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*"Advance Anesthesiology by Preserving and Sharing its Heritage and Knowledge"*

December 2019



### A Message from our President...

The Wood Library-Museum of Anesthesiology has had another busy year. The biggest event has been a change in the WLM Director. Karen Biertman, long-time WLM Librarian and Director, retired November 29. Karen made many contributions during her twenty-two years with the WLM including accomplishing the move of the WLM from Park Ridge to Schaumburg, overseeing the creation of the WLM exhibits in the ASAHQ, and advancing the WLM website. Among her many recognitions, the WLM Board appointed Karen WLM Librarian Emerita and WLM Friend for Life. We wish her well as she moves into the next phase of her life.

After an extensive search, the WLM selected Matthew Toland as the new WLM Director. He joined the WLM in early October and became Director on November 30. The WLM is delighted to have Matthew as its Director. We look forward to continued advancement of the WLM and its Mission under his direction. You can learn more about Matthew and his plans for the WLM in his update article elsewhere in this report.

I will note a gift the WLM received from the Leroy Misuraca, M.D. Living Trust after his passing. Dr. Misuraca was a long-time friend of the WLM and regularly attended its activities. We will miss him on these occasions. The WLM Board committed his gift to support major acquisitions and will use it in this manner. We appreciate his planned gift and the ongoing support of the ASA, Component Societies and our individual contributors. We invite you to contact us for answers to any questions you have about the WLM and how you may support its Mission and advancement. I encourage you to spend a few minutes reading through this report and its updates on the WLM. It includes sections on new acquisitions, collections, and ways to support our Mission. As always, we appreciate your interest in the heritage and knowledge of anesthesiology and anesthesia. We welcome and encourage your visits to the WLM website and both our virtual and physical exhibits.

—William L. McNiece, M.D.

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At any stage in your career, you can seek new ways to connect with colleagues, gain new skills, and contribute to the field of Anesthesiology. The WLM offers several ways for you to get involved including our Board of Trustees, Fellowship, research, writing, lectures, committees, and others. Please visit [woodlibrarymuseum.org](http://woodlibrarymuseum.org) for more information or contact Matthew or Dr. McNiece with questions.

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### A Message from our Director...

Hello and Happy Holidays. I have been in my new role as the WLM Director for almost two months and the time is flying by! I look forward to working with all of you, our supporters, in the years to come. 2020 will be a busy year for us. We are planning to evaluate our collections, pursue state and federal grants, increase our fundraising efforts, and to top it off, it is time to write a new strategic plan! Luckily, we know we have your support to be successful while continuing the day-to-day operations of our world-class museum, library, and archives. You can help by continuing to support us with your time, talent, and treasure, and also helping us find others who value the world's premier collection of anesthesiology history. As anesthesiologists, this is your heritage and we need your help to preserve it for centuries to come. Please feel free to reach out to me with questions. Thank you.—Matthew Toland

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Please consider an end-of-year gift to the Wood Library-Museum at any level. A convenient way to give is through our website, woodlibrarymuseum.org, and click DONATE. You can also mail in a check to the address below. Other giving opportunities like planned giving, sponsorship, and memorial donations can be arranged by contacting the WLM Director, Matthew.

However you decide to give to the WLM, know that your donations help us fulfill our mission of “advancing anesthesiology by preserving and sharing its heritage and knowledge”. Our small institution holds the world’s premier collection of anesthesiology artifacts, books, documents, and equipment. If we don’t take care of these collections, who will? It belongs here and we need your support to do this work. Give today and plan to continue giving to sustain this work for future generations.

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## COLLECTION NEWS

### Acquisition Highlights in 2019

*Charles T. Jackson autograph letter signed to Joseph Hale Abbot, 1861*

*Samuel George Morton medical thesis on pain, 1823*

*1846 William Morton Broadside*

*Additions to the Alfred Swaine Taylor Collection*

*Additions to the Charles T. Jackson Collection*

*James Braid 1849 offprint*

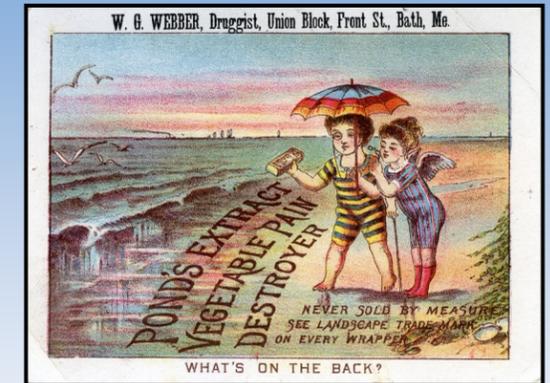
*James Braid letter signed to John Churchill, 1843*

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*Additions to the Ben Z. Swanson Collection*



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## About our Collections

WLM collects materials in all formats that document the practice and history of anesthesia and anesthesiology. These include books, journals, archives, manuscripts, ephemera, artworks, sound recordings, digital, photographic and moving image formats, medical equipment, and agent packaging. The estimated total volume of these collections is 13,000 linear feet.

The Library's online catalog contains over 9,000 book and journal titles, and over 1,000 other works. Many book titles have two or more volumes. Some journal titles consist of a single issue; others fill one or more shelves and will continue to grow. For example, ASA's monthly journal *Anesthesiology* currently occupies 32 LF.

The Archival collections include manuscripts (the personal papers of leading individuals, such as letters and notebooks), archives (the business records of organizations, such as minutes, bylaws, and conference abstracts), ephemera (printed material such as brochures and manuals), and audiovisual formats. The artifact collections include medical equipment, agent packaging, and memorabilia.

The Objects Database contains over 6,000 entries. These collections occupy a total of approximately 5,600 linear feet. These include parts (like knobs and connectors) that are as small as 1 cubic centimeter, hand-held instruments, monitors of vital signs, and machines as large as 84 CF including our own Iron Lung. Memorabilia includes such things as souvenirs of an event, or the mementos of a scientist's career. Agent packages (such as bottles and boxes) provide drug dosage and related information; the substances themselves are not collected. The bulk of this material is kept in the annex, an off-site collections facility. A portion of the collection is displayed in the gallery, at the ASA Headquarters. Selected objects are kept in the rare book room; some are on loan to other institutions. —Judy Robins, WLM Registrar



### A Message from our Honorary Curator...

During this busy year, I lectured at Calgary's Canadian Anesthesiologists' Society Meeting and received the WLM's Distinguished Service Award at Orlando's ANESTHESIOLOGY® 2019. Yearlong, I composed 56 illustrated historical vignettes: "Reflections" for Anesthesiology and "Ethereal Images" for the Journal of Anesthesia History. I contributed with not only my pen but also my wallet. Memorializing Professor A.H. "Buddy" Giesecke, Jr., and Mrs. V.E.M. "Roni" Giesecke, I donated an invention by George Leininger, the first unidisciplinary "Professor of Anesthesia." In memory of late WLM Director Patrick Sim, I gifted artwork honoring a man Patrick admired, the Soviet surgeon who performed an auto-appendectomy with Novocaine in Antarctica in 1961. In honor of recently retired WLM Director Karen Bieterman, I donated an 1846 W.T.G. Morton circular.

As a military brat, my youth was split between the South and the North. Southerners, please consider funding acquisition/conservation of the WLM's fragile letter penned by the Carolinas' chloroformist Cornelius Kollock. Northerners, please consider funding acquisition/conservation of WLM's W.T.G. Morton broadside. Would you like to honor or memorialize a mentor, friend, or relative? Consider doing so permanently by donating to your WLM. Thank you.

—George Bause, M.D., M.P.H., WLM Honorary Curator and Laureate of the History of Anesthesia