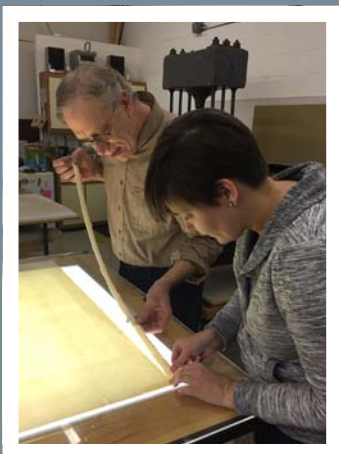


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## NEWS

### ***Gary Albright Partnership***

In January of 2017, ECS Conservation announced a year-long partnership with highly-experienced conservator, Gary Albright.

Gary completed a Master's degree from the Winterthur/University of Delaware Program in Art Conservation in 1979. He then spent twenty years working as a conservator at NEDCC, followed by four years as a conservator at Rochester's George Eastman House, which houses one of the foremost collections of photography in the world. In addition to university-level teaching positions, Gary has been an art conservator in private practice since 2003. His personal conservation lab is in the picturesque village of Honeoye Falls, New York.

Most recently, Gary has been working with ECS on projects for the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library and The Booth Family Center for Special Collections at Georgetown University Library. In addition to working on special projects and long-distance consultation, Gary will visit the ECS Conservation Lab in North Carolina on a quarterly basis. While visiting, he will provide assistance and training for ECS staff members who look forward to working with Gary and having access to his extensive experience and outstanding instruction in the areas of paper and photography.

Although he maintains a busy work schedule, Gary is a baseball lover and, from April through October, you'll find him cheering for his beloved Boston Red Sox.

## PROJECTS

### ***American Bee Books***

AcmeBinding was pleased to have the opportunity to bind American Bee Books, a scholarly bibliography of American books on the subject of bees and beekeeping. The book contains approximately 3,900 entries – a collection that took twenty years to compile. The Appendices provide a particularly valuable research tool as they associate each book with one or more of forty-five categories.

For the author, Philip A. Mason, who holds a J.D. from University of Chicago Law School and a Ph.D. in Entomology from Cornell University, this bibliography represents the confluence of his long-time interest in bees, beekeeping and book collecting.

The book is covered in Japanese cloth with foil stamping and has a printed, foil stamped and debossed French fold jacket. It measures 9-1/4 x 9-1/4, contains 586 pages, is set in Adobe Bembo and Castellar, and is printed on Mohawk Via Vellum.



AMERICAN BEE BOOKS

## BEHIND THE SCENES

### *When the Unexpected Happens*

In our last issue, *Behind the Scenes* focused on the insurance we maintain to protect our customers' property in the case of an unexpected occurrence. Our preparedness was put to the test in the fall of 2016.



One Friday afternoon, while returning to the bindery with a full load of library materials, one of our trucks was struck from behind by a speeding semi. The force of the impact pushed the truck off of the road, separating the box from the frame.

Despite the extent of the damage, the driver was unhurt and contacted the bindery immediately. The insurance company was notified and bindery VP, Jim Bratton, and HF Group President, Jay Fairfield, rushed to the scene with another truck, finding the truck body heavily damaged and the box split open on its side in a swale. Cartons containing library materials were split open and books and journals were strewn everywhere along the side of the Interstate. Several trips were required to retrieve all of the damaged materials.



In the bindery, each piece was evaluated and the damage was assessed. We were able to clean, re-collate and bind approximately 75% of the 1,500-item shipment. Bindery staff has been able to repair or replace another 20% of the pieces that were more heavily damaged, and they will continue the repair and replacement effort until the remaining 5% of the shipment is complete.

Since the driver of the semi was determined to be at fault, HF Group's insurance company acted on our behalf to recover all associated costs. While this was an unfortunate event, we are thankful for the safety of our driver and we remain dedicated to protecting our customers' property under all circumstances.

## PEOPLE

### *Meet Ruth Anne Frieden!*

Ruth Anne Frieden is a long-time employee in HF Group's bindery in North Manchester, Indiana.



She started working at the bindery right after high school in 1969. Then, in 1971, she moved to New York with her husband, who was in the Army. In 1971 he was discharged and they moved back to North Manchester, at which time she resumed her work at the bindery. During Ruth Anne's long tenure, she has developed expertise in various production positions.

With the exception of her time in New York, Ruth Anne is a life-long resident of North Manchester. She currently lives with and cares for her disabled daughter in the home in which she grew up. They have a pair of Boston Terriers, named Miss Joey and Mr. Jasper, who get a lot of attention and are their special loves.

In her spare time, Ruth Anne enjoys reading Nora Roberts books, listening to country music, watching Lifetime and Hallmark movies as well as the Food Network.

*"Ruth Anne is another individual on an impressive list of long serving employees for this company. We have been very fortunate to have had her on our team, in various positions, for over 46 years. We are thankful for Ruth Anne's work and dedication."*

- Jim Heckman, Vice President, HF Group