

NEUMANN NEWS

Highlighting Scholarly Information Services & Resources for the UHCL Community

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

UHCL can be proud of the newly expanded Archives in Neumann Library. Funded by a generous grant from Houston Endowment and donations from local aerospace companies, the Archives now offers a larger reading room and an expanded storage area that guarantees optimal temperature and humidity controls.

Our Archives proudly houses the NASA/JSC Human Space Flight history collection, which attracts researchers from around the world. The Archives also works to preserve UHCL historical documents; keys to memory and identity, such as the papers of UHCL presidents; and oral histories of charter faculty and staff. We also collect stories of the development of the Clear Lake area—papers of individuals as well as of Clear Lake organizations.

Lauren Meyers, University Archivist, identifies and cares for these materials, which are critical for future generations. She ensures that primary documents are carefully preserved and handled; that they are maintained in their original order, which may shed additional light on the thinking behind their creation; and that access to them is facilitated by inventories and other finding aids.

Why value our UHCL Archives?

- To ensure continuity as our university changes and evolves
- To preserve cherished memories of co-workers and friends
- To foster a sense of community and to strengthen school pride based on a shared and documented history
- To evaluate the role UHCL and the Clear Lake community played in historical events on a state, national, and international scale
- To support and supplement public education and lifelong learning

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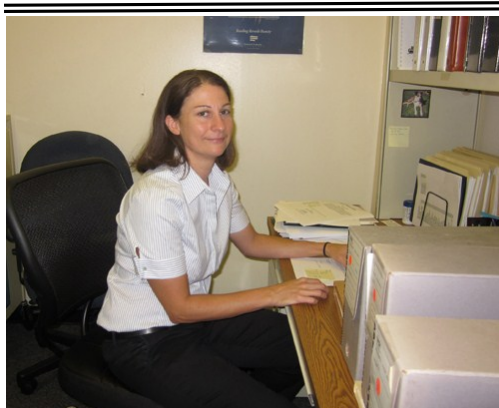
Archives reopening imminent

The UHCL Archives will reopen to the public following the Thanksgiving break.



Archives reading room, March 2012

Lauren Meyers, Certified Archivist



We are happy to introduce archivist Lauren Meyers, who joined Neumann Library in July following service as Archivist and Special Collections Librarian at the Woodson Research Center, Fondren Library, Rice University. A member of the Academy of Certified Archivists, Lauren earned a B.A. in art history and psychology from University of Houston and her M.S.L.S. from University of North Texas. Contact Lauren at meyersl@uhcl.edu or at extension 3936.

The exact date, when firm, will be announced on the library homepage.



Archives reading room, November 2012



Pre-construction footprint for a second storage vault, April 2012



Archives photos by Jean Grant, Shelly Kelly, and Susan Steele. Photo of Lauren Meyers courtesy of Karen Barbier.

Seeking Library Catalog feedback

Please take a moment to complete the very brief [UH Libraries Online Catalog Feedback Survey](#). Participants have the option to be entered in a monthly Barnes and Noble gift card drawing!

INTERNET CREDIBILITY TUTORIAL RETURNS

Internet Credibility: Evaluating the Integrity of Free Internet Materials, an interactive video tutorial created in 2004 by School of Human Sciences and Humanities faculty members Pat Cuchens and Deborah Griffin, along with librarian Susan Steele and University Computing and Telecommunications staff members Chris Konkel and Cynde Ferris, has been updated and republished by Steele. The tutorial examines the credibility of free Internet resources according to four factors: authority, currency, content, and accuracy.

The tutorial is available on the library website's [Research Tutorials](#) page. Librarians can add it to relevant library course guides, also. If interested, contact your [library liaison](#) to discuss the options for directing your students to this resource that will help them consider more critically the reliability of Internet information sources.

FINDING THAT ARTICLE

You're reading the [Chronicle of Higher Education](#), and it abstracts an article of interest. How do you find the article?

Look up the journal name in the library's [Journals List](#). If we have online coverage, follow the link provided to a database or publisher site, where you can narrow your search with the lead author's name or title keywords.

If it's not online, submit an [article request](#), and we'll get it for you!

New location for government publications



Neumann Library has completed a project to review and relocate our U.S. and Texas government documents collections.

Government Documents now are located on the [first level](#) of the library, shelved near the Current Periodicals.

Goodbye, Jan Millican



You may have missed that Jan Millican retired during the summer. A former schoolteacher, Jan spent her "second career" helping hundreds of UHCL Education majors as part of her work in the Curriculum Library and juvenile book collections. She is greatly missed.

The Easy Book Room, decorated with illustrated posters Jan collected from children's book publishers, is one of the most colorful, enchanting, and fun places to visit in the library! You'll find it on the library's [second level](#). A phone in the adjoining Curriculum Library contacts you with the Reference Desk on the first level whenever a librarian is needed.

The U.S. collection has been trimmed to reflect the increasing reliance on electronic publications, and many government publications have been reclassified to our General Stacks under Library of Congress classification numbers. If you can't find your favorite document, check the title in the Library Catalog to see if it has a new home. For electronic access, try the issuing agency, especially for current materials, or [HathiTrust](#), for archived material.

For more information, contact [Gay Carter](#), Reference/Documents Librarian.

From [Government Documents](#)

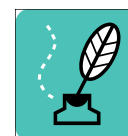
New TexShare databases

The statewide TexShare database program now includes [Learning Express Library](#) and [Job and Career Accelerator](#). Although aimed primarily at public library users, *Learning Express Library* contains preparation materials for graduate school entrance exams, which may be helpful to UHCL students. Currently included are materials for the GMAT, GRE, LSAT, MAT, MCAT, and PCAT. Both databases require initial creation of a free, personal account.



FROM THE EDITORS...

Wishing everyone a safe and happy Thanksgiving!



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Library hours during regular academic session:

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| Monday—Thursday | 8 am—12 midnight |
| Friday | 8 am—5 pm |
| Saturday | 9 am—6 pm |
| Sunday | 1 pm—9 pm |

This newsletter is available with active hyperlinks on the library website at www.uhcl.edu/library/NEWS.

Can we be of assistance?

Call the Reference Desk at 281-283-3910 or see other [Ask a Librarian](#) options.