



Department Annual Report for Archives and Special Collections

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Instructions:

- Deadline for submission is July 15, 2006
- Submit no more than 2 pages.
- Use bullets.

Major Accomplishments:

- Organizational
 - Reading Room scheduled to undergo remodeling July-August 2006 (Caroline E. Stras Gift)
- Personnel
 - Hiring of Special Collections Librarian (Daniel Smith)
 - Interns hired under the Barbara Lee Myers Gift (Dora Gonsalvez and Lori Richardson)
 - Marie Espinosa-Ruiz retires from department on June 30, 2006 (27 years of service)
- Programs
 - "Whole Damned World: Aggies in the Pacific" NMSU Homecoming 2005 October 2005 (Martha Andrews)
 - Letters from the Archives: Celebrating Valentines Day-Love Letters Written from Aggie Students (Feb. 2006) (Maura Kenny and Martha Andrews)
 - Annual Rio Grande Historical Collections (RGHC) Program on April 24th 2006 (held at Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum) (Hosted by Department Staff)
- Strategic Goals/Targets
 - Completed Rocky Mountain Online Archives Grant (in collaboration with the Collaborative Digitization Program at the University of Denver- June 30, 2006)
 - Completed initial work on the Sound Model (digital audio grant) in collaboration with the Collaborative Digitization Program at the University of Denver-June 2006.
 - Completed assessment of Special Collections Department (Smith)
 - Completed consolidation and organization of University Archives (Andrews)
 - Reviewed donor deeds of gift as needed and required.

Trends/Issues:

- In progress of microfilming the New Mexico State University, Minutes of the Board of Regents, 1888-present. (Currently completed years 1888-1986) in order to preserve university and institutional history.

Significant Faculty/Staff Accomplishments:

- Degree Completion
 - Dennis Daily to graduate from MLS Program from University of North Texas, December 2006
- Grants/Gifts Awarded
 - New Mexico Historical Records and Advisory Board (NMHRAB)
 1. To Process the Papers of Dean Jett (Amount of Award (\$ 2,500) (Andrews)
 2. To Process the Papers of Dr. Frank Harary, Father of Graph Theory (\$ 2,000) (Andrews)
 - David H. Townsend Endowment created in Spring 2006.
 - Apodaca Family Endowment created in Fall 2005
 - Barbara Lee Myers Endowment created in Summer 2006
- Presentations
 - Hussman (Durango Project 1992-2006), Andrews (NMSU as a Land Grant Institution) and Kenny (The Rio Grande Historical Collections) presented at International Conference on Archives (ICA) College and University Section. Michigan State University. October 2005.
 - "The High Costs of Processing Archival Collections", New Mexico State University, University "A" Team, University Advancement/Development, October 12, 2005.
 - "Dr. Goddard and the Forming of KOB Radio: Society of Southwest Archivists (SSA), May 23, 2006. El Paso, Texas. (Martha Andrews)
 - "Processing the Recent Past: Challenges of the 20th Century," (Dealing with Collections Backlogs) Conference for Inter-Mountain Archivists (CIMA Regional Super Meeting) Las Vegas, NV, April 14-16 2005. (Hussman)
 - "Case Studies in Cross-Border Documentary Projects: The Durango Microfilming Project, 1992-2006" (SSA) Society of Southwest Archivists, May 23, 2006. El Paso, Texas (Hussman)
 - "Freedom of Information in New Mexico and Beyond" New Mexico Library Association (NMLA) April 2006. Farmington, NM. (Daniel Smith)
 - "The American Journeys Digital Library: Metadata, Information Architecture, and Scholarship" Historical Society of New Mexico, April 2006. Albuquerque, NM. (Daniel Smith)
- Publications
 - The Joseph A. Taichert Company Records and Other Jewish Collections in the Rio Grande Historical Collections" *New Mexico Jewish Historical Society* 19 (Dec. 2005) : 8 <http://www.nmjewishhistory.org>
 - "Terry Belanger and Rare Book School: An Appreciation" – published in the New Mexico Library Association Bulletin, March/April 2006 (Daniel Smith)
- Other (e.g. awards, etc.)
 - New Mexico Scholars Program, Office of the State Historian, State Records Center and Archives Research Grant --\$ 1,000.00 in order to research educator, and first president of NMSU, Hiram Hadley. December 16, 2005. (Awarded January 18, 2006; Completed June 4--9 2006))
 - Exhibit: "Ritual, Desire and Death." February 2006. Curated by Dennis Daily. Presented at University Art Galley in Williams Hall.
 - "Justice on the Frontier: Homicide and Human Rights / Justicia en la Frontera: Homicidio y Derechos Humanos" – curated and installed exhibition in Branson library to coincide with J. Paul Taylor Social Justice Symposium: Justice for Women. Prepared bibliography for distribution at the library and for library instruction, at the symposium, and on the web. Videos accompanied exhibition during the symposium on March 30-31, 2006. (Daniel Smith)
 - "World Class City: Photographs by Julián Cardona" – did graphic design for brochure and gallery for an exhibition at NMSU University Museum that was part of the J. Paul Taylor Social Justice Symposium; assisted in installation of exhibition. (Daniel Smith)