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Director's Desk

Himmelfarb Dedicates Serigraph

The School of Medicine Class of 2000 wanted to commemorate this momentous graduation year with a commissioned art work to be hung in the Himmelfarb Library. On Tuesday, April 30, 2002, the specially-commissioned serigraph entitled, "GW Medicine at the Millenium," was dedicated by Shelley Bader, EdD, and Drs. John Williams, VPHA, and Danielle Doberman, Class of 2000. Created by local artist, James Craig English, the serigraph features the high touch/high tech way medicine is taught today at GW through a series of local scenes. Posters of the serigraph are available at the Circulation Desk for \$15.

Anne Linton, Director, Library Services



Drs. Shelley Bader and John Williams

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Student Pay-for-Print Letter

Dear GWUMC Students,

This fall, Himmelfarb Health Sciences Library, in conjunction with Gelman Library, will be instituting a pay-for-print program for all printers in the library (the public printers on the first floor, and the printers in the AV lab). At this time, we are in the initial test phase and expect to have the system in place by the start of the Fall 2002 semester. There will be no charge for printing until that time. We anticipate charging \$0.07 per page for printing. In order to standardize the prices charged for printing and photocopying, we hope to reduce our current photocopy charges from \$0.09 per page to \$0.07 per page. As the University and Medical Center work through the implementation of a pay-for-print system, student needs are carefully being considered.

The Himmelfarb Library has worked closely with the Burns and Gelman Libraries and the University's Research and Instructional Technology Committee to establish an equitable policy. We realize this is a major change for our patrons and regret that we must now charge for printing.

Pay-for-print systems have become the norm at most academic institutions as the introduction of electronic resources has resulted in the substitution of printing for photocopy. The entire George Washington University campus is experiencing a serious printing problem. The campus libraries do not have the budget to support the extremely heavy volume of printing being experienced. The Himmelfarb Library has already used twice its allocated printing budget to provide printing so far this academic year.

Printing supplies such as toner and paper are very expensive. On average, the library uses 17 cartridges (each cartridge should last for about 15,000 pages) and 480 reams (there are 500 sheets per ream) of paper per month. These numbers often increase at the beginning and end of each semester. In addition, an estimated ¼ of all print jobs submitted are never picked up. The printers are not designed to accommodate the present printing load, which leads to frequent break-downs and maintenance calls – another expense as well as an inconvenience for our patrons.

It is expected that once the pay-for-print system is in place, the amount of printer downtime will decrease; along with the frustration these outages cause you, our patrons. In addition, usage of toner and paper will also decrease, resulting in less waste of these supplies – good news for the Library, its users and the planet.

The system will be similar to the current photocopy system, with debit dollars being subtracted from your GWorld card to pay for your print jobs. With the new system, you will be able to control what you print, and will be able to delete those jobs from the print queue that you do not wish to pay for.

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If you have any questions or comments about the pay-for-print program, please contact Beth Layton, Deputy Director, Library Operations at (202) 994-9756 (email:mlbbal@gwumc.edu).

Anne Linton, Director Library Services

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Wireless LAN Addition

The Library has added a wireless LAN to the third floor of Himmelfarb Library. This addition will provide laptop users with access to the Internet and all web-based resources from the study carrels and rooms on the third floor. In order to use this network, patrons will need to purchase and configure a wireless network card. (The library recommends the ORiNOCO IEEE Wireless World PC Card.) Instructions on configuring and using the card will be available.

Once the hardware has been configured, patrons will need to login to the GWireless page (http://helpdesk.gwu.edu/helpdesk/gwireless/index.html) with their GWMail username and password. From this page, patrons can go directly to the GWportal, the GW University's web page, Gelman, or the GWU Medical Center web page. An option is also available to enter specific URLs for access to other, non-GW web sites. Patrons will not have access to the resources of the BAVSC or to printers from the new wireless network.

For additional information on the wireless LAN at Himmelfarb, please contact Leah Pellegrino at (202) 994-3685.



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What's New at Biomedical Communications?

Did you know that, as a GW Medical Student, you are entitled to affordable, personal film processing right here in-house?

Have your 35mm, APS, or black and white film processed at Biomedical Communications. It's inexpensive, convenient, and fast!!!

Biomedical Communications now has two convenient locations to drop off your film for processing. Our film drop boxes are located in the 3rd Floor Ross Hall Lobby and in the Himmelfarb Library.

Just follow the simple instructions posted on the drop box, drop your film in the slot, and wait for us to call you when your processing is ready for pick-up. If you drop off your film by 11am, it will be back within 2 days!

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Board Review Resources

If you are studying for the Boards, what better place to start than Himmelfarb Library's own "Board Review Resources" web page. On this recently updated page you will find a comprehensive listing of all the Board Review materials (Steps 1-3) we have on our bookshelves, important Internet links, and computer review programs.

To see more go to: /resources/students/boards/

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Health Observances

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

<u>May</u>

Asthma and Allergy Awareness Month

May is Asthma and Allergy awareness health observance month. Sponsored by Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America whose goal is to improve the quality of life for people with asthma and allergies through education, advocacy, and research.

Skin Cancer Awareness Month

This health observance is sponsored by American Cancer Society whose goal is to help patients, family, and friends learn about cancer, treatment options, and coping. The American Cancer Society provides statistics, facts and figures, and information on prevention and early detection for health information seekers.

<u>June</u>

National Scleroderma Awareness Month

This health observance is sponsored by Scleroderma Foundation which is a nonprofit organization with a three-fold mission:

Support: To help patients and their families cope with scleroderma through mutual support programs, peer counseling, physician referrals and educational information.

Education: To promote public awareness and education through patient and health professional seminars, literature and publicity campaigns.

Research: To stimulate and support research to improve treatment and ultimately find the cause of and cure for scleroderma and related diseases.

Vision Research Month

This health observance is sponsored by Prevent Blindness America, which is the nation's leading volunteer eye health and safety organization dedicated to fighting blindness and saving sight. Prevent Blindness America serves millions of people each year through public and professional education, community and patient services programs and research. Together with a network of affiliates, divisions and chapters, it's committed to eliminating preventable blindness in America.

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Database Digest

Google - www.google.com

For this issue of the Database Digest we are highlighting a general search engine that is very popular with many of our library users – Google. This user-friendly resource provides easy access to over 2 billion web pages, its Advanced Search features that make it so valuable to users. Let's take a look at some of those features.

[Note: all information in this Database Digest, and more, can be found at "Google Special Search Features" http://www.google.com/help/features.html]

Catalog Search (BETA)

Google's Catalog Search includes the full content of hundreds of mail-order catalogs. Suggested viewing is with a broadband Internet connection.

PhoneBook

To find listings for a US business, type the business name into the Google search box, along with the city and state. Or type the business name and zip code. Entering the phone number with area code will also return a complete business listing.

To find listings for a US residence, type any of the following combinations into the Google search box:

first name (or first initial), last name, city (state is optional) first name (or first initial), last name, state first name (or first initial), last name, area code first name (or first initial), last name, zip code phone number, including area code last name, city, state last name, zip code

Cached Links

Google takes a snapshot of each page examined as it crawls the web and caches these as a back-up in case the original page is unavailable. If you click on the "Cached" link, you will see the web page as it looked when it was indexed. The cached content is the content Google uses to judge whether this page is a relevant match for your query. Terms that match your query are highlighted on the cached version to make it easier for you to see why your page is relevant.

Web Page Translation

Using machine translation technology, this feature is currently available for pages

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published in Italian, French, Spanish, German, and Portuguese. If your search has non-English results, there will be a link to a version of that page translated into English.

Expanded File Type search

Google has expanded the number of non-HTML file types it can search. In addition to PDF documents, it searches Microsoft Office, PostScript, Corel WordPerfect, Lotus 1-2-3, and many more.

Find out who links to you

The query link:siteURL shows you all the pages that point to that URL. For example, link:www.gwumc.edu/library will show you all the pages that point to Himmelfarb Library's home page. You cannot combine a link: search with a regular Keyword search.

I'm Feeling Lucky

The "I'm Feeling Lucky[™]" button takes you directly to the first web page Google returned for your query. You will not see the other search results at all. An "I'm Feeling Lucky" search means you spend less time searching for web pages and more time looking at them.



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Whether you're on rotation or on vacation this summer, you may find that you want to access Himmelfarb Library's electronic information sources. Even if you're not in the Library, you have several options for accessing databases and textbooks.

ALADIN

To access ALADIN, select the off-campus link for the resource that you'd like to use from the Library homepage. The system will prompt you for a borrower identification number; simply enter your Social Security number then click on "Validate." In "Health & Life Sciences" you will find databases such as MEDLINE, PsychINFO, and CINAHL, full-text evidence-based medicine databases such as Clinical Evidence and the Cochrane database, plus Journals@Ovid with the full-text of selected journals.

Troubleshooting: If ALADIN does not recognize your Social Security number, stop by the Gelman Library Circulation Desk (1st floor near entrance) and ask them to swipe your GWorld card for off-campus access. If you're unable to stop by Gelman Library, send an email to himmelfarb@gwu.edu

MDCONSULT

Be sure to sign-up for your own login name and password to MDConsult before you head off for the summer. Once you have a login name and password, you can login to MDConsult from any computer by going to their website at http://www.mdconsult.com. MDConsult provides a wide array of full-text medical information including journal articles, textbooks, practice guidelines, patient education materials, and drug information.

Troubleshooting: If you forget your login name or password to MDConsult, you can contact MD Consult directly at 1-800-401-9962, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. CST. Don't hesitate to call, as MDConsult's customer service is terrific: a real live person answers the phone right away and is ready to help! If you have any other difficulty using MDConsult, please let us know right away by emailing himmelfarb@gwu.edu or calling 202-994-2850.

INTERNET RESOURCES

Internet Resources are available from the Library's homepage. This database of websites was created by Himmelfarb Library to link you to the top healthcare websites. You can search the database by title or topic, or browse the topic list. Each topic area will provide you a list of the top 12-15 websites with links and descriptions of the information that each site provides. If you're in a clinical setting, you may find the sections on Clinical Guidelines, Clinical Medicine, and Pharmacology and Drug Information particularly useful, or you may check for websites in a specialty field such as Anesthesiology or Dermatology.

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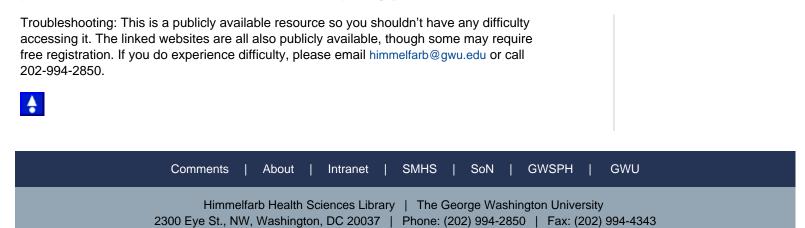
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