

NEWS *from* FONDREN

A LIBRARY NEWSLETTER TO THE RICE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY

LIBRARY RENOVATION/EXPANSION PROJECT ACCELERATES PACE

Four days into the much anticipated year of 2000, Fondren Library greeted its newly named design architect, Robert Venturi, of Venturi, Scott Brown and Associates, Inc., to the campus. With the appointment of the design architect by Rice's Board of Trustees, the team to renovate and expand Fondren Library was complete.

Robert Venturi

Designing a new library for a new century is a compelling charge, but it is a challenge for which Robert Venturi and his associates are well prepared. After receiving his undergraduate degree in 1947, Venturi remained at Princeton University to earn his M.F.A. in 1950. He then went on to study at the American Academy in Rome as a Rome Prize Fellow. In the

course of his career, Venturi has taught courses in architectural theory at the University of Pennsylvania School of Architecture and has also lectured at the American Academy in Rome, the University of California at Los Angeles, Harvard, Princeton, Yale, and Rice.

Although Louis Kahn is probably his closest mentor, Venturi has admitted great regard for international architect Alvar Aalto as well. In his writings on architecture—often in collaboration with his wife, the noted architect, Denise Scott Brown—Venturi has challenged the relatively lifeless “puritanical moral language of orthodox Modern architecture” by arguing for a “messy vitality,” that is, an architecture which responds to the complexity and vibrancy of a city, an architecture which is contextual and flexible.

Among the many projects on which the firm of Venturi, Scott Brown and Associates, Inc., is currently working are a student center at Princeton University, a major medical laboratory complex for Yale University, two library projects at Dartmouth College, and a student



Architects Robert Venturi and Denise Scott Brown

center complex at the University of Pennsylvania. The firm is also engaged in preliminary planning and programming for the University of Michigan Life Sciences Institute.

Joining Robert Venturi in his early January visit to the Rice campus was his associate, Dan McCoubrey. Both will be visiting the campus several times during the next few months. Also attending the January meeting were Shepley Bulfinch Richardson and Abbott project architects,

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Linbeck construction project managers, representatives from Rice's Facilities and Engineering department, and Fondren Library representatives. This team thoroughly reviewed the master plan of the library project and the history of the project up to the present. The project budget was discussed, and the vision of the future Fondren Library was summarized.

Temporary Library Building

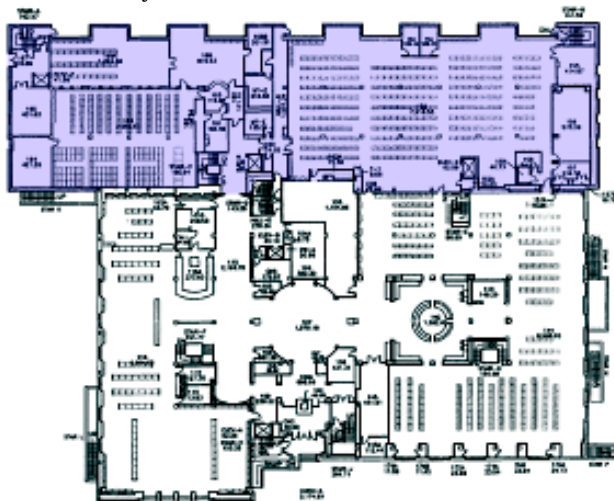
As the design for the new library proceeds, the planning and construction timetable for a temporary library has been accelerated. The temporary library will be a two-story metal building, designed for optimum utility and service. It is to be situated at the intersection of Alumni Drive and Laboratory Road, across the street from the M.D. Anderson Biological Laboratories and the Keith-Wiess Geological Laboratories.

The library planning and design team, working closely with Facilities and Engineering, the architects, and the construction team, has been designing and pricing the temporary library, with a December 2000 completion date as its goal. A December completion date will allow the moving of the collection and staff during the winter recess of December 2000-January 2001. If this schedule is adhered to, asbestos abatement in the empty 1969 addition, which must be com-

pleted before the addition can be demolished, can take place during the spring of 2001. Demolition of the 1969 library addition is scheduled to begin after graduation in May 2001.



1. Location of temporary library 2. Rice Memorial Center/Ley Student Center 3. Alice Pratt Brown Hall



Floor plan of Fondren Library, with 1969 addition slated for demolition shaded

Collections and Services

The library intends to relocate the bulk of its collection, i.e., the 1.3 million volumes currently housed in the 1969 addition, to the temporary building. In addition to the collection, most of the Technical Services Department will also relocate to the temporary library. A circulation service point is planned as well.

Currently, the library is planning

to keep the reference collection and service points, current periodicals, Circulation/Reserves, SCIPPR, Document Delivery and Fee-Based Services, the Administrative Offices, and the Friends of Fondren Library office

in the original part of the building, which is rapidly being labeled as 49Fondren. In addition, Government Publications and Microforms, the Brown Fine Arts Library, and the Woodson Research Center will remain in 49Fondren.

Planning and Communication

During the past few months working groups have been formed to focus on specific issues integral to the design and function of our new library. Library staff, faculty, and students are generously contributing their time and experience to anticipate the questions of the architects and thoughtfully respond to planning issues. We currently have eight working groups in place: Collections/Special Collections, Change Management, Temporary Library, Public Services, Digital Library, Security, Administrative, and Communications.

In addition, we are working with a Fondren Library Renovation/Expansion Web site design team (known as "flre"), composed of Rice students. With the Project Coordinator, this talented and creative group of students is designing the Project Web Site, which they will continue to manage during the life of the library project. Designed to inform Rice students, faculty, staff, and the public of the renovation and expansion project, the Web site will be updated on a weekly basis

the project matures, with current information regarding construction timelines, activities, service points, and other items of interest. Its debut is expected in early March.

Fondren Foundation Gift

Adding to the energy and creativity pouring into the library project is a recent contribution of capital. Reflecting a strong commitment to the vision of the future, as well as a long tradition of great generosity, the Fondren Foundation recently awarded \$1,000,000 to the Fondren Library Renovation and Expansion Project.

The Fondren Library Master Planning Study submitted to the Board of Trustees in May 1999 visualized the future Fondren thus: "In the future the library will emphasize services and staff expertise; it will be evaluated not simply on the number of items catalogued but also on how successfully the library as an active educational facility can inculcate the complex, varied research skills necessary for leadership in the next century. Space in the renovated facility will be flexible; scholarly activity will be displayed, not concealed; furnishings will encourage reading for pleasure as well as profit; adequate provision will be made for contemplative research by students and faculty; and places will be dedicated to facilitating social and intellectual exchanges among all patron groups ... The library will serve as the university center for the circulation of inquiry."

Working together, we are building a new library which will realize this vision for a new century! What an enviable place to be.

Sally Reynolds
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ASSOCIATE UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN APPOINTED

On January 28 Vice Provost and University Librarian Charles Henry announced the promotion of Sara Lowman to the position of Associate University Librarian. He indicated that her new duties would include "(1) increased responsibility for the strategy and execution of the library's programs, projects, and initiatives; (2) increased responsibility for the planning and execution of the Fondren capital project for renovation and expansion; [and] (3) full responsibility for running Fondren Library in [his] absence."

Sara holds a B.A. degree in biology, with a concentration in Russian studies, from Carleton College (1984) and an M.A. in Library and Information Science from the University of Iowa (1985). She joined the Fondren Library staff in August 1985 as a Science Reference/Collection Development Librarian. After two years in that position, she was made Coordinator of Collection Development and Online Search Services. An appointment to the position of Interim Co-Director of Reader Services followed in August 1989. Two and a half years later Sara was named Head of Reference Services, a responsibility she continued to hold even after she was promoted in September 1996 to the position of

Assistant University Librarian for Public Services.

Sara has been very active in professional activities, both at Rice and elsewhere. She presently plays a key role in the planning for the library's renovation and expansion, serving as a member of the Building Project Management Committee, chairing the Public Services Working Group, and co-chairing the Change Management Working Group. Sara has been a member of the Library Executive Committee and the Budget Council for several years. She chairs the Public Services Council and the Digital Resources Steering Committee and serves on the Library Information Technology Steering Council, the SIRSI Steering Committee, and the Collection Development Steering Committee.

Sara currently belongs to the Campus ADA Task Force and is a Coordinating Council Member of TexShare, a Texas library resource-sharing network. She is serving on several committees of the American Library Association and recently chaired one of these national groups.

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DID *you* KNOW?

Fondren Library "adopted" the collection of Houston's Goethe Institute following the Institute's closing in December 1999. The collection will support Germanic studies across a range of disciplines, including religion, philosophy, language, and the fine arts. The books are being reviewed and will be added to the collection in due time.



Fondren Library now is providing online access to all IEEE journals (see the "Electronic Journals" link from Fondren's home page or find the link using the Webcat catalog record).



Also newly available online is the "General Science" cluster of JSTOR. When completely digitized by 12/00, this will include the full back runs of:

- PHILOSOPHICAL TRANSACTIONS OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY OF LONDON
- *PHILOSOPHICAL TRANSACTIONS, SERIES A&B* (ROYAL SOCIETY OF LONDON)
- PROCEEDINGS OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY OF LONDON
- *PROCEEDINGS, SERIES A&B* (ROYAL SOCIETY OF LONDON)
- SCIENCE
- SCIENTIFIC MONTHLY
- PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCE



Currently, over 2200 journals are available online (in part or in whole) to the Rice University community. Online access provides additional utility and ease of use; the library continues to explore cost-effective mechanisms to increase online access.

STUDY AT THE BRITISH LIBRARY: STUDENT INTERNSHIPS PLANNED

Rice students, both undergraduate and graduate, soon will have the opportunity to study at the prestigious British Library through the support of Fondren Library's Hobby British Museum internships.

The first internship for a Rice undergraduate will be offered in summer 2001.

This will be an ongoing event. While details of the internship are still under development, we plan to arrange for the undergraduate intern to work with the British Library's manuscript division for a period of eight weeks during the summer. Students wishing to be awarded an internship will participate in a selection process that includes an application and interview with the selection panel. Details and a schedule will be published shortly.

A graduate internship, offering a full year of study at the British Library, will be arranged as well. We hope to have the Hobby British Library graduate internship in place by fall 2002.

Both Hobby British Library internships will fund travel and housing expenses, in addition to providing the travelers a modest stipend. Funding for the internships is courtesy of the Hobby Foundation Endowment, estab-

lished in 1998 as a bequest of Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby.

Fondren Library is building a number of bridges between Houston's academic community and the resources of the British Library. During the spring of 1998, Dr. Charles Henry and a number of members of the

Friends of Fondren enjoyed an in-depth tour of the British Library's facilities and collections as a part of their tour of "Great Libraries of England." In March 1999 chief executive Brian Lang and several other members of the British Library staff visited Rice University for several days, discussing areas of common interest to

the two institutions. In December 1999 Dr. Michelle Brown, Curator of Manuscripts, presented a lecture to the Rice University community on the Sherborne Missal and other treasures of the British Library's manuscript collection.

Additional information about the British Library and all of its divisions may be found through their Web site at <http://www.bl.uk/>.



*Detail from Sherborne Missal
(reprinted with permission of
the British Library)*

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FONDREN JOINS IN CREATING DIGITAL ARCHIVE OF TEXAS RESOURCES

The Fondren Library has joined five other libraries and archives in the Texas Archival Resources Online (TARO) project to create a digital archive of the rich cultural resources held by the many archives, libraries, and museums in the state. TARO was awarded a \$220,000 grant from the Texas state Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund to digitize the finding aids at the participating institutions as the initial phase of the project.

Finding aids describe archival collections and are used to provide more information than a standard library cataloging record. They include information on the previous owners of a collection and how it arrived in the archive, biographical or organizational histories, notes describing scope and content of the collection, and variably detailed descriptions of the contents. Finding aids have traditionally been in-house documents, and researchers must go to the archives to see what might be available. By digitizing these finding aids and making them searchable on the Internet, the TARO project will significantly improve the access and availability of a vast amount of unique collections, items, and artifacts in Texas archives. Future phases of the project will incorporate digital surrogates of the archival material, including images of documents and ob-

jects and audiovisual files.

TARO is administered by the University of Texas at Austin and includes all members of the Texas Digital Library Alliance—Rice, UT Austin, Texas A&M, Texas Tech, the University of Houston, and the Texas State Library. It will serve as a model and a resource for the

LIBRARY TO INSTITUTE CHARGES FOR COMPUTER PRINTING

Fondren Library plans to begin charging for computer printing at the laser printers located near the main Reference Desk, in Government Publications, and in the Fine Arts Library. The “pay-for-printing” system will be installed after the end of the spring 2000 semester.

Fondren Library previously has not charged for printing material from the online catalog, journal indexes, full-text journals, textual or image databases, or the Internet at large. Students, faculty, and (especially) members of the general public often print large masses of material from the library’s “free” terminals. These printing costs—in the form of paper and toner cartridges—have been borne by Fondren Library. In spite of efforts to control spiraling costs, they have soared and threaten to edge out funding for other library programs (such as maintaining the library’s computer hardware).

When these charges are instituted, the procedure will be as follows. After issuing a print command from a library terminal, the user will go to the laser printer where he will find a copy-card reader attached to the printer/computer unit. After inserting his copy-card, he will select his print job, and the printer will produce the materials (charging the copy-card appropriately).

The workstation printers will use the same copy-cards used elsewhere in Fondren Library. Laser printing will, therefore, cost the same as photocopying. The laser printers will not accept cash. Copy-cards are sold at the Fondren Library Circulation Desk.

Printing from the Library’s three “Express LIBRIS” terminals—which do not support Web browsers and access only the character interface to the online catalog—will continue to be free of charge.

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eventual participation of all archives in the state of Texas, from the tiniest local historical society to the Humanities Resource Center at UT Austin.

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LATIN TRANSLATION COMMISSIONED

Dr. Joan Ferry, Archives Associate of the library's Woodson Research Center, has been commissioned to do a translation from the Latin of Paul the Deacon's *History of the Lombards*, the four small continuators (*Continuatio Casinensis*, *Continuatio Romana*, *Continuatio tertia*, *Continuatio Lombarda*), Andreas, and Erchempert. The volume is to be part of the series Translated Texts for Historians published by the University of Liverpool.

GIS/DATA CENTER TO HOST PRECONFERENCE

On April 11 the library's GIS/Data Center will be hosting a preconference for the Texas Library Association Annual Meeting. Twenty librarians from around the state will attend this preconference, which will address many issues for libraries thinking of providing Geographic Information Systems services or wanting to expand existing services and resources. Many libraries are interested in providing equipment and services similar to those provided by Fondren Library's GIS/Data Center.

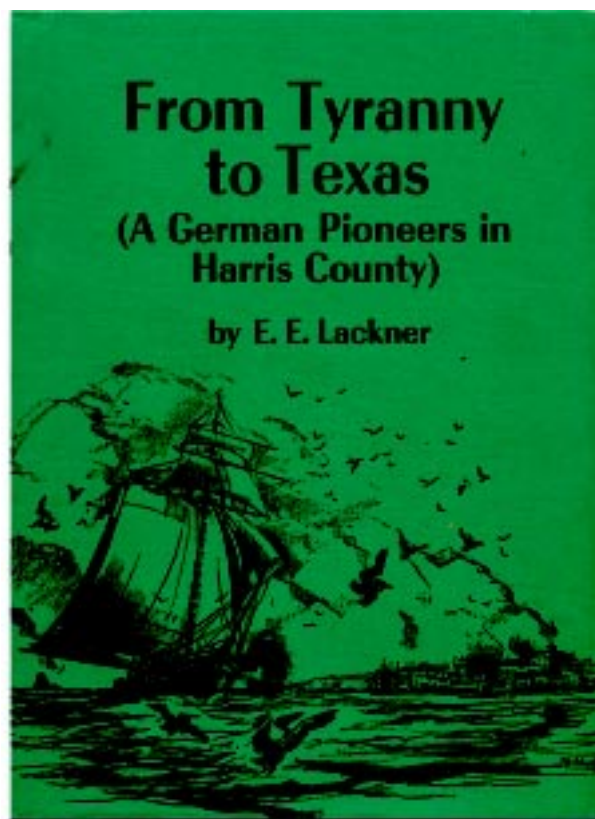
LACKNER ENDOWMENT ESTABLISHED

When the Woodson Research Center received an unexpected and most generous bequest last May from the estate of Edgar E. Lackner, I was led to reflect on our long association with Mr. Lackner and his wife, Anne Evelyn Ross Lackner (Rice '35), which had its origins in 1981. Both Lauren Brown (then Associate Archivist) and I knew the Lackners through the Harris County Historical Society. They asked us to visit them in their home near the Rice campus to look at a group of family papers as a possible gift to the Woodson. The papers turned out to be a wonderful collection of documents from a group of pioneer German families in Harris County: the Quensells (from whom Mr. Lackner was descended), Reinermanns, Sandmans, and Bethjes.

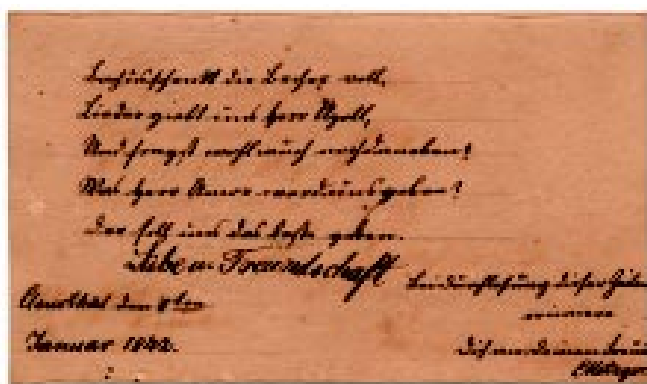
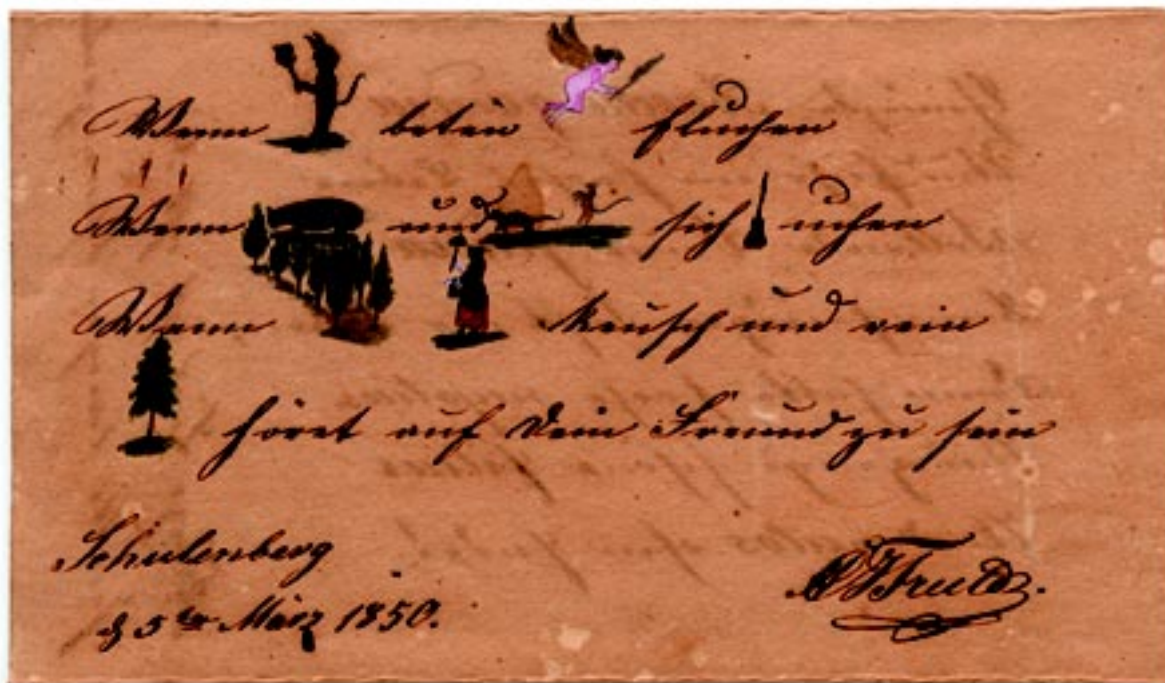
Lauren and I enthusiastically agreed to accept the papers, and they arrived on December 1, 1981, along with a generous check from the couple "for the benefit of the Woodson Research Center of Fondren Library." In many subsequent years additional checks came, with which we bought Texas-related rare book

and manuscript material. We kept the Lackners informed of major items we were acquiring from their donations, and from time to time they visited the Woodson for an update.

Among the important items acquired through the Lackners'



generosity are over a dozen volumes on early Texas history. Also purchased with their gifts was a Civil War manuscript diary kept by Alexander Hobbs, a young Union soldier taken prisoner of war in the Battle of Galveston. Mr. Lackner's cousin, Dr. Max Roy, donated papers and land documents of the John Reinermann family dating from 1847 to 1886; these form an im-



Papers donated by Edgar E. Lackner.

portant complement to Mr. Lackner's family papers. Mr. Lackner himself donated a book he researched, wrote, and published in 1975, entitled *From Tyranny to Texas: A German Pioneer[sic] in Harris County*. This historical biography tells the story of his grandfather, Wilhelm Quensell, who emigrated from the Hanover region of Germany in 1852 and settled

as a pioneer in Harris County.

Mr. Lackner died in April of 1998; when we received a check the following year it was a wonderful and tremendous surprise. Vice Provost and University Librarian Charles Henry and I agreed that this money should be put into an endowment, and so it has been. The Lackner Endowment thus represents for us the culmination of a

long and pleasant relationship, as well as a most welcome tribute to the Woodson Research Center's commitment in acquiring and preserving significant historical collections.

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TAX AIDS AVAILABLE IN LIBRARY AND ON THE WEB

It's tax season again! Perhaps you didn't know that there are many forms and resources available to help you in Fondren Library's Government Publications and Microforms Department. As a part of the Bank, Post Office, and Library Tax Forms Distribution Program, the department receives publications from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) for public distribution, as well as reproducible forms. Fondren Library places an order with the IRS for the forms most needed by its users, and, based on availability, the IRS tries to fill that request.

Alternatives to the print-based materials are the forms and information available from a wide variety of tax-related Web sites. The Government Publications and Microforms Department provides links to many helpful sites at http://www.rice.edu/Fondren/Gov_docs/tax.shtml. This site contains links to forms and publications, laws and regulations, and other information for the federal level and for various states.

One publication that may be of particular interest to many people is IRS Publication 17, "Your Federal Income Tax For Individuals." This publication supplements the information found in the tax form instruction booklets. It covers such topics as tax law, the rules for filing a tax return, and important

tax changes taking effect in

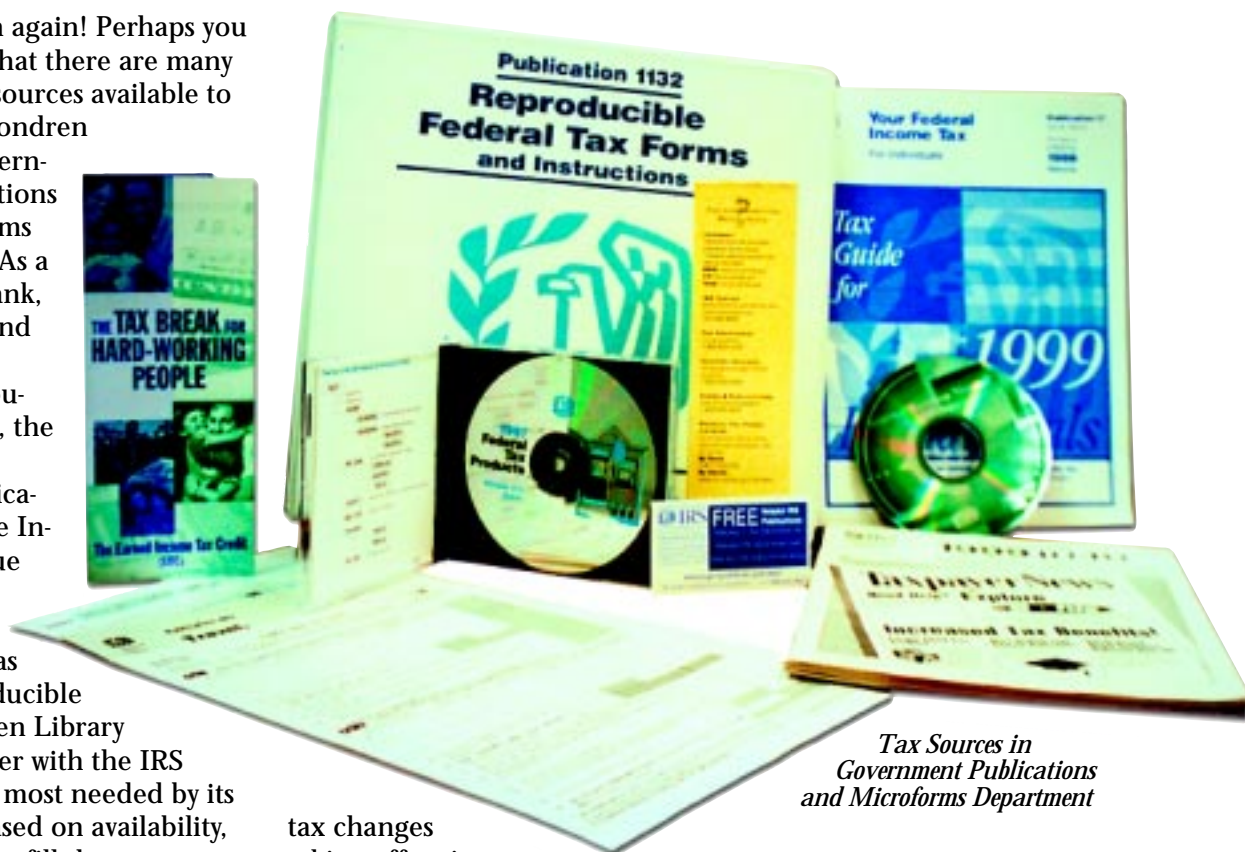
1999. This publication is available for reading or photocopying in the Government Publications Department, or via the World Wide Web at <http://ftp.fedworld.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p17.pdf> or http://www.irs.ustreas.gov/plain/forms_pubs/pubs/p17toc.htm.

Many of the publications available from the IRS on the Web, such as the first link listed for Publication 17, require the installation of the Adobe Reader software. Adobe Acrobat Reader is free software that lets you view and print Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF) files. It is available on the Web at <http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep.html>.

While Government Publications Department staff cannot

provide any tax advice, they are ready to help you access the forms and publications you request. In addition, Fondren Library provides access to many legal publications which may help you answer your own questions regarding tax law. More information about the Government Publications section can be found on the Web at <http://www.rice.edu/Fondren/Govdocs/> or by calling 713-348-5483.

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*Tax Sources in
Government Publications
and Microforms Department*

SCIPPR DIRECTOR PARTICIPATES IN POLISH LIBRARY CONFERENCE

Following the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989 the BOBCATSSS symposium was initiated by Dr. Ruud Bruyns of the Hogeschool van Amsterdam to stimulate understanding and co-operation between the library profession in Western Europe and the former Eastern European countries. These conferences are unique because they are planned, organized, and implemented by students.

This year's symposium, held in Krakow, Poland, from January 24-26, was put together by students from the Royal School of Library and Information Science in Copenhagen, Denmark, and Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland. "Intellectual Property versus The Right to Knowledge?" was the theme of this eighth BOBCATSSS symposium. Over two hundred librarians and library school students from Croatia, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Slovenia, and the United Kingdom participated. I was the sole representative of the United States.

Charles Oppenheim, Professor of Information Science at the United Kingdom's Loughborough University, and Mogens Damm, President of the Danish Library Association, set the tone of the conference in their keynote speeches. They focused on the future of intellectual property in the information age and the importance of accessibility to information for the individual. Both stressed the need for librarians to be



Wawel Castle, the location of the opening reception at the BOBCATSSS Symposium.



Old Town Krakow.

involved in the political process through library organizations and their own efforts.

Varied presentations on the conference theme were heard throughout the three days. Topics included the steps being taken in Poland to become part of the information society, access to information—the implicit or explicit human right, foreign SGML and translation support

for multilingual document bases, and courseware and user interfaces across cultural borders.

My proposal for a paper on the historical precedent for intellectual property protection was accepted by the conference organizers and published in the conference proceedings. This paper gave a brief synopsis of laws and treaties protecting intellectual property and described some of the library pro-

grams providing access to intellectual property. It concluded with a discussion of the balancing of private interest and public good in the protection of intellectual property in the electronic environment. I also gave a talk about depository programs in the United States and some of the lobbying efforts of librarians to ensure access to information by anyone in the U.S.

In addition to the formal presentations, a time for socializing was provided. An opening reception was held on the grounds of the Wawel Castle, home of the kings of Poland from the tenth century until the seventeenth century, and a closing party was held at the Japanese Art and Technique Center.

BOBCATSSS 2001 will be held in Vilnius, Lithuania. Its theme will be "Democracy, Information, and Knowledge in the Open Society: The Role of Libraries."

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BEHIND THE SCENES: ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

Do you need to schedule the library's Kyle Morrow Room for a meeting or hang a banner on the front of the library? Are you looking for a student job? Is a repair needed in your library office or carrel? The place to get assistance is the Administrative Offices located on the third floor of Fondren Library, in the hallway leading to the Brown Fine Arts Library.

Administrative Secretary Kathy Crowhurst and Accounting Assistant Lupe Villarreal are the people who deal most often with persons needing help. In addition to scheduling the Kyle Morrow Room and giving students permission to hang banners, they answer over one hundred telephone calls a day.

Kathy Crowhurst

Kathy is the person mainly responsible for accepting and processing student applications, calculating and logging timesheets, and keeping the student budget spreadsheet. Besides keeping records on student hours and pay, Kathy also handles the time and attendance records for regular and temporary library staff. Her clerical duties include preparing routine correspondence for recruitment of professional staff, distributing Administrative Offices mail, and providing any clerical help required by the Vice Provost and University Librarian, Charles Henry. She also schedules travel and meetings for Dr. Henry. If there are minor building problems, such as burnt-out lights or insects, she contacts Facilities and Engineering. Other administrative duties include ordering office supplies for all library departments, handling petty cash, and paying the monthly Faculty Club bill.

Lupe Villarreal

Lupe does the accounting work for the library, processing invoices, maintaining internal spreadsheets, and auditing about 150 funds. She audits the university's BANNER accounting system and the

library's SIRSI system and rectifies problems when BANNER needs correcting. She acts as a backup for Kathy on all her duties and, in addition, takes care of travel reimbursements and entertainment forms.

Janet Thompson

Office Manager Janet Thompson is the liaison to Human Resources for library personnel activities. All paperwork in relation to employees comes through her office, where personnel files are maintained. Janet works with supervisors in getting job descriptions written and graded and checks with the Budget Office to be sure there is money to fund positions. During the hiring process, affirmative action information is channeled through her, and she helps resolve any problems that arise in Human Resources or the Employment Office regarding library positions or personnel. Because of her liaison position, Janet also serves on several university committees, including the Employee Appraisal Committee.

Janet's other major duty is acting as budget coordinator for library salaries, supplies, and expenses. Together with the Assistant University Librarian for Collections, she cochairs the library's Budget Council, overseeing the planning and expenditures of an annual budget that exceeds \$11 mil-



*Janet Thompson,
Lupe Villarreal, and
Kathy Crowhurst*

lion. As circumstances change throughout the year, she works with managers to make money available where it is needed.

Joe Hatfield

Joe Hatfield holds the position of Facility Manager of Fondren Library. Although he reports to Facilities and Engineering, his responsibilities are, in general, specific and unique to the library, and he is considered part of the library administration. He handles maintenance, repair, and modification of the library building.

Routine maintenance and repair, arranged through work orders, cover things such as plumbing and electrical problems, heating and air conditioning, doors and locks, painting, roof leaks, and telephones. Modification of the building requires a special work request, which is billable. Examples of work falling into this category are carpeting of offices, building of walls or counter tops, or major moves. About three hundred work orders and sixty special work requests are generated each year.

Additional duties include maintaining key control, keeping a space utilization report for the library, storing and inventorying all surplus furniture, and having responsibility for building and tearing down of stacks (including maintenance of a stack layout inventory). Joe also coordinates the special needs of other departments which host special events or make regular use of parts of the building.

Joe is presently working with two library committees and architects to plan the move of 1.3 million books, plus shelving, to a temporary building during the library renovation and expansion. He is also involved in the design and construction of the temporary building, as well as plans for its operation.

Recently, Joe's services were recruited to assist in the change to a new telephone system on the Rice campus. He prepared space and coordinated the delivery and installation of the new telephone switch

and backup generator in the Mudd Building, as well as the delivery, storage, and installation of the phones themselves. He also prepared space for the installation of telephone equipment in the Delivery Services Annex, Alice Pratt Brown Hall, and the Greenbriar building housing some university offices. In addition, he handled the remodeling of three offices in Mudd and arranged the move of ten Telecommunications staff members from Allen Center to Mudd.

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FONDREN SCHEDULES PRESERVATION WEEK

The week of April 9-15, National Library Week, will be celebrated at Fondren Library with a special focus on preservation. Two speakers will be featured: Tom Clareson, the Imaging and Preservation Services Manager of Amigos Library Services, who presented a workshop on Disaster Recovery at Fondren last year; and David B. Gracy II, the Governor Bill Daniel Professor in Archival Enterprise and Interim Director of Preservation and Conservation Studies at the Graduate School of Library and Information Science of the University of Texas at Austin. There will be a series of preservation-related videos, demonstrations of simple book repair techniques, advice sessions on book problems, an exhibit, and tours of the library's Woodson Research Center.

The activities are aimed at making faculty, students, and patrons more aware of book preservation, in order to care for their own books and to help them understand the importance of taking better care of library books as well. Schedules of activities and events will be published and posted closer to the time of the Preservation Week events.

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COLLECTIONS		
Volumes in Library:	1,956,645	2,067,848
Volumes Added During Year:	56,730	66,174
Current Serials:	12,155	15,347
Microforms:	2,490,165	2,650,878
Government Documents (Uncataloged):	319,698	298,732
Computer Files:	1,934	8,232
Manuscripts and Archives (Linear Feet):	4,429	4,716
Cartographic Materials:	25,585	25,763
Audio Materials:	27,329	28,238
Graphic Materials:	26,746	27,704
Films and Videos:	3,728	5,443
EXPENDITURES		
Total Library Materials:	\$5,562,742	\$6,794,913
Contract Binding:	54,257	82,016
Salaries and Wages:	3,361,160	3,782,459
Other Operating Expenditures:	<u>591,581</u>	<u>900,252</u>
Total Library Expenditures:	\$9,569,740	\$11,559,640
STAFF (FTE, Including Students)	121	126
CIRCULATIONS (Excluding Reserves)	205,758	370,028
INTERLIBRARY LOANS		
Requests to Loan Materials:	6,348	9,297
Requests to Borrow Materials:	7,445	7,690



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