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2016 was a banner year for the Historical Resources Center. We grew the collection, processed historical photos and documents, and expanded services across the institution. With Tacey Rosolowski, Ph.D., expanding Heritage Services, the archives was able to reach out to new clients and develop previously unheard of products. We are proud to say that the Historical Resources Center/Research Medical Library is becoming one of the unique services that document the story of MD Anderson. We plan to continue this momentum through 2017.



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Did you know...

Dr. Denton Cooley (1920-2016) of the Texas Heart Institute was delivered by Dr. Ernest Bertner, who was the first acting Director of MD Anderson and first director of the Texas Medical Center.



Bill Baun (Wellness Officer, Human Resources) passed away last November. He will be remembered fondly as both an advocate for employee wellness and as a friend of the Research Medical Library. Tacey interviewed him for the oral history project.

Click HERE to listen to his thoughts on the library.



Tacey was interviewed for the institution's 75th anniversary video on how patient care at MD Anderson is the core of our mission. The video was aired at the Survivorship conference and available on the institution's YouTube channel. It has been viewed over 33,000 times!

HRC Highlights

Archives and Photographs: Javier's Report

The archives made great strides in working with processing and making available the historical image collections.

I scanned images dating back to the birth of the institution and was able to provide photo support for these projects:

- The 75th-anniversary celebrations
- The upcoming Faces of Philanthropy exhibit by.
- The Then and Now exhibit
- The animated video, "75 Years in 75 Seconds"

I also worked to inventory the image collection. Currently, the Medical Graphics and Photography collection have around 10,000 image files identified, which will make searching images for future projects much easier.

The archives were fortunate to have two graduate student interns to help us make great progress in processing our existing collections. Kaitlyn Sisk processed 22 oral history interviews. Claudia Culvert worked with digital images and was able to scan and describe 200 images from 2 collections. Because the oral history collection and digital images are going online, more people will have access to these collections than ever before.

Heritage Services: Tacey's Report

The Oral History Project continued to grow this quarter and Heritage Services, just one year old, has been gaining traction.

People interviewed: Walter Baile, Lorenzo Cohen, Wenonah Ecung, Margaret Spitz, and Gordon Mills. I was very glad I was able to interview Bill Baun, MD Anderson's much-loved Wellness Officer, before he passed away.

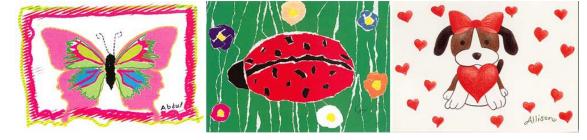
Support for MD Anderson Projects

- Information content for the 75 Years in 75 Seconds video.
- UT-TV used an interview with me as the framework for a video on survivors.
- Requests for audio/transcript content from Faculty Development; Strategic Communications;
 External Communications; Internal Communications

A special project: I created *Leading the MD Anderson Way*, a book that brings together excerpts on leadership in a narrative that stresses the continuity of bold leadership and the culture of care. Created with support from the Department of Faculty and Academic Development, the book was sent to department and division heads as a holiday gift from that Faculty Development and the Library.

Connecting beyond MDA: I have networked with the Humanities Research Center at Rice University, Medical Humanities at UTMB, Baylor College of Medicine, and the Institute of Spirituality and Health (ISH). I was invited to give a presentation on the provider-patient bond at the Rice Medical Humanities Symposium. One student was so interested, he has signed up for a spring semester internship.







Javier and Tacey provided support for the institution's 75 years in 75 seconds video. Tacey provided guidance on the milestones to include and Javier provided background photos to help emphasize each decade.

Interactive PDFs: a new and innovative HRC product. We experimented with this format to showcase HRC resources in exciting ways.

Exceptional Past, Extraordinary Future traces MD Anderson growth from its beginnings through the expansion of infrastructure and the latest programs. It features videos and audio clips from the oral history interviews.

Leading the MD Anderson Way shows how institution leaders have tackled challenges and created a unique culture of care and research. It showcases quotations from the interview collection.

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