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#### LIBRARY HOURS

Monday—Thursday 7:00 am—Midnight Friday 7:00 am—9.00 pm Saturday 9:00 am—5:00 pm Sunday 1:00 pm—10:00 pm The Library will be closed on December 24-26, 31, and January 1-2

#### 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 799-7147

#### **OVERDUES**

Overdue charges are \$1.00 per item per day. Unpaid fines result in the suspension of borrowing privileges.

#### **TELEPHONE** NUMBERS

Location and Hours	7131795-4200
Administrative Offices	799-71 <b>16</b>
Circulation Desk (renewals, li	nes) 799-7147
Knowledge Network Services	799-7161
Health Informatics Education	Ch. 799-7128
Education and Training	799-7154
McGovern Historical Center	799-7139
Photocopy/Interlibrary Loa	n 799-7179
Publications Services	799-7803

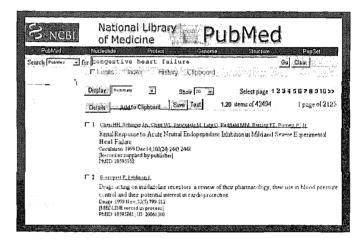
# **FAX NUMBERS**

Administration	790-7052
Knowledge Network Services	797-0163
Photocopy/Interlibrary Loan	790-7056
Regional Medical Library	790-7030

## WORLD WIDE WEB ACCESS

http://www.library.tmc.edu

# BETA TEST VERSION OF PUBMEB



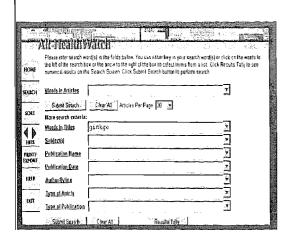
Recently the National Library of Medicine (NLM) released a beta test version of the new PubMed. With this version, NLM staff have incorporated many of the suggestions made by librarians and other users. Some of the enhancements include a single search interface with:

- Pull-down menus to limit searches by age, gender, publication type, language and publication date
- Different display formats including Brief, Abstract and Summary
- A search history allowing users to combine results from different searches
- A clipboard to save as many as 500 unique citations from different searches

The HAM-TMC Library has scheduled training classes for the new version of PubMed which are listed on page 3 of this issue of *Library Lines*.

### WEB OF SCIENCE

In the last issue of *Library Lines* it was stated that *Web of Science* databases *Science Citation Index (SCI)*, *Social Science Citation Index (SSCI)*, and *Arts and Humanities Citation Index (A&HCI)* are available from 1974-present. Please be aware that the contract negotiated with the vendor only allows access to the databases from 1989-present.



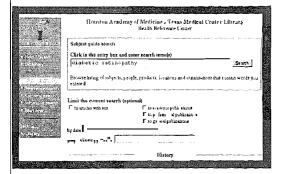
# ALT-HEALTH WATCH

Acupuncture for nausea? Ginkgofor Alzheimers? Diet therapy for hot flashes? More and more people are becoming interested in complementary and alternative medical subjects. According to a study in the January 28, 1993 New England Journal of Medicine, expenditures associated with use of unconventional therapy in 1990 amounted to approximately \$13.7 billion. This figure is comparable to the \$12.8 billion spent out of pocket annually for all hospitalizations in the United States. One in three patients used alternative therapy in 1990 and 72 percent of those who used alternative therapies did not tell their doctors about the alternative treatments. Health care professionals need to be

aware of the types of treatments that their patients might be obtaining outside of the traditional office setting. The Library offers you a way to research these topics when they are not reported in the regular medical literature—*Alt-Health* Watch.

Aft-Health *Watch* is a full-text database of periodicals, peer-reviewed journals, academic and professional publications, magazines, consumer newsletters and newspapers, research reports, and association newsletters focused on complementary, alternative and integrated approaches to health care and wellness. The database provides in-depth coverage on both professional and consumer levels across the full spectrum of more than two hundred therapies, modalities and perspectives addressed by integrated medicine. Free text searching and complete indexing make *Alt*-Health Watch easy to use. It can be accessed through the Library's databaseslfull-text website at: <a href="http://www.library.tmc.edu/databases.html">http://www.library.tmc.edu/databases.html</a>

You can use *Alt-Health* Watch on computers in the Library or through the Library's Remote Access Service. The Libraryhas a license for 2 simultaneous users. If you are interested in other information on alternative medicine, please see the Library's alternative medicine weblinks page at: *http://www.library.tmc.edu/altmed.html* 



# HEALTH REFERENCE CENTER DATABASE FOR PATIENT EDUCATION NEEDS

Need easier-to-understand information on a procedure, a drug, or a disease? How about a a brochure for your patients on how to start an exercise program? Or a book chapter on diabetes? The library subscribes to Health Reference Center, a consumer-centered database that indexes magazines, newsletters, selected medical journals, nursing & allied health journals, pamphlets, reference books,

newspaper articles, and topical overviews. It provides the full text for a number of publications indexed. The database includes 4-5 years worth of information and is updated daily.

Health Reference Center is accessible from computers within the Library building and through the Library's remote access service. Go to the Library's databases/full-text website at: http://www.library.tmc.edu/databases.html and select Health Reference Center.

# NOTEWORTHY

# Network Update

The HAM-TMC Library is currently updating the network equipment linking the Library to the Internet.

Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM) equipment will soon be connected to the Baylor Enterprise Network (BEN) allowing Library users to access the Internet at a very high speed and providing up to date networking technology. This update is scheduled to be completed by mid-January, 2000.

#### **Internet Remote Access**

The Library currently has 1,100 clients registered and using Phase I of the Library's Remote Access Service (RAS). Phase I provides direct dial-up access via modem to the Library's IP licensed full-text journals, books, and databases. RAS Phase II will provide access via a Proxy server and is scheduled to be available by mid January.

# **Electric Library**

Electric Library is a database of full-text articles taken from more than 150 newspapers, hundreds of magazines, and national and international news wires. The database also includes the full text of 2,000 complete works of literature; over 28,000 photos, images and maps; television, radio and government transcripts; book, movie and software reviews; and an encyclopedia, dictionary, thesaurus, almanac, fact books, and more. The database is updated daily and coverage extends back as far as the 1980s.

Accessible from all TMC IP addresses and by all remote access users from the Library's databases/full-text website or directly at:

http://www.elibrary.com/s/edumark

# LIBRARY CLASS SCHEDULE JANUARY-MAY 2000

Internet for Medical Research*:	January20 March22	9:00ам—11:30ам 2:30рм—5:00рм
CINAHL*:	January 18 February 15	9:00am-11:00am 9:00am-11:00am
Navigating Full-text Journals*:	January 19 February 16 March 14 April 18	9:00am-11:00am 9:00am-11:00am 9:00am-11:00am 9:00am-11:00am
PubMed*:	January 10 January 26 February 14 March 13 April 17	12:00pm—1:00pm 12:00pm—1:00pm 12:00pm—1:00pm 12:00pm—1:00pm 12:00pm—1:00pm
Basic HTML:	January 21 March 23	9:00am-11:00am 3:00pm-5:00pm
References & Citation:	Reference Ma January 31 End Note: January 27	nager: 9:00am-11:00am 9:00am-11:00am
PowerPoint Presentations:	January28 February 29	9:00ам—11:30ам 2:30рм—5:00рм
Biomedical Desktop Publishing:	February3	9:00ам-12:00рм
Creating Tables & Graphs:	March 6	3:00рм-5:00рм
Biomedical Writers Workshops I & 11:		
Workshop I	April 5	2:30рм-5:00рм

 Workshop I:
 April 5
 2:30pm-5:00pm

 Workshop II:
 April 12
 2:30pm-5:00pm

Writers Workshops are held in the HIEC Videoconference Room on the Library's lower level (space is limited).

Please call (713) 799-7174 or access www.library.tmc.edu/classchd.html to register. Class registration is \$25 for faculty, staff, residents, or post-docs. (Students with valid ID may attend free.)

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes **free** classes. Space is limited; registration is required for all classes.

### **NEW STAFF**



John Harold joined the RML as the Technology1 Education Coordinator on October 18. John graduated from the School of Library and

Information Science, Louisiana State
University, Baton Rouge, LA. Previously,
John was an intern with Gates Center for
Technology Access, in Seattle, WA., where
he was involved in teaching public librarians
Windows NT, Internet searching, and other
Microsoft applications. Before entering
library school, John completed his PhD in
Toxicology and worked as an Assistarit
Professor in Tamil Nadu Agricultural
University, Coimbatore, India.



Barbara Cosart is the new Outreach Coordinator, joining the RML on November 16. Barbara comes to us from the Houston Public Library's Business,

Science, and Technology Department. She has eight years experience in academre and public libraries, and received her MLIS from the University of Texas at Austin. Her areas of expertise include bibliographic instruction, and business and science reference and research.



Dennis Moser joined the Library as Web Librarian for the McGovern Historical Collections and lesser Center. He received his

MILS from the University of Michigan and his BA degree in Anthropology from the University of Texas, Austin. Prior to attending library school, he spent five years working in rare book conservation at the University of Texas's Harry Ransom Humanities Research Center, the Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington, D.C. and the University of Michigan Conservation Labs. After library school and a three year internship as Project Photo-Archivist at Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village, he spent four years working as a Web developer for Compuware Corporation, where his assignments included redesigning the web sites for the General Motors Research Center's libraries and developing a redesign for Ford Motor Company's Supplier Network website.



### WELCOME

In October 1993, Karla Bourque joined the library as the Publications Assistant in the NN/LM SCR office. Karla is a native Houstonian with a degree in English from Southwest Texas State University. She has experience in newsletter production, Web page development, and documentation. Karla taught pre-school for many years before moving into the business world where she accumulated knowledge of numerous office software programs. She previously worked for a small software development company where she continued to develop her writing1 editing skills.

#### **FAREWELL**

Best wishes to Thomas Gegeny, Publications Specialist, in his new job as edrtor of "Research Initiative/*Treatment* Action!" (RITA!), a nationally distributed research communication on HIVIAIDS, at the Center for AIDS, Houston.

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