Sirsiri/WebCat Upgrade Slated for Spring Break Week

Library staff will be upgrading Himmelfarb's integrated library system software, Sirsi Unicorn, during Spring Break week. The Library Catalog will be unavailable to the public March 16-18. When the catalog becomes available again, users will see some immediate improvements with more to come. WebCat (our web-based catalog) will have a new look. A quick search option will be available on the first page allowing users to locate materials immediately without having to click through several screens to get to search options.

The new WebCat also solves a problem that existed for AOL subscribers using the AOL browser to access the catalog. The problem was caused by a page caching feature in AOL. The new WebCat will not allow this type of caching.

The new version of Unicorn will also provide Library staff with a new client interface to do their work. The new client will be easier and more efficient for staff doing functions, such as cataloging, ordering and circulating materials. It will also provide a Booking Module that will be implemented for Classroom Services staff in the AV Study Center. The Booking Module will automate booking services, making it easier for staff to reserve and check the status of equipment and rooms.

If you have questions about the March upgrade, contact JoLinda Thompson, Technical Systems Coordinator, at (202) 994-3685.

New Computers for the Hospital Reading Room

The Himmelfarb Health Sciences Library recently installed two new computers in the Hospital Reading Room (HRR). Replacing older, slower equipment, these computers are intended to improve the staff's ability to retrieve quickly information needed to treat patients and to educate patients' families.

Databases and electronic journals are accessible for staff and residents to use for educational study and research. Each of the computers has access to the Internet through Netscape and to the World Wide Web. Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Access) is available on each machine. The new PC's are connected with the Medical Center network, where the Novell-delivered Applications are available. These resources include electronic textbooks such as the *USP DI* and *Harrison's Online*. Other resources available include *PDQ* (cancer information), *Popline*, *Scientific American Medicine* and *GWIS2*.

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Library Supports New Physical Therapy Program

The Himmelfarb Library staff welcomes our newest program in the School of Medicine and Health Sciences, the Physical Therapy Program headed by Dr. Barbara Myklebust. The Library has been working with the faculty to build its collection to meet the clinical and research needs of the students and faculty. In addition to twenty new journal titles effective for 1999, the Library has added many titles to its collection. We have listed below a selection of our newest titles in physical therapy:


Your Career in Physical Medicine / by Roberta Weiss (RM705 .W45 1997 Ref 09)


Physical Agents in Rehabilitation: From Research to Practice / by Michelle Cameron (RM700 .P464 1999 STACKS)


Pathology: Implications for the Physical Therapist / by Catherine Cavallaro Goodman (RB111 .G66 1998 STACKS)


Massage for Therapists / by Maragaret Hollis (RM721 .H58 1998 STACKS)

Pediatric Physical Therapy / by Jan Tecklin (RJ53 .P5P43 1999 STACKS)

Sports Injuries: Diagnosis and Management / by Christopher Morris (RD97 .N67 1998 STACKS)

Principles and Techniques of Patient Care / by Frank Pierson (RM700 .P545 1999 STACKS)


Nutrition in Exercise and Sport / by Ira Wolinsky (TX361 .A8N8 1998 STACKS)


New Computers for HRR continued

To keep these PC’s at their highest state of readiness, the machines are refreshed once a week by using the PC’s original image. WARNING: This process removes any files on the hard drive other than the program files. Be sure to save work to your own disk. Disks are available for purchase in Himmelfarb Library at the Circulation Desk and in the Bloedorn Audio Visual Study Center. The cost is $1.00.

Himmelfarb Library invites all the hospital staff to come by and give the new PC’s a try. The HRR is open 24 hours per day. It is staffed with Himmelfarb librarians from 2 pm to 4 pm Monday through Friday. At all other hours we encourage you to call the Reference Desk at (202) 994-2850 for assistance with your searching or other information needs. The Reference Desk is staffed Monday to Thursday, 8:30 am to 8 pm, Friday from 8:30 am to 5 pm, and Saturday from 12 noon to 4 pm.

Hospital Reading Room Mystery

Locked Metal Case of Surgical Texts Disappears

For many years the Department of Surgery has kept a locked metal case of textbooks in the Hospital Reading Room. The Himmelfarb Library has kept the collection updated with the most current editions in surgical texts. This effort costs several thousand dollars each year. All was well until the week of January 18, 1999 when the case, texts and all, disappeared. Prior to its disappearance, the collection recently had several new editions added.

The Library’s priority is to locate the surgical collection. Our concern is that we know where the collection is now located. It will soon be time to update some of these texts again. We cannot keep the surgical collection current if we can’t find it!

Information leading to the location of the box will remain confidential. Please contact Pat Wilson, Assistant Director, at 994-2853 or Sally Winthrop, Clinical Services Liaison Librarian, at 994-8478. Information will also be welcome at the Reference Desk number, 994-2850.

Annual Art Show

Spring is just around the corner and with its 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 Michael Hackley if you have any questions, please call him at (202) 994-3656 or email mhackley@gwu.edu.
New From the Computer Information Resource Center (CIRC)

CIRC has updated its web pages to offer new services to students, staff, and faculty at the University. On its web page at http://www.gwu.edu/~circ, you can:

- Create and manage listservs for student organizations and classes
- Download free virus protection software and telecommunications programs
- Print online help manuals for web page construction, e-mail configurations on your web browser, FTP, telnet, and other popular programs, and
- Find answers to Frequently Asked Questions about email, listservs, and web pages.

CIRC also sponsors the Instructional Technology Lab (ITL), which trains faculty to integrate technology into their teaching. From the http://itl.circ.gwu.edu web page, you can:

- Register for instructional classes on Prometheus (the new course management program), and on digitizing video, scanning, managing web based classes, and other workshops taught by the ITL, Gelman Library, and the University Teaching Center.
- Discover the software available to faculty for course development.
- Access the University newsletter, Connect, written by the Gelman Library, CIRC/User Services, the Telecommunications Systems Department, GW Television, and the Center for Computing and Information Management, and
- Connect to other web pages on educational technology.

Faculty interested in using technology to enhance their onsite or distance courses are also encouraged to join the Distance listserv. To join, send a message to: listserv@hermes.circ.gwu.edu, leave the Subject line blank, and type: subscribe distance first-name last-name. If you have any questions, please contact Karyn Pomerantz at 202/994-2976 or kpomeran@gwu.edu.

Automatic Medline Searches
Attention GWUMC educators, researchers and clinicians

The Himmelfarb Library is now offering a FREE search service to assist you in locating journal references on topics of ongoing interest. Reference staff will work with you to develop a customized search strategy that is permanently stored on a Library online account. Your search strategy is then automatically run every month against newly added MEDLINE citations. Other databases such as HealthSTAR, AIDSLINE, and Cancerlit can also be searched. The results can be mailed or e-mailed to you. Please contact Sally Winthrop for more information or to set up a search at (202) 994-8478 or e-mail at mlbsjw@gwumc.edu.
Himmelfarb Library Class Schedule
Spring 1999 Semester

Himmelfarb Health Sciences Library is offering the following classes for March and April in Himmelfarb Library Room B103. All classes are free and require no registration.

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Classroom Services: Evening AV Technician

Classroom Services is pleased to announce the arrival of Jason Caron in the newly-created position of Evening AV Technician, which became effective January 1999. Jason will provide equipment setup/delivery and technical assistance for classrooms in Ross Hall, Monday through Friday, 4:00pm to 8:00pm. Faculty, staff, or students needing assistance during these hours should make arrangements in advance by contacting the Bloedorn AV Study Center in the Himmelfarb Library at (202) 994-2856.


Karcher D.; Tupponce D.; Grundmeier R.; Bader S. PathLab, virtual microscope pathology - CD ROM.


Mendelowitsch A.; Sekhar L. N.; Wright D. C.; Nadel A.; Miyashita H.; Richardson R.; Kent M.; Shuaib A. An increase in extracellular glutamate is a sensitive method of detecting ischaemic neuronal damage during


Library Hours

The Library is open to GW Medical Center Personnel (Except Holiday Periods)

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

Call for Help!

Administration 994-3528
AV Study Center 994-2856
Interlibrary Loan 994-2860
Reference Department 994-2850
Photocopy Service(HPS) 994-2860
Circulation 994-2962
Classroom Display Services 994-2856

Mailbox: library@gwumc.edu
Webpage: http://www.gwumc.edu/library