

5th Annual Medical History Symposium

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Program Schedule

9:00 a.m. - 9:10 a.m. Welcome/Introduction

9:10 a.m. - 9:40 a.m. "Bulls, Bears, and Cubs: Veterinary Medicine  
in Chicago 1864 and Beyond." A brief history of the Chicago-based  
American Veterinary Medical Association, including information about  
Chicago's three veterinary colleges, the first female graduate of a  
veterinary college in the United States, and anecdotes (amusing and  
otherwise) relating to veterinary medicine in the City of Chicago, all  
from the archives of the Association's Library. Presenter: Diane A.  
Fagen, Librarian, American Veterinary Medical Association.

9:40 a.m. - 10:20 a.m. "From the Mouths of Babes: Swallowed Foreign

Objects and What We Can Learn from Them." This presentation highlights the unique Stanton A. Friedberg, Sr., M.D. Collection at the Rush University Medical Center Archives. The collection features foreign objects removed from the air and food passages of young children during endoscopic procedures performed by Dr. Friedberg at Presbyterian, Cook County and Children's Memorial Hospitals between 1900 and 1910. Examples of the objects - including pins, buttons, coins, toys, and false teeth - will be shown, followed by an explanation of the procedures used by Dr. Friedberg to remove them and a discussion of the social and cultural history we can glean from these cultural artifacts. Presenter: Heather J. Stecklein, Librarian/Archivist, Rush University Medical Center Archives.

10:20 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. "Recent Legislative Developments Concerning Archives and Copyright." Many archival repositories hold so-called "orphan works," materials whose owners are difficult or impossible to locate. Such works are generally unavailable to researchers since the search for the owners can be time and cost prohibitive, and repositories run the risk of potential copyright owners coming forward to demand compensation. In May, the House Subcommittee on the Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property approved H.R. 5439, the "Orphan Works Act of 2006," which mitigates a legislative solution to some of the concerns of repositories. An expert on copyright law will offer an overview of the orphan works proposal, H.R. 5439, the section 108 study group process, existing problems, proposed solutions and concerns. Presenter: Tomas Lipinski, Co-Director of the Center for Information Policy Research (CIPR), School of Information Studies, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch on your own

12:30 p.m. - 1:10 p.m. "Historians and Archivists: The University of Illinois and the Early 20th Century Chicago Medical Scene." Historian Winton Solberg, author of *The University of Illinois, 1894-1904: The Shaping of the University*, is currently writing a history of the University of Illinois College of Medicine. His presentation will explore the challenges of finding and evaluating original materials from the founding of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Chicago in 1881 and ending with the construction of what is now the U of I medical complex on the West Side of Chicago. Presenter: Winton Solberg, Professor Emeritus of History, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

1:10 p.m. - 1:40 p.m. "Saints and Sinners among the Sick: The Deaconess Era in Two Chicago Hospitals 1865 - 1925." The founding and early histories of Passavant and Wesley Memorial Hospitals can be traced to the deaconess movement in Chicago's Lutheran and Methodist Episcopal churches. Utilizing both published sources supplemented by unpublished accounts by Lucy Rider Meyer, founder of the Chicago Training School for City, Home and Foreign Missions and the Chicago Deaconess Home, Mark

Hatfield, M.D. and hospital president Perley Lowe, this session will relate the minor triumphs, major trials, and ultimate denouement of the deaconess influence in hospital administration and nursing education. Presenter: Susan Sacharski, Archivist, Northwestern Memorial Hospital.

1:40 p.m. - 1:50 p.m. Break

1:50 p.m. - 2:20 p.m. "An Introduction to National Archives Resources Relating to the History of Medicine." This presentation will provide introductory information about medicine-related records at the National Archives in Washington, DC and College Park, MD; the 12 regional archives including the Great Lakes Region in Chicago; the National Personnel Records Center in St. Louis, MO; and the 12 Presidential Libraries for Presidents Hoover through Clinton. This presentation will concentrate on records created or received by elements of all three branches of the U.S. Government and will be suggestive rather than comprehensive; however, the types of Federal records available and general explanations of access procedures will provide a potentially useful summary of the variety and scope of National Archives resources. Presenter: Donald Jackanicz, Archivist, National Archives and Records Administration-Great Lakes Region.

2:20 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Tour of temporary exhibit in the National Archives stacks about the interaction of the U.S. Government with the practice of medicine, with a discussion about connections between individual repositories' collections, the National Archives, and the community of current and future medical historians. (In the event the group participating in the tour is larger than 20, the discussion may be held in the symposium's conference room).