

NEW PERIODICAL ACCESS AVAILABLE

James White Library announces a new mode of access to the library's periodical resources, both print and electronic. Developed during the summer, the JWL Periodical Index represents the first phase of a project which is designed and implemented by the library's Dragon Team.

The URL for the new journal index is: <http://www.andrews.edu/library/collections/jtitles.html>, but it is reached more simply by following these simple steps:

At the Library's Home Page, click on: *Library Catalog (JeWeL)*
Then click on: *Index to Available Full-Text Journals*.

The new database presents an alphabetical listing of over 7,800 entries, of which 5,835 are unique periodical titles. About half of that number are print format, held within James White Library. Each entry on the list is a hot-link to the source of that journal, whether it is print or electronic.

In the case of **print**, the link takes you directly to the JeWeL record containing complete holdings information. For these, you must come to the library building and find the journal on the shelves, either in the main periodicals collection or in the Adventist Heritage Center.

More than 5,000 journals are now available to you in **electronic** format, and they fall into

two categories:

1. E-Journal subscriptions. There are currently 195 periodicals in this category. Click on one of these titles, and you will be linked to the Electronic Collections Online (ECO) interface at OCLC. You may search the individual journal for the article you want or do a topic search in all 195 journals.

"BROWN BAGS AND BOOKS"

The James White Library Cultural Events Committee would like to announce the beginning of a monthly book discussion group, **Brown Bags and Books**. The first meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 21, from 12:30 to 1:20 p.m. in the Hance Room on the main floor of the library. Plan to bring your lunch and enjoy a lively discussion of Mitch Albom's book, **Tuesdays with Morrie**, facilitated by Curt VanderWaal. **A Live Coal in the Sea**, by Madeleine L'Engle will be November's book. There will be a drawing for a free copy of the next month's book at each meeting. Books are available at the library reserve desk and the AU Bookstore.

October 21	<i>Tuesdays with Morrie</i> , by Mitch Albom
November 18	<i>A Live Coal in the Sea</i> , by Madeleine L'Engle
January 13	<i>Domers</i> , by Kevin Coyne
February 10	<i>The Other Side of the River</i> , by Alex Kotlowitz
April 21	<i>The God of Small Things</i> , by Arundhati Roy
May 19	<i>A Walk in the Woods</i> , by Bill Bryson

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2. Full-text services. James White Library subscribes to several online databases which have abstracts and full-text of hundreds of periodicals.

Abstracts or full-text articles are available from approximately 5,000 journals in major online services such as Ebsco's Academic Search, UMI's ABI/Inform and Periodical Abstracts, and Wilson Select. When you click on a title belonging to one of these, you will be linked to the home page of the particular database.

A useful feature of the new periodical index is the Keyword Search option. This allows you to find journals on a particular topic. Like any keyword search, it is limited to words found in the titles of the periodicals themselves.

DRAGON TEAM SUCCESS

Last May the James White Library put together a team of ten people from several departments of the library. It's goal was to tackle the problem of bibliographic access to a rapidly expanding body of periodical literature which has become available to Andrews faculty and students. Journals now come in multi-formats – print, electronic, full-text – from a variety of sources, and the library had to find a way of making these materials accessible in the best way possible.

The problem was likened to taming a dragon, so the team was quickly dubbed the Dragon Team. It has met several times during the summer months, defining the challenge, planning a strategy to deal with it, and finally implementing the plan. The new index described above is the first phase of the team's work. Part two involves finding a method that will allow patrons to find articles on any topic via a single search that encompasses all of the library's full-text databases.

Libraries everywhere are struggling with the problem of providing bibliographic control and access to rapidly increasing periodical content which comes in multi-formats. The need to support distance education programs with periodical resources adds to the challenge. The success of the Dragon Team places James White Library at the front in implementing creative solutions to the periodical access problem -- both for on campus users and distance learners.

IF YOU DO THE BUYING ... (but we would rather you didn't)

The library respectfully asks that faculty members go through the regular acquisition procedures for items to be added to the library collection. The Technical Services Department is efficiently organized to procure books, videos and other items from a wide range of publishers and suppliers, at your request.

However, it is a reality that occasionally you may pick up a book, video or other material at a conference or store. If this happens, you must follow these procedures:

- 3. Bring the item to the Head of Technical Services and it will be checked to determine whether the library already owns a copy or has one on order. In the case of a video, it must be previewed by the selector.*
- 4. If there is available funding, and the library does not already own the item, it may be added to the collection. However, since the library does not pay invoices for items it has not ordered, you should do the following after receiving notification that the item has been accepted:*

Make a copy of the invoice or receipt

and attach it to a completed expense report form. The library cannot reimburse for items not accompanied by an invoice or receipt. Statements are not acceptable.

Bring the expense report to the Head of Technical Services, who will authorize reimbursement through the normal expense report channels.

5. *In case the library does not add the item to the collection, you are responsible for returning the item to the place of purchase.*

LIBRARY PEOPLE

Steve **Sowder** has joined the library faculty this year as Systems Librarian. Steve comes from Southwestern Adventist University with an extensive background in computer and software management. More recently he completed a graduate degree in library science at North Texas University. We welcome Steve and his family to James White Library and Andrews University.

Sabrina **Pusey** joins the library's Department of Information Services, with special responsibility for library instruction sessions and classroom presentations. Sabrina is not new to the staff of James White Library since she worked there part-time while a student at Andrews. She graduated last May from the University of Michigan with a masters degree in library and information science. We are glad to welcome her to the full-time staff at JWL.

Kathy **Demsky** (Director of the Architecture Resource Center) and Cynthia **Helms** (Head, Department of Information Services) both received academic promotion this past summer. Kathy was promoted to Assistant Professor of Library Science, and Cynthia is now an Associate

Professor. We congratulate both of them.

Terry **Robertson** (Acting Seminary Librarian) has been named the 1998 recipient of the American Theological Library Association Grant for Bibliographic Projects in Religion. The award of \$1,200 recognizes Terry's work on preparation of an annotated bibliography on New Testament Criticism. Terry is also a regular contributor to *Religious and Theological Abstracts*.

Laurie **Matacio** (Acting Head, Department of Technical Services) has been elected to the Technical Services Roundtable of the Michigan Library Association. The Roundtable plans sessions at the annual MLA conference and organizes a spring workshop for librarians in technical services.

Laurie is also a member of the board of the Southwest Michigan Library Cooperative and currently serves as its treasurer.

Eva **Visani** retired this summer after fifteen years of excellent service at James White Library. In recent years Eva has been responsible for subject authority control for the library's JeWeL Online Catalog.

Kristi (Messersmith) **Lloyd** joined the library staff this summer as an Acquisitions Assistant in the Department of Technical Services. Her responsibilities include bookkeeping and special ordering.

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