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The Director's Library Report

By Ralph Arcari, PhD, MLS Library Director 17 May 2001

A number of physical and equipment improvements were implemented in the Library during this academic year.

New carpeting was installed on the main floor in the entrance area, the Computer Education Center and within and outside the photocopy room. Carpeting for the remainder of the main floor and the upper floor is planned.

The twenty-five year old study carrels have been replaced, along with the equally old chairs. The new carrels were designed with wide side panels to minimize distractions for users. Each carrel has a fluorescent light and an electrical outlet. Library patrons can use the latter with a laptop computer. Each carrel also has a jack for connectivity to the Internet. The upholstered chairs are adjustable for height and back angle. The wiring for the carrels is approaching completion. Wires have been pulled from the telephone/network closets to the walls adjacent to the carrels. Full connectivity should be completed for the start of the fall semester.

Aetna, Inc. has donated four IBM laptop computers, Think Pads, through its corporate in-kind donation program. These laptops will be loaned to UCHC faculty, staff and students from the Library Circulation Desk for use in the Library. These laptops can be used in conjunction with the new carrels.

The Library photocopiers were recently replaced. The new Xerox copiers are smaller than the 15 year old Oce's they replaced. They should also be cleaner; the older equipment spilled toner.

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The final installation of compact storage shelving has been completed in the Library sub-basement. All shelving on this floor is now on rails. Shelving capacity for the Library should be adequate until 2011.

The Library windows were originally plate glass, which is inadequate for maintaining seasonal temperature control. Most of the original windows were replaced with thermal glass. Those windows that were not retrofitted with energy conservation glass are being replaced now. The windows in the Computer Education Center were one set of windows that were replaced in this glass replacement program.

There are topics other than physical plant improvement. The UCHC Library has served as the Regional Medical Library for New England in the National Network of Libraries of Medicine since 1991. Regional Medical Libraries are appointed on a contractual basis through the U.S. National Library of Medicine. There are eight such libraries in the United States. The contracts are renewed on a five-year basis. The University of Massachusetts Medical Center Library will be the RML for New England for the period 2001-2006. The UCHC Library was unsuccessful in having its contract renewed. It has been a rewarding challenge and a privilege to serve as the RML for the past decade because we had the opportunity to begin a new program. New England had previously been part of the RML program centered at the New York Academy of Medicine. The most significant aspects of our experience as RML were the people we met and the services developed. One service, our Electronic Fund Transfer System (EFTS) for computer-based fee reconciliation between libraries for book, journal article and audiovisual loans, will continue at UCHC.

There will be a required course on use of Library resources for first year medical students this fall. This course was approved recently by the Committee on Undergraduate Curriculum. The course will be offered in sessions that will be repeated in a series of sequences. Students will schedule themselves; student course completion is to take place by November 1st.

Finally, spill proof drinking cups are under consideration for use in the Library by our patrons. A number of models have been evaluated and one model will be selected for usage at the start of the next academic year.

Your Taxes at Work

By Marion Holena Levine, MLS, MS, AHIP, Associate Library Director

In order to support the information needs of ALL Connecticut citizens, and on the recommendation of Lieutenant Governor M. Jodi Rell, the CT General Assembly has provided funding for the purchase of a select group of licensed databases for CT libraries, schools and colleges. The initiative is called the Connecticut Digital Library, a part of the CT Education Network. We have established links to these databases, where appropriate, from the Library's website (http://library.uchc.edu) at the "Databases" link.

For access to ALL of the databases available, check out the website at http://www.iconn.org. Read about this new initiative and gain access to this group of databases considered essential to education. There are 3 lists of databases, each targeted to a different user community: the public, faculty and students at CT schools, and faculty and students at CT colleges. Resources include business, general academic, health, K-12 resources, and full-text Spanish language and bilingual periodicals. And, just in time to stock up on books to read at the beach, there is even a database called "What do I Read Next?" Here you put in the name of an author you like reading or a subject you like reading about and this reader's advisory database refers you to other similar authors/books to investigate. What is your free ticket to access these wonderful resources? YOUR LIBRARY CARD!

Library Summer Hours June 29, 2001 - August 19, 2001

Monday-Thursday 7:00am - 10:00pm Friday 7:00am - 5:00pm Saturday 9:00am - 5:00pm Sunday 2:00pm - 6:00pm

Faculty Publications Database

By Hongjie Wang, MLS, MA -- Head, Information Services

For the past five years, the UCHC Library has produced a yearly bibliography of faculty publications. The Faculty Publications Database is of value to the faculty, department chairs, administration, and institution as a whole. It not only keeps up-to-date the health center faculty research efforts and achievements, but it also provides faculty members with an overview of where and how their research is published. The information might be especially valuable when requesting grant funding, as it offers evidence of the faculty and institution's ability to contribute to various fields of study. This is one of many important services the Library provides to support the institution, with support from the Office of Research & Sponsored Programs.

This bibliographic database is accessible from the Library's website (http://library.uchc.edu) at the "Databases" link. It can be used in three different ways.

First, it can be searched by the author's name, keyword in article title, journal title, and publication year. It may also be searched separately for a complete list of departmental publications. From the Results page, a link to a brief author "CV" is available for the user's convenience.

Second, if somehow a citation is not included in the database, full-time UCHC faculty authors can use a function called "Add Your Publications to the Faculty Publications Database" to submit their publication data directly for further processing. This feature allows users to update their publication profile so that we can maintain an accurate and authoritative database.

Third, there is a link of "E-mail Changes and Corrections to Faculty Publications Database", by which users can correct or update information on their publications in this database.

Number of UCHC Publications from 1996-2000

Year	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Number of					
Publications	946	892	911	843	1086

To get a list as comprehensive as possible, a literature search is conducted in databases including: MEDLINE, Science Citation Index, and PsycINFO. The search, which includes all permutations of UCHC in the institution field, is normally done in May to allow for the three- to six-month lag between publication and indexing.

We hope you enjoy the benefit of using the Faculty Publications Database. Please contact Hongjie Wang, Head of the Information Services Department, by telephone: 679-4053 or e-mail: wang@nso.uchc.edu, if you would like to provide feedback on this service.

Access Chemical Abstracts via SciFinder Scholar

By Hongjie Wang, MLS, MA Head, Information Services

Starting April, 2001, SciFinder Scholar, a special version of the SciFinder desktop research tool, became available to the UCHC community. SciFinder Scholar gives users access to the Chemical Abstracts (CA) database from 1947 to the present. The remaining CA bibliographic and abstract information, from 1907 to 1946, will be added over the next 12 months, expanding the total online offering to nearly 20 million records--virtually the entire twentieth century's research, searchable in a single file. SciFinder Scholar includes nearly 20 million citations to the literature of chemistry, as well as compound information including structure, chemical names, formulas, registry numbers and information organic reaction for organometallic reactions.

In order to use SciFinder Scholar, users will have to download the SciFinder Scholar 2000 client to their computers. Those who are updating from a previous version of SciFinder Scholar (1.0 or 3.0) should install the 2000 upgrade in the same directory on their computer (default is C:\sfschlr for Windows). This will retain previously specified settings and site preferences files. If installing SciFinder Scholar for the first time with version 2000, download the site.prf file and copy it to your C:\sfschlr directory after installing the application.

The SciFinder Scholar application has been installed on all Library OPAC computers in the Reference Area. Scifinder Scholar can be accessed only at UCHC or on other UConn campuses. The server operates at Chemical Abstracts Source (CAS) in Columbus, Ohio.

Use by the client is limited to current University of Connecticut faculty, staff, and students. Those who download the application will also

be required to read and abide by the SciFinder Scholar User Agreement prior to download.

SciFinder Scholar is available 24 hours a day. It can only be accessed by three (3) users simultaneously. If a fourth person tries to run the program, he or she will be notified that too many people are on the system and SciFinder will not run.

Beilstein Abstracts:

Available Free on the Web

By Jill Livingston, MLS -- Information Services Librarian

A terrific resource, Beilstein Abstracts, is now being made available free online by ChemWeb.com at: http://www.chemweb.com/

The Beilstein Abstracts database provides access to the titles, abstracts, and citations from the top journals in organic and related chemistry, published from 1980 to the present. There are currently approximately 600,000 articles indexed.

The Beilstein Abstracts database acts as a good companion to the Chemical Abstracts database for those conducting chemical research.

Though registration to this site is required, it is free.

Do you need help deciding which database to search to find the information you need?

Do you need help using databases or any other Library Resource?

Do you want to learn how the Library can help you in your research?

Call the Information Desk at: 679-2942

A Sampler of New Audiovisuals in the Library

By Nancy Carter-Menendez, MLS – Information Services Librarian

Many of the new audiovisuals listed below were purchased for our collection in response to suggestions or requests made by our Library users. We hope that you, also, will find them useful, and that you will consider recommending either specific titles or subject areas to add to our collection. You can reach me by telephone: 679-4052, or e-mail: menendez@nso.uchc.edu. I look forward to hearing from you.

Acid-base balance. Program 1, The Ups and downs of pH. QU 105 A181 1999 VHS

Acid-base balance. Program 2, Respiratory alkalosis and acidosis. QU 105 A181 1999 VHS

Acid-base balance. Program 3, Metabolic alkalosis and acidosis. QU 105 A181 1999 VHS

Ben Carson. WZ 100 C321 2000 VHS

Cellular respiration. QH 601 C393r 1992 Videodisc

Clinical dynamics of four-handed dentistry: a total ergonomic concept. WU 90 C641 1999 VHS

Diagnosis according to the DSM-IV. 3 parts. WM 141 D536 1996 VHS

Infection control in the dental office. WU 29 I43 1999 VHS

The Lynchburg story: eugenic sterilization in America. HV 4989 L987 1993 VHS

Mayo internal medicine certification & recertification board review, 2000-2001. WB 115 M474 2000 VHS

Medical emergencies in the dental office. WU 100 M236e 1999 VHS

On our own terms--Moyers on dying.

 $BF\ 789\ .D4\ O58a\ 2000\ VHS;\ BF\ 789\ .D4\ O58b\ 2000\ VHS;\ BF\ 789\ .D4\ O58c\ 2000\ VHS;\ BF\ 789\ .D4\ O58d\ 2000\ VHS$

Polio & post-polio syndrome. WC 555 P857a 2001 VHS

Preventing adverse drug reactions (series: medication issues in mental health). $WM\ 402\ P944\ 1995\ VHS$

Secret people: the naked face of leprosy in America. WC 28 AL6 S535 1999 VHS

Understanding movement disorders (series: medication issues in mental health) WL 390 U55 1995 VHS

Those Wonderful Electronic Resources: Can't Get Connected?

By Lorna Wright, MLS -- Head, Technical Services

We know you occasionally have a problem with making a good connection to an electronic journal or a database and you may not know whom to call. Perhaps you've had to wait an hour to make a connection to MDConsult or another database.

The Library now has a **Problem Report Form** on our website at http://library.uchc.edu.

We hope you will use it anytime a resource doesn't work properly for you, even if you succeed later. Library staff will contact our vendors to seek trouble-free and quick access for users who come after you. If you would like a reply or suggestions for better connections, just check off that section of the form and include your e-mail address.

We'll ask you for the name of the product or journal. If you can copy and paste the actual URL that did not work, it will help us diagnose the problem. Please tell us which computer, OS, and browser you were using, and whether you were on campus or using the proxy server. We might ask you to change browsers for some resources.

All Library users can now make connections from remote locations using our proxy server. This service enables your computer at home to have access to the same resources ordinarily restricted to on-campus use. You will need a current up-to-date Library barcode on your Health Center ID in order to use the proxy server. The complete instructions are available from the Library's website: http://library.uchc.edu/proxy/ And remember that weekdays you can call the Information Desk at 679-2942 for instant help!

Selected New Books

By Helen Madden, MLS -- Catalog Librarian

ENGINEERING THE HUMAN GERMLINE: an Exploration of the Science and Ethics of Altering the Genes We Pass on to Our Children.

Edited by Gregory Stock, John Campbell. New York: Oxford University Press, c2000. **QH 442 E57 2000**

Germline genetic manipulations are those made to germinal, or reproductive, cells. Whereas previous genetic therapies altered only the patient, germline engineering will alter the patient's descendants as well. This book explores the prospects for, and the larger implications of, such human genetic engineering.

BRANDING HEALTH SERVICES: Defining Yourself in the Marketplace.

Authors: Gil Bashe, Nancy J. Hicks. Gaithersburg, MD: Aspen Publishers, c2000. **W 74 B638 2000**

A new phenomenon in health care institutions is the concept of "branding", which means a hospital's reputation creation and protection. The premise of this book is that branding was less necessary when physicians and hospitals were in charge of the health care system, but in an era of managed care, financial viability and survival is linked to how a hospital's brand name is perceived in the marketplace. This book suggests how to create, protect, and enhance brands for health service providers, and gives a case history of the Vanderbilt Medical Center's success with it's image campaign.

WEB WATCHER

Online Books...through NetLibrary

By Kathleen Crea, MLS, 6th Year, AHIP Information Services Librarian

NetLibrary, a collection of 4,700 online full-text books in many academic subject areas is now available to UCHC Library users through our association with the UConn Storrs Library. Currently, 300 of the titles available in NetLibrary focus on medicine and consumer health, but that number will grow as the collection expands. Also searchable is its "Public E-Books Collection" which offers full-text access to 3,500 classic books (in the English language) such as the works of Shakespeare, Charles Dickens, and Willa Cather.

Using NetLibrary is easy (and free to UCHC faculty, staff, and students), but registration is required using a UCHC workstation. Once you have created an account, you'll need to download a helper application called NetLibrary E-Book Reader, which is quick and easy to install on your desktop from this URL:

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Membership in the Friends organization helps to:

- maintain quality Library resources for use by the UCHC community and citizens of Connecticut
- maintain quality services for providing information quickly and conveniently
- sponsor an annual reception and lecture

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