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## *Progress in the Archives*

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This year I accepted the role of Director of the Milton H. Erickson Archives.

I set two major goals for the year 2005: Digitize the video footage of Milton Erickson, and initiate a pilot project to produce income so that the Archives will be self-sustaining.

What has actually taken place to date has far exceeded my initial goals. With the generous contributions of a number of donors we set up a dedicated Archives account. With those resources we began digitizing the footage one batch at a time.

To provide a broader vision for this important project, a Board for the Archives was appointed consisting of myself, Roxanna Klein RN, Ph.D., Jeffrey Zeig, Ph.D., Ernest Rossi, Ph.D., Kathryn Rossi, Ph.D., and Kristina Erickson, M.D. As a decision-making body we will set annual goals regarding the priorities of the Archives, and make the determinations about how resources will be used.

A related important project is now underway. After long effort we obtained the rights to publish many volumes of historical works authored by Milton H. Erickson, M.D. The Erickson Foundation Press is preparing to release a series of volumes that includes both Erickson's original work, as well as an update of the meaning of this work in the context of contemporary neuro-science. Dr. Rossi, who collaborated with Dr. Erickson in the 1970s, has re-edited and updated his commentary. This expanded material will be released as a series, and will be available first in CD, and eventually in print.

We will cull the Archives for original materials of Milton Erickson that have not previously been published and include them in new releases. If any readers have in their possession any materials of this nature, we would deeply appreciate speaking with you about this. Please contact me at my home – Roxanna Erickson Klein 214.526.9634.

We look forward to a very productive year in 2006, and appreciate the invaluable support that our readers have provided.

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