PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Six weeks ago, we met in (not-so-sunny) Los Angeles for the 91st meeting of our association. What a wonderful meeting it was, and how we reaped the benefits of the planning, thoughtfulness, and energy of the Local Arrangements Committee and the creativity and resourcefulness of the Program Committee for providing the intellectual feast we enjoyed. My one regret was having to pass on the tours arranged for Thursday afternoon because of the AAHM Council meeting. Perhaps it was a blessing because it spared me having to decide between touring the Huntington Library and Gardens, viewing anatomy at the Getty Research Institute, visiting Sony Pictures Studios, or seeing inside the period rooms of the Jules Stein Eye Institute. A second regret was having to forego the Sigerist Circle scholarly session which focused on “defending the urban health care safety net,” a reminder that the scholarly work of our members has real world consequences in a world that defies predictability amid political divisions in the U.S.

But the AAHM Council meeting was important. The officers and Council members discussed two issues that you are sure to hear more of in the coming months and years. First, there was concern about the declining membership in the AAHM. Our organization is not unique in this respect; many scholarly societies are contending with steady declines in membership. There are new scholarly groups, journals, and modes of communication, that compete for scarcer resources. In some cases, members who do join us do not renew their membership. Members who do rejoin may wonder whether the association provides enough value for their membership dues, which do increase from time to time with rising publishing costs. There are real questions about what our association can do, should do, and must do to change the tide, to continue to remain relevant, to stem the slide in membership, to attract new members, and to retain the ones we have.

There was also much discussion about diversity and climate in our association. This is, of course, not unrelated to the first issue. There was great appreciation for the significant efforts of the Education and Outreach Committee in this respect, and especially for their survey of our membership on the issues of diversity and inclusivity. I look forward to hearing more from them in the weeks and months ahead as we collectively try to position the AAHM to provide the best possible climate for pursuing our shared interests in the history of medicine and healthcare in its broadest sense.

At the same time, we are already looking ahead to our next annual meeting in April 2019 (April 25-28 if you want to enter it in your calendar). So, with apologies to novelist Philip Roth, it’s Hello Columbus! By the time this message goes out, the call for papers has gone live. Program chairs Carin Berkowitz and Pablo Gómez have
recruited a terrific committee, and they are seeking proposals related to all eras and regions of the world that examine the history of healing, illness, disease, medicine, nursing, and public health. The Columbus Local Arrangements Committee has located a wonderful venue for the meeting, and I understand that there will be another conference meeting at the same time at our hotel, a conference of tattoo artists. This promises to be interesting.

In the coming months, please know that I welcome your comments and questions, especially with regard to improving diversity, climate, and membership numbers. See you in Ohio!

Sue Lederer
AAHM President

The William H. Welch Medal for 2018 was awarded to Cristian Berco for his book From Body to Community: Venereal Disease and Society in Baroque Spain (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2016).

AAHM awarded the George Rosen Prize for 2018 to Nükhet Varlik, Plague and Empire in the Early Modern Mediterranean World: The Ottoman Experience, 1347-1600 (Cambridge University Press, 2015).

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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 October, 15 February, and 1 July.

The William Osler Medal was presented to Helen Perry Knight, a student at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, for her essay, “St. Luke’s Hospice: A Hospital’s Engagement in the American Hospice Movement”

The winner of the 2017 Richard H. Shryock Medal was Margaret Vigil-Fowler of the History of Health Sciences, Department of Anthropology, History, and Social Medicine, University of California, San
Francisco, for her essay, “More Than Icons: A Granular Approach to Exposing the Hidden History of African American Students at the Woman’s Medical College of Pennsylvania.” Annelie Drakman of Department of the History of Science and Ideas, Uppsala University received honorable mention for her paper, “The Closing of the Open Body: A Rationale for the Nineteenth-Century Abandonment of Bloodletting.”

Shigehisa Kuriyama, the Reischauer Institute Professor of Cultural History at Harvard University will present the 2019 Garrison Lecture at the 92nd annual meeting of the Association in Columbus, OH.

Yumi Kim (PhD Columbia, 2015), an Assistant Professor of History at Johns Hopkins University, was the 2019 recipient of the Jack D. Pressman-Burroughs Wellcome Career Development Award in 20th Century History of Medicine or Science for her project Sickness of Spirit: Medicine, Religion, and Madness in Early Twentieth-Century Japan.

David Herzberg of the State University of New York at Buffalo received the 2018 J. Worth Estes Prize for his article, “Entitled to Addiction? Pharmaceuticals, Race, and Americas First Drug War” published in the Bulletin of the History of Medicine, Fall 2017, volume 91 (3): 585-623.

The 2018 Genevieve Miller Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to Rima Apple.

AAHM Call for Papers

AAHM invites abstracts for papers in any area of the history of health and healing for its 92nd annual meeting, to be held in Columbus, Ohio, April 25-28, 2019. The AAHM welcomes papers on the histories of medicine, disease, and health broadly defined, including the history of medical ideas, practices, or institutions and the history of healing, illness, disease, or public health. We welcome proposals related to all eras and regions of the world. The Program Committee, led by co-chairs Pablo Gómez pgomez@wisc.edu and Carin Berkowitz cberkowitz@ScienceHistory.org, particularly encourages the submission of papers and panels that increase the methodological, thematic, chronological and geographical diversity of the history of medicine and engage related fields (such as literary studies, anthropology, or sociology).

The Program Committee seeks four kinds of submissions:

**Individual papers**: Speakers should expect to give a presentation of no more than twenty minutes followed by ten minutes of discussion. All papers should represent original work not already published or in press. Authors wishing to publish their papers are urged to submit them for consideration to the Bulletin of the History of Medicine.

**Panels**: These consist of three individual papers featuring original scholarship (again limited to twenty minutes each) addressing a common topic. An appointed moderator should submit a proposal for the entire panel and coordinate individual speakers. Each speaker should submit an individual abstract as well. Please note that both panels and the individual abstracts for the papers included in them will be judged collectively and will be kept intact on the program. Panels may also include an invited discussant but must still fit within a ninety-minute session (i.e., fifteen minutes per paper).

**Symposium/Lunch Workshops**: These 75-minute sessions have a flexible format and can include a larger number of presenters. Typically, these should include around 5-6 presenters and leave ample space for conversation and discussion with the audience. A number of these symposia will be scheduled during lunch breaks. We are particularly interested in roundtables that bring together different disciplinary or methodological backgrounds, engage with topics with scholarly or political immediacy, or that address audiences or use formats not well supported by a more traditional panel format.

**Flash talks**: In lieu of posters, this year’s meeting will feature two 90-minute Flash talk sessions intended
specifically to feature the work of graduate students. These will be presentations of 5 minutes or less, followed by discussion of up to 10 minutes. Only students are eligible to present a flash talk.

**Please note that submissions are limited to one per person per category— one symposium, one paper abstract, or one flash-talk abstract. Presenters, however, can also be chairs of an organized panel.**

The AAHM uses an online abstract submissions system, accessible through the organization website www.histmed.org/cfp2019. Submissions must include an abstract (of no more than 300 words) with title, your name and institutional affiliation, three key words that describe your proposed paper, and three Continuing Medical Education (CME) learning objectives (the learning objectives are not considered part of the word count). For suggestions on developing learning objectives, see: www.histmed.org/learning-objectives.

Individuals are not required to be AAHM members at the time of submitting an abstract, but they must join AAHM before registering for and presenting at the meeting.

Abstracts must be submitted by midnight, Pacific Time (US), September 30, 2018. No late submissions will be considered.

Call for Nominations, AAHM Awards, 2019

All awards will be presented at the AAHM annual meeting in Columbus, OH. Additional information may be found on the AAHM website: histmed.org/about/awards.

Osler Medal Essay Contest, 2019. The William Osler Medal is awarded annually for the best unpublished essay on a medical historical topic written by a student enrolled in a school of medicine or osteopathy in the United States or Canada. First awarded in 1942, the medal commemorates Sir William Osler, who stimulated an interest in the humanities among medical students and physicians. All students who are candidates for the degree of Doctor of Medicine or Doctor of Osteopathy, or are graduates of the class of 2018, are eligible. The essay must have been written while the entrant was a student in good standing. Students are not eligible to compete for the Osler Medal if they have completed at least one full year of graduate training in history, the history of science or medicine, or the humanities or social sciences by the closing date of the competition. Medical students who have been enrolled in a graduate program in history or a related discipline should submit their essays to the Shryock competition. No student should submit an essay to both competitions in the same year. Essays that have been awarded an Honorable Mention are not eligible for resubmission. Essays may pertain to the historical development of a contemporary medical problem, or to a topic within the health sciences related to a discrete period in the past and should demonstrate either original research or an unusual appreciation and understanding of the problems discussed. The essay (maximum 9,000 words, including endnotes) must be entirely the work of one contestant.

Complete contest information may be viewed on the AAHM website www.histmed.org/about/Awards or obtained from the Osler Medal Committee Chair: Carla Keirns ckeirns@kumc.edu. Entries must be postmarked or submitted electronically via e-mail (which is the preferred method of submission) by 28 January 2019.

Shryock Medal Essay Contest, 2019. Graduate students are invited to enter the Shryock Medal Essay Contest. The medal honors Richard Harrison Shryock (1893–1972), a pioneer among historians interested in the history of medicine. The award is given for an outstanding, unpublished essay by a single author on any topic in the history of medicine. The essay (maximum 12,000 words, including endnotes) must be the result of original research or show an unusual appreciation and understanding of problems in the history of medicine. In particular, the
committee will judge essays on the quality of writing, appropriate use of sources, and ability to address themes of historical significance.

This competition is open to students enrolled in a graduate program in history or a related discipline at the time of submission. Medical students who have been enrolled in such a program should submit their essays to the Shryock competition. No student should submit an essay to both competitions in the same year. Essays that have been awarded an Honorable Mention are not eligible for resubmission.

Questions and submissions should be directed to Shryock Medal Committee chair: Susan Lamb slamb@uottawa.ca. Essays must be postmarked or submitted electronically via e-mail (which is the preferred method of submission) no later than 18 January 2019.

J. Worth Estes Award, 2019. This award was established in honor of J. Worth Estes, M.D., in recognition of his many invaluable contributions to the American Association for the History of Medicine and to scholarship in the history of medicine. The award is made annually for the best published paper in the history of pharmacology during the previous two years, whether appearing in a journal or a book collection of papers. The choice of topic reflects Worth Estes’ long tenure as Professor of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics at Boston University and his own scholarship in the history of pharmacology.

For the purpose of this award, the history of pharmacology will be defined broadly to include ancient and traditional materia medica, folk medicines, herbal medicines, the pharmaceuticals of the modern era, pharmaceutics, and the like. It shall encompass the discovery of medicaments, basic investigations about them, their characteristics and properties, their preparation and marketing, and their therapeutic applications.

While the committee will be monitoring relevant journals and books where such papers might appear, they welcome nominations of papers that would be eligible for consideration. The nomination should consist of a letter citing the work nominated along with a copy of the paper. For the current award, candidate papers will be those published in 2017 and 2018. Papers in languages other than English should be accompanied by a translation or detailed precis.

Nominations should be directed to the Chair of the Committee, Cynthia Connolly cac1@nursing.upenn.edu and must be postmarked or submitted electronically via e-mail (which is the preferred method of submission) no later than 18 January 2019.

Jack D. Pressman-Burroughs Wellcome Fund Career Development Award in 20th Century History of Medicine or Biomedical Sciences, 2019. This award honors Jack D. Pressman, Ph.D., a distinguished historian of medicine and Associate Professor of the History of the Health Sciences at the University of California, San Francisco at the time of his early and unexpected death in June 1997. The award and stipend of $1,000 is given yearly for outstanding work in twentieth-century history of medicine or medical biomedical sciences, as demonstrated by the completion of the Ph.D. and a proposal to turn the dissertation into a publishable monograph. The Ph.D. must have been completed and the degree granted within the last five years (i.e., 2014–2018). The application must include a curriculum vitae, the dissertation abstract, a one-page summary of the proposed book; a description (not exceeding two pages) of the work to be undertaken for publication; and two letters of support from faculty members knowledgeable about the applicant’s dissertation.

The application, including all supporting materials, must be submitted by 31 December 2018. Submissions and/or questions should be directed to the Chair of the Pressman–Burroughs Wellcome Committee, Howard Kushner at hkushn@emory.edu.
Genevieve Miller Lifetime Achievement Award, 2019. The American Association for the History of Medicine established the lifetime achievement award in 1988; the first recipients were Saul Jarcho, Lester King, and Owsei Temkin. The award was named for Genevieve Miller in 2014 to honor of her contributions to the history of medicine and the Association. The award is given annually to a member of the Association who has retired from regular institutional affiliation or practice, with a distinguished record of support for the history of medicine over many years, and who has made continuing scholarly contributions of a distinguished nature. Barron Lerner, chair of the Genevieve Miller Lifetime Achievement Award Committee, welcomes nominations for the award, at the following e-mail address: barron.lerner@nyumc.org. Nominations for this award should include at least one letter of nomination outlining the nominee’s continuing contributions to the field and a curriculum vitae or other biographical information. Deadline for nominations: 31 October 2018. Electronic submissions are preferred.

George Rosen Prize, 2019. The George Rosen Prize is awarded in odd years to one or more authors/creators of an article, essay, edited volume, museum exhibition, film, or other significant contribution to the history of public health or the history of social medicine published or created in the five calendar years preceding the award’s nomination deadline, i.e. from 2013 to 2018. “Social medicine” here refers to historical efforts to heal, relieve, or prevent diseases arising inherently from social circumstances and is intended to be distinct from the “social history of medicine.” In this context, “social” refers to the perspective of the historical actors and not to the perspective or methods of the historian.

The award is named in honor of George Rosen, physician, public health administrator, past-president of the AAHM, and a major contributor to the history of social medicine. The AAHM Council established the award in 2014 thanks to the generosity of Susan Rosen Koslow. Further information is available at www.histmed.org/about/awards. The chair of the 2018-2019 Rosen Prize Committee, Graham Mooney, welcomes suggestions of articles, films or other significant scholarly endeavors to consider for the award that are not singly or jointly authored historical monographs (these will be eligible for the Rosen Prize next year). Publishers nominating an edited volume must send a copy to each member of the committee.

To nominate materials and to obtain mailing addresses of all committee members, contact Graham Mooney, Chair of the George Rosen Prize Committee, at gmooney3@jhmi.edu. Deadline for submissions: 31 October 2018.

William H. Welch Medal, 2019. The William H. Welch Medal is awarded to one or more authors of a book (excluding edited volumes) of outstanding scholarly merit in the field of medical history published during the five calendar years preceding the award. Hence, books published during 2013–2017 inclusively will be eligible for the Medal. No author who has previously won the Welch Medal is eligible for the award. A complete list of previous winners is available on the AAHM website at www.histmed.org/about/awards/welch-medal/welch-medal-winners.

The award is named in honor of a major American figure in the history of medicine and public health, who was also one of the first faculty members at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. The Medal was first presented in 1950 to Henry Sigerist. The chair of the 2018-2019 Welch Medal Committee, Joseph Gabriel welcomes suggestions of books to consider for the award. Publishers nominating a book must send a copy to each member of the committee.

To nominate a book and to obtain mailing addresses of all committee members, contact via phone or e-mail: Joseph Gabriel, College of Medicine, Florida State University, 1115 West Call Street, Tallahassee, FL 32306-4300, (805) 645-1542, joseph.gabriel@med.fsu.edu. Deadline for nominations: 31 October 2018.
Previously nominated eligible books must be re-nominated; they will not be considered automatically.

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Bylaw Changes
At the business meeting held during the 91st annual meeting of the Association, the membership amended the bylaws as follows:

Added: Article 10 Committees, Section 17:

The President Shall appoint annually a Travel Grants Committee for the purpose of dispersing funds to support travel to the annual meeting.

Amended: Article 10 Committees, Section 17:
The Association may award the George Rosen Prize to one or more authors book and in alternate years to one or more authors/creators of an article, essay, edited volume, museum exhibition, film, or other significant contributions to the history of public health and social medicine published or created in the five years preceding years.

NEWS OF MEMBERS

For her next book project, Slouch: The Forgotten History of America's Poor Posture Epidemic, Beth Linker has won grants from the American Council of Learned Societies, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the National Library of Medicine for the 2018-2019 year.


Stephen J. Greenberg and Stephen E. Novak each received the 2018 Lisabeth M. Holloway Award for their significant contributions through leadership and service to the Archivists and Librarians in the History of the Health Sciences (ALHHS) and to the profession.

Robert I. Levy announced the availability of his edited series, Studies in Medicine, History and Culture, five volumes published by Sam Sapozhnik Publishers.

OBITUARIES

Dora Bierer Weiner
1924-2018

Dora Bierer Weiner, Ph.D., the longtime UCLA professor and 2008 recipient of the Genevieve Miller
Lifetime Achievement Award from the AAHM, died peacefully at UCLA Santa Monica Hospital on January 7, 2018. She was 93 years old. At the time of her death, Dora was Professor of the Medical Humanities and Distinguished Professor of History emerita at UCLA, where she taught for 35 years. She was a beloved teacher, active in the classroom until age 89.

Dora was born on May 16, 1924 in Fürth, Germany and moved with her family in 1937 to Paris. There, she earned her baccalauréat, but as Paris fell to the Nazis, she fled with her parents first to Cassis, then Casablanca, then Havana. Once safely in Cuba in 1942, she helped organize a school in the Tiscornia refugee camp, where instructing in language and literature ignited her passion for teaching and the need “to do something meaningful with one’s life” (as she wrote in her autobiography). Finally allowed into the United States in the face of America’s quotas on Jews, she won a fellowship to Smith College, from which she graduated magna cum laude in 1945 after just two years.

In autumn 1945, she entered the Ph.D. program of Columbia University, where she studied with and served as chief researcher for the illustrious Professor Jacques Barzun. With a primary focus on intellectual history, she received her M.A. in 1946 and her Ph.D. in modern European history in 1951. Beginning in those years, she taught at Columbia, Barnard, Sarah Lawrence, and Manhattanville Colleges. At Manhattanville, she served as Professor of History from 1964 to 1981, including four years as Chairman of the Department of History. In 1982, Dora and her husband, Herbert, “threw away the snow shovels,” and moved to Los Angeles, and her new home in UCLA’s Department of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences and Department of History.

Dora had particularly broad scholarly interests. Her fields of academic inquiry included the social and intellectual history of eighteenth- and nineteenth-century medicine and psychiatry and the history of the healing professions and health institutions. She published widely on the history of public health, the nursing profession, and the politics of health in the eighteenth- and nineteenth-centuries in nations from France to Peru. Fluent in four languages and conversant in four others, she published in English, French, German, and Spanish.

Her offerings at UCLA reflected the breadth of her intellect and her global perspective, with consistently over-subscribed courses in the history of the Enlightenment, the French Revolution, and the history of medicine with seminars such as “The Historic Roots of the Healing Arts” and ”Madness in the Enlightenment.” Well ahead of current trends in advocating interdisciplinary study, she forged important new links within the UCLA School of Medicine by inviting medical residents to serve as teaching fellows in her history seminars, helping boost the university’s Professional School Seminar Program and Honors Collegium, fostering the medical school Thesis Program, and starting (with Robert G. Frank, Jr.) UCLA Programs in Medical Classics, a lecture series rooted within her beloved UCLA Biomedical Library and its History & Special Collections division. She was elected a member of two distinguished research centers at UCLA: The Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies and The Center for Seventeenth and Eighteenth Century Studies.

authored approximately 150 chapters, articles, and book reviews over seven decades.

Dora lectured at universities around the globe, including frequent visits to France, Italy, Germany, and England. She was a member of dozens of professional associations and served on the editorial boards of a number of leading publications, including *Bulletin of the History of Medicine*, *Koroth*, *Clio Medica*, and *Revue internationale d’histoire de la psychiatrie et psychanalyse*. She was a long-time member of Harvard University’s Overseers' Committee to Visit the History of Science Department, serving as its Chair from 1976-1981. She received many professional honors and awards, including two of which she was particularly pleased—the AAHM’s 2008 Lifetime Achievement Award and membership of the Académie des Sciences, Inscriptions et Belles Lettres of Toulouse.

Her personal life was as rich as her professional one. In 1953, she wed Herbert Weiner, a renowned scientist, physician, and brain researcher. Herbert served as Chairman of the Department of Psychiatry at Montefiore Hospital in New York for many years, and, when he and Dora moved to Los Angeles, as Professor of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences at UCLA and a member of UCLA’s Brain Research Institute. They were married for nearly 50 years, until his death in 2002.

Dora and Herbert had three sons: Tim, a longtime national security correspondent for the *New York Times*, author of histories of the CIA (*Legacy of Ashes*), the FBI (*Enemies*), and Richard Nixon (*One Man Against the World*), and winner of both the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award; Richard, an international trade lawyer with the law firm of Sidley Austin LLP, based in Washington D.C. and Brussels, Belgium; and Tony, the Millicent and Eugene Bell Director of Older Adult Outpatient Psychiatry at Harvard’s Massachusetts General Hospital. Dora was blessed with three wonderful daughters-in-law and seven grandchildren who, as her friends knew, were the apples of her eye.

Dora was a woman of old-world elegance and extraordinary grace. She never left home without a rose pinned to her lapel, most of them caringly grown for her by Herbert. She loved to entertain, travel, and waltz. She was “not a believer in chronological age.” and indeed was promoted by UCLA at age 85, based on her scholarship over the previous five years. Blessed with good genes, she skied, swam, played tennis, and took long walks well into her later years. She took particular interest in the careers of young scholars. As a rare woman of her generation who forged a career while raising a family, she took pride in mentoring her many female students, including those seeking to re-enter academia after time off. “I believe women can have it all,” she liked to say. “We just can’t necessarily have it all at the same time.”

Dora touched the lives of thousands of students, igniting a passion for history and scholarship at the core of the mission of the AAHM. She was admired by colleagues, students, family, and friends. She was timeless. She will be sorely missed.

*The Weiner Family*

Donations in her memory may be made to the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society, [http://www.hias.org](http://www.hias.org), which facilitated her family’s resettlement in America.

**ARCHIVES/LIBRARIES/MUSEUMS**

The Wilson Special Collections Library at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is pleased to welcome three new colleagues who will bring expertise in special collections related to the health sciences.

Special collections librarian Dawne Lucas, cataloging librarian Barbara Tysinger and special collections technician Susan Jones moved from the Health Sciences Library to the Wilson Special Collections Library effective July 1.
Over the next year, the University Libraries will also move special collections materials currently held at the Health Sciences Library (HSL) to Wilson Library. In making these changes, the goal is to expand access to rare health sciences materials, in a space that is dedicated to the use, exploration and visibility of special collections. Researchers will enjoy more hours each week in which to use these materials, including on weekends. We will also be able to provide better support for research and teaching with all special collections, including interdisciplinary work.

Beginning July 1, HSL special collections materials will be served in the Wilson Library special collections research room. Researchers must request HSL special collections materials at least 48 hours in advance. Researchers are encouraged to contact wilsonlibrary@unc.edu in advance of their visit.

If you have questions about this move or about using health sciences special collections, please contact Wilson Library: (919) 962-3765 or wilsonlibrary@unc.edu.

Archives & Special Collections at the Columbia University Augustus C. Long Health Sciences Library is pleased to announce the digitization of the Quarterly Magazine, the publication of the Columbia University-Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Association. The issues included date from 1906, when the magazine was established, through 1952, with the exception of the 1922-26 volumes which were too fragile to digitize. The Presbyterian Hospital Training School for Nurses was founded in 1892 and became part of Columbia University in 1937. It is now known as the Columbia University School of Nursing. The Alumni Association (originally the Alumnae Association) was established in 1899 to “create and promote a common fellowship among graduate nurses.” By 1952 the School had about 2500 living alumnae, most of whom were members of the Association.

The volumes digitized contain more than 10,000 pages and are a rich source for both the history of the School and for nursing in general. The magazine contains letters from alumni writing about their nursing experiences in far-flung corners of the world as well as during both World Wars. The early issues also functioned as an alumni directory making them a valuable source of biographical information about early 20th century North American nurses. The magazine can be accessed through the Archives & Special Collections’ Digital Collections page on its website: library-archives.cumc.columbia.edu/digitalcollections-columbia-university-health-science-schools It can also be found through the Medical Heritage Library, a digital curation collaborative among some of the world’s leading medical libraries. The project was made possible through a generous gift from the Columbia University Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Association.

The Augustus C. Long Health Sciences Library also announces the acquisition of the papers of Dr. Mathilde Krim (1926-2018), biomedical scientist, pioneer AIDS activist, and philanthropist. Krim had a long connection with Columbia: she was on the faculty of the University’s Mailman School of Public Health and Mailman’s Mathilde Krim professorship in global health is named in her honor.

At the outset of the AIDS epidemic Krim recognized the urgent need to meet its devastating medical and social effects. In 1983, she founded the AIDS Medical Foundation (AMF), the first private organization to support AIDS research. Two years later AMF and the National AIDS Research Foundation merged to become the American Foundation for AIDS Research, popularly known as amfAR (it is now known as amfAR, The Foundation for AIDS Research). It soon became the country’s leading non-profit organization devoted to supporting AIDS research, prevention, and scientifically sound public health policy. Besides being amfAR’s founding chair, Krim served as its Board chairman from 1990 to 2004. In these roles she became one of the country’s most visible advocates for the need to adequately fund AIDS research as well as an outspoken champion of the human rights and dignity of persons with AIDS.
Although she is primarily known for her role in fighting AIDS, Krim had an illustrious scientific career both in Israel and the United States. She received her doctorate in biology from the University of Geneva in 1953 and for many years was on the faculty of Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center where she was involved in the development of interferon as a potential cancer treatment. Krim’s scientific training and thorough familiarity with the needs of biomedical research made her a persuasive proponent for greater AIDS funding.

The Krim papers are about 70 cubic feet in extent and date from the late 1960s to the early 21st century. They document Mathilde Krim’s professional life, largely her work with interferon at MSKCC and her role in amfAR. Included are correspondence, minutes, reports, reprints of scientific articles, laboratory notebooks, scrapbooks, photographs, and audiotapes. The papers will be open for research in the Health Sciences Library’s Archives & Special Collections after they have been organized and cataloged, in one to two years.

The Arthur H. Aufses, Jr. MD Archives of Mount Sinai is proud to announce the release of a digital collection of letters by Abraham Jacobi, MD, “the father of American pediatrics.” The collection brings together digitized content from the holdings of two separate institutions, the Aufses Archives at Mount Sinai and the Historical Medical Library of the College of Physicians of Philadelphia, which overlap in time and subject matter. Much of the correspondence describes Dr. Jacobi’s administrative work at New York’s Mount Sinai Hospital, where he established the first pediatric department in a New York City general hospital and served for 25 years as President of the Medical Board. The collection, which includes full transcriptions of all letters, can be viewed in the Mount Sinai Digital Repository at dspace.mssm.edu/handle/123456789/31130.

The Archives has also recently added the finding aids of several significant new collections to its website. These include the minutes of the Trustees and Medical Board of the Beth Israel Medical Center, which extend back to the 1889 Yiddish-language minutes of the hospital’s founding; the World War I photographs of Col. Henry H.M. Lyle, MD; and historical records related to the Reverend William A. Muhlenberg, the founder of St. Luke’s Hospital.

The McIntyre Medical Building at McGill University recently suffered damage from a fire on the outdoor terrace. The evacuation procedure went smoothly and no injuries were reported. A preliminary assessment was conducted and no fire damage to the Osler Library of the History of Medicine and its collection has been identified but there is some water infiltration, specifically in the circulating collection area located on the fourth floor.

As a result of this water infiltration and recovery/renovation efforts related to it, the Osler Library will be closed until further notice. During this closure, the Library and the collection will be inaccessible. Osler staff members will be available to handle reference requests when possible. Please send inquiries to Osler’s main email account osler.library@mcgill.ca.

The Barbara Bates Center for the Study of the History of Nursing

The Bates Center is pleased to announce its 2018 Fall Seminar Series in which cross-disciplinary scholars present topics of interest to the history of nursing and healthcare community. The fall series speakers and dates are: Susan Lawrence, Ph.D., The Ohio State University (September 19); Randi Epstein, M.D., M.P.H., Yale University (October 10); and Janet Golden, Ph.D., Rutgers University-Camden (November 14). The seminar series is open to all and welcomes scholars and other interested individuals to attend. For those interested in further information on the seminar series and to obtain a complete listing of speakers and topics, please visit the Center’s website at www.nursing.upenn.edu/history/archives-collections/nln-collection/.
The Bates Center and the National League for Nursing (NLN) have joined forces to preserve the NLN’s rich history in an archival repository for scholarly historical research. The oldest nursing organization in the United States, founded in 1893, the NLN works across the spectrum of nursing education to build a strong and diverse nursing workforce to advance the health of the nation and the global community. Its rich history is vital for scholars and students investigating the history of nursing, nursing education, and nursing accreditation. Once complete, the full archive will be housed at the Bates Center. The Philadelphia-based Independence Foundation is supporting this effort with a $100,000, four-year matching grant. Please visit the Bates Center’s website at www.nursing.upenn.edu/history/archives-collections/nln-collection/ to learn more about this project.

The Bates Center is pleased to announce an agreement with the Association of Nurses in AIDS Care to preserve its rich history in an archival repository for scholarly historical research. Founded in 1987, ANAC is the leading nursing organization responding to HIV/AIDS. ANAC’s mission is to promote the individual and collective professional development of nurses involved in the delivery of health care to persons infected or affected by HIV as well as to promote the health and welfare of infected persons. The ANAC collection will greatly enhance the history of HIV/AIDS care and nursing education present in other Center collections. An inventory of the materials currently held by the Center can be found online dla.library.upenn.edu/dla/ead/detail. html?id=EAD_upenn_bates_PUNMC248.

The Bates Center Preserving our Future Campaign Makes History. As health care continues to evolve with anticipated and unanticipated consequences, using the lessons of history to shape and inform the future has never been more relevant. With the record-breaking success of The Bates Center’s Preserving our Future Campaign, these lessons will be more accessible than ever before. Launched in 2014, in celebration of the Barbara Bates Center for the Study of the History of Nursing’s Twenty-fifth Anniversary, Preserving our Future had an initial fundraising goal of $750,000. However, after achieving this goal by the summer of 2017, the Center’s Development Committee made the decision to increase the Campaign goal to $1 million. All told, when the Campaign closed in January of 2018, it had raised $1,021,934. “The support affirms the importance of a nursing perspective in the history of health and medicine, and will ensure that the next generation of scholars keep the present and past contributions of nurses central to the narrative,” said Penn Nursing Dean, Antonia Villarruel. Funds raised from Preserving our Future will play an integral role in the Bates Center’s ability to sustain and expand its scholarship, collections, and resources that advance the conversation around the nursing profession’s many contributions to health care. From acquisitions to scholarly support, the history of nursing and its influence on health care practice, education, science, and policy will be understood for generations to come.

News from the National Library of Medicine

The National Library of Medicine (NLM) On June 1, 2018, the National Library of Medicine (NLM) released a new design for its Main homepage featuring simplified navigation, improved access to news and highlights about NLM’s work and training opportunities, and more direct access to NLM’s most popular resources.

NLM History of Medicine and Graphic Medicine Websites Receive 2018 Awards from the Academy of Interactive and Visual Arts Two National Library of Medicine websites have been honored with 2018 Communicator Awards from the Academy of Interactive & Visual Arts (AIVA), an assembly of professionals from various disciplines of the visual arts dedicated to embracing progress and the evolving nature of traditional and interactive media. In the award category for government websites, the
website for the National Library of Medicine exhibition Graphic Medicine: Ill-Conceived and Well-Drawn! earned an award of excellence, and the website for the History of Medicine Division of the National Library of Medicine earned an award of distinction. Link Studio, an interactive design annual Publication Award in the categories of monograph (one submission) and online resource (three submissions) US National Library of Medicine’s Web Collecting and Archiving Working Group for their curated collection “HIV/AIDS Web Archive”, which is freely available on the Internet Archive’s Archive-It site archive-it.org/collections/8400.

With this introduction, NLM launched “Circulating Now” five years ago on July 2. The idea was—and remains—a simple yet meaningful one: For over 175 years the National Library of Medicine’s historical collections have circulated to generations within the reading rooms of its current and previous locations in and around Washington, DC. Today, these collections—as part of the trillions of bytes of data produced and delivered by the world’s largest biomedical library—circulate daily to millions of people around the world, including scientists, health professionals, scholars, educators, students, and the general public. Now, hundreds of posts have covered topics reflecting the diverse interests of our patrons and the breadth of the NLM historical collections, which span ten centuries, encompass digital and physical formats, and originate from all around the globe. “Circulating Now” features recent acquisitions to the collection, research by our conservation staff working to preserve our unique documents, digitization projects improving public access to materials, and loans and traveling exhibitions that make our collections relevant to communities around the world. And “Circulating Now” runs series which explore our collections from different perspectives on contemporary topics related to health and medicine including the centenary of World War I and Data Science. Many posts published throughout the last five years remain active, garnering more views daily.

This fifth year of “Circulating Now” also brought with it praise from important publications in health and science including a review in the Washington Post Science and Health section, calling the blog “varied, lively and sometimes surprising.” Influencers in the blogosphere have taken notice as well, including Nursing Cleo, The Public Domain Review, Conservators Converse, Daily History Reader, and the Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the Medical Library Association, among others. So, with thanks to everyone who has contributed their time and expertise over the past five years—including our committed staff, who collect, catalog, preserve, and interpret the historical collections of our institution; our dozens of staff authors and guests; our collaborators and partner institutions, and YOU our readers, including 5,000+ direct subscribers and 335,000+ followers—"Circulating Now" has wonderfully achieved its goals of: sustaining the tradition and commitment of the NLM, and libraries everywhere, to provide knowledge and expertise freely and to inspire people and enrich lives. conveying the vitality of medical history in our 21st century world: its relevance and importance for research, teaching, and learning about the human condition. evoking the living quality of the NLM’s historical collections and the stories they offer about the experience of health and disease across ten centuries and around the world.

The National Library of Medicine (NLM) Exhibition Program is pleased to announce the launch of a digital gallery comprised of newly-digitized items from the Leonidas H. Berry Papers 1907-1982 archival collection. The digital gallery—a new addition to the 2014 NLM exhibition, “For All the People: A Century in Citizen Action in Health Care Reform”—features over 1,600 items highlighting the career and personal life of the trailblazing physician and civil rights advocate. Dr. Leonidas H. Berry (1902–1995) was a social justice activist, medical pioneer, and influential member of the African American community. As a leader against discrimination in the medical practice, Berry sought to change the way the profession treated physicians of color and he fought to extend healthcare to communities that had none.
His work is recognized as part of the NLM traveling banner exhibition and its online adaptation For All the People: A Century in Citizen Action in Health Care Reform because his activism called attention to disparities in medical care. In an effort to honor, share, and make Berry’s legacy accessible, NLM has digitized a selection of items. The digital gallery showcases his work as a gastroenterologist, innovator, mentor, and leader. He was well known for his Chicago medical practice and his efforts to develop an effective addiction treatment plan. His work as a gastroenterologist led him to create the Eder-Berry biopsy attachment in 1955, which allowed for direct-vision and suction biopsy during gastroscopic procedure. He was a teacher to medical students and gastroenterologists and performed over 5,000 gastroscopic procedures in his lifetime. As an African American, Berry faced discrimination throughout his career, yet he faced the challenges with tenacity. As president of the National Medical Association, he forged new working relationships with colleagues in the American Medical Association to desegregate the American Medical Association professional organization. He authored many books and other publications and presented lectures worldwide. To highlight the digitization of this collection, a special, week-long “Circulating Now” blog series celebrates the life and work of Berry and shares select items from the Leonidas H. Berry Papers 1907-1982 archival collection.

Visit the Berry papers here: [digitalgallery.nlm.nih.gov/gallery/8/](http://digitalgallery.nlm.nih.gov/gallery/8/). To find out more about Berry, researchers can browse the digital gallery and use the “Refine by…” categories to search by topic, creator, date, and item type. An insider's pro-tip: on the browse page, go to the right hand side and select “view all.” This will display all 1,686 items alphabetically on one page: use Ctrl + F to quickly search and find text on the page.

**New from the New York Academy of Medicine**

The Library of the New York Academy of Medicine received a digitization grant from the Metropolitan New York Library Council (METRO) through the New York State Regional Bibliographic Databases Program to digitize the William S. Ladd Collection of Prints and make it available to the public. The William S. Ladd Collection of Prints consists of 671 prints, primarily portraits, dating from the 17th through the early 19th century. Dr. Ladd was Dean of the Cornell University Medical College. He gave his significant collection of prints to the Medical College Library, where Erich Meyerhoff, the Librarian, recognized its value. Thinking that the collection belonged in a major research library, he arranged for it to be donated to the Academy Library in 1975. The prints are spectacular and appealing because of their subject matter and artistic merit. They lend a personal dimension to the study of the history of medicine. Once the Academy acquired the collection, work was done to establish the names of portrait subjects, artists, engravers, and lithographers, which led to the development of the Ladd Collection Guide. Additionally, the collection was rehoused and organized by size from small (16.5cm x 10cm) to extra-large (76cm x 61cm). Digitization will begin in the summer and is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2018.

**The Bancroft Library at the University of California, Berkeley** announced the availability of a podcast about the politics of the first encounters with the AIDS epidemic in San Francisco. The six episodes draw from the thirty-five interviews that Sally Smith Hughes conducted in the 1990s. A historian of science at UC Berkeley’s Oral History Office, Sally interviewed doctors, nurses, researchers, public health officials and community-health practitioners to learn about the unique ways that people responded to the epidemic. Although these interviews cover a wide range of topics, including the isolation of the virus HIV and the search for treatments, the interviews selected for this podcast are more focused on public health, community engagement, and nursing care. Most of the following podcast episodes are about the period from early 1981, when the first reports emerged of an unknown disease that was killing gay men in San Francisco, to 1984 and the development of a new way of caring for people in a hospital setting.” The podcast is available
here: www.lib.berkeley.edu/libraries/bancroft-library/oral-history-center/podcast.