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Students from Tulane University using the Library facilities. Lichun Sun (left) and Huayin Lin (right).

Welcome Visitors

The Houston Academy of Medicine – Texas Medical Center Library has extended all privileges to medical student and faculty visitors from Tulane, LSU, University of South Alabama.

Please stop by the Reference or Circulation Desk for more information.

Welcome to the HAM-TMC Library – Leaders in the Innovation of Health Information

The Houston Academy Medicine-Texas Medical Center (HAM-TMC) Library is located on the first floor of the Jesse H. Jones Library Building in the heart of the Texas Medical Center at 1133 John Freeman Boulevard. Parking is available for a fee underneath the Library in Garage 3 or across the street at Garage 4.

The HAM-TMC Library is dedicated to providing the finest collections and services in support of the research, education and patient care programs of the Texas Medical Center (TMC) and the Houston area. Collections are available in both print and extensive electronic formats, currently providing access to 4,472 electronic full-text journals, 2,174 unique print journals, 142 databases, 967 electronic books, 125,398 books, and 885 audiovisuals. Library users can access various resources in the Library – electronic access is available from library computers, via the Internet from other TMC institutions, from home and abroad via Remote Access.

The Library also serves as the Regional Medical Library for the South Central Region of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NN/LM SCR) and is a member of the Texas Health Science Libraries Consortium.

Library Services:

The Library is open 99 hours a week to provide the following services:

Circulation: Issues library cards, checks out books, journals and audiovisuals, supplies photocopy cards and houses the core collection. Contact the circulation desk at: 713.799.7147

Reference Assistance: The Information Desk is staffed 66 hours a week and helps clients with their research, consults in the use of databases and electronic journals, fee based computer searches, bibliographic instruction, consumer health information and Library publications. Contact the Information Desk at: 713.799.7161

Photocopy/Interlibrary Loan: Provides fee based retrieval of materials not available in the Library that can be borrowed from other libraries throughout the country. It also provides fee based photocopy service to other libraries, from materials available in the Library. Call the Interlibrary Loan department at: 713.799.7179

Wireless Access: Via 802.11 wireless hot-spot. Connections up to 54 Mbps are available. Multiple access point network has been set up to provide easy access to available Library content and other destinations on the Internet from virtually anywhere in the Library. For more information contact 713.799.7803

How to apply for Library cards – Faculty, students and staff from all the governing and participating institutions of the Texas Medical Center, as well as members of the Harris County Medical Society, are eligible for Library cards. Associate memberships are available to individuals and institutions that are not affiliated with the Texas Medical Center. Health care providers who are not cardholders can receive some services through our affiliation with the National Network of Libraries of Medicine/South Central Region.

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From the Executive Director

Welcome to all new and returning students! The HAM-TMC Library is accessible 24/7 using your library card and RAS (Remote Access Service) registration. Our home page is a good starting point,http://resource.library.tmc.edu/ or just phone the reference desk at 713.799.7161. Our physical facilities are accessible 99 hours a week; we hope to see you soon and often.

In this issue of Library Lines we want you to meet Dr. Yatsu, a constant library supporter whom we feature this month. And, our October 27th Friends Gala is an opportunity to have a fun evening with Houston's Most Fascinating, including, Mr Leon Hale. Mr. Craig Roberts, Ms. Margaret Alkek Williams, Mrs. Lynn Wyatt and 30 others.

Other important news:

In the aftermath of hurricane Katrina we have been advised that Tulane's Health Sciences Center's senior leadership team is temporarily based in Houston and is participating actively in planning for continuance of the University's academic mission.

"The Alliance of South Texas Academic Health Centers (Baylor College of Medicine, Texas A&M University Health Science Center College of Medicine, the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston and the University of Texas Medical School at Houston) is assisting our School of Medicine and School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine in implementing their educational, research and practice missions. The goal is to have Tulane medical students in classrooms by September 26th and medical residents placed by October 1. Additional details will be provided on the School of Medicine website "http://www.som.tulane.edu/" on or before September 15th."

We welcome Tulane students, faculty and researchers; and send our heartfelt sympathies to them. We will all do whatever is needed to help them with their academic mission.

Elizabeth K. Eaton

Elizabeth K. Eaton, PhD
Executive Director;
HAM-TMC Library

Meet Dr. Frank M. Yatsu

Dr. Yatsu is an outstanding physician and researcher who has been active in the Texas Medical Center for twenty three years.

He is currently Professor and Chairman Emeritus of the Department of Neurology at The University of Texas Medical School at Houston.

It is impossible to describe in such a limited space the multiple publications, he has authored or the numerous awards and honors Dr. Yatsu has received throughout his outstanding career. Notably, he is the Director of the Global Stroke Initiative, a program he helped to develop with the World Health Organization and the International Stroke Society, to reduce the world's incidence of stroke, the second highest cause of death and disability worldwide.

He was recognized as Outstanding Alumnus of the Year from Case-Western Reserve University School of Medicine in Cleveland, Ohio in 2002.

Dr. Yatsu has been invited to lecture on stroke on every major continent – in all of the Americas, Europe, Russia, Africa, South Asia, East Asia and Australia.

When asked his opinion about the role of the Library, Dr. Yatsu responded, "it is not only the heart and soul of the TMC, but its brain as well. Medical students need to make the Library their home in order to browse journals and books. Knowledge becomes the power of medicine – make the Library your friend".

We appreciate Dr. Yatsu's willingness to be featured in the Library's graphic design that is displayed in the Library's publications and on the Library web site.

HAM-TMC Library Helps Support the PubMed Central Back Issue Digitization Project

The movement towards providing open electronic access to medical journals is picking up momentum. The HAM-TMC Library has become directly involved with contributing to the creation of a complete digital archive of the journals that are in PubMed Central (PMC), NLM is scanning the back issues of PMC journals that are not already available in electronic form. The complete contents of the scanned issues are made available free in PMC.

NLM will scan back to the first issue of each journal, provided that a disposable printed copy of each issue can be found for this purpose. The printed copy's binding is destroyed during the scanning process and the source copy is discarded after being scanned.

The HAM-TMC Library has contributed the complete run of *Transactions of the American Ophthalmological Society*, v. 1, 1864 – v. 98, 2000 to NLM to digitize for the PMC archive. The Library will continue to participate in this project in the future, contributing a few selected journal titles each year that will then be made openly accessible and freely available electronically to users around the world. An added benefit of participation in this project is the resulting space saved due to removing the bound volumes from our crowded collections.

For more information, visit "http://www.pubmedcentral.nih.gov/about/scanning.html"

Special Access Provided to Katrina Clinicians –

The HAM-TMC Library provided medical information resources to health care clinicians working with the victums of the Katrina disaster.

The Library offered direct access to health care providers working with the evacuees of the Katrina disaster via a special webpage created to quickly link to medical information.

Library Director Elizabeth Eaton, PhD and Abby Mitchell, UT Assistant Dean of Strategic Development post information in the George R. Brown triage area regarding point of care clinical resources provided by the Library.

The page contains lists of direct patient care resources, databases, electronic journals and other supporting information. Computers located in the medical triage areas of the George R. Brown and the Reliant Astrodome relief centers contain a bookmark in the toolbar for easy access. The page will remain on the Library's website for several weeks after the relief centers are closed.

For more information visit: "http://resource.library.tmc.edu/resources/relief.php"

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For more information or to obtain a Library card, please contact the Circulation Desk at 713.799.7147 or download and complete the library card application located at: **"http://resource.library.tmc.edu/circ/cards.php"**

Remote Access – Remote Access allows registered users to access HAM-TMC Library electronic journals and databases through Internet access.

To register for Remote Access go to our Library web page, **"http://resource.library.tmc.edu/"** and select the hyperlink on our web page labeled Remote Access. Contact the Circulation Desk at 713.799.7147 for Remote Access questions.

Study Rooms

The Library has study rooms available on a first-come first served basis. There are study carrels, tables and lounge seating on all floors of the Library.

Library Usage Policy

Please note: The Library welcomes any and all persons interested in obtaining health-related information. As a measure of added client and staff security, the Library asks that you display your institution-distributed badge at all times when visiting the Library. If you do not have an institutional affiliation, please visit the Circulation desk for information regarding membership.

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday – Thursday
7:00 a.m. – Midnight
Friday 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 1:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

CIRCULATION POLICIES

Audiovisual materials:
7 days, 2 renewals
Books:
2 weeks, 2 renewals
Bound journals:
Same day, non-renewable
Nursing journals:
In-house use only
Unbound journals:
2 hours
Renewals:
Call 713.799.7147

OVERDUES

Overdue charges are $1.25 per item per day. Unpaid fines result in the suspension of borrowing privileges.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Location and Hours:
713.795.4200
Dr. Elizabeth K. Eaton's office:
799.7108
Circulation Desk (renewals, fines):
799.7147
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799.7106
Giving/Development:
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Regional Medical Library:
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http://www.library.tmc.edu

HAM-TMC Library Class Schedule October – December 2005

Basic HTML
December 8 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

CINAHL
October 11 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Digital Dissertations
November 16 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

EndNote
October 19 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
November 16 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Evidence-based Medicine Databases
October 26 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
November 16 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Navigating Full-Text Journals
October 18 9:00 am – 10:30 am
November 17 11:00 am – 12:30 pm

PubMed
November 9 10:00 am – noon
December 7 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm

PubMed Advanced
October 12 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm
November 29 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

SciFinder Scholar Chemical Abstracts Service
October 20 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

TOXNET
October 18 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

All classes are free.
For a brief description of the classes and to register go to:
"http://resource.library.tmc.edu/class/schedule.php"

Mark Your Calendars – Dinner With . . . Houston's Most Fascinating

On Thursday, October 27, 2005, the Friends of the Texas Medical Center Library will present *Dinner With . . . Houston's Most Fascinating* in the ballroom of the Houston Country Club. This festive fundraising event, held biannually, has been very successful in producing generous support for the endeavors of the Friends of the Texas Medical Center Library.

Individual and table reservations for this worthwhile event are available by contacting Delores Scott at 713.799.7108 or dscott@library.tmc.edu"

Full story available at: "http://resource.library.tmc.edu/pubs/art/friends_gala.html"

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