Look to the Library's web page ([www.gwumc.edu/library](http://www.gwumc.edu/library)) in the next few weeks for details on two exciting new programs: Hand-held Syncing Stations and a Wireless Local Area Network (LAN). The two syncing stations will be respectively located on the first floor of the Library near the Reference Desk and in the Bloedorn Audiovisual Study Center. They have been made available through the anonymous gift of a local foundation to support the use of information resources in the clinic.

Himmelfarb is already participating in a trial of the Ovid@Hand product which delivers MEDLINE search results and full-text articles to hand-held devices. The Library's Electronic Resources Committee is evaluating additional products to be purchased through a grant from another local foundation, The Brownley Trust. The Committee is looking specifically at products which incorporate basic medical texts and drug reference tools. Your input in this process is welcome. Simply call or e-mail me with your suggestions (202-994-1826 or mlbaml@gwumc.edu).

Our second project, the wireless LAN, will permit laptop users to connect to the University's wide area network to access the internet and services such as e-mail from the second and third floors of the Library. Laptop owners will be able to use vital research tools, databases, and University services in the Library's main study areas, thereby facilitating access to network services. The wireless LAN should be available for use by the end of April. Information on network cards supported and instructions for logging on are in process. Contact Leah Pellegrino at mlblcp@gwumc.edu for further information. Happy computing!

Anne Linton, Director,
Library Services
Alert: Faculty Publications 2001

The editing feature of the Faculty Publications database for 2001 is now available and will remain available for editing until Friday, May 31, 2002. Anyone intending to edit listings or add publications not already listed should complete their review by that date. To see the database, please go to the Faculty Publications web site: /facpubs/. If you need to access the database and do not already have the username and password, please contact Michelle DiSturco at 202-994-8478 or email: mlbmpd@gwumc.edu.
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Annual Art Show

Spring is just around the corner and with it comes the Annual Himmelfarb Health Sciences Library Art Show. We are calling on all GWUMC artists to submit their creations for display during the month of April. All types of art, including drawings, paintings, sketches, ceramics, pottery, photography, and craft works are welcome.

We will begin accepting artwork on March 1st at the Reference desk in the Himmelfarb Library. The contact person is Mina August. If you have any questions, please call her at 202-994-2963 or email caugust@gwu.edu.
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New Evening/Weekend Reference Specialist Hired

You may have noticed a new face at the reference desk during the evenings and on the weekends. Gavin Miller started work this January as the new evening/weekend reference specialist. Gavin comes to us from the Judaic Studies program and is a full-time student in the Psy.D. Program. He works the evening shift from 5-8 PM and on Saturdays 12-4 PM to assist students, staff and faculty with questions about database searching, electronic resources, or using the on-line catalog. Stop by and welcome him to Himmelfarb.
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Biomedical Communications

Hosting a luncheon, reception, or dinner?
Sponsoring a lecture?
Need new photos for your departmental website or brochure?

Give Biomedical Communications a call!

Planning a special event? One of our 5 professional photographers will be more than happy to document your occasion. In addition to photographing your event, we can post your pictures on your website within a day. Whether you're having a small reception or an elegant black tie gala, we'll be there!

Having a guest speaker this week? We will come to the lecture to photograph the speaker. We can also shoot group photos and candids at the end of the talk. Updating your website or creating a brochure? Come take a look at the hundreds of stock images we have of our beautiful national monuments and surrounding area. You can use images we have on file or we can photograph something brand new just for you!

Our staff goes on location to photograph various events during business hours, after hours, and on weekends. Give us a call to schedule an appointment for us to photograph special events, speakers, group photos, public relations, or city and campus scenes.

Visit our website for a complete listing of our services! [http://www.gwumc.edu/biomed](http://www.gwumc.edu/biomed)
Many professors have posted their class presentations on Prometheus for students to view later. These presentations provide a valuable resource for students when studying for exams or preparing for the USMLE. Many students wish to print these presentations to file away for later use. Here are several printing suggestions to help keep costs down by conserving paper and printer toner:

Open the slides in Powerpoint on the computers in the microcomputer lab or the Women’s Board Teaching Center on the 3rd floor. These computers have the full version of Microsoft Powerpoint and provide several options when printing slides. The computers on the 1st floor of the Library are research stations and are available to all library patrons. They have only Powerpoint Viewer on them and are designed to view slides only. Since the 3rd floor computer labs are open only to students, staff and faculty, they have complete versions of Microsoft Office loaded on them.

Convert the slides to "pure black and white" when printing. Most presentations use dark backgrounds to help the audience visualize the presentation better. This is great for the presentation, but when printing this uses excessive amounts of toner ink. To change the slides to "pure black and white," after selecting the print option, check the "pure black and white" box on the print menu. This will convert the slides to black and white (usually converting the dark background to white and the lighter print to black).

Try to print multiple slides on a page. To do this, after selecting the "print" icon, select properties, and increase "pages per sheet" to six or eight. Please note that some presentations will not permit this feature.

Doing these three simple tasks will help conserve the Library’s resources and keep the cost of library operations down.
Since January 2, 2002, the Himmelfarb Health Sciences Library E-journals page has a new look and added features! First and foremost is the addition of full-text holdings information. Now, when you are looking at an individual journal title, you can see what years the library has available full-text. This should be especially helpful for those journal titles for which we provide more than one method of access.

In addition, the list has been divided into separate pages for each letter, instead of one long continuous page. This will increase the speed and efficiency of loading the pages. At the top of each page, there is now a search box that you can use to look for a specific journal title, instead of scrolling through the pages trying to find it.

We are constantly adding new titles. Below is a listing of titles we’ve added since January 2002:

- American Journal of Hematology
- American Journal of Industrial Medicine
- American Journal of Medical Genetics
- Anatomical Record
- Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy
- Applied and Environmental Microbiology
- Arthritis & Rheumatism
- Arthritis Care & Research
- Cancer
- Cancer Cytopathology
- Catheterization and Cardiovascular Diagnosis
- Catheterization and Cardiovascular Interventions
- Clinical and Diagnostic Laboratory Immunology
- Clinical Microbiology Reviews
- Cytometry
- Diagnostic Cytopathology
- Endocrine Review
- Endocrinology
- European Journal of Immunology
- European Journal of Obstetrics & Gynecology and Reproductive Biology
- Gastroenterology
- Glia
- Head & Neck
- Lasers in Surgery and Medicine
- Microbiology and Molecular Biology Review
- Molecular and Cellular Biology
- Molecular Cell
- Muscle & Nerve
- Occupational and Environmental Medicine
- Prenatal Diagnosis
- Reviews of Reproduction
- Seminars in Surgical Oncology
- Sexually Transmitted Infections Teratology
- Immunity
- In Session: Psychotherapy in Practice
- Infection and Immunity
- International Journal of Cancer
- Journal of Bacteriology
- Journal of Biological Chemistry
- Journal of Clinical Endocrinology & Metabolism
- Journal of Clinical Microbiology
- Journal of Clinical Psychology
- Journal of Clinical Ultrasound
- Journal of Comparative Neurology
- Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health
- Journal of Mass Spectrometry
We hope you like these new enhancements and look forward to your comments and suggestions to further improve the e-journals site. If you have questions, please feel free to contact the Reference Desk at 202-994-2850.
Library Testing New OVID@Hand Product

Personal Digital Assistant (PDA) users and Himmelfarb Library are testing a new OVID product called OVID@Hand. For anyone who has a PDA and wants to participate in evaluating this unique product, please contact Pat Wilson at 202-994-2853 or email to mlbphw@gwumc.edu. There is still time to explore the versatility of your PDA and OVID@Hand.

Ovid Technologies, the vendor Himmelfarb Library uses to deliver MEDLINE, developed OVID@Hand in cooperation with Unbound Medicine to help clinicians answer questions generated in their daily practice.

Subscribers can use their PDA to:

- Track the latest articles from selected journals in their personal library
- Program OVID MEDLINE searches on questions arising in their practice
- Retrieve point-of-care drug information
Comming Soon!!! Document Delivery to Your Desk

The Himmelfarb Interlibrary Loan and Document Delivery Department is implementing new document delivery software that will allow us to email articles to you. We believe that this new delivery method, used in conjunction with our new online order forms, will make our service even more convenient for you! Best of all, there will be no additional charge for email delivery! Watch for this new service in March 2002!
Himmelfarb Participates in "Medical Science and Beyond: Teaching the Unconventional Unconventionally"

The Himmelfarb Library staff was recently invited to present an orientation to the Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM) literature for George Washington University Medical Center (GWUMC) medical students and GWUMC patients attending the Center for Integrative Medicine. These students and patients are involved in the development of a CAM curriculum at the GW School of Medicine. The project is funded by a $377,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Education's Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE). The literature sessions offered recommendations on searching the automated catalog for our ever-growing collection of Complementary and Alternative Medicine resources, an orientation to selected internet resources and demonstrations of databases containing Complementary and Alternative Medicine literature.

This project, a three year pilot study, entitled "Medical Science and Beyond: Teaching the Unconventional Unconventionally," has three phases. The first year provided a 20-person group of first year medical students with a variety of CAM treatments at the GW Center for Integrative Medicine (GW/CIM).

The second phase, January to May, 2002, presents these same students, now in their second year, with a 15-hour course on CAM modalities, focusing on CAM practice information, a review of the evidence for specific modalities, and advice guidelines on patient interactions regarding CAM. In addition, this second year program offers self-care information and experience for these students. Individual lectures on acupuncture, chiropractic, western herbal medicine, spirituality, homeopathy, and orthomolecular (vitamin/mineral) medicine are included. Other presentations will cover core CAM concepts and practices (including non-conventional diagnostic procedures) and relevant historical, cultural, and political forces shaping the development of CAM practices. A small group of GW/CIM patients will also attend the classes and some of these patients will be the basis of the case studies used in the course. In addition to the group of participating medical students and patients, the didactic phase of the project will be open to GW faculty and house staff.

Starting in September, 2002, the third year of the grant will allow the now third year students to work with CAM practitioners at the GW/CIM. They will observe treatments and discuss how to incorporate these modalities into their future practices and current self-care plans.

The course lectures will be given by nationally-recognized researchers and practitioners. Among the speakers are Alan Gaby, orthomolecular medicine, David Winston, western herbal medicine, Christine Pulchaski, spirituality, and Hannah Bradford, acupuncture. For more information on this project, please telephone Hannah Bradford at 202-833-5055 or 301-767-1750. You may also email her at hvbradford@cs.com.
Health Observances

Welcome to the Health Observance Corner. In each issue of Information Interface the Library will spotlight several key health topics.

March

National Eye Donor Month
Eye Bank Association of America, which is a not-for-profit organization of eye banks, is dedicated to the restoration of sight through the promotion and advancement of eye banking. The oldest transplant association in the United States, the EBAA is a nationally recognized accrediting body for eye banks. Since 1961, EBAA member banks have restored sight to more than 1,000,000 individuals.

National Nutrition Month
National Nutrition Month is a nutrition education and information campaign sponsored annually by the American Dietetic Association (ADA). The Campaign is designed to focus attention on the importance of making informed food choices and developing sound eating and physical activity habits. NNM also promotes ADA and its members to the public and the media as the most valuable and credible source of timely, scientifically based food and nutrition information.

April

Alcohol Awareness Month
The goal of this month long observance is to promote the issues of alcohol and drug dependence among individuals. Sponsored by the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence whose goal is to provide education, information, help and hope to the public. It advocates prevention, intervention and treatment through offices in New York and Washington, and a nationwide network of affiliates.

IBS (Irritable Bowel Syndrome) Awareness Month
IFFGD, the International Foundation for Functional Gastrointestinal Disorders, is a non-profit education and research organization, which addresses the issues surrounding life with Gastrointestinal (GI) functional and motility disorders. IFFGD’s main focus is to increase the awareness about these disorders among the general public, researchers, and the clinical care community.
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New Collections and Acquisitions

BAILEY, BYRON J., ed. ATLAS OF HEAD & NECK SURGERY—ORTILARYNGOLOGY (2nd ED)
RF51 .H431 2001

BAKER, CHAMP L., ed. OPERATIVE TREATMENT OF ELBOW INJURIES
RD558 .O64 2002

FU, FREDDIE H., ed. SPORT INJURIES: MECHANISMS, PREVENTION, TREATMENT (2nd Ed)
RD97 .S69 2001

GREENBERG, MARK S., M.D. HANDBOOK OF NEUROSURGERY (5TH ED)
RD593 .G79 2001

HART, RAYMOND G., UEHARA, DENNIS T., eds. EMERGENCY AND PRIMARY CARE OF THE HAND
RD559 .E53 2001

LARSON, SANFORD J. SURGERY OF THE LUMBAR SPINE
RD768 .L37 1999

PROBST, LOUIS E. LASIK: A COLOR ATLAS AND SURGICAL SYNOPSIS
RE336 .P763 2001

SCOTT-CONNOR, CAROL E. H. CHASSIN'S OPERATIVE STATEGY IN GENERAL SURGERY: AN EXPOSITORY ATLAS (3RD ED)
QM531 .S42 2002

STAHELI, LYNN T. PRACTICE OF PEDIATRIC ORTHOPEDICS
RD732.3 .C48 2001

TYERS, A. G. COLOUR ATLAS OF OPHTHALMIC PLASTIC SURGERY (2ND ED)
RE87 .T97 2001

ZUCKER, KARL A., ed. SURGICAL LAPAROSCOPY (2ND ED)
RD540 .S927 2001
Database Digest

HerbMed
http://herbmed.org

"This free database provides hyperlinked access to the scientific data underlying the use of herbs for health. It is an evidence-based information resource for professionals, researchers, and the general public." ¹ HerbMed is a project of the Alternative Medicine Foundation, Inc. in Bethesda, MD.

Users can search the HerbMed database or browse and click through the alphabetical listing of herbs found on the home page. There are six categories of information provided for each herb: Evidence for Activity, Warnings, Preparations, Mixtures, Mechanisms of Action, and Other. The "Other" category includes links to pictures, related keyword search strategies that are automatically updated from the PubMed database, and related web sites.

National Guideline Clearinghouse
http://www.guideline.gov/

"The National Guideline Clearinghouse (NCG) is a comprehensive database of evidence-based clinical practice guidelines and related documents produced by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) (formerly the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research [AHCPR]), in partnership with the American Medical Association (AMA) and the American Association of Health Plans (AAHP)." ²

Users can search this great resource by typing keywords into the search box on the main page or choose the "Detail Search" option – for the more involved query. Another option is the "Browse NGC" feature on the home page which provides three paths for browsing: Disease/Condition, Treatment/Intervention, or Organization. The NGC site also contains syntheses of selected guidelines that cover similar topic areas.


Savvy Searcher

Ovid Databases – Local Holdings Limit

The Library has a feature in our Ovid databases that allows you to limit your searches to journals owned by Himmelfarb Library. This feature is available on all of our databases that are searched using the Ovid system including MEDLINE, HealthSTAR, CINAHL, and PsycINFO, plus others.

As illustrated in the search below, conduct your search as you normally would and then choose the check box for "Local Holdings" in the Limits section.

As in the search results displayed below, you will see the results of your search followed by the results of limiting the search to Local Holdings. In this case, there are 54 articles in MEDLINE on these topics, and 37 of these are available in Himmelfarb Library. Using the "Local Holdings" feature, you have eliminated citations to articles in journals to which Himmelfarb Library doesn't have a print subscription.
When you look through your search results, you will continue to see a note in bright red text with each citation where Himmelfarb Library owns a complete or partial set of the journal.

If you choose not to use the Local Holdings limit, you will still be able to quickly recognize Himmelfarb titles via the bright red text and will also see citations to journal articles where Himmelfarb does not own the title. You can be assured that Himmelfarb Library has a complete or nearly complete set of a journal when the bright red holdings note says "Himmelfarb Library holds title." A holdings note that states that "Himmelfarb Library has partial holdings" means that we own a partial set of this journal; you should check the Library Catalog to make sure that we own the particular issue that you need.

Advanced Searching: PsycINFO and the Local Holdings Limit

While the Local Holdings limit will work in all of Himmelfarb's bibliographic databases, special attention is necessary when using it in the PsycINFO database. Because PsycINFO contains books, book chapters, and other items in addition to journal articles, using the Local Holdings limit can have unintended consequences.

When you use the Local Holdings Limit in PsycINFO, your search is automatically restricted
to journals that Himmelfarb Library owns. In this way, all books and book chapters are eliminated from the search results, whether or not Himmelfarb Library owns those items. This occurs because the Ovid system keeps tracks of which journal Himmelfarb Library owns, but doesn't track the books.

If you like to use the Local Holdings limit, limit your search that way and look through the results. Then, use the Limit icon (represented by a target) and go back and limit your original search to books and book chapters. This way, you will still see all of the items that interest you.

Troubleshooting – If you have any difficulty with your database searches, don't hesitate to contact us. You can telephone Himmelfarb Library's Reference Desk at (202) 994-2850 or send an email to himmelfarb@gwu.edu.
Faculty Publications

The George Washington University Medical Center
Compiled by the Himmelfarb Health Sciences Library from MEDLINE through February 2002 and other sources


Library Hours

Holiday Hours

Monday, January 21, 2002
(Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday)
9:00am-Midnight

Monday, February 18, 2002
(President's Day)
9:00am-Midnight

The Library is open to GW Medical Center Personnel

Monday-Friday
7:30 am-Midnight

Saturday-Sunday
9:00 am-Midnight

The Library is open to University Personnel:

Monday-Friday
7:30 am-6:00 pm

The Library is open to the public:

Monday-Friday
7:30 am-2:00 pm

Please be prepared to show ID after 2:00 pm.