



## Baylor Collections of Political Materials

# REPORT NOVEMBER 2006

### RECEPTION POSTPONED

In early November, Jack Hightower fell at home and broke his hip. After surgery he went to the St. David Rehab center in Austin for recovery therapy. He did not feel he was strong enough to make the trip to Waco for the reception, so postponement notices were sent out on Nov. 20-21. We hope to reschedule the reception in the Spring when he is feeling better.



**BOOK VAULT CASES ARRIVE.** On Nov. 29, Navikoff delivered the first two book cases for the book vault. The books have been shelved, and the cases make a handsome addition.

**COPA.** Ben presented information again this year at the annual meeting of the Coalition on Political Assassinations in Dallas on Nov. 18. He brought the group up to date on the additions to the JFK Materials collection from the papers of Jack White, Gary Shaw, Bob Platt and John Kelin. He also attended the JFK Lancer conference that same weekend.

**RESEARCHERS.** Following the COPA conference, five members drove to Waco on Monday, Nov. 27 to spend the day researching the papers of Penn Jones. The group included the director of COPA, John Judge, from Washington, DC. Other recent researchers include:

- Michael Nurko, Jackson, NJ, JFK.
- Paul Swickard, Wildomar, CA, JFK.
- Frank and Deanna Caplett, Humble, TX, JFK.
- Matthew Parker, BU grad student, Korean War & Texas.
- Bobby Taylor, A&M Commerce, Gerald Ford.
- Brandon Bellows, BU grad student, Republican Party.
- Marly Ramsour, BU grad student, WWII & Texas.
- Carlos Lopez, BU grad student, Korean War & Texas.
- James Gouger, BU grad student, Korean War & Texas.
- Jan Nimmo, , BU Vice Provost for Research office, Western Institute for Science & Technology.
- Lori Palladino, Waco lawyer, JFK & Oswald for Carver School mock trial.

**DISASTER RECOVERY WORKSHOP.** On Nov. 11, Ben and Benna attended a workshop in Irving about how to respond to disasters. One important precaution shared was to keep the fans on in the library at all times.

### ACCESSIONS

We continue to receive materials on a monthly basis from Bob Platt and Jack White. In November we were able to borrow addition materials from Gary Shaw. We were also contacted about the possibility of archiving materials from Kinky Freedman's recent campaign.

### STUDENT WORKERS

**Brittney Bain** did all the invitations for the Hightower reception, the postponement notices and organized the Standing Committee mail out list.

**Edwin Cook** worked on Bob Platt magazines and newspapers; processed Bob Poage personal library books for the book vault; and began work on Jack White JFK correspondence.

**Grace Chiuri** continues her work on the Bob Platt papers. (a simple statement but a massive undertaking)

**Janna Dotschkal** worked on scanning JFK magazine covers and finished arranging Penn Jones WWII correspondence.

**Justyn Kurkendall**, a new worker for digital projects, is editing and burning JFK video tapes from Jack White.

**Kristine Harveaux-Lundeen** continued processing Penn Jones papers donated in August.

**Mac Macwan** listed, photocopied and arranged JFK magazine articles from Jack White.

**Michael Koski** completed typing the contents on Jack Hightower personal vertical file and returned to typing the contents of the Hightower vertical file created by the staff here.

**Michael Holdridge** worked on the JFK videos from Jack White, web pages, scanning and training a new worker for digital projects.

**Michael Anderson** rearranged the reference shelving to accommodate larger books, shelved all the new books, and encapsulated AP and UP1 teletype pages of the JFK assassination from Penn Jones.

**Book Vault / Christmas Tree** photos are online:

<http://www.winkflash.com/>

User ID: PoageLibrary

Password: openhouse

**NOVEMBER Stats** from

**Special Collections' Team** cataloger **Janet Pence**. Books titles 131, vol. 138, Bearcat original cataloging 3 titles.

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