Greetings Friends of Kornhauser!

Sometimes the important message gets lost in the static. This has been a challenging year for the University of Louisville. But whatever the headline, the 6 o’clock news or the latest rumor, UofL is a great school with dedicated, excellent employees and an impressive student body. And I know that’s particularly true of Kornhauser Health Sciences Library. I am so proud of the work of the library staff and how they support the accomplishments of the people we serve. 2017 has been a remarkable year for Kornhauser. We currently have access to more databases, journals and books than ever before. We’re truly a health information powerhouse for the state. Our Clinical Services Program has expanded, bringing up-to-the-minute information to the clinical setting, the research bench, and the classroom.

We are a leader in supporting the LGBT-inclusive curriculums at the Health Sciences Center. One of our librarians serves as an editor for the first online peer-reviewed journals hosted by the University. We have a completely revised, user-friendly website to help students and faculty get the information they need as easily and quickly as possible. Kornhauser has partnered with the University of Louisville Pediatrics Department by hosting mock-up exam rooms to make sure our new Novak Center for Children’s Health has the most up-to-date facilities. The list of accomplishments and activities goes on and on.

My point is that whatever goes on in the public arenas, the people at Kornhauser continue to do an outstanding job of providing health information for teaching, research and clinical practice. Part of what makes that possible is the support of our Friends. Please consider renewing or joining the Friends of Kornhauser Library. We’re proud to be part of the University of Louisville and hope you will be too.

- Neal D. Nixon, Director of Kornhauser Health Sciences Library
DONOR SPOTLIGHT: The Dreishpoon Study Room

The Dreishpoon Study Room, named in honor of Irving H. Dreishpoon, MD, was completed in July 2017. Mrs. Georgene Dreishpoon made this lovely room possible through a generous donation, she worked with Kornhauser Library and University Planning and Design to create a comfortable study space that also reflects the Dreishpoon family’s love of the ocean, the beach and fishing.

Dr. Dreishpoon was born in Brooklyn, New York. He was accepted to UofL on a basketball scholarship but after his first year he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force. He served as a navigator and bombardier with the 8th Air Force in England, and flew 28 missions over Germany. In 1945, Irving returned to the University of Louisville to attend medical school, where Dr. Sidney I. Kornhauser, the namesake of our library, was instrumental in his acceptance without the completion of an undergraduate degree. In 1950, Dr. Dreishpoon earned his MD with honors.

In 1951 Dr. Dreishpoon married Georgene Simon, the daughter of Dr. Max M. Simon, a Poughkeepsie, New York general surgeon. Dr. Dreishpoon interned at the Poly Clinic Hospital in New York City, then began his residency at the New York Lying-In Hospital, and the Klingenstein Obstetrics Pavilion at Mount Sinai Hospital. In 1954, he opened a private practice as only the second board certified obstetrician/gynecologist in Poughkeepsie.

A progressive obstetrician/gynecologist, Dr. Dreishpoon was an early advocate for women’s rights during the 1970s. His steadfast commitment to a woman’s right to choose, in spite of public opposition, was courageous and laudable. His vocation was medicine, but his passion was fishing – he tied his own flies and traveled all over the world to fish, especially enjoying the family’s part-time home in Green Turtle Cay, Abaco, Bahamas. Dr. Dreishpoon passed away in July 2015.
Faculty Spotlight

Michel Atlas has retired after 33 years with the University Libraries. She worked part-time in photographic archives and as a Reference Librarian for Ekstrom Library from 1984-1991. From 1991 until December 2017, she worked as a Reference Librarian and Head of Reference on the Health Sciences Campus.

Gene Haynes retired from Kornhauser Health Sciences Library on June 1, 2017. During her time at Kornhauser, she served as the Head of Collections and led the Technical Services Department.

Tiffney Gipson was promoted to the position of Head of Collections effective July 1, 2017. She also serves as a Clinical Librarian at Kornhauser.

Jessica Petrey is one of Kornhauser’s newest Clinical Librarians. She was recently promoted from Instructor to Assistant Professor.

LGBT Initiative

The University of Louisville (UofL) is the only school in Kentucky and in the entire south, and one of only 16 nationwide, to receive a perfect score from the Campus Pride Index, designating us as an LGBT friendly campus according to a variety of metrics, including student life, academics, institutional commitment, and health. Inspired by and in support of this School of Medicine initiative, Clinical Librarian Jessica Petrey, has been working to develop collections, gather resources, and provide services that support the training of health providers in competent care. Because of the past and current lack of competent provider training and the resulting need for patients to be knowledgeable self advocates, however, we have also broadened our initiative to include the goal of providing LGBT individuals within our communities both on campus and in the broader public with the resources and tools they need to access information about their own health. This two-fold mission has manifested itself in the form of organizing Safe Zone ally training for library faculty and staff, the addition of resources to the library collection, and the creation of two electronic resource guides (one for providers and one for patients) to facilitate access to those and other resources. We have also taken ourselves out of the library to share information and resources through community engagement at local events, such as the campus Pride cookout, the LGBTQ Health Summit, Come together Kentucky Conference, Pre Exposure Prophylaxis Summit, and Kentuckiana Pride and Louisville Pride Festival. Petrey presented on this outreach work at the Medical Library Association’s annual meeting in Seattle, WA in May. Most recently, we’ve been able to designate our restrooms as gender inclusive: they are still labelled by gender, but signs are up letting patrons know that anyone regardless of gender identity or expression is welcome to use them. While our initiative has been successful and well received so far, we will continue adding new resources, updating our electronic guides, and reaching out to the community in a variety of ways. For more information about the Kornhauser Library LGBT initiative, contact Jessica Petrey at Jessica.petrey@louisville.edu or 502 852 5641.
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