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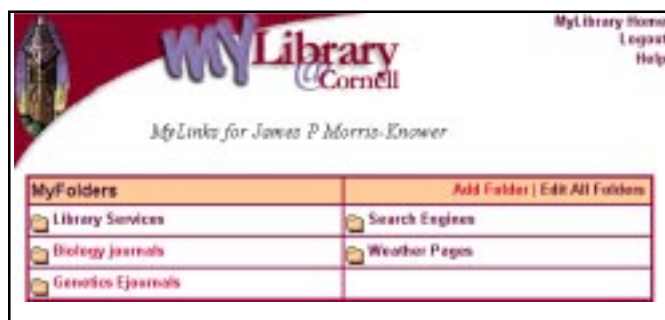
The Albert R. Mann Library Newsletter

Cornell Gives You MyLibrary

MyLibrary, a personalized electronic service developed by the Cornell University Library, was released at the beginning of the Spring 2000 semester. *MyLibrary* offers Cornell students, faculty and staff a way to customize the Library Gateway with a personal workspace and, soon, a current awareness service.

The personal workspace, known as “MyLinks,” is basically a set of traveling bookmarks that gives users their own personalized slice of the Gateway. You can use it to collect and organize links to electronic resources on the Library Gateway or anywhere else on the Web and then retrieve those links from wherever you are.

For example, if you regularly use BIOSIS, AGRICOLA, and a half a dozen key electronic journals, you can set up permanent links to those Gateway resources and find them easily the next time you log on to the Web—whether you are in Wing Hall, at home, or hunkered



down at the Shoals Marine Laboratory. If you are preparing for a conference that relies on a lot of Web resources, put all the url's into a folder in “MyLinks” while here in Ithaca. Then when you get to the conference, simply access that folder and all your links will be there ready for use (we can't, unfortunately, make any promises about the reliability of the conference center's access to the Web).

Another extremely useful application of “MyLinks” is in conjunction with the recently acquired electronic version

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Thank you!

Two years ago Mann Library had an endowment worth less than \$500,000. Today, thanks to the support of faculty, alumni, friends, and students, the library has a \$4.1 million endowment to support the acquisitions,



Stephen Ashley '62, Chair of the Mann Library Endowment Campaign Committee (on left), and Kraig Adler, Professor of Neurobiology and Behavior, celebrate the success of the Mann Campaign at the Committee on Alumni Affairs and Development breakfast, October 8, 1999.

preservation, and technology needs of the library.

Much of this support came from the Cornell faculty. In fact, twenty percent of the donors to the Mann Library campaign were faculty members. They named study spaces in honor of their mentors and acknowledged the inspiration that their students have provided by naming a space in their honor. Some established endowments to support new acquisitions in nutrition, genetics, food

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A doctor can bury his mistakes but an architect
can only advise his clients to plant vines.

--Frank Lloyd Wright

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of *Current Contents Connect*, which indexes the tables of contents of thousands of scholarly journals. *Current Contents* allows you to assemble up to ten searches as a profile, and an infinite number of these profiles may be saved as html files on your hard drive or a floppy disk. Even better, though, these files can be uploaded to your Cornell homepage and then easily accessed from a folder in "MyLinks."

Coming this summer to *MyLibrary* is a current awareness service known as "MyUpdates," which will automatically send you notices every two weeks of new library resources in subject areas you specify. An environmental analyst, for example, can receive notice of all new books on the effects of chronic noise exposure on children; or a pomologist can find out the latest publications at both Mann & Geneva on apple growing in California.



June Shipos

Mann Library staff members Adam Smith, Holly Mistlebauer, Tom Turner and John Ferreira (absent for the picture) worked on "MyLibrary."

A campus-wide team of librarians and programmers led by Mann's own Holly Mistlebauer put together *MyLibrary*, and they already have big plans for future versions. After the current awareness service is launched, the team wants to see it expanded to include delivery of actual electronic journal articles as well as the citations. Also anticipated is a personal workspace that will allow you to store not just bookmarks but *Word*, *Excel* and other types of documents you want to access remotely.

MyLibrary users, however, will determine much of how the system looks down the line. Focus groups are scheduled for the spring, and Mistlebauer says they hope to get a great deal of feedback from *MyLibrary* users—including CALS and Human Ecology faculty—about what more they'd like to see added. "We really

want to find out what the patron wants," she says, "and this will give us the opportunity to say 'Hey, you've used this. What's missing?'"

MyLibrary may be found on the Library Gateway.

James Morris-Knowler

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science, child development and rural sociology, while others earmarked funds to provide support for conservation of rare book materials and innovative technologies.



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Quick Mack '01, giving remarks on Mann Library and its role in the student community to the CAAD breakfast, October 8, 1999. Quick is a student operator at the John L. Stone Microcomputer Center. Thanks to a generous contribution to the endowment supporting the Stone Center during the Mann Campaign, students can continue to count on the Center's state-of-the-art equipment and software to meet their computing needs for generations to come.

Faculty members were also forceful advocates for the campaign, asking "how can I help?" Some wrote articles for departmental newsletters, highlighting the campaign, and others shared their lists of graduate students and alumni. Many faculty members added their eloquence to campaign events by emphasizing the relationship of the Mann Library collection to the success of their research.

Steve Ashley, chair of the Mann Library campaign, was asked at one point "Why would anyone want to contribute to Mann Library?" He wanted to blurt out "Because if you don't, you may find yourself naked and starving on a polluted planet!" but he bit his tongue. A CALS grad, Steve led this campaign because he firmly believes in the quality of the Library and the research it enables. Clearly, the faculty believes this as well. On behalf of the Library staff and our future researchers, I thank you for the support that you have given to Mann Library.

Announcements

Enrich the Natural Resources Collection at Mann!

We are very happy to spread the word on a great opportunity to develop the natural resources collection at Mann Library. The Dean David L. Call Endowment at Mann helps purchase materials in the management and ecology of fish, forests, and wildlife. Two anonymous donors have offered a special \$30,000 challenge to increase this endowment and strengthen Mann's holdings in all branches of natural resources study. All gifts to the Dean Call Endowment between now and December 31, 2000 will be matched on a 1-to-1 basis. If you'd like to make a gift or have questions, please contact Janet McCue, Director, Mann Library (607-255-2285; jam7@cornell.edu).

7000 Tables of Content: *Current Contents*

Connect, an online version of the well-known current awareness service, is now available on the Library Gateway. This service provides searchable electronic access to the tables of contents of over 7000 journals and allows you to save your searches and run them again on a regular basis. *Current Contents* may be found on the Library Gateway.

***Systematic Biology* and Other New Electronic**

Journals: Our newest package of electronic journals comes from Carfax and Taylor & Francis Publishers. This package of journals includes a number of social science titles, like *Ergonomics* and *Housing Studies*, as well as titles in the life sciences, such as *Journal of Natural History* and *Systematic Biology*. They will be cataloged for the Gateway soon. The library also has negotiated electronic access to Wiley journals that the library currently receives in print. These titles represent 193 subscriptions (including duplicates) between Ithaca, Geneva Experiment Station and the Cornell Medical College in NYC. Wiley titles are currently being cataloged for the Library Gateway.

New in Stone 1: Three new high-end machines for creating media-rich documents are now available for faculty, staff and students in the Stone 1 Microcomputer Lab. Two "Creation Stations" have a full suite of digital production hardware and software, including digital cameras, scanners and dual 17-inch flat-screen monitors. See an overview at <http://create.hci.cornell.edu/overview.htm>. The lab also recently obtained a Silicon Graphics 320 computer with software for editing digital

video and photos. Come on into Stone 1 to give them a test drive.

Wally Olsen, Alumnus of the Year: Mann is proud to announce that Wallace Olsen, Director of the TEEAL project at Mann Library, has been named Alumnus of the Year by the University of Wisconsin's School of Library and Information Sciences. This award recognizes Wally's outstanding leadership in creating TEEAL, a compact disk library of agricultural journals for distribution in developing countries, and other groundbreaking efforts in the information science field. Wally will be honored at an awards ceremony at the University of Wisconsin in May 2000.

Reference Recommends

Would you like to have extensive medical information beyond that which Medline provides? From dermatology to sports medicine, Medical Matrix <http://www.medmatrix.org> links to resources about all sorts of special topics in clinical medicine. Although the target audience is physicians and health workers, registration is free and the information is helpful to those of us who might be patients, too.

Bet you haven't heard enough political speeches this season! The Speech and Transcript Center <http://gwis2.circ.gwu.edu/~gprice/speech.htm> features transcripts and audio clips of addresses by U.S. & international politicians old and new, historic speeches by everyone from Amelia Earhart to Malcolm X, television & radio news programs, and much more. City and state officials' public pronouncements can be found here—not to mention a few private ones from Richard Nixon's Watergate tapes.

Much is being done with maps these days, as can be seen by the Microsoft "Terra Server." This site is continually under expansion; if your part of the world has not been photographed yet, a fairly accurate topographic map is substituted. Click and explore at <http://terraservert.microsoft.com>. Warning: this site is fun and could easily hog a lot of your time exploring the world.

Jeff Diver

Illiad, Cornell's New Interlibrary Loan System, is Faster and Easier

Gone forever are the blue cards you filled out—one per request—for books and journals Cornell didn't own. As of January 17th, the interlibrary loan process at Mann and all other CU libraries is fully electronic.

While the library has had a Web-based interlibrary loan (or ILL) form for over a year now, the new system is a big improvement over both that and the old paper version. Speed is probably the most welcome enhancement for users: the new system, called Illiad, will shorten the time it takes to receive a requested item by several days. Not only will you get your book or article faster, but you can now determine for yourself exactly when a requested item has been received at Mann (you will still get email notification).

Remember entering your name, address, & i.d. number for every single item you requested? That's now a thing of the past. With Illiad, you provide the standard personal info for the database only once; after that, you are fully registered and you can make a request or track something already in the pipeline by simply typing in your i.d. and password.

Services : Interlibrary Services : ILLiad (InterLibrary Loan Internet Accessible Database)

First-Time ILLiad Users: *Register with Cornell's ILLiad system by clicking on the button below.*
[Questions?](#)

Registered Users: *Enter your user information below. Then press the **Logon to ILLiad** button to continue.*

Enter your ILLiad Username:

Enter your ILLiad Password:

Click Button to Logon:

[Forgot your password?](#)

The Illiad system, which was developed at Virginia Tech University, is also a major upgrade for the access services staff processing requests. With the entire ILL workflow now automated, the staff can work much more efficiently and quickly. Copyright clearance, for example, which was previously processed by hand, is now automatically generated. Management reports are also automatically generated, allowing the staff to easily do things like track the number of requests made for a particular book or determine which other library lenders have the fastest turnaround times. The latter can help Mann develop a very accurate list of preferred lenders, which in turn will help the library know where to go first for the quickest service.

Cornell's new ILL page is on the Library Gateway under "Library Services."

Top Ten Features of Cornell Library's New Online Catalog

Cornell University Library will be unveiling its new Online Catalog in June 2000. The existing Catalog, which has served the campus admirably for 10 years, will be retired at that time.

1. It's Web-based!

Because it's on the Web, the new Cornell Library Catalog has a great number of advantages over the existing catalog—including the fact that you don't have to configure your browser to find and open the right application to use it.

2. Relevance ranked keyword searching!

As with Web search engines such as Altavista or Infoseek, your search results are ranked according to how relevant they are to your search terms. Relevancy is determined by a number of things, including location and frequency of search terms.

3. Limit searches by location!

You can select a specific library as part of your search criteria. Search for the Law Library's holdings in medical genetics, for example, or for water resources law material in Mann.

4. Search for networked electronic resources only!

It's now easier than ever to find e-journals, e-books, or other Web resources. Simply select "Library Gateway" as a location in the Catalog and your search is limited to networked resources.

5. Link directly to electronic resources from the Catalog!

Once you find *The American Journal of Clinical Nutrition* or the *Catfish Processing Report*, the hypertext links take you directly to these resources while allowing new searches at the click of a mouse.

6. Recall, hold, and renew books from within the new Catalog!

Not only can you look up what books you have checked out, but you can renew them as well. Also, you can recall and put holds on books without having to jump over to the Gateway.

7. Web-based course reserves!

Course name, instructor and department are all in pull-down menus in the course reserve section of the Catalog. Students don't have to remember their syllabi or guess at abbreviations of course names to find their reserve readings.

8. Mark records you want and then print, save, or email them directly from the Catalog!

One of the major drawbacks of the existing Catalog is there is no way to mark selected records and then either print or email them. In the new Catalog, you can mark records as you go and then easily print those out or email them to yourself for later viewing.

9. Call number, author and subject fields are links!

You've done your search on the birds of Great Britain, and have 4 records to review. You can click on the call number for one of them, *British Warblers*, and go directly to the QL 696's and see what else is there. You can also link directly to all other books by the author Eric Simms to see what else he's written or go to the list of other books in the library on the subjects "Sylviidae" and "Birds—Great Britain—Identification."

10. Search multiple databases simultaneously!

Ever longed to search the Cornell Online Catalog and the Library of Congress at the same time? How about our Online Catalog and several periodical indexes like BIOSIS or PsycINFO? If so, you're in luck, as the new system will allow you to do this with up to three databases selected from a predetermined list.