Earlier this year, we sent an email announcement to members of the USF Health Sciences community regarding the bankruptcy of the Faxon Company. Faxon is a journal supplier that we have used for many years to order our domestic titles. Due to these circumstances, there has been a lapse in service for the titles that we would have received through this company. This includes print and online subscriptions.

While we work diligently to place these subscriptions with another company, you will notice that some print titles have stopped arriving. You may also encounter a message while trying to access an online title stating that our (the Shimberg Health Sciences Library or the University of South Florida) subscription has expired. If you are not sure if the title you are seeking is one of the titles affected by the bankruptcy, please check at the Circulation desk, with a Reference librarian, or the InterLibrary Loan department (see phone numbers on the left side of this page). They have been supplied with a list of the titles involved.

Now for some good news! (We know, we know - it’s about time!) Our InterLibrary Loan (ILL) department will obtain a copy of any article - at NO expense to you, our beloved users - that is from a journal on the Faxon list. We want to make sure that you are inconvenienced as little as possible. Our ILL Librarian, JoElla Young, will work with you to obtain the articles in your requested timeframe. For more information, you may contact JoElla directly at 974-2123.

Remember! We’re on YOUR side!

Watch Out! The HSC Library Homepage will have a new look, soon! Bigger, better, faster, and with any luck, a mercifully short learning curve.
Multimedia Lab

The HSC Information Services Multimedia Lab is now located at the Shimberg Health Sciences Library, Room 1202 (near the Library Computer Lab). The lab is open during the library’s operating hours.

HSC faculty, staff, and students may use the three computers located in this lab. Customers will be able to transfer PowerPoint slides to slide film; to digitize and edit slides, documents, images, transparencies, and video; to create CD-R, CD-RW and DVD+RW discs; to publish streaming video; and to print to black & white or color PAY-FOR-PRINT printers. For information on the hardware and software available, go to http://www.hsc.usf.edu/is/information/mml_hardware.html

- Information Services offers several options for assistance such as:
- Instruction notebook kept in the lab for self-help.
- Assistance: For any questions you may have and/or help getting started on a project, I.S. has a technician available M-F 8-5. A phone is available in the lab to request assistance.
- Training: To learn how to use all of the functions of the Multimedia lab, I.S. offers training classes. http://www.hsc.usf.edu/is/training/index.html

Need to study for NCLEX?
Check out the NCLEX software available at the library.

NQMC™
Evidence-based health care quality measures

The National Quality Measures Clearinghouse™ (NQMC™), is part of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services database. It is a website for information on specific evidence-based health care quality measures and measure sets.

The NQMC mission is to provide an accessible mechanism for obtaining detailed information on quality measures to allow practitioners to make informed health care decisions. NQMC builds on previous initiatives set up by AHRQ, the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality.

Key components of NQMC include:
- Structured, standardized abstracts (summaries) containing information about measures and their development;
- A utility for comparing attributes of two or more quality measures in a side-by-side comparison; and
- Links to fulltext quality measures (when available) and/or ordering details for the full measure.

Behind The Scenes... with Tiny Elvis*

* former library assistant

Serials:

LINKOUT! We mentioned this wonderful new linking system available in PubMed in the last issue of The CLUE. At that time, we were still working on linking the titles that we own here at the Shimberg Health Sciences Library with the citations for articles (including full text) in PubMed. Well, except for keeping up with any new titles that are added (Tiny Elvis is just tapping away!) we are now up-to-date with our linked holdings.

To get started, login to PubMed from the Shimberg Health Sciences Library homepage http://www.hsc.usf.edu/library. Click on PubMed. This will ensure that you are logging into the page that will connect you to the USF holdings. If you’d like, you can bookmark the page directly. The URL is http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/entrez/query.fcgi?holding=usfhslib. Once you’re logged in to this URL, citations for articles that we own can be accessed via the green and gold USF HS buttons for online, print, or, in some cases, both. The USF HS Print button will take you to our LinkOut print holdings page, where you can click on “Library Catalog” to go to WebLUI, the USF HS Online button will bring up the fulltext article. PubMed is still ironing out a few bugs, but they are also continuing to expand LinkOut. Besides the ability to store searches (see article below), you can also access related articles, and, coming soon... the ability to email search results! Stay tuned...

"Thank you, thank you very much." E.

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Cubby - PubMed’s Current A wareness Service

PubMed’s Cubby service will store your search strategies. You may run or update your search at any time, and you can customize your preferences and the links you want to display.

To register, click I Want to Register for Cubby on the sidebar. Make up a User Name and Password, and click Register. There are lots of options available, especially the ‘LinkOut’ and ‘Preferences’ features, so take a few minutes and look at the ‘Help’ information.

It’s easy to store your search in Cubby

1. Run/Preview your search. All terms and limits will be saved.
2. Click ‘Cubby’ on the sidebar. Last Search displays the last search query. If your last search is not displayed, set your system to accept cookies.
3. Edit the name of the search. Above the Store in Cubby button, there is a box where you can edit the name of the search. (Make it something easy). 4. Click Store in Cubby.

There are some limits to Cubby, but this is a great service and research tool. Just check the ‘Help’ link if you have any questions, or call the reference desk at 974-2288.

Many other databases offer ‘stored search’ services, with various features including auto-emailing of results. Look at Harrison’s Online, Kluwer, IDEAL, Ingenta, OUP, Wiley, and Synergy.
For the past four years you, the Health Sciences students and faculty, have been helping us build BestMed Websites! into a very large, important collection of Internet health sciences websites.

We have finally reached critical mass! The sheer volume of content, over 500 evaluated websites, has become too much for us to manage and still guarantee the quality but, we have a replacement. Current Contents and eSearch provides the high quality of our BestMed Websites! and is completely searchable with relevance-ranked results.

eSearch is a feature of Current Contents, one of two resources in The Web of Knowledge, produced by the Institute for Scientific Information (ISI). The other resource is Science Citation Index. A description of each follows this article. When you run a search in Current Contents you automatically create an eSearch. Each item on the eSearch results list is linked to the specific web page that contains your search terms, and not just to the main or parent site. These sites meet high-level standards developed at ISI.

Here’s how...

Start at our homepage, click on the Web of Knowledge button
Click on ISI CURRENT CONTENTS connect Plus External Collections
Click the Start button
Click the Search button, OR
Select Editions to be searched and click the ‘Submit Limit Changes’ button

Type in your search topic and click the ‘Search’ button. Note: Only Topic/Subject (TS) and Title (TI) searches retrieve eSearch results.

Click the Results icon to view the retrieval.

At the top of the eSearch results page are filter buttons. Click one of these to view results in that category. A striped button means the filter is active.

The default display is ‘All Documents by Relevance.’ Additional filters available are:
Funding: Web documents about funding sources, grants, and awards.
PrePrints: Full text articles available on the Web prior to publication.
Research Activities: Web documents that report research findings, including article abstracts, meeting abstracts, proceedings, theses, and dissertations.
Web Site Reviews: Results from Current Web Contents, a database of web sites selected by ISI for their high-quality contents. Every record contains a brief review written by a subject specialist at ISI.

What they are...

Science Citation Index - the only database providing cited reference searching. Search current and retrospective (1945-present), multi-disciplinary information from approximately 5,900 of the most prestigious, high-impact science and technical research journals in the world. Some full text links are available.

eSearch!

Current Contents/Clinical Medicine – access to complete bibliographic information from articles, meeting abstracts, and other significant items in recently published editions of over 1,200 of the world’s leading clinical medicine journals and books.

Current Contents/Life Sciences – same coverage in over 1,370 life sciences journals and books.

BestMed Websites! will soon disappear from the Library homepage, so be sure to remember Current Contents and eSearch!

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FOR YOUR PERUSING PLEASURE

Surf’s up!

Women’s Health Initiative
http://www.whi.org/
Educational consumer website covering women’s health issues sponsored by the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle, Washington.

Protocol Online - Your lab’s reference book
http://www.protocol-online.org/
Database of research protocols in a variety of life science fields.

Public Policy - Biological Weapons Resources Page
http://www.asmusa.org/pasrc/bioprep.htm
Resources related to biological weapons control and bioterrorism preparedness.

Times are hard and a dollar doesn’t buy as much these days but take a look at what you can do with a single dollar bill!

Dollar Bill Origami by Bob Nienhuis
http://www.wgn.net/~nienhuis/
Spend a little time this summer learning the soothing art of origami! Instructions and even streaming video illustrating how to make a pig, rhino, dolphin, peacock, and other figures using a single dollar bill.

Who says money doesn’t go very far now? Oh, that’s right, WE just said it. Well, what do we know?! Have some fun!

CLUE TIP

Government health sites from other nations
Consumer health resources
NHS Direct (UK)
http://www.nhsdirect.nhs.uk/

Canadian Health Network
http://www.canadian-health-network.ca/customtools/homee.html

HealthInsite (Australia)
Library “Weighs” in on Your Health!

On March 5th the Shimberg Health Sciences Library hosted the American Cancer Society’s first Great American Weigh In event. Visitors learned how to calculate their body mass index (BMI) and find out whether it was in a healthy range as determined by the National Institute of Health’s guidelines. The event also introduced visitors to the centers and programs on campus that can offer assistance in obtaining and maintaining a healthy weight for life.

Brochures and information from several health-related, university-based programs were distributed. Materials were available from the USF Physical Therapy Center, Choices for Change weight management program, Student Health Services Education Center, USF Diabetes Center, USF Campus Recreation Center, and the USF Counseling Center for Human Development. Holly Rayko from Student Health Services provided free blood pressure checks.

Students and employees of USF, the Health Sciences Center, Moffitt Cancer Center, Shriner’s Hospital, and the community at large stopped by to check their BMI and pick up materials from the various resources on and near campus. The event also attracted many first-time visitors to the Library.

Generous prizes were provided by the following university and community supporters: Ciccio & Tony’s Restaurant Tampa Palms, Gold’s Gym Tampa Palms, Lifestyle Family Fitness Tampa Palms, Pebble Creek Golf Course, University Bicycle Center, YMCA New Tampa, USF Campus Recreation Center, USF Golf Course, and the USF Physical Therapy Center.

Grand prizes included a one-year membership to Gold’s Gym, a one-year membership to Lifestyle Family Fitness, an Exercise Screening & Prescription Examination from the USF Physical Therapy Center, and a free golf foursome donated by the USF Golf Course.

Free E-Journals via PubMed Central

Check out PubMed Central for a list of electronic journals available free to anyone! Some of the 64 titles being offered are ones the Shimberg Health Sciences Library currently subscribes to in print. However, the bulk of the titles are ones that have recently begun publishing and are new to us. We are in the process of adding these titles to WebLUIS with links directing users to the journal’s online homepage.

While many of the titles offer all of their full text content free, there are some that have a six month or, in a few cases, a one year delay after publication before the online full text version becomes free to all. A number of these journals have also made their backfiles available - some as far back as the early 1990’s.

Until we have all of the titles cataloged in WebLUIS, you can go directly to the website listing the available titles alphabetically, with direct links to the text. Just point your browser to http://www.pubmedcentral.nih.gov/ Keep checking - new titles are added on a continuing basis!

For more FREE online access to full text publications, check out these sites, too.

National Electronic Library for Health
http://www.nelh.nhs.uk/