Dear Friends:

This month, we’re focusing on one of our favorite things – libraries! Not just any library, we’re taking a deep dive into historical libraries. Enjoy our blogs and upcoming event where we’re exploring the past and predicting the future of libraries.

**Then & Now:**
**The Past and Future of Medical Libraries**

As medical information continues to become more readily available online, what is next for physical historical medical collections? On October 18, join us virtually as Arlene Shaner, the Library's Historical Collections Librarian, historian of medicine Bert Hansen, and Yale Medical Historical Library Director Melissa Grafe have a wide-ranging conversation on the past and future of medical libraries.

**From the Blog:**
**A Preview: The Past and Future of Medical Libraries**

Our three Then & Now panelists provide previews of their October 18 talks: Arlene Shaner speaks on the development of the Library’s collections; Bert Hansen, on how libraries helped shape the development of medicine through history; and Melissa Grafe, on the future of historical collections such as the Academy Library’s.

**From the Collections:**
**The Past, Present, and Future of Libraries**

In commemoration of the American Philosophical Society’s 275th anniversary, the APS Library hosted an interdisciplinary conference, September 27–29, 2018, exploring the history of libraries, their present opportunities, and their potential futures.

**Virtual Visit:**
**"The Academy Library"**

Enjoy this video summary of our 175-year history of service to the Academy, the city, and the nation, with milestones and images drawn from the Library’s new timeline.

**Color Our Collections:**
**The Library of the Future?**

"Futurism" often means a streamlined geometrical look, as in this 1999 installation piece by Thomas Sayre, Gyre, at the North Carolina Museum of Art, featured in its 2022 coloring book. #ColorOurCollections gathers images from libraries, archives and museums around the world.

**Noted Elsewhere:**
**Emerging Roles for Historical Medical Libraries**

In December 2013, the College of Physicians of Philadelphia, our sibling institution and holder of a great historical medical library, mounted a conference, published as *Emerging Roles for Historical Medical Libraries* in *RB: A Journal of Rare Books, Manuscripts, and Cultural Heritage*. The Library is open to researchers and classes by appointment. All visitors must show proof of vaccination against COVID-19 and will need to be masked and socially distanced. For details, see our guide to visiting the Library. For more ways to connect with our resources and services, check out the Quick Connections page.

**NYA’s work to ensure health for all is more critical than ever.**

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