

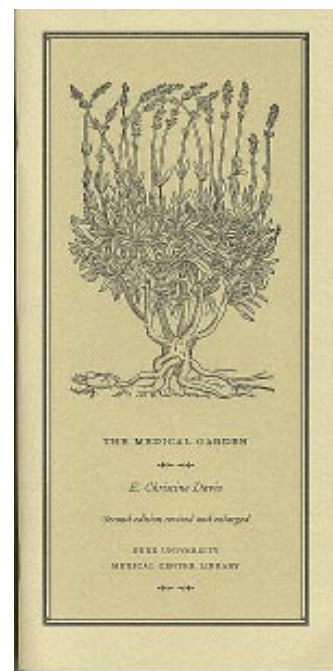
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THE MEDICAL GARDEN

Twenty-four years ago, Susan C. Smith and former curator, G.S.T. Cavanagh, produced an informal guide – now out of print – to the Duke University Medical Center Library’s medicinal garden. Responding to the recent increased interest in herbal remedies and alternative therapies, Christine Davis, a graduate botany student, has researched and written a more formal catalog, **The Medical Garden**. While the handy format of the original guide has been retained, the new catalog has expanded entries, scholarly citations, and additional indexes. Woodcuts from the Trent copies of the 1597 and 1636 editions of Gerarde’s **Herball** were used to illustrate the text. The catalog was beautifully designed by Molly Renda of Durham, NC and then printed in letterpress by the Stinehour Press of Lunenburg, VT. Financial support from The Josiah Charles Trent Memorial Foundation, Inc. and from the Trent Associates made the publication possible.



On Thursday afternoon 30 May 2002, the Trent Associates hosted a celebration for the publication with a reception, herb viewing, and exhibit. The garden, which is presently contained in eight tubs of varying size, is located on the History of Medicine terrace at the west side of the Seeley G. Mudd Building. Each herb is clearly identified making it easy for the visitor to refer to the catalog; however, at no time will all the plants listed in the catalog be present in the garden. Due to space constraints, some will be consistently represented while others will rotate. The garden is open year round to visitors. For those who have not already received one, a copy of the catalog is available upon request. The exhibit will remain on view through the summer.

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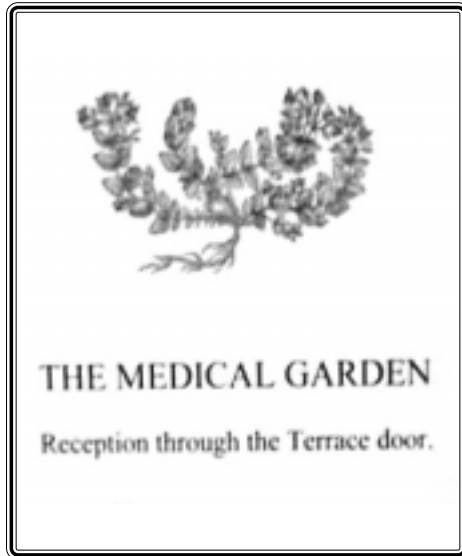


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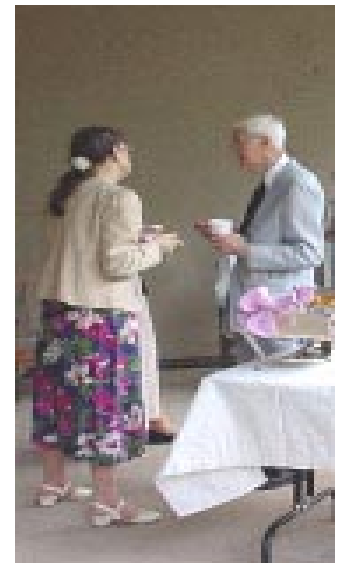
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Patricia Thibodeau, Associate Dean of Library Services, and Edward Halperin, Vice Dean, School of Medicine



Virginia Carden (front) and Suzanne Jessup (rear)



Barbara Busse and Dr. Irving (Bill) Holley

BRIEF NOTES

The contemporary oil portrait of Sir William Harvey that presided over our reading room for the past fifteen years, courtesy of Verne L. Roberts, Ph.D., was removed in February. The portrait and Dr. Roberts' collection of printed books on biomechanics, which were also on loan, were sold to Jonathan A. Hill Booksellers, Inc. of New York and Libraire Thomas-Scheler of Paris. The portrait was a lovely compliment to our collection of Harvey's works on the circulation of the blood and will be greatly missed.

For a brief period this summer, the History of Medicine Reading Room and Collections will be unavailable to readers and visitors to allow for a much-needed recarpeting of our area, as well as the lower lobby and central stairway. At the time this newsletter went to press, we still did not have a firm date, so please call before you visit to make certain the collection is accessible.

Hours for the History of Medicine have changed again due to a reduction in staff and a budgeting shortfall. We are now open to the public **Tuesday – Friday, 9:30 am – 4:00 pm**. Readers still have the option of scheduling appointments outside of these hours and can, as before, request books from the History circulating stacks through the main Circulation desk in the upper lobby. Staff continue to be available by telephone Monday – Friday, 8:30 am – 5:00 pm. If on occasion you get our voice mail, please be assured we will respond to all calls.

A SPECIAL EVENT

Although invitations will not be mailed out until later this summer, please mark your calendars now for Thursday afternoon, 26 September 2002. The Trent Associates will be hosting a celebration with a speaker, reception, and exhibit to mark the publication of **The Four Seasons of Human Life; Four Anonymous Engravings from the Trent Collection**. This exhaustive text, authored by a team of European scholars under the leadership of H.F.J. Horstmanshoff, examines all aspects of our four seventeenth-century copperplate engravings.

The Four Seasons of Human Life is available for purchase through Erasmus Publishing's North American distributor, Balogh International (phone: 217-355-9331, fax: 217-355-9413). For more information, consult www.balogh.com/catalogs/erasmus.html.

FAREWELL TO GAYLE

Gayle Elmore, History of Medicine Collections secretary, retired at the end of February. Gayle has been for years the friendly voice on the other end of the phone line and the smiling face that graciously welcomed visitors to the Trent Room. She was also familiar to many of our readers as the assistant editor of the **Trent Associates Report**.



Gayle Elmore

After almost eighteen years of service to Duke, fourteen of which were in the Medical Center Library, Gayle has turned her attention to home and family. She is enjoying more time with her husband, Vernon, and their grandson, Blake, and is taking every opportunity to visit the beach. Please join us in extending our best wishes to Gayle for many enjoyable years of retirement.

SELECTED ACQUISITIONS

Blackwood, Alicia. *A Narrative of personal experiences and impressions during a residence on the Bosphorus throughout the Crimean War*. London: Hatchard, 1881.

Cheney, Dorothy. *Memories, November 1971 – March 1919*. Hartford, CT: Finlay Brothers, 1929.

Church, W. S. *A General index to the first twenty volumes of the St. Bartholomews Hospital Reports*. London: Smith Elder, 1885.

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Marce, L. V. *Traité de la folie des femmes enceintes...* Paris: J. B. Baillière et Fils, 1858.

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