

**HIGHLIGHTS & ACHIEVEMENTS: 2005-2008**

**2007-2008:**

**I. Grants, Awards, Recognitions, and Appointments**

- Submitted Proposal and awarded \$60,000 HBCU-Mellon-*Photographic Preservation Grant* for 20-month project to improve archival storage conditions in Library – Spring 2008.
- Selected for HBCU-Mellon Foundation *Photographic Preservation Project*; Dr. Rosie L. Albritton, Library Director, Phyllis Earles, Head of Archives, and Helen Yeh, Associate Library Director, invited to “orientation summit” at the University of Delaware, and the Conservation Center in Philadelphia, Oct. 2007.
- Dr. Rosie Albritton, Library Director, selected to represent PVAMU at the IMLS National Conservation Forum, in Atlanta, January 31 – February 1, 2008.
- Library published re-designed newsletter, “*Coleman Library Connection*,” Vol. 1, No. 1, Nov. 2007; 2<sup>nd</sup> Issue scheduled for publication, Spring/Summer 2008.
- Lauren Kelley, Curator for the John B. Coleman Library Art Collections and Exhibit Spaces awarded the *Altoids Emerging New Artists Award*, Spring 2008.
- Lauren Kelley, awarded a *Core Artist-in-Residence Visual Artist Fellowship* at the Houston Museum of Fine Arts, for academic year 2007-2008.
- Kimberly Gay, selected to attend the *HBCU-Mellon Grant Information Literacy Institute* at Johnson C. Smith Univ., Charlotte, NC, February 10-15, 2008.
- Kimberly Gay, Reference Librarian, appointed to *TLA Genealogy Roundtable*, as *Chair-Elect* 2007-2008, to serve as *Chair* for 2008-2009; Fall 2007.
- Kimberly Gay, appointed to the *Texas State Library and Archives Commission’s Tex-Share Education Services Committee* for three-year term, Fall 2007.
- Kimberly Gay, appointed to *Texas Library Association (TLA) Black Caucus Roundtable* for three-year term, 2007-2010; Fall 2007.
- Elizabeth Brumfield, Distance Services Librarian, appointed *visiting lecturer*, at the Univ. of Pittsburgh School of Library & Information Science, Summer 2007.
- Elizabeth Brumfield, appointed *Chair of the Committee on Library Education* for the *Ethnic & Multicultural Roundtable* of the American Library Assoc. Fall 2007.
- Dr. Steve Shaw, Head of Reference Dept., appointed to the “*Best Practices*” Committee of the College Libraries Section of the ALA, Fall 2007.
- Dr. Steve Shaw, appointed to the “*Safety & Security of Library Buildings Committee*” of the Library Management Division of ALA, Spring 2008.
- Jason Russo, Cataloging Librarian, appointed *Coordinator of the Texas NACO Cataloging Project* for the 14-member libraries; Summer 2007.
- Phyllis Earles, received “special recognition” by the G. W. Carver School of Baytown, TX, for “*archival research*,” at a Recognition Event, on Oct. 5, 2007.
- Yubao Li appointed to the American Library Association (ALA) *Library Instruction Roundtable Research Committee*, for two-years; Fall 2007.

- *Juanita Walker*, Assistant Director for Public Services, recognized at the Fall 2007 Faculty & Professional Staff Conference for *20-years of service* to the State.
- *Marion Williams*, Library Development Coordinator, recognized for *outstanding service* by the Zeta Gamma Omega Chapter of the AKA Sorority, February 2008.
- *Dr. Rosie Albritton, Helen Yeh, and the late Mrs. Jimmizine Taylor* were recently recognized by the University during Women's History Month, March 2008.

## **II. Publications and Invited Presentations**

- Library published re-designed newsletter, "Coleman Library Connection," Vol. 1, No. 1, Nov. 2007; 2<sup>nd</sup> issue scheduled for publication, Spring/Summer 2008.
- Brumfield, Elizabeth, J. "*Using Tutorials to Reduce Uncertainty in Information Seeking Behavior.*" 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Off-Campus Library Services, Conference Proceedings, pp.81-90. Ed. By S.M. Mathson & J.A. Garrison, Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, MI. 2008.
- Brumfield, Elizabeth, J. "*Using Online Tutorials to Reduce Uncertainty in Information Seeking Behavior.*" Journal of Library Administration and Management. (In press).
- Brumfield, Elizabeth, et al. "*Multitasking information behavior: An exploratory study and evolutionary perspective.*" Journal of Librarianship and Information Science, Vol. 39, No. 3, 177-186, 2007.
- Dr. Steve Shaw, Head of Reference Department, published 15 book reviews in academic year, 2007-2008; 7 reviews were released in 2007, and 8 in 2008.
- *Elizabeth Brumfield, Steve Shaw, and Karl Henson*, selected to present a paper, "*Using Library E-Resources to Enhance Student Learning,*" at the 2008 Teaching with Technology Conference, at Texas A&M - College Station; Feb. 12-13, 2008.
- *Elizabeth Brumfield* presented a paper, *Using Online Tutorials to Reduce Uncertainty in Information Seeking Behavior,*" at 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Off-Campus Library Services Conference, Salt Lake City, Utah; April 22-25, 2008.
- *Lauren Kelley* selected by the Library Special Events Committee as *guest speaker* for the Library's 2008 Annual Women's History Month program, March 2008.
- *Kimberly Gay* featured as "*guest speaker*" for the April 2008 African American Studies Departmental Seminar, at the University of Houston, April 10, 2008.
- *Kimberly Gay* moderated a panel discussion workshop at the Texas Library Association Annual Conference, in Dallas, TX., April 18, 2008.
- *Kimberly Gay, Juanita Walker, and Yubao Li*, Jointly presented a workshop for TLA District 8 -Conference, "*Book, Bytes on the Bayou,*" at Aldine High School, Houston, TX., October 13, 2007.
- *Kimberly Gay* presented an information literacy research skills workshop, at Tomball High School, Tomball, TX., November 17, 2007.
- *Kimberly Gay* presented an information literacy research skills workshop, at Thurgood Marshall High School, Missouri City, TX, November 30, 2007.
- *Kimberly Gay* presented an information literacy research skills workshop, at the George Bush High School, Richmond, TX, February 1, 2008.

### **III. Special Events & Contributions to the University**

- *National Library Worker's Day Annual Program* – Featured guest lecturer, Dr. Charles E. Tatum, Emeritus Professor at PVAMU. Topic: “Libraries, Librarians, and Literature.” Kimberly Gay, Program Chair. April 15, 2008.
- *Women's History Month Annual Library Program* – Featured guest lecturer, Lauren Kelley, Library Art Curator . 2008 Theme: “Women's Art: Women's Vision.” Kimberly Gay, Program Chair. March 18, 2008.
- Emory Douglas, guest artist lecturer- *1<sup>st</sup> Floor Library Art Gallery*; coordinated by Lauren Kelley, Art Curator; April 2, 2008.
- *Black History Month Annual Library Program* – Featured guest lecturer, Dr. James L. Conyers, Director of the African American Studies Department, at the University of Houston. Marion Williams, Chair. February 26, 2008.
- *Grant Research and Proposal Writing Workshop*, at the PVAMU Northwest Campus – Coordinated and presented by Elizabeth Brumfield, Distance Services Librarian, and co-sponsored by the John B. Coleman Library and the Northwest Center; January 26, 2008.
- David McGee, guest artist lecturer – *1<sup>st</sup> Floor Library Art Gallery*; coordinated by Lauren Kelley, Art Curator; November 7, 2007.
- AT & T Gee's Bend Quilters' Spoken-Word Tour - special appearance at PVAMU; coordinated by *Lauren Kelley*, Library Art Curator; Oct. 16, 2007.

### **IV. New Library Services, Staff, Resources and Research Collections**

- *Information Literacy Weekly Drop-in Workshops* – “*Make Time for Research @ The Library.*” Library tutorials for individuals or groups.. Appointments are “not” required. New service announced in November 2007.
- *Sage Publications Full-Text Online Databases* – Announced, November 2007.
- *Haworth Publications Full-Text Online Databases* – Announced, Feb. 2008.
- *Dr. Charles E. Tatum* donated over 600 titles related to the study of African American History and Literature, January 2008.
- *Archives Department* received additional materials for the *Woolfolk Collection* from *William Downey* – April 2008.
- *Chieko Sato, M.A, University of Kansas and M.L.S., Emporia State University, Reference and Instruction Librarian I.* joined the *Reference Department* staff at the *John B. Coleman Library*, in February 2008.

### **V. Other Major Accomplishments and Library Activities**

- *Exterior Library Building Brick Replacement and Waterproofing Project* successfully completed – Spring 2008
- *Surveillance Cameras* Project for Library successfully implemented and completed – Spring 2008

- *Library Web-site* Re-Designed and Enhanced by Karl Henson, Electronic Services Librarian and Website-Manager - Fall 2007 and Spring 2008.
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## **2006-2007:**

### **I. Grants, Awards, Recognitions, and Appointments**

- *Dr. Rosie L. Albritton, Library Director*, appointed to serve a three-year term on the Board of Advisors for the School of Library & Information Science, at the University of North Texas, Denton, TX., December 2006.
- *Dr. Rosie L. Albritton, Library Director*, appointed to serve on a SACS On-Site Review Team, to evaluate Library Services and Use of Technology, at a peer SACS-member Institution. April 2007.
- *Kimberly Gay*, featured in the Summer 2007 issue of the Texas Library Journal, in the article, “A Librarian’s Tell: Losing Weight by Gaining Will Power and Words of Wisdom.”
- *Archives Department* received \$10,000 additional Title III Grant funding for additional computers and digitization equipment. February 2007.

### **II. Publications and Invited Presentations**

- *Elizabeth Brumfield*, Distance Services Librarian, presented a paper, “Take me to the water: Staying afloat in the information ocean.” At the Association of College & Research Libraries, (ACRL) of the ALA, 13<sup>th</sup> National Conference, in Baltimore, MD, March 19-April 1, 2007.
- Elizabeth Brumfield, Distance Services Librarian, presented a paper, “Distance Education and Culture,” at the National Association of African American Studies Conference, in Baton Rouge, LA, February 12-17, 2007.
- *Shaw, Steve*. “Hyperbrary: An Exploration of the Threads of Postmodernism in the Academic Library.” Interdisciplinary Literary Studies, Fall 2006.
- *Dr. Steve Shaw*, Head of Reference Department, published eleven book reviews in academic year 2006-2007.
- *Juanita Walker, Assistant Director for Public Services and Kimberly Gay, Reference & Instruction Librarian*, served as panelists to discuss “Genealogy Research in the Academic Library,” at the Black Caucus of the American Library Association, 6<sup>th</sup> National Conference in Ft. Worth, TX, August 2007.
- *Kimberly Gay* presented a workshop, “Researching Family,” Texas Library Association Annual Conference, in San Antonio, TX, April 11-14, 2007.
- *Kimberly Gay* moderated the East Texas Historical Association Spring Program, in Beaumont, TX, February 15-17, 2007.

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- *National Library Worker’s Day Annual Program* – Featured guest lecturer, President, George C. Wright. Topic: “PVAMU Reading List.” April 17, 2007.

- *Women's History Month Annual Library Program* – Featured guest lecturer, Dr. Rhea Brown Lawson, Director of Houston Public Libraries. 2007 Theme: “Generations of Women Moving History Forward.” March 20, 2007.
- *Black History Month Annual Library Program* – Featured guest lecturer, Dr. Juliet E. K. Walker, Professor of History at the UT-Austin. Feb. 28, 2007.

#### **IV. New Library Services, Staff, Resources and Research Collections**

- Dr. Robert D. King, the Audre and Bernard Rapport Regents Chair in Jewish Studies and Distinguished Teaching Professor at UT-Austin donated over 1,000 volumes in Linguistics and Languages. December 2006.
- Library opens an “Information Desk” on the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, strategically located in the center corridor leading to the elevator and stairway lobby, and midway between the Circulation and Reference Desk. September 2006.
- Elizabeth Brumfield, M.L.S., University of Pittsburgh, joined the library staff as the Distances Services Librarian- Librarian II, responsible for service at the Northwest Center and PVAMU locations in Dallas, TX. November 2006.
- Karl Henson, M.L.S., McGill University in Montreal, Canada, joined the library staff as the Electronic Services Librarian and Web-site Manager – Librarian II, November 2006.
- Yubao Li, M.L.S., University of Kentucky, Reference and Instruction Librarian I, joined the Reference Department staff in November 2006.

#### **V. Other Major Accomplishments and Library Activities**

- Compact Shelving upgraded in the Archives & Special Collections Department with funding from the Title III Grant – Spring 2007.
- Archives Department, under the direction of Phyllis Earles, completes digital scanning project of the Cooperative Extension Photos. May 2007.
- Archives Department completed the physical inventory of the Dr. Alfred N. Poindexter Clinic. July 2007.
- Archives Department completed dry cleaning and inventory of 230+ PVAMU Interscholastic League Award Medals. Spring 2007.

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##### **I. Grants, Awards, Recognitions, and Appointments**

- Dr. Rosie L. Albritton, M.A., University of Chicago, M.L.S., University of Michigan, and Ph.D., University of Illinois, appointed Director of Library Services, John B. Coleman Library, PVAMU. September 2005.
- Dr. Rosie L. Albritton, Library Director, elected to a second-three year term as a Councilor-at-Large, as a member of the Governance Council of the American Library Association (ALA), 2006-2009. April 2006.
- Helen Yeh, recognized at the Fall 2005 Faculty and Professional Staff Conference for 35 years of service to the State of Texas. August 2005.

## **II. Publications and Invited Presentations**

- *Dr. Steve Shaw, Head of Reference Department, published twelve Book Reviews in academic year 2005-2006; eleven in 2006 and one in 2005.*
- *Brumfield, Elizabeth. "The Public Library-Meeting the Needs of a Diverse Workforce." Multicultural Review, Vol 15, No. 2. Summer 2006.*
- *Brumfield, Elizabeth. "Distance in Distance Education." Multicultural Review. April 2006.*
- *Elizabeth Brumfield presented a poster session, "Collaboration and Camaraderie: Creating Careers at Carnegie Library." ALA Annual Conference, New Orleans. June 26, 2006.*
- *Elizabeth Brumfield presented a poster session, "Outreach to Juvenile Ex-offenders." Joint Conference of Librarians of Color, Dallas, TX. Oct. 2006.*

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- *National Library Week and National Library Worker's Day Annual Program – Featured guest speaker, Dr. Rosie L. Albritton, Director of Library Services and Professor of Educational Media & Technology, PVAMU. April 2006.*
- *Black History Month Annual Library Program – Featured guest speaker, Mr. Frank Jackson, Governmental Affairs Officer at PVAMU and Mayor of the City of Prairie View, TX. – February 2006.*

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- *Library establishes new hours of operation for regular semesters, summer term, and final exam weeks for fall and spring semesters. January 2006.*
- *Library launches intensive nation-wide recruitment effort for professional librarians to fill key management and entry level positions. February 2006.*
- *Kimberly Gay, M.L.S., Texas Woman's University, Reference and Instruction Librarian I, joined the Reference Department staff, June 2006.*
- *Dr. Steve Shaw, M.L.S. and Ph.D., SUNY at Buffalo, promoted to Head of Reference Department - Librarian II, after serving three years as a Reference and Instruction Librarian I, at PVAMU. June 2006.*
- *Juanita Walker, M.L.S., Atlanta University, M.A., Prairie View A&M, promoted to Assistant Director of Public Services, after serving over 15 years as Head of Circulation Department – Librarian II, at PVAMU. June 2006.*

***Dr. Rosie L. Albritton  
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May 2008***