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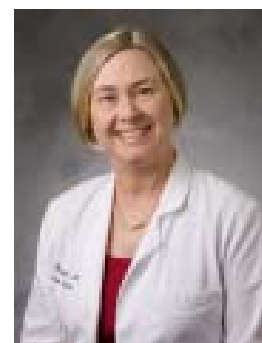


Tuberculosis: Past, Present, Future

A gift by Dr. Barbara C. Newborg of a set of ten posters created in post World War I Germany prompted the creation of the current exhibit in the lower lobby. The colored lithographs have been stabilized and restored and are now ready to be shared with the community. Since there is not sufficient space to show more than one at a time, the posters will rotate during the months the exhibit will be on display.

Posters have been widely used by public health reformers to communicate information and encourage compliance. In the worldwide campaign against TB they have been an effective educational and fundraising tool. Copies of some twentieth century examples from the United States, Europe, Africa, and Asia fill one of the display cases. Many are from the Christmas seal campaign which began in Denmark and spread throughout the western world. The organizers of World TB Day, launched in 2006, have made outstanding use of the poster to publicize their efforts to combat the health emergency.

The exhibit includes a historical timeline marking the steps toward the identification of tuberculosis as a disease, and toward progress in its treatment and in the handling of its resurgence in drug resistant forms. Particular attention is paid to the efforts and activities in North Carolina, from the first US tuberculosis sanitarium in Asheville to current research in Durham. Carol D. Hamilton, MD, MHS, an Associate Professor of Medicine at Duke, is focused on the treatment, prevention, and public health aspects of TB. She has a special interest in TB in HIV infected individuals because co-infection enhances the progression of TB. She is actively involved in both clinical trials and epidemiologic studies. Dr. Hamilton is currently the medical director of the North Carolina TB Control Program and is leading an NIH-funded study in Tanzania.



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Disaster Update

On Wednesday afternoon 25 June, Chris Gage from BMS-CAT, a disaster response and recovery firm, gave a detailed presentation for the staff on the services they would provide the Library in the event of a disaster. BMS-CAT is under contract with Duke to provide disaster support either in anticipation of a disaster or as a result of a disaster.

Mr. Gage had just come from Iowa where his firm was engaged in helping the university and businesses along the river recover from the flooding.



Recent Acquisitions

Becklard, Eugène. **Physiological mysteries and revelations in love, courtship and marriage ...** translated from 3rd Paris ed. Philadelphia: [J. B. Perry] 1845.

Buniva, Michele Francesco. **Istruzione intorno alla vaccinazione ...** Torino: Dalla Stamperia Dipartimentale, 1804.

Chapman, John. **Cases of neuralgia and of other diseases of the nervous sytem ...** London: J. & A. Churchill, 1873.

Grew, Nehemiah. **A discourse ... concerning the nature, causes and power of mixture.** London: Printed for John Martyn, 1675. Bound with Verle, Giovanni Battista. **Anatomia artificialis oculi humani inventa ...** Amsterdam: Henricum Wetstenium, 1680.

Pringle, John. **Observations on the nature and cure of hospital and jayl-fevers ...** London: A. Millar & D. Wilson, 1750.

Taylor, John. **Le mecanisme ou le nouveau traité de l'anatomie du globe de l'oeil ...** Paris: Michel-Estienne David, 1738.

Whytt, Robert. **Observations on the dropsy in the brain ...** Edinburgh: John Balfour, 1768.

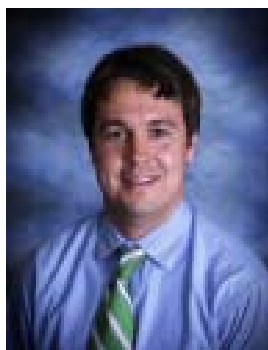
Prizes

Several history of medicine prizes sponsored by the Library were awarded at the banquet for graduating medical students on Thursday 8 May.

The Cavanagh Prize was presented to the outstanding medical graduate. This year there was a tie; Jason Andrew Clark and Robert Gil Micheletti each received a copy of GST Cavanagh’s **Panorama of Vesalius** with a personally inscribed bookplate. The prize was established in 2007 by Susan Smith Cavanagh in memory of Terry Cavanagh, the first curator of the Trent Collection. She has donated a number of copies of the book for this purpose.



Clark



Johnson



Micheletti

The Dr. William Reid Haas and Mrs. Ardelle B. Haas History of Medicine Essay Prize was awarded to David P. Johnson for his essay, *Dr. George W. Harley: A new perspective of a 20th century medical missionary’s influence on 21st century global health*. The winning essay was selected by a prize committee from among those submitted. The winner received a check for \$1200 and had his name inscribed on a perpetual plaque which will hang in the Medical School. The prize is funded with interest accrued from the Haas gift to the History of Medicine Collections.

Zeiss Event

Look for a Fall event in early October with speakers and a reception to celebrate the gift of a Zeiss Photomicroscope from the Pathology Department. Without a doubt, this is now the largest microscope in our collection and presents quite a contrast to our early Culpeper screw barrel microscope (c. 1720) which can fit in the palm of a hand.



Trent Speaker Series

Our Trent/Bullitt Collaborative Speaker Series will resume on Tuesday 9 September. Please consult our Website (<http://www.mclibrary.duke.edu/hom/events/speakerseries>) later this summer for final details on topics and for the schedule of alternating months for the Bullitt History of Medicine Club, which will be held at the UNC Health Sciences Library. Mark your calendars for the following second Tuesdays in the History of Medicine Reading Room. A light buffet will precede the lecture which begins at 6:00 pm.

September 9, 2008

Dr James R. Urbaniak

Virginia Flowers Baker Professor of Surgery
Chief, Division of Orthopaedic Surgery

November 11, 2008

Dr. Robert H. Wilkins

Professor Emeritus, Neurosurgery

January 13, 2009

Professor Priscilla Wald

Dept. of English

March 10, 2009

Professor Seymour Mauskopf

Dept. of History

Changes



The Nashold History of Stereotactic Neurosurgery exhibit has been reinstalled on the first stack level. As you exit the elevator the display cases are arranged directly ahead of you along the right wall. Instruments donated by the family of Dr. Robert Iacono have been added to the display. You can visit the newly constructed Stereotactic Neurosurgery Website at <http://www.mclibrary.duke.edu/hom/exhibits/nashold>.



The paintings of the U.S. Army 65th General Hospital have moved to a new location on the first stack level – on the wall in front of the door to the central staircase. The portrait of Colonel Gordon Clapp, Commanding Officer, has been added to the 5 paintings which were previously hung.

In spite of all the physical changes that have occurred in the Library as well as those that are still to come, the History of Medicine Collections and the Trent Room remain and will continue to remain in place. Nothing has been removed from our collection. As materials from the general collection were weeded or identified for transfer to an off-site storage facility, we took the opportunity to add some of those older titles to the history stacks. Essentially this kind of evaluation is an ongoing process as today's current materials become tomorrow's history; however, in this instance the process was accelerated.

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