



Library Resources

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CELEBRATE NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

National Library Week, April 1-7, encourages everyone to explore new materials and services available @ **your library**. Sponsored by the American Library Association (www.ala.org), the week celebrates the variety of resources available through all kinds of libraries. Stop by Memorial Library in person and/or visit our website at www.lib.mnsu.edu

In honor of National Poetry Month, you might want to explore the wide range of poetry volumes for both children and adults in Memorial Library's collection. Or try the electronic resource, Poem Finder, available from the databases section of the library website, to locate an old favorite or discover a new poem.

A display in the M.J. Lass Center for Minnesota Studies will feature nominees for the Minnesota Book Awards. Books in 10 categories ranging from Autobiography and Memoir to Popular Fiction appear on the list of nominated titles. All are by Minnesota authors. The award winners will be announced Friday, April 20.

CHECK OUT THESE GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

The December issue of this newsletter included information about government documents that Memorial Library receives as part of our participation in the federal depository program. The article also notes new titles related to education.

Government publications are shelved on the first floor of the library. Except for reference items, they may be checked out at the circulation counter. If you need help locating these documents or finding other government resources, see a reference librarian.

The following recent publications may be of interest to those in the College of Social & Behavioral Sciences:

C 3.186: P-60/212 Child Support for Custodial Mothers & Fathers (U.S. Census Bureau)

D 1.2: P 93/5 The Long Road Home; U.S. Prisoner of War Policy & Planning in Southeastern Asia (Office of Secretary of Defense)

I 19.42/4:00-4106 Ground-Water Quality in Alluvial Aquifers in the Eastern Iowa Basins, Iowa and Minnesota (U.S. Geological Survey)

J 1.14/7: 999 Crime in the United States, 1999 (U.S. Department of Justice)

J 28.15/2-3 Annual Report on Drug Use Among Adult & Juvenile Arrestees (National Institute of Justice)

J 28.24/3: V 81 Extent, Nature & Consequences of Intimate Partner Violence (Department of State)

L 2.71: 943 Highlights of Women's Earnings in 1999 (Department of Labor)

PRVP 42.2:B 87 Building Livable Communities: Sustaining Prosperity, Improving Quality of Life, Building a Sense of Community (Report from the Clinton-Gore Administration)

S 1.2: AM 3/12 America's Overseas Presence in the 21st Century (Department of State)

TD 8.2:2/13 The State of Knowledge of Alcohol-impaired Driving: Research on Repeat DWI Offenders (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration)

APRIL RENOVATIONS BRING OFFICE MOVES

As construction work on Memorial Library's third floor nears completion, staff moves from other areas on campus continue. MnSCU/PALS staff members have already relocated to the northeast section of the area. During April, they will be joined by staff from Information and Technology Services and the MnSCU Campus Service Unit. Although the phone numbers for these staff members will likely remain the same, watch for announcements about office numbers once they settle into their new location.

To minimize disruption for library users, furniture and equipment will be brought up to third floor from the library's north entrance. However, people in search of quiet study areas during the day might prefer locations on other floors.

Renovation of the vacated MnSCU/PALS area on the north section of the third floor should be completed by the end of April. Library staff will wait until after the semester ends in May to finish the book-shifting project begun in December. Until then books with location numbers PS3505 through QA269 will remain on their temporary shelving in the southwest corner of third floor.

NEW ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

During the past few months, the Library has added a number of electronic resources. They range from collections of full-text journals to additional databases provided by vendors with whom we have had contracts in the past. Access to all these resources is available from the Library's home page. Click on "Databases" under the "Online Resources" heading.

Psychology Journals (ProQuest) offers access to full-text articles from almost 300 journals in psychology and related disciplines. **Nursing Collection** (ProQuest) includes articles from more than 250 journals in nursing and allied health. Other health articles are available through **CINAHL**, which has added 14 full-text nursing journals to its collection. **ACS Web Editions**, with access funded through MINITEX, offers full-text articles from more than 30 journals produced by the American Chemical Society. Because years of coverage vary from one index (and possibly one journal) to another, users will want to read the information screens to determine if the source covers the years they need.

An unusual full-text resource, **E*Subscribe**, contains electronic versions of ERIC documents. Approximately 80% of the documents produced since 1993 are available online in addition to the microfiche the Library has received for years. Anyone with an ED number from an ERIC search or bibliography can use "Express Search" to locate the documents needed. "Full Search" provides search options by author, title, and subject.

A number of additional databases have been added to the Library's FirstSearch subscription. They include the following:

General Science Abstracts --citations and abstracts of articles in over 200 general science periodicals

Business Abstracts --citations and abstracts of articles from more than 680 business magazines,

Biography Index--citations to biographical resources, including 2,700 periodicals and 1800 books published from 1984 to the present

Book Review Index--Citations to reviews of books for children and adults

These FirstSearch databases do not include full-text versions of the articles cited.

Additional databases have also been added through Cambridge Scientific Abstracts. **AgeLine**, produced by the American Association of Retired Persons, includes citations and abstracts of materials about "the study of aging." Coverage begins in 1978. **Political Science Abstracts** offers citations and abstracts of magazines, journals, and books related to politics and political analysis. Coverage begins in 1975.

Both **JSTOR** and **Project Muse** continue to add titles to their databases. For example, **JSTOR** now provides full-image access to 29 botany and ecology journals. Recent title additions to **Project Muse** include Journal of Colonialism and Colonial History, Linguistic Inquiry, and Philosophy East and West. They have also introduced a new search interface.

Anyone who would like more information about these electronic resources or other library materials or services should stop by the reference desk, call 389-5958 with questions, or click on the "Ask us a reference question" link at the bottom of the Library's home page.