



Library *Lines*

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Library Project Funded to Promote Community-Based Health Information Outreach

The Houston Academy of Medicine – Texas Medical Center Library will partner collaboratively with Family to Family (F2F) Network and the School of Library and Information Studies at Texas Woman's University to implement a project improving access to health information and eliminating disparities among underserved and under-represented populations.

The proposed work, F2F Connection, will build on the examination of the health information needs of Texas families that have children with disabilities and/or chronic illnesses accomplished during the planning phase in order to facilitate access to relevant information resources.

WELCOME TO THE HAM-TMC LIBRARY

Founded in 1949

The Houston Academy of Medicine – Texas Medical Center (HAM-TMC) Library was founded in the Texas Medical Center in 1949.

Two existing medical libraries, the Houston Academy of Medicine Library and Baylor College of Medicine combined their collections to better serve physicians in Harris County and teaching and research programs at Baylor.

The Houston Academy of Medicine brought nearly 18,000 volumes to the 1949 merger, while the Baylor College of Medicine brought almost 16,000 volumes. In 1954 the Library moved from the Roy and Lillie Cullen Building of the Baylor College of Medicine into the new Jesse H. Jones Library Building.

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. Library collections are available in both print and extensive electronic formats, currently providing access to 4,103 electronic full-text journals, 2,421 unique print journals, over 100 databases and 360,000 books. Library users access



these resources in the Library, and electronically from library computers, via the Internet from other TMC institutions, from home and abroad.

Library Cards – Faculty, students and staff from all the participating and supporting 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. 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://www.library.tmc.edu/PDFS/member-regisform.pdf> and bring it to the Library's circulation desk with your institutional ID.

Remote Access – Remote Access allows registered users to access HAM-TMC Library electronic journals and databases from anywhere Internet access is available.

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From the Executive Director



Welcome! The first semester has begun and the TMC is lively with activities. The HAM-TMC Library has new programs, new classes, new resources, new printing stations, and the best news is that we also have a newly designed web page to facilitate users' searching needs. The navigation to reach needed information and resources is improved, the graphics more consistent, and we now ask for your feedback to make it even better.

Because we have outstanding electronic access to databases and electronic journals, it is imperative that all users obtain a library card and register online for remote access. With remote access a user may enter the licensed electronic resources, from anywhere, and not just from a recognized IP address. Don't wait; get your library card and remote access registration today!

In this issue of Library Lines you will find our latest news, announcement of coming events and projects, and much more. Our annual budget is spent for your health information needs and we continue to request your feedback and comments on our programs and services.

Elizabeth Eaton, PhD
Executive Director, HAM-TMC Library

Adopt-A-Journal

Journal subscriptions continue to skyrocket at an alarming rate. The cost of journal subscriptions rises between 8% to 14% annually, an increase greater than that of inflation in the late 1970s or of college tuition today. Rising journal subscription costs place a crushing burden on all medical libraries as the number of publishers shrinks and the demand for information grows. For this reason, we have begun the Adopt-A-Journal program, where library supporters can help the Library retain and add to its excellent collection. The Friends of the Texas Medical Center Library were the first to participate in the program by adopting Science in 2003, at the price of more than \$11,000 for a one-year subscription.

You can also adopt a particular title for a three-year commitment at the Library's institutional rate. The institutional rate is the price that publishers charge libraries and is usually much higher than an individual subscription. Publishers justify higher charges to libraries since they feel libraries limit the number of subscriptions they can sell. A bookplate will be placed in each bound volume showing your support of this program.

Or, you can support a specific subject area by directly donating to the program.

For more information or to get the cost of a specific journal subscription contact: Aimée Mignon Postell, Director of Development at 713.799.7126 or apostell@library.tmc.edu

Houston to Host the South Central Chapter of the Medical Library Association Annual Meeting

Houston is hosting the South Central Chapter of the Medical Library Association Annual Meeting from October 22-26, 2004. Health science librarians throughout the Texas Medical Center and Houston are working hard to plan the meeting being held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in the heart of downtown Houston.

Interesting speakers will present a variety of topics. Mary Kay Sawyer-Morse, Ph.D. will speak at the first General Session on Saturday afternoon, October 23rd. Dr. Sawyer-Morse is the co-owner and education director of The Center for Success. Her presentation will focus on creating "work-life balance." Ronald Crossno, M.D. is a Regional Medical Director for VistaCare, one of the nation's largest hospice providers. He will speak on the topic of palliative medicine and hospice care at the Hospital Library Interest Section luncheon Sunday, October 24th. The program concludes on Monday afternoon, October 25th, with a powerful panel presentation on the topic of scholarly publishing and open access. Linda Watson, Past-President, Medical Library Association, and Associate Dean and Director of the Claude Moore Health Sciences Library, University of Virginia, will lead the discussion on this crucial topic. Rajia Tobia, Associate Library Director for Collection Development, University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio Brisco Library, and Ethel Madden, Director, Ochsner Library and Archives, Ochsner Clinic Foundation, will join her.

More information, registration options and continuing education opportunities can be found at: http://www.scmla.org/Meetings/Meeting_2004/index.htm.

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How to register for Remote Access:

Go to our Library web page, <http://www.library.tmc.edu/>, and select the hyperlink on our web page labeled Remote Access.

Depending on your affiliation, select the proper on-line form listed. Fill out the form completely and submit your request. All fields should be filled out to avoid any delays in processing your request. For Educational Access, use your TMC Institutional e-mail account address.

Commercial e-mail accounts will not be accepted.

Based on the volume of requests we receive, it may take up to two days to complete your registration. If you have not received your username and password via e-mail within two business days, please contact us regarding your request for Remote Access.

Please note: Requests submitted without a Library card or without full and correct e-mail addresses will not be processed.

If you have any questions regarding your membership or Remote Access registration, stop by the Circulation Desk or call us at 713.799.7147.



New Library Website

On September 15, 2004, the Library introduced its new website. Fast title searching for electronic journals is a prominent feature.

Serials Solutions, Inc. provides a new interface for searching electronic journals. The new interface offers clarity and ease of usage. When there are several sources for journal access, each is listed under the title, including range of years available. *Serials Solutions'* listing also provides a handy subject search feature.

Check out the new Library website at: www.library.tmc.edu



In 1959, TIRR (The Institute for Rehabilitation and Research) pioneered multiple-tracking of a patient's physiological status, a forerunner of today's ICU monitoring systems.

TIRR – Preserving Its History

This summer, The Institute for Rehabilitation and Research (TIRR) placed sixty-five boxes of historical records in the Library's archive. These videotapes, reports, and brochures document the innovative programs and therapies developed at TIRR to help patients recover from traumatic brain and spinal cord injuries. This gift traces the development of various rehabilitation units within the hospital and the interaction of staff with their patients.

These sixty-five boxes were added to the other twenty-four boxes of historical records about TIRR collected by staff members in the John P. McGovern Historical Collections and Research Center over the past decade. These recently acquired materials are stored with the Library's other archival collections in the Historical Research Center. This offsite facility at 8272 El Rio, Suite 190, is about three miles from the Texas Medical Center and provides security and environmental controls for historical records, along with easy access for researchers. Contact Pam Cornell 713.799.7145 or pcornell@library.tmc.edu if you would like to review part of the TIRR Collection or need help with research on the history of a TMC institution.

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

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Circulation Desk (renewals, fines):
799.7147
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799.7106
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<http://www.library.tmc.edu>

HAM-TMC Library Class Schedule October – December 2004

PubMed

October 6 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm
November 3 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Basic HTML

October 12 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

CINAHL

November 16 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

EndNote

October 13 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
November 17 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Navigating Full-Text

October 12 9:00 am – 10:00 am
November 16 9:00 am – 10:00 am

PowerPoint Basic

October 7 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
October 21 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
November 11 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
November 18 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
December 9 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

PowerPoint Advanced

October 8 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
November 12 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
December 10 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Reference Manager

October 7 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
November 11 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

All classes are free.

For a brief description of the classes and to register go to:

<http://hhw.library.tmc.edu/lib200/classes/Cart/>



Schedule

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