other archivists in the NIH and Federal archives. U.S. citizenship is a requirement for this position. For a full position description, including compensation range and benefits, please consult Job Announcement #OD-08-228548-DE, available in the Internet on USAJOBS.gov. Alternatively, interested persons are encouraged to contact Robert Martensen, Director, Office of History, at (301) 496-6610 or [martensenr@mail.nih.gov](mailto:martensenr@mail.nih.gov)

Qualifications: Basic Requirements: (A) Bachelor's degree in archival science or bachelor's degree with a major that includes 18 semester hours in archival science, history and/or in political science or government, and 12 semester hours in one or any combination of the following: archival science, history, American civilization, economics, political science, public administration, or government. OR (B) Combination of education and experience - at least 30 semester hours that included courses as shown in (A) above, plus appropriate experience or additional education.

### History of Medicine/Oral History

The University of Minnesota invites applications for a full-time, twelve-month, tenure-track Assistant Professorship in the History of Medicine with special responsibilities for oral history. A Ph.D. in history of medicine or related field with special interest in the history of American academic medicine, health policy, or health care institutions, as well as good interpersonal and communication skills, and a commitment to collaborative research are required.

Experience in conducting and analyzing oral histories, and knowledge of oral history methodology, is desirable. The incumbent will work in partnership with the on-going collaborative effort between the Academic Health Center (AHC) and the University Libraries to document and preserve the history of the University of Minnesota's Academic Health Center. During the duration of the oral history project, the person hired will be relieved of most teaching responsibilities and instead will be expected to devote most of her/his time to the AHC History Project: conducting oral histories with current and past members of the AHC and with other individuals whose experience is relevant to that history; editing those transcripts; and depositing them in University Archives. At the conclusion of the oral history project the incumbent will assume the ordinary teaching load of the History of Medicine Program. The appointee will be expected to maintain an active scholarly research program and demonstrate her/his academic merit through peer-reviewed publications. Salary is competitive. The review of applications will begin 25 February 2008. The search will remain open until the position is filled. The start date is negotiable. Applicants should submit a letter of interest, a CV, a writing sample no longer than 25-30 pages, and the names of three references to the University of Minnesota on-line employment system, <[www1.umn.edu/ohr/](http://www1.umn.edu/ohr/)>. For more information, please contact Kathy Anderson [ander105@umn.edu](mailto:ander105@umn.edu), Staff to the Search Committee, or Jennifer Gunn, Ph.D. [gunnx005@umn.edu](mailto:gunnx005@umn.edu), Chair of the Search Committee.

## OTHER NEWS

This is a call for participants. **The American Academy of the History of Dentistry (AAHD)** is conducting a survey of all museums, libraries, special collections, archives, and other similar organizations to identify, locate and learn more about dental history collections and to update a directory that was published in the organization's journal in 1992. Shannon O'Dell, Curator of the Sindecuse Museum of Dentistry at the University of Michigan and Andrea Matlak, Archivist at the American Dental Association are preparing the mailing list for the survey form

which will be sent out at a later date. Whether you represent a broad subject organization with a small quantity of collections pertaining to dentistry or an institution that specializes in dentistry, we hope you will speak up and let us add you to our survey mailing list. We encourage participation from all including international organizations. You need not be an AAHD member institution to participate.

The aim of the directory is two-fold: to provide a guide for scholars and interested individuals wishing to study the history of dentistry; and to generate interest in this field and stimulate new research

The data will help us create an on-line database and directory to be published in the *Journal of the History of Dentistry* and the AAHD Web site <[www.histden.org/](http://www.histden.org/)> later this year. If you have suggestions about small local museums with dental exhibits or collections that may get missed or other list-servs we might send this to, we are open to your suggestions. Please respond to [dentalmuseum@umich.edu](mailto:dentalmuseum@umich.edu).

**The American Occupational Therapy Foundation's (AOTF) Institute for the Study of Occupation and Health** invites the participation of AAHM members in a survey of public and private archives and museums that hold primary documents and artifacts relating to the history of occupational therapy (OT) in the United States, particularly during the First World War, Second World War, and Korean and Vietnam conflicts. The results of this survey will enable AOTF to refine an OT-history finding aid connected both to its Program for OT Heritage and to its Wilma L. West Library, a national repository for the literature of the OT profession which, in cooperation with the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), houses the archives of AOTA dating from ca. 1917-1975. If you have knowledge of OT historical resources and/or wish to include the holdings of your institution in the results of this survey, please contact AOTF Institute director and fellow AAHM member, Dr. Jeffrey S. Reznick, by email at [jreznick@aotf.org](mailto:jreznick@aotf.org), or by phone at (301) 652-6611, extension 2555. The final survey will, of course,

include a comprehensive list of all individual and institutional contributors.

The publisher Taylor & Francis is currently offering discounted subscription rates to individual AAHM members on the following journal: *Annals of Science* <[www.informaworld.com/tasc](http://www.informaworld.com/tasc)> at US \$99/GB £60.

*Between Text & Patient: the Medical Enterprise in Medieval & Early Modern Europe*, a collection of essays in honor of Michael R. McVaugh, is to be published by SISMELE publishers (Firenze) in Fall 2008. The volume is based on a conference by the same title held at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill in March 2007. Editors Brian Nance and Eliza Glaze bring together essays by nearly 20 authors, including Nancy Siraisi, Vivian Nutton, Klaus-Dietrich Fischer, Luke Demaitre, Monica Green, Linda Voigts, Joan Cadden, Ian Maclean, Francis Newton, Peter Murray Jones, Laura Nuvaloni, Piers Mitchell, Joseph Ziegler, Fernando Salmon, Jon Arrizabalaga, Pedro Gil Sotres, and more. For further information, please contact the editors, [brian@coastal.edu](mailto:brian@coastal.edu), [fglaze@coastal.edu](mailto:fglaze@coastal.edu).

Caroline Hannaway, historical consultant to the **Office of NIH History**, has edited a new book *Biomedicine in the Twentieth Century: Practices, Policies, and Politics*, which is being published in February 2008 by IOS Press of Amsterdam. The book has essays by well known scholars in this area of research, including Stuart Blume, Angela Creager, David Cantor, Gerald N. Grob, J. Rogers Hollingsworth, Daniel Kevles, Richard C. Lewontin, Susan E. Lederer, Buhm Soon Park, Leo Slater, Darwin Stapleton, and Carsten Timmermann. Besides being a contribution to the history of biomedicine, the book is also conceived as a festschrift for Victoria A. Harden, the founding director of the Office of NIH History, who retired in January 2006, and a short account of her achievement in building the Office of NIH History is included. Publication of the book was supported by the Office of Intramural Research of the NIH.