Department Annual Report for Archives and Special Collections Department

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#### Instructions:

• Deadline for submission is June 30, 2003.

- Submit no more than 2 pages.
- Use bullets.

## **Major Accomplishments:**

- Organizational
  - Archives and Special Collections merge to form one department in August 2002.
  - Durango Project received additional funding in amount of \$ 35,000 for 2003.
  - Removed 103.00 linear feet of surplus material/equipment.
     Archives (Hobson-Huntsinger University Archives and Rio Grande Historical Collections)
  - 30 collections accessioned
  - 119 linear feet processed (5 manuscripts collections)
  - 8500 Photographs processed
  - Combining of reference areas to tentatively occur in Fall 2004 <u>Special Collections</u>
  - 192 Maps were added to the collection
  - 800 new materials cataloged
  - 151 Theses and Dissertations added
  - 5000 Entries for the Las Cruces Sun News Index
  - Recent purchase of 12 items for John Nichols Collection--June 26, 2003
     Tombaugh Project
  - 15.8 linear feet processed and 18.0 rearranged with newly established organization of collection.
- Personnel
  - Internal library transfer-Lenny Silverman, Classified Staff began employment on 2/1/2003
- Programs
  - Annual Meeting of the Rio Grande Historical Collections Society occurred on 5/22/2003
  - Archives and Special Collections Training Workshop: Reference, Access and Outreach 6/20/2003
- Strategic Goals/Targets

#### Reorganization of Department:

- Hired new Department Head, Steve Hussman, began employment on 1/15/2003
- Hired Clyde W. Tombaugh Project Archivist, Melissa Gottwald, began employment 3/3/2003.
- Search for Processing Archivist began on May 24, 2003; Initial screening began on June 25th. Strengthen Service Delivery:
- Needs assessment completed: tentatively scheduled to combine reference points by Fall 2004. Improve Access to Collections:
- Processed 5 manuscript collections (130) lf.; 700 photographs in backlog since 1/15/2003. Codify Collection Acquisition:
- Created drafts for Appraisal Policy, Transfer of Gift, Deed of Gift and Deposit Agreement; final drafts submitted to Legal Counsel on 6/15/2003.
- Submitted "NMSU authorization to Accept Gifts" policy to Legal Counsel on 6/15/2003.

#### Trends/Issues:

 Continuing with its digitization and encoding initiatives, the department will continue to play key roles in both the Online Archives of New Mexico (OANM) and New Mexico Digital Collaborative (NMDC)

# Significant Faculty/Staff Accomplishments:

- Degree Completion
  - Leslie Bergloff (PT/Occasional) to complete MA in Public History in December 2003.

Grants Awarded

### Southwest Border Cultures Institute (2003)

- Awarded grant to process Papers of Mark Medoff (\$ 1649.00)
- Awarded grant to process Papers of Keith Wilson (\$ 1649.00)
- Presentations
  - Bergloff presented: A Teacher's Workshop: National History Day, August, 2003.
  - Bill Boehm (Professional staff) presented paper at 12<sup>th</sup> Mogollon Conference: "A Gusher Anytime Soon: Petroleum Exploration in the Tularosa Basin," October 2002.
  - Dr. Rick Hendricks (PT/Occasional) presented: "Juan de Oñate, Diego de Vargas, and Hispanic Beginnings in the American Southwest," Juan de Oñate: The Man, Myth and Mestizaje: A Teacher's Workshop, University of Texas at El Paso. 2002.
  - Steve Hussman (Faculty) presentation to Rio Grande Historical Collections Society on 5/19/2003: "State of the RGHC" and "Diamonds in the Rough: Newly Processed Collections in the RGHC."
  - Hussman presented at Conference of Inter-Mountain Archivists Meeting relating to the important and background of the New Mexico Digital Collaborative (NMDC) 5/22/2003.
- Publications
  - Leslie Bergloff -- Time Traveling Through New Mexico History (A Teacher's Guide)
  - Bill Boehm co-authored: Routine Training Flight": The Legacy of World War II at Alamogordo Army Air Field, New Mexico. 2002.
  - Dr. Rick Hendricks published "Franciso de Lima: Portuguese Merchant of Parral and the New Mexico Trade, 1638-1675," New Mexico Historical Review 77:3 (Summer 2002): 261-93;
  - Co-wrote A Settling of Accounts: The Journals of don Diego de Vargas, New Mexico, 1700-1704 (Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press, 2002)
- Other (e.g. awards, etc.)
  - Bergloff --Awarded Ira Clark Award for Outstanding Graduate Student 2003.
  - Bergloff-Exhibit: The Sutherland-McManus Family at RGHCS Meeting
  - Boehm-Directed construction of NMSU Homecoming/100<sup>th</sup> ROTC Anniversary Display, Oct. 2002
  - Dennis Daily (Professional staff) recognized for his outstanding work with the "Borders Once Lived" Exhibit focusing on the Armijo and Amador families of Las Cruces.
  - Marie Garcia (Classified Staff) Attended workshop: "Excelling as a First-Time Supervisor." 4/2003
  - Hendricks—Elected President of the Historical Society of New Mexico; Named to Advisory Council
    of the Center for Big Bend Studies, Sul Ross State University. 2003.
  - Hussman-Chair of Search Committee for Processing Archivist, June—August 2003.
  - Hussman-Chair of Colonial Dames Scholarship Committee, Society of American Archivists 2003-04
  - Hussman-Member of Council, Conference of Inter-Mountain Archivists (CIMA) 2002-2004
  - Hussman-appointed to Library Administration and Management Assoc. (BES) Committee 2003-05