

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY – OCTOBER 2008

ACCESSIONS

- George Meyer of Georgetown donated the Chilton O'Brien Papers from the Young Democrats of Texas, 1936-1952. O'Brien was a prominent Beaumont lawyer who headed up the organization when Price Daniel, Sr. was president of the Young Democrats.
- An LBJ Ranch egg carton was received from George Meyer of Georgetown, Texas.
- An editorial cartoon brass plaque was received from Mike Morrison, former Mayor of Waco.
- Jack Hightower sent sports books signed by athletes, presidential inaugural programs and a box of genealogy materials.
- Kathy Hillman sent letters written to congressmen in the 1970s.

GUESTS

- Benna Ball led a tour of *Drawing Power* for a Baylor English class.
- Ben gave a tour of the library to Gloria and F.M. Young along with four of their friends from Wisconsin and North Dakota.
- Chuck Bailey, Bob Bullock's former lawyer, visited the library on Oct. 31. He is the author of a book on political memorabilia and has an extensive collection.

MEETINGS

- Ben attended a meeting of the SAA Host Committee at UT Austin on Oct. 2. He picked up materials from Jack Hightower on the same day.
- On Oct. 7, he met with George Meyer in Georgetown to photograph 3-D items related to LBJ.
- On Oct. 24, Ben and Erin Wolfe visited with George Meyer in Georgetown, picked up materials from Jack Hightower in Austin and met with Charlie Schnabel concerning the spring lecture to be held in March.

PROJECTS

CHILTON O'BRIEN PAPERS of the Young Democrats of Texas, 1936-1952. Kristine Harveaux-Lundeen completed a preliminary inventory. Papers include transcription of O'Brien family letters from 1878-1909.

JOHN ARMSTRONG PAPERS from his book about Lee Harvey Oswald are being processed by Janna Dotschkal and Kristine.

HIGHTOWER PAPERS. Edwin Cook is consolidating the Texas legislative papers of Judge Hightower deposited in 1985 and the papers deposited since 2000. He also plans to develop procedures for future students to follow for consolidating Hightower's congressional papers.

HIGHTOWER BOOKS: Vanessa Onguti is processing books sent by Judge Hightower. Michael Anderson is preparing the books for cataloging.

SANDFORD PAPERS: Janna is doing preservation work on the letters which date from 1849-1900.

POAGE PAPERS: Janna is sorting and arranging photographs from Poage's personal library.

HAMM PAPERS: Kristine completed processing and photocopying a box of materials related to the drawings of cartoonist Jack Hamm.

CMS: Mary Goolsby continues to correct inconsistencies in pages done so far. Michael Holdridge completed the Poage pages and Lloyd Saldanha, is adding content to the JFK section. So far we have added 1,119 web pages, 59 documents and 1,752 images.

HSCOA CASSETTES: We have completed converting House Select Committee on Assassinations recordings for September 1978. We have a few more tapes to do from December 1978.

JACK WHITE JFK CORRESPONDENCE: Ben Branstetter is still sorting through hundreds of letters to Jack White and adding them to the JFK correspondence files. He has also begun training Vanessa to help with this project and to take over when he graduates in May.

RESEARCH

- A seventh grader from Midway came several times in October with his mother to research the contributions of Bob Poage for his History Fair project.
- A Baylor history professor came to read the Civil War letters in the Prestridge-Sandford collection.
- A researcher from West, Texas, came for information about West in the writings of Bob Poage for the McLennan County History Project.
- Political science professors from UTD and TCU researched campaign materials, editorial cartoons and candid photos for 25 Texas congressmen.
- The Alumni Association requested photos of Price Daniel, Jr. and Bob Poage.
- South Carolina Political Materials requested information about our *Drawing Power* cartoon exhibit.

CATALOGING

Jennifer Borderud

Book Vault	5 titles	5 vol.	Newton pamphlets
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Janet Pence

Books	172 titles	201 vol.	5 titles orig. cat.
DVDs	3 title	3 vol.	

UPCOMING EVENTS

★ The Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Exhibit will open in Poage Library on February 12.

★ Our Lincoln speaker, Bob Willard, former Executive Director of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science, will speak on February 19.

★ The Poage Lecture Series will present *Charlie Wilson's War Comes to Waco* on March 26. Charlie Schnabel, former Chief of Staff for Charlie Wilson, will be the speaker.

