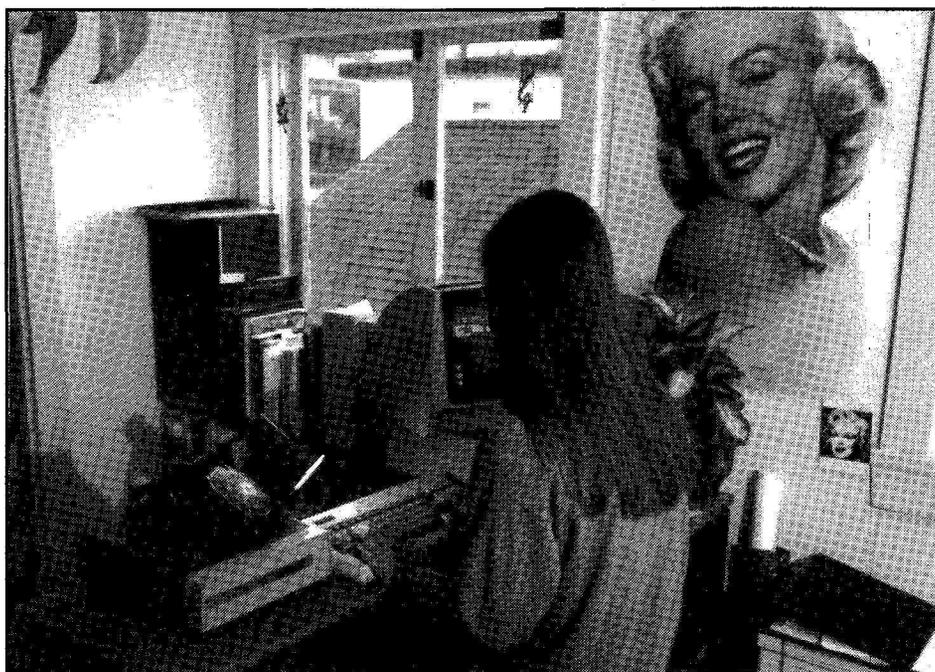


# UBC LIBRARY NEWS

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from your computer to our computer

## Round the clock online access extended to undergraduates

Would you like to start your research before the Library opens? Search the Library's online files from your home or office? Remote access is the solution. This service, already available to faculty, staff and graduate students, is now extended to UBC undergraduates and to extramural cardholders.

**Remote access is free, convenient**  
Using a microcomputer and modem connected to UBCNET, or a UBCNET terminal, cardholders can now search the Library's online files without coming to the Library. From home, office or campus terminal room, you can check if the Library has a book or serial, find out its call number and location, and if it is out on loan. Remote access is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Response time may be best weekends and after 4pm weekdays.

Note that the online catalogue file primarily includes books and other items catalogued after 1977. The serials file, however, lists the holdings of all serials in the Library.

### Ask about access

An information sheet on remote access describes how it works and how to dial up the Library's computer. Information sheets on the online files and help screens online provide searching information and tips. Ask for handouts and help at the Library's reference and information desks.

Julie Stevens

## Search Medline free on CD-ROM

Free do-it-yourself computer searches of health periodical literature are now possible with UBC Library's first installation of a commercial reference database on CD-ROM. We recently installed microcomputer workstations to search *Medline* on CD-ROM in Woodward Biomedical Library, Biomedical Branch Library (V.G.H.), Hamber Library (Children's/Grace/Shaugnessy Hospital) and St. Paul's Hospital Library. Funding for this new service was provided through a cooperative venture of the Library, the Faculty of Medicine, UBC's teaching hospitals, and the campus Committee on Distributed Computing.

**All of Medline at each workstation**  
*Medline* is the online version of *Index Medicus*. Both versions index the international journal literature in medicine, the allied health fields and the related life sciences. At least eight (see p.2)

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## Search Medline free (from p.1)

commercial vendors offer some form of Medline on CD-ROM. We chose Online Research System's *Compact Medbase-Plus* because of its comprehensive coverage, frequency of updates and sophisticated software. More than five million bibliographic citations on seven optical disks cover the database back to 1966. New citations are added monthly.

### *Compact Medbase-Plus* has several search options

Although the system is capable of powerful and complex searches, the menu-driven version recommended for first-time users is easy to understand and use. Print and on-screen



CD-ROM popular in Woodward

tutorials help you learn at your own speed. When you finish a search, you can scan the results on screen, print them out, or download them to a floppy disk.

### Reserve your search time

Because of the growing popularity of this new service, the four Health Sciences Network libraries use a booking system to schedule search time in half hour blocks. We recommend you reserve in advance. For more information, please phone:

Woodward Library	228-4440
Biomedical Branch Library	875-4505
Hamber Library	875-2153
St. Paul's Hospital Library	682-2344
	Ext 2373

Elsie de Bruijn

## Share a subscription

What do the periodicals *Barkley Sounder*, *Mathematical Methods in the Applied Sciences*, *Canadian Journal on Aging*, *American Philatelist*, and *Food Technology* have in common? The Library currently receives them as gifts from UBC faculty members.

### Tax receipts are possible

Several years ago, the Library had to begin cancelling subscriptions to live within its budget. The stage was set for the development of an informal "share a subscription" program. We have not followed up this idea aggressively but neither have we discouraged individuals who offered to pass their copies of periodical subscriptions along to the Library. As a result, we now receive about a dozen titles in this way. We provide the donors with official receipts for income tax purposes each year.

### Here's how it works

If you currently subscribe to a scholarly journal which you would be willing to donate regularly to the Library, please phone or send us a memo. If the title meets the

Library's needs, we will ask you to start sending us the issues.

### Reliability is the watchword

We must be assured each issue will be received within a specified period of time. Generally, this is shortly after you receive it. In some cases, we'll agree to accept the issues in less frequent batches. The specified time period depends on how urgently a title is needed by Library users.

The Library will check in each issue on receipt and claim missing issues from the donor, just as we would from a commercial vendor. It is the donor's responsibility to ensure issues are delivered to the Library on time, and to submit an annual statement of the subscription's cost. In return for sharing your subscription, the Library will give you an official receipt for the subscription cost.

### Interested?

Please phone me (2607). I'll be happy to answer your questions.

Graham Elliston

## Cancellation of second *Science Citation Index* saves \$10,000 a year

As a result of our continuing scrutiny of expensive duplication of materials, the Library has cancelled Science Division's subscription to *Science Citation Index*. Woodward Library will continue its subscription. The \$10,000 annual savings will be used to protect unique subscriptions in the sciences.

We have always had to balance the needs and convenience of users with budget limitations, and now, the latter has to weigh more heavily. Science Division will retain all back issues of *Science Citation Index*. You can consult the current issues in Woodward Library and both locations offer online searching (at cost) of the *Index*.

Rein Brongers

## Term Paper Clinic cures undergraduate research woes

Sedgewick Library's Term Paper Clinic offers special term paper assistance to first and second year Arts and Science students. This year the Clinic is being conducted with the assistance of graduate students in the School of Library, Archival and Information Studies (SLAIS).

**How the Clinic helps students**  
Term Paper Clinic introduces students to library research methods.

For each student who asks for help, a librarian or SLAIS student prepares a brief research guide for the assigned essay topic. Each guide usually includes the relevant subject headings to search the catalogues and the titles and call numbers of useful reference sources, such as specialized encyclopedias, bibliographies and periodical indexes. The librarian or SLAIS student reviews the guide with the student, explains the sources

listed and points out similar research strategies are possible for other assignments.

**Encourage your students to sign up**  
First and second year Arts and Science students can make an initial appointment at the Sedgewick Library Reference Desk, Monday through Thursday from 9 am to 9 pm and Fridays from 9 am to 5 pm. Term Paper Clinic runs until February 24.

Joan Sandilands

## Special Collections and University Archives News

### Amateur theatricals liven up Arctic evenings

An interesting and unusual addition to the Library's collection of Arctic books, manuscripts and maps is the recently acquired manuscript of a musical play, *The North West Passage, or Voyage Unfinished*. In May 1819, under the command of Sir William Edward Parry, the *H.M.S. Hecla* and *H.M.S. Griper* sailed from England to the Arctic. The two ships were the first British Navy ships to winter in the Arctic. They spent eight months at Winter Harbour, returning to England in July 1820.

To pass the time, the crew arranged for plays to be performed each fortnight. *The North West Passage, or Voyage Unfinished* is the manuscript of one of the plays written and performed on board the *H.M.S. Hecla* in December 1819.

The Library purchased the manuscript from London bookdealers Reg & Philip Remington with the help of grants from the Canadian Cultural Property Review Board and the Vancouver Foundation.

Anne Yandle

### Jane Rule's papers now at UBC

The Library, in conjunction with the English Department, has acquired the personal papers of B.C. author Jane Rule.

The papers, from 1947 to 1984, include notes, manuscripts and correspondence relating to her published and unpublished novels and short stories; biographical and autobiographical material, college papers, teaching records, non-fiction manuscripts; and personal and professional correspondence.

Many of Rule's stories are set on the West Coast. Her work explores the nuances of homosexual and heterosexual relationships. Her published novels and collections of short stories include *Desert of the Heart* (1964), *This is Not for You* (1970), *Against the Season* (1971), *Theme for Diverse Instruments* (1975), *The Young in One Another's Arms* (1977), *Contract with the World* (1980), *Outlander* (1981), *Inland Passage* (1985) and *Memory Board* (1987).

Chris Hives



**Handle all books carefully, and fragile materials with special care.**

**Observe library restrictions on food & drink.**

**Never make notes or underline in library books.**

**Photocopy sparingly. Do not apply pressure to book spines when you do copy.**

**Remove books from the shelf without pulling them at the top of the spine.**

**Report damage so that it can be repaired.**

Library bookmark promotes preservation

## Database data news about databases reference librarians can search for you

**Canadian newspapers, business Infomart**, a Canadian database system, is an excellent source of national, regional and local news. The Canadian newspaper databases include the full text of the *Vancouver Sun*, *Ottawa Citizen*, *The Gazette (Montreal)*, *Toronto Star*, *Windsor Star*, *Les Affaires* and others. Starting dates vary.

In the past year, several new files of business and financial information have also been added. *ICC Canadian Corporations* has financial data on more than 5,000 companies. *Business Information Wire*, updated daily, covers economic trends, corporate takeovers, government policy shifts,

and key speeches by business leaders. *Canadian Stock Quotations* has current and historical stock information from the Vancouver, Toronto, Montreal and Alberta stock exchanges. The *Canada-U.S. Trade Agreement* database includes the full text of the agreement, a synopsis and commentary.

### Alcoholism

New on BRS is the *Alcohol and Alcohol Problems Science Database*. It provides access to articles, books, chapters in books, published and unpublished research papers and state of the art reviews on alcoholism research in many fields such as psychology, psychiatry, physiology, biochemistry,

sociology, treatment, prevention, education, and employment.

### Education in Britain

*British Education Index* on Dialog covers British education journals from 1976 and British education theses and dissertations from 1950. All aspects of education are included, from pre-school, to university, to continuing adult education.

### Search costs vary

For more information about databases in the humanities or social sciences, phone the Humanities/Social Sciences Reference Division (2725).

*Pia Christensen*

## AROUND THE LIBRARIES

### Places

The Fine Arts Library has received a one year \$20,000 grant to add to its **Italian Renaissance** collection. The grant is from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada under the Specialized Research Collections Program. It supplements a three year \$35,000 SSHRCC grant received in 1984. **Special Collections Division** has been renamed **Special Collections and University Archives Division**.

### People

**Margaret Friesen**, Head of the Interlibrary Loan Division, has been appointed to the Advisory Committee of the provincial government's **Interlibrary Loan Network Study**. The study will identify the best option for establishing a province-wide public library interlibrary loan network. It is being carried out by the Peat Marwick Consulting Group under contract to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Recreation and Culture. The final report is expected by the end of April. Friesen is Man-

agement Coordinator of the B.C. Post Secondary Interlibrary Loan Network and also coordinates UBC Library's resource sharing with libraries in the the Greater Vancouver Library Federation.

**Paul Thiele**, Head of Crane Memorial Library, has been appointed chairman for three years of the newly created **Premier's Advisory Council for Persons with Disabilities**. The Council will advise the provincial government on a wide range of issues relating to persons with disabilities. It will also advise disabled individuals and advocacy and service organiza-

tions about government services.

**Dr. Derek Kerr** has been appointed for one year under the \$37,000 SSHRCC grant to the Library to create an online catalogue of **Special Collections' historical pamphlets**. **Jan Johnson** has been appointed as a reference librarian in **Woodward Library** until April 30, 1989.

### On display

The UBC of Irish Literature  
University Endowment Lands  
Intellectual Freedom  
*Main Library*

Robert Boyle  
Aristotle

Medical history student projects  
Historic Hospitals of Europe,  
1200-1981 - Photographs  
*Woodward Library*

Intellectual Freedom Week  
Newspapers in Education  
Save a book  
*Curriculum Laboratory*

Art Perry - Photographs  
February 8 - March 18  
*Fine Arts Gallery*

### Hot off the press

*Start Here 149: Select Bibliography on University Teaching*

*UBC Library Online: Remote Access (revised)*

To request a copy, phone the Information and Orientation Division, Main Library (2076).

