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Library Coalition Develops Consumer Health Information Service

Georgia Southern University's Zach S. Henderson Library has helped to establish a new Web site aimed at facilitating consumer access to online health care information.

The Coalition of Regional and Academic Libraries (CORAL) unveiled its Health Education Network on October 15 at Statesboro Regional Library.

The result of a partnership between the Henderson Library, the Magnolia Coastlands Area Health Education Center and Statesboro Regional Library, the Web site provides Internet users with links to pertinent and easily understandable health care data.

The site - which can be viewed at www2.georgiasouthern.edu/library/coralhen/ -- attempts to save consumers time and trouble by featuring only links that have been selected by CORAL. The selection process is designed to avoid sites which are unreliable, out of date, or filled with medical terminology not aimed at the layperson.

The project was funded by a Library Services and Technology Act grant. The Henderson Library assisted with the selection of web sites and resources, hosts the Web site, and contributed to the site's design and support.

"After Noon" Carillon Recital For Sale on Compact Disc

A carillon recital by Dr. Michael Braz, professor of music at Georgia Southern, was recorded this past summer and is now available on compact disc for \$15 from Henderson Library. The CD was sponsored by the Friends of Zach S. Henderson Library and proceeds go toward the purchase of materials for the Library's collections.

Dr. Braz's 53 minute program is intended to take the listener musically through one academic year, with the beginning of the fall semester heralded by the *Alma Mater* and an exploration by newcomers of what the university has to offer, represented by Moussorgsky's *Promenade*. The term proceeds with some selections that Dr. Braz had programmed during his Tuesday/Thursday 15 minute "After Noon" carillon recitals, including his own composition inspired by the creek that runs near the football practice fields. Fall semester comes to an end with holiday tunes and a celebration of the new year. The recital continues through spring semester, tax season (*Solace*), final exams (*Evening Prayer*), and culminates with graduation and the traditional college tune *Gaudeamus Igitur*.

To purchase the compact disc, visit the Circulation Desk or call 681-5647 (click here for [more details](#)).

See our [weekly schedule of Carillon Mini-concerts](#).

Library Catalog Now Provides Access to 14,000 E-Books

Henderson Library has begun loading records into our catalog for about 14,000 electronic books from netLibrary that were purchased by GALILEO. To see a sample, run a "keyword anywhere" search in the Voyager online catalog for "netlibrary." The netLibrary electronic books are full text and graphics versions of published books. They may be checked out by individuals for up to two hours at a time. We share these books with all the libraries in Georgia, and because the netLibrary system permits only one person at a time to check out an eBook you may occasionally discover that the title you find in our catalog is already in use by someone else.

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New Online Tutorial Teaches Library and Research Skills

The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia Advanced Learning Technologies and Library Services announce the availability of the Online Library Learning Center (OLLC). The OLLC is a stand-alone, web-based resource created to provide students taking courses at a distance with access to instructional information about using a range of online library resources and services. Intended to serve as a System-wide resource, OLLC is accessible to all library patrons supported by GALILEO and GIL services.

The OLLC's ten-unit format is flexible. It provides information on a wide range of topics and is designed to serve as a self-paced tutorial or just-in-time learning resource. The OLLC begins with a basic introduction to research; subsequent units focus on the organization of library and information resources. The OLLC also includes a glossary of terms. Faculty can assign sections of the tutorial to supplement course materials or avail themselves of the assignments already incorporated within the resource.

Individual unit topics are as follows:

- The nature of information, how information about a topic develops and grows, and how understanding this can assist with research (Unit 1)
- Developing a research question and understanding the research process (Unit 2)
- Identifying the needed research tools for specific tasks (Units 2, 5, 6, 7)
- The physical library how it's organized (Unit 3)
- Databases and catalogs how they work (Unit 4)
- Using GALILEO for locating periodical articles and other materials (Unit 5)
- Using GIL for finding books and other library materials (Unit 6)
- Tips for searching the Internet (Unit 7)
- Copyright, style manuals, and citing sources (Unit 8)
- Evaluating sources (Unit 9)
- Information for Distance Education Students (Unit 10)

The Online Library Learning Center is a collaboration among the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia's Advanced Learning Technologies, Library Services, and the Regents Academic Committee on Libraries (RACL). Their combined efforts have produced one of the most inclusive and effective library instructional tools available on the Web. The Online Library Learning Center is located at www.usg.edu/galileo/skills/, or can be accessed through the [GALILEO](#) home page in the "About GALILEO/Resources for GALILEO Users" section.

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