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R.U. LIBRARY NEWS

LIBRARY TO CONDUCT USER SURVEY

In October, the library will conduct a survey of its users to determine their status and the purpose of their visit. The library intends to use the information gathered in this survey to improve its services and to enable it to respond more effectively to the information needs of its patrons as identified through the survey.

Because of increasing cooperation among the four neighboring research institutions-(Rockefeller, Cornell, MSKCC, and The Hospital for Special Surgery), the survey will also include questions concerning users' affiliations. The survey will be conducted over a five day period, so visitors to the Library can expect to be approached and asked for their responses each and every time they enter the library. Between 8.00 P.M. and 8.00 A.M. the survey will be placed at the security desk where users sign in.

Since the survey is short and quite straightforward it will take no time at all to complete, and your cooperation is much appreciated. For questions concerning this survey please contact The Librarian, Patricia E. Mackey, at \approx 8909 or E-Mail *mackey*.

JOURNALS REPLACED

During the course of 1993 it was determined that the early runs of the Journal of Experimental Medicine (J.E.M.) and the Journal of General Physiology (J.G.P) had reached such an advanced stage of decay that they could no longer be maintained. As a result, the journals had to be removed from the collection. The library is pleased to announce that it has now replaced the entire run of both the J.E.M. and J.G.P.

NEW DATABASES ADDED

The number of online bibliographic databases now available for searching has expanded considerably as a result of establishing new accounts with S.T.N. and Datastar. Although these database vendors carry many of the same databases as Dialog and B.R.S., they also have additional databases that cover such subject areas as Pharmacology and Chemistry. For further information contact David Man at \cong 8907 or E-mail *mand*.

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Library Brochure Tells All

A newly designed brochure describing the library and the location of its various services such as inter-library loan, photocopying, and database searching is now available.

Included are maps of each of the six floors that comprise the library, and descriptions of the services available to library patrons.

The maps will help patrons determine on which floor the books and/or journals they are looking for are located.

These brochures can be found in the Reading Room, at the Circulation Desk, and at the entrances of the first and second floors of the library. Please feel free to help yourselves to these brochures as they will greatly assist you in finding your way around the library.

Online Bulletin Board Tells You More

Patrons are reminded that the library maintains an *online news bulletin board*. This can be accessed from the library's initial catalog menu (choice # 4).

Among the various items offered on this bulletin board are the telnet addresses of the online catalogs of such libraries as Albert Einstein, Columbia, Mt. Sinai, Cornell, MSKCC, etc.

You will also find a list of periodicals that the library is considering ordering, as well as a listing of new books on order.

Browsing this feature of the online catalog will help you keep up to date with developments in the library.

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As you are aware, a great deal of

information can now be found on the internet and in particular professional bulletin boards where topics are discussed and information and ideas exchanged. A regular feature of the **R.U. Library News** will be the subscription information that will allow you to join a bulletin board. The first discussion list that we feature here is ALZHEIMER which is an e-mail discussion group for patients, professionals and family caregivers, researchers, public policy makers, students, etc. ALZHEIMER is intended to provide interested individuals from various perspectives an opportunity to share questions, answers, suggestions, and tips.

To subscribe to this discussion group send E-mail to: majordomo@wubios.wustl.edu and, in the body of the message, send the command: subscribe ALZHEIMER. There is no need to include your name. For more information about this particular discussion list, send e-mail to:

ALZHEIMER-owner@wubios.wustl.edu

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LIBRARY TOURS

Don't forget that tours of the library are held *every* Wednesday beginning at 2.30 P.M. These lively and informative tours will introduce you to the organization of the library and library services, as well as how to search the book and periodicals online catalog.

To join a tour report to the Information Services Office on Floor One of Welch Hall at the time and day given above.

GIFT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The library has recently received and would like to gratefully acknowledge the receipt of a number of journals and books from Dr. David Baltimore, Dr. Peter Model, Dr. Ralph Steinman, and Dr. Ed Gershey.

If you too have books or journals that you would like to donate to the library, please call ***** 8915/6. The R.U.L. Online Bulletin Board also provides details on the library's gift policy.

LIBRARY WINS GRANT AWARD

F or the second year in a row the library has been rewarded an \$8,000 grant from METRO for coordinated collection development.

Such awards, although small, are an important aspect of the Library's ability to maintain its book and journal collection.

MEDLINE TUTORIALS & FREE ACCESS TO AIDSLINE

The library is currently offering personalized one-on-one Medline tutorials in the comfort of your own lab at your very own workstation. To take advantage of this offer you should contact David Man at 8907

For those working in the areas of HIV and AIDS, you should be aware that the National Library of Medicine has put up its Aidsline database to be searched for free. However, the command language for searching these AIDS databases as well as the login procedure are different from Ovid and you should contact David Man at ***** 8907 for further information.

Please note that before searching Medline/Ovid, you need to obtain a login from Computing Services in room A21 of Smith Hall

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consuming task of having to photocopy articles yourself. Take advantage of our full service photocopying service.

You may e-mail to *wilsonj* the list of articles that you would like the library to pull, and we will have the articles ready for either pick up or mail the very same day. This service costs only \$1 per volume pulled and 20c. per page photocopied. For details call ***** 8915.

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New Periodical Titles Added & Dropped

The library will shortly be adding the following periodical titles to its list of currently subscribed to journals beginning in 1995.

Alcoholism: Clinical & Experimental, Annals of Medicine, International Journal of Pharmaceutics, Parasitology Research, and Vaccine.

The following two journals will be added to the collection and will have 1994 as their start dates

Nature Medicine and Nature Structural Biology.

At the same time, the library is considering cancelling the following titles. These titles are being considered for cancellation after careful analysis of citations, as well as a study of patterns of in-Library usage.

Biology of the Cell, Brain, Comparative Biochemistry & Physiology A & B, Evolution, Japanese Journal of Physiology, Journal of Theoretical Biology, Plasmid, Vision Research, Zeitschrift fuer Naturforschung B/C

Please note that the library is always prepared to consider your suggestions regarding cancellations of and subscriptions to journals, as well as purchasing of books.

You can either send E-mail to *mackey*, or you can fill out a '*Recommendation for Library Purchase*' form that can be found at the Information Services Office on Floor One of Welch Hall.

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