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NEWSLETTER**

# MC/SCUG

Medical Center / Small Computer Users Group

## Wednesday, March 6, 1996

### NOON

### WEB WEAVING: ASK THE EXPERTS

**Sharon E. Dennis, Nancy T. Lombardo, Susan Roberts and Carol Cassidy,  
Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library; Sid Bytheway, Administrative  
Computing Services and Jay Deuel, Computer Center**

A panel of World Wide Web experts will answer your questions on HTML coding, style and standards; use and conversion of graphics on the Web; setting up, managing and maintaining a web site; offering courses via the Web; CGI programming; trends in new Web technologies, etc. If you have questions, now's the chance to get them answered.

Come with your questions, your lunch and your friends to the March MC/SCUG meeting, Wednesday, March 6, 1996 at NOON in Classroom C, School of Medicine Building.

#### ABOUT THE MEDICAL CENTER SMALL COMPUTER USERS GROUP

MC/SCUG is an informal group of computer users who enjoy keeping informed about the latest developments in computer applications of all types. Monthly presentations focus on current topics of interest. There is no membership fee. You are welcome whenever you are able to come. MC/SCUG meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month (except during the Summer Quarter) in Classroom C, School of Medicine Building. If you would like more information about MC/SCUG or if you would like to suggest a topic for a MC/SCUG meeting, please contact Joan M. Gregory, Coordinator, MC/SCUG, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library, (801) 581-5269, INTERNET: joang@ecclab.med.utah.edu. If you are interested in receiving e-mail notification of future MC/SCUG meetings, send an e-mail message to: [listserv@ecclab.med.utah.edu](mailto:listserv@ecclab.med.utah.edu). The text of the message you send should include ONLY the following words: **subscribe MCSCUG**

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# COMPUTER-BASED LEARNING DISCUSSION GROUP

## Web Graphics

Thursday,  
March 14, 1996  
NOON - 1:00 pm  
History of Medicine  
Room, Eccles Library

# INTERNET RESOURCES

## Gerontology Resources

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The next meeting of the Computer-Based Learning Discussion Group will be Thursday, March 14 from NOON - 1 p.m. in the History of Medicine Room at the Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library. Susan Roberts and Carol Cassidy, both Multimedia Design Artists at Eccles Health Sciences Library, will describe and demonstrate some of the input devices and software tools that can be used for putting raw visual material (i.e., prints, slides, maps, printed text) into a format that a World Wide Web browser can display. They will also discuss some guidelines for creating Web browser readable image files, particularly issues relating to size, format, and color calibration.

If you are interested in computer-based learning (CBL), you are invited to join the Computer-Based Learning Discussion Group. The purpose of the group is to share information about developing and evaluating computer-based learning as well as curriculum integration issues. Depending upon the interests of the group, discussion may include, but not be limited to, some of the following topics: use of multimedia technologies, how to find suitable programs in various subject areas, how to get started in planning your own CBL program, authoring system and platform advantages/disadvantages, hints for effective information structuring and interface design, incorporating CBL programs into the curriculum, and methods of evaluating CBL.

For more information, contact Sharon E. Dennis at (801) 585-3928, or via electronic mail: [sdennis@ecclab.med.utah.edu](mailto:sdennis@ecclab.med.utah.edu).

As the average age of our population increases, the field of Gerontology becomes increasingly popular. This rising popularity is well represented in the Internet. A tremendous amount of information about aging is now accessible online. Resources on aging range from World Wide Web sites to mailing lists for communication among people interested in the issues related to aging. There are resources for the health professional as well as for the patient or consumer.

One individual, Joyce A. Post, a librarian at the Philadelphia Geriatric Center, has compiled a comprehensive list of Internet sites and tools related to Gerontology, Geriatrics, and Aging. Her well organized, extremely valuable list has made finding Internet resources much easier. This excellent directory can be found at:

### Internet and E-Mail Resources on Aging

*<http://www.aoa.dhhs.gov/aoa/pages/jpostlst.html>*

Some of the more notable resources on Gerontology found on Joyce Post's list are described here. For a more comprehensive listing of sites, please use a World Wide Web browser like *Netscape* to go to the address listed above.

### World Wide Web Sites

#### University of Utah Gerontology Center

*<http://www.nurs.utah.edu/gerontology/>*

The Gerontology Center at the University of Utah has it's own World Wide Web

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site. The site provides information about the Masters Degree and the Certificate program offered by the Center. It includes a faculty directory, information on the research interests of faculty, information about scholarships and student stipends, and other useful information about the Center. The site allows prospective students to read about the Center's programs and use e-mail links to request more information or ask questions of faculty. Links to other important Gerontology resources are also provided, making this an excellent site for starting to investigate Internet resources on Aging.

### **Directory of Web and Gopher Aging Sites**

*<http://www.aoa.dhhs.gov/aoa/webres/craig.htm>*

This site, maintained by Bruce Craig and sponsored by the Administration on Aging, is very current. It is an excellent collection of links to community services and agencies. Nearly 200 links are included. The page is organized quite simply with an index to sites, a listing of organizations, and a listing by topic.

### **Wayne State University (Detroit, MI) - Institute of Gerontology**

*<http://www.iog.wayne.edu/>*

The Institute of Gerontology at Wayne State University sponsors this World Wide Web server as part of an ongoing effort to fulfill its mission of research, service, and education in the field of aging. Users will find information about the Institute and its programs and faculty as well as links to local and state agencies. A virtual library and well organized collection of links is presented in the GeroWeb section of this site.

### **EldercareWeb**

*<http://www.ice.net/~kstevens/ELDERWEB.HTM>*

Eldercare is an area with growing importance as the population of the USA ages. The word "Eldercare" implies elderly people who have healthcare or other care needs. This is a collection of resources available on the Web for the elderly and their caregivers and advisors. Hundreds of full-text documents dealing with consumer aspects of aging are linked. Links to other important Internet resources are provided. Some of these links go directly to online information, others will point users to addresses, phone numbers, or names of books, pamphlets, or articles that can be used to get further information.

### **Administration on Aging**

*<http://www.aoa.dhhs.gov/>*

The Administration on Aging provides information on finding help for older persons, statistical information, and information on a select set of organizations and agencies dealing with aging issues. Full-text of the *Age Pages* produced by the National Institute on Aging are found at this site, as is information from the *1995 White House Conference on Aging*. A few links to other useful resources are provided.

### **Social Security Administration (SSA)**

*<http://www.ssa.gov/>*

This site provides information about benefits in both English and Spanish. The full-text of the Social Security Administration handbook is available. There is a searchable collection of online documents and a section providing answers to

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frequently asked questions about Social Security.

### Senior Com

*<http://www.senior.com/>*

This site has a unique presentation with a "Town Square" metaphor presenting the various services. By clicking on buildings, users are provided with further information on such things as travel, government information, free products and services, shopping, legal and financial services, health and fitness, and an online newsstand. Seniors can also participate in online chat sessions with other Internet users in "real time." This site is working at providing Seniors with a virtual community as well as an information source.

### Mailing Lists or Discussion Groups

Because electronic mailing lists are usually managed by "automated processors," or computers, there are two facets to communication via an electronic mailing list. One is the administrative communication in which you, as a member, communicate with a list processor or computer program, to subscribe or unsubscribe and for other administrative commands. The other is communication with the people subscribed to the list. Remember to send messages intended for the people to the list name, rather than to the list processor address. What follows is a selection of some of the mailing lists available in the area of Gerontology. See Joyce Post's more comprehensive directory for other mailing list addresses.

*(<http://www.aoa.dhhs.gov/aoa/pages/jpostlst.html>)*

**AGEING** - A discussion group whose members are drawn mostly from the biosciences professions.

To subscribe send a message to: **BIOSCI-SERVER@NET.BIO.NET**

leave the subject line blank

send a one line message: subscribe AGEING yourfirstname yourlastname

Example: subscribe AGEING Nancy Lombardo

To send a message or reply to the list after you are a subscriber

use: **AGEING@NET.BIO.NET**

**ELDERS** - A world-wide list of seniors with connections to the electronic journal "CyberSenior Review."

To subscribe send a message to: **LISTSERV@SJUVM.STJOHNS.EDU**

leave the subject line blank

send a one line message: subscribe ELDERS yourfirstname yourlastname

To send a message or reply to the list after you are a subscriber

use: **ELDERS@SJUVM.STJOHNS.EDU**

**GERINET** - A general discussion on all issues related to aging.

To subscribe send a message to: **LISTSERV@UBVM.CC.BUFFALO.EDU**

leave the subject line blank

send a one line message: subscribe GERINET yourfirstname yourlastname

To send a message or reply to the list after you are a subscriber

use: **GERINET@UBVM.CC.BUFFALO.EDU**

# INTERNET BASICS

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A new trend on the Internet is to provide a directory of resources which have been reviewed or rated by a group of reviewers. The advantage of this type of service is that the sites have undergone some evaluation. These services can help you filter through the overwhelming amount of Internet information to find sites that have some sort of recommendation.

**Magellan: McKinley's Internet Directory** is one such site. Magellan can be found using any World Wide Web browser (like *Netscape*) at:

<http://www.mckinley.com>

Magellan's reviewers examine and rate thousands of new sites every month. Each reviewed site is awarded 1-4 stars, 4 stars being best. Three major criteria being judged are:

- 1) Depth, currency, comprehensiveness
- 2) Ease of exploration and organization
- 3) Net appeal, innovation, design.



An additional feature of the rating system is Magellan's Green Light icon. Sites marked with the Green Light are those which, at the time of review, contained no content apparently intended for mature audiences.

Magellan allows searching of it's database as well as exploration via subject oriented menus.

### Searching Magellan

<b>Enter Query:</b> <input type="text" value="New ADJ Mexico"/>	<input type="button" value="Search Magellan"/>
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The search feature has sophisticated tools for narrowing and limiting. You are able to use the boolean operators (AND, OR, NOT), proximity operators (ADJ, W/#) and a variety of truncation symbols. Be sure to use these expanded search tools to focus your search. For example, if you search on "New Mexico" you will find over 1000 sites which use either the term New or the term Mexico. If you use the ADJ operator to indicate that you want the two words to appear adjacent to each other, "New ADJ Mexico," you get 77 sites.



If you attempt a search and retrieve no results, click on the spider icon to run the same search in the larger database which includes over 1.5 million Internet sites that have not yet been reviewed.

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Click on the Help button at the top of any page within Magellan, then click on the link titled "How do I perform a search in Magellan?" to find all the details about the expanded search tools.

### Search Results

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★ ★ ★  [New Mexico Album](#) [Review](#)

Philip Greenspun's New Mexico Album page contains a variety of images shot while touring New Mexico. Users will find images of people and places in New Mexico, along with commentary from the photographer about each image. In addition, this site hosts ...

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A typical site retrieved by a search on Magellan will look something like the one above. This site received a **three star rating**, indicated on the left. It has the **Green Light icon**, indicating that it contains no content intended for mature audiences. The underlined title in the center is the **link to the actual Web site**. On the far right, the **Review** link provides information from the reviewer explaining the rating and giving details about the site.

### Magellan's Subject Directory

#### Explore Magellan's Topics

○ <a href="#">Arts</a>	○ <a href="#">Health &amp; Medicine</a>
○ <a href="#">Business &amp; Economics</a>	○ <a href="#">Humanities &amp; Social Sciences</a>
○ <a href="#">Career &amp; Employment</a>	○ <a href="#">Internet</a>
○ <a href="#">Communications</a>	○ <a href="#">KidZone</a>
○ <a href="#">Computing</a>	○ <a href="#">Law &amp; Criminal Justice</a>
○ <a href="#">Daily Living</a>	○ <a href="#">Music</a>
○ <a href="#">Education</a>	○ <a href="#">News</a>
○ <a href="#">Engineering, Technology &amp; Mathematics</a>	○ <a href="#">Religion &amp; Spirituality</a>
○ <a href="#">Entertainment &amp; Pop Culture</a>	○ <a href="#">Science</a>
○ <a href="#">Environment</a>	○ <a href="#">Sports &amp; Recreation</a>
○ <a href="#">Food &amp; Drink</a>	○ <a href="#">Travel &amp; Tourism</a>
○ <a href="#">Government &amp; Politics</a>	

Magellan provides an easy to browse menu with 23 major categories. Follow the links in any category to find further subcategories. Select a subcategory and you will be able to search within that list of sites or browse the resources on that topic.

UUC has completed the installation of a 15 minute dial-in pool of modems for those wishing only to download or upload e-mail. Dialing-in on the number (801) 581-3960 enables an individual with a University of Utah Internet account to use any one of the 16 (28.8 Kb/s) modems on the 15 minute service.

If you have questions about this service, contact the Computer Center Help Line at (801) 585-HELP (i.e., (801) 585-4357).

# UUC ANNOUNCES

## New 15 Minute Modem Pool

# INFOFAIR '96

## BECOMING DIGITAL

Thursday,  
April 11, 1996

### Program

#### PROGRAM

9:30-10:45 AM **Introduction** **John M. Matsen, M.D.**  
Location: George and Dolores Eccles Institute of Human Genetics Auditorium

**THE CLIFFORD C. SNYDER, M.D. & MARY SNYDER LECTURE**  
**Medicine in the Computer Age** **Homer R. Warner, M.D., Ph.D.**  
Location: George and Dolores Eccles Institute of Human Genetics Auditorium

10:45-11:00 AM **Refreshments** Location: George and Dolores Eccles Institute of Human Genetics Lobby

11:00 AM-NOON **Meet the Experts: "Becoming Digital" Panel Discussion**  
Homer R. Warner, M.D., Ph.D., Nina E. Dougherty,  
Clifford J. Drew, Ph.D., Reed M. Gardner, Ph.D.,  
and T. Samuel Shomaker, M.D.  
Location: George and Dolores Eccles Institute of Human Genetics Auditorium

**LUNCH** (on your own)

12:30-2:00 PM **Advanced HTML** **Sharon E. Dennis**  
**FULL** Location: PC Classroom, Lower Level, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library

12:30-2:00 PM **Finding Information on the Internet** **Nancy T. Lombardo**  
Location: MAC Classroom, Lower Level, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library

1:00-2:00 PM **The Digital Library** **Nina E. Dougherty**  
Location: History of Medicine Room, Upper Level, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library

2:30-4:00 PM **Introduction to JavaScript** **Sharon E. Dennis**  
**FULL** Location: MAC Classroom, Lower Level, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library

2:30-4:00 PM **Finding Information on the Internet** **Nancy T. Lombardo**  
Location: PC Classroom, Lower Level, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library

2:30-3:30 PM **Electronic Journals on the Web:** **Mary E. Youngkin**  
**Hype vs. Reality** **& Jeanne M. Le Ber**  
Location: History of Medicine Room, Upper Level, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library

**EXHIBITS** Location: Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library (Lower Level)  
11:30AM-4:30PM  
Hardware, Software, Information Services, Electronic Publications,  
University of Utah Services and University of Utah Developed  
Computer Applications

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### General Information

#### PROGRAM COORDINATOR

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#### THE CLIFFORD C. SNYDER, M.D. AND MARY SNYDER LECTURER Homer R. Warner, M.D., Ph.D.

Professor and Department Chair, Department of Medical Informatics, and Chief Information Officer, Health Sciences Center, University of Utah

#### THE CLIFFORD C. SNYDER, M.D. AND MARY SNYDER LECTURE

Dr. Clifford C. Snyder, Professor of Surgery, founded the Division of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at the University of Utah School of Medicine in 1967 and served as chair of that division until 1985 when he was appointed Professor Emeritus of Surgery and Associate Dean of the School of Medicine. Throughout his career, Dr. Snyder has been an ardent supporter of the library. Dr. Snyder's endowment of The Clifford C. Snyder, M.D. and Mary Snyder Lectureship provides funding for the featured presentation at InfoFair.

#### UNIVERSITY OF UTAH PRESENTERS & PANELISTS

**Sharon E. Dennis**, Associate Librarian, Computer & Media Services, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library; **Nina E. Dougherty**, Librarian, Research, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library; **Clifford J. Drew, Ph.D.**, Coordinator of Instructional Technology, Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Professor, Special Education and Educational Psychology; **Reed M. Gardner, Ph.D.**, Professor, Medical Informatics, School of Medicine, University of Utah, and Co-Director, Medical Computing, LDS Hospital; **Jeanne M. Le Ber**, Assistant Librarian, Instructional and Information Management Services, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library; **Nancy T. Lombardo**, Affiliate Librarian, Internet Services, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library; **John M. Matsen, M.D.**, Vice President for Health Sciences, and Professor, Clinical Pathology; **T. Samuel Shoemaker, M.D.**, Assistant Dean, Medical Education and Minority Affairs, School of Medicine, and Assistant Professor (Clinical), Anesthesiology; **Mary E. Youngkin**, Associate Librarian, Reference Services, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library

#### REGISTRATION

InfoFair is **FREE**. **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED** for the **WORKSHOPS**. To register call the Eccles Library Reference Desk at (801) 581-5534.

#### QUESTIONS

If you have questions about InfoFair, please contact us:

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### Update on Workshops and Presentations

Advanced HTML **FULL**

Introduction to  
JavaScript **FULL**

Finding Information  
on the Internet

The Digital Library

Electronic Journals  
on the Web:  
Hype vs Reality

The following workshops will be presented at InfoFair '96 on Thursday, April 11, 1996. PLEASE NOTE: Registration is REQUIRED for several of these workshops. To register call the Reference Desk at (801) 581-5534.

#### WORKSHOPS

##### ADVANCED HTML

*Sharon E. Dennis, Assistant Librarian, Computer and Media Services, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library* This hands-on workshop will cover several advanced HTML features including forms, tables, and imagemaps. Participants will practice using existing CGI scripts, such as CGIEMAIL, to receive input from forms. (Note: CGI scripting, Java, and JavaScript will **\*\*not\*\*** be covered). Prerequisite: Knowledge of basic HTML. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. Class size limit: 10 participants.

12:30 - 2:00 pm                      PC                      PC Classroom

##### INTRODUCTION TO JAVASCRIPT

*Sharon E. Dennis, Assistant Librarian, Computer and Media Services, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library* JavaScript is an easy to use scripting language for programming interactivity into your Web pages. This hands-on class will introduce participants to basic JavaScript programming. Prerequisite: Knowledge of basic HTML and experience with another scripting language such as HyperTalk or dBase. Please call the instructor before signing up if you have questions about the course content. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. Class size limit: 8 participants.

2:30 - 4:00 pm                      MAC                      MAC Classroom

##### FINDING INFORMATION ON THE INTERNET

*Nancy T. Lombardo, Affiliate Librarian, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library* Learn how to search for the information you need on the Internet using Netscape. This class explains how to navigate the Internet using Netscape and offers instruction and hands-on practice in how to use YAHOO!, WebCrawler, Alta Vista and other Internet searching tools to find the Internet resources you need. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. Class size limit: 12 participants (MAC Lab), 16 participants (PC Lab). Participants may be required to share a computer.

12:30 - 2:00 pm                      MAC                      MAC Classroom  
2:30 - 4:00 pm                      PC                      PC Classroom

#### PRESENTATIONS

##### THE DIGITAL LIBRARY

*Nina E. Dougherty, Librarian, Research, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library* The vision, status and implications of the "digital library" concept will be presented in an Internet-based overview and demonstration with links to relevant resources. Topics to be covered will include: What is a "digital library"? What digital resources do library users in Utah have access to right now? What does the future hold for the development of "digital libraries" locally, nationally, and internationally?

1:00 - 2:00 pm                      **NOTE  
WE CHANGE!**                      History of Medicine Room

# INFOFAIR '96

## Update on Workshops and Presentations

## LIBRARY SERVICES NEWS

### Library Hours

#### **ELECTRONIC JOURNALS ON THE WEB: HYPE VS. REALITY**

*Mary E. Youngkin, Associate Librarian, Reference Services, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library and Jeanne M. Le Ber, Assistant Librarian, Instructional and Information Management Services, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library* Which health sciences journals are available on the World Wide Web? How much of their content is really available (information about ordering the journal, tables of contents, full text of articles, accompanying pictures, graphs and charts, editorials, announcements, job listings, etc.)? Finding, evaluating and using electronic journals on the Web will be discussed and demonstrated in this one-hour presentation.

2:30 - 3:30 pm

History of Medicine Room

The Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library begins Extended Hours March 6, 1996. These hours will be in effect through March 14, 1996. Quarter break hours begin March 15, 1996 and end March 23, 1996. Regular hours resume Sunday, March 24, 1996.

#### **Extended Hours March 6, 1996 - March 14, 1996**

Wednesday, March 6, 1996	7:00 am - 12 Midnight
Thursday, March 7, 1996	7:00 am - 12 Midnight
Friday, March 8, 1996	7:00 am - 11:00 pm
Saturday, March 9, 1996	9:00 am - 11:00 pm
Sunday, March 10, 1996	11:00 am - 12 Midnight
Monday, March 11, 1996	7:00 am - 12 Midnight
Tuesday, March 12, 1996	7:00 am - 12 Midnight
Wednesday, March 13, 1996	7:00 am - 12 Midnight
Thursday, March 14, 1996	7:00 am - 11:00 pm

#### **Quarter Break Hours March 15, 1996 - March 23, 1996**

Friday, March 15, 1996	7:00 am - 8:00 pm
Saturday, March 16, 1996	9:00 am - 6:00 pm
Sunday, March 17, 1996	Closed
Monday, March 18, 1996	7:00 am - 8:00 pm
Tuesday, March 19, 1996	7:00 am - 8:00 pm
Wednesday, March 20, 1996	7:00 am - 8:00 pm
Thursday, March 21, 1996	7:00 am - 8:00 pm
Friday, March 22, 1996	7:00 am - 8:00 pm
Saturday, March 23, 1996	9:00 am - 6:00 pm
Sunday, March 24, 1996	11:00 am - 11:00 pm( <b>resume regular hours</b> )

#### **Spring Quarter Starts Monday March 25, 1996**

#### **Regular Hours**

Mondays - Thursdays	7:00 am - 11:00 pm
Fridays	7:00 am - 8:00 pm
Saturdays	9:00 am - 8:00 pm
Sundays	11:00 am - 11:00 pm

# OUTREACH SERVICES

## HEALTH & HSTAR Merge

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Last month we talked about the SDILINE file of the National Library of Medicine's (NLM) MEDLARS databases. The column this month focuses on the new HealthSTAR database, a collaborative effort of the NLM, the American Hospital Association (AHA) and the National Information Center on Health Services Research (NICHSR).

The September-October 1995 issue of the *NLM Technical Bulletin* (No 287, pg. 3) announced the reorganization of the Health Planning and Administration HEALTH database and the Health Services/Technology Assessment Research HSTAR database into a new database called HealthSTAR. The new database will be available in late February or early March. When the 1996 update for *Grateful Med* arrives, no doubt it will include a template for searching HealthSTAR.

Who should consider searching HealthSTAR? Policy makers, hospital administrators, public health officers, professional health services researchers, and librarians will find references of interest.

The subject scope of HealthSTAR incorporates that of both HEALTH and HSTAR:

- Health Care Planning & Administration Economics
- Planning & Policy
- Health Services Research
- Clinical Practice Guidelines
- Health Care Technology Assessment
- Public Health

HealthSTAR contains citations to materials not previously found in any other MEDLARS database. Unlike MEDLINE, which includes only citations to journal articles, HealthSTAR will include citations to:

- journal articles from 1975 - present
- monographs & monographic series from CATLINE, the NLM catalog, in all languages from 1985 - present
- technical & government reports
- meeting abstracts & conference papers
- book chapters
- newspaper articles
- full-text of Clinical Practice Guidelines

Initially, HealthSTAR will contain:

- 2.43 million plus citations divided into two files, one current and one backfile
- American Hospital Association publications
- retrospective National Health Planning Information Center (NHPIC) citations
- specially indexed citations from the National Information Center on Health Services Research and Health Care Technology (NICHSR), a component of the National Library of Medicine (NLM)

A caution about searching HealthSTAR: records in HealthSTAR contain more searchable fields than records from either HEALTH or MEDLINE. This difference is due to the type of material and format of the original database. For

## **OUTREACH SERVICES**

### **HEALTH & HSTAR Merge**

## **ANNOUNCING THE 7TH ANNUAL SLICE OF LIFE WORKSHOP ON MULTIMEDIA IN HEALTH SCIENCE EDUCATION**

**June 19-22,  
1996**

**University of  
Copenhagen,  
Copenhagen,  
Denmark**

instance, CATLINE is primarily a book/monograph database and books require different descriptive fields than journals. For this reason, there are two source fields. Other search tips will be reported once the database is available and it is possible to determine its full capabilities.

The Slice of Life Workshop on Multimedia in Health Science Education will be held in conjunction with an international conference at the University of Copenhagen in Copenhagen, Denmark, June 19-22, 1996. The workshop and conference will cover the use of videodiscs, CD-ROMs, World Wide Web, and other multimedia platforms for medical education.

There will be a "hands-on" pre-conference workshop held on Wednesday, June 19, 1996. Attendance is limited to 150 persons. Space will be made available on a first-come, first-served basis. Pre-registration for the workshop is open until April 15, 1996. The registration fee is \$275 (US). After April 15, 1996, the registration fee is \$350 (US). The registration fee includes lunches, coffee/tea breaks and a hospitality suite. It is recommended that individuals register as soon as possible to take advantage of special booking rates for airfares and hotels.

Individuals interested in contributing to the program should submit proposals before April 1, 1996. The program is being organized by the University of Copenhagen, the University of Aarhus and University of Odense in collaboration with the Slice of Life Development fund.

In addition to the call for conference participants and demonstrators, the Slice of Life office is, once again, sponsoring the Sandoz Software Award. This award is given each year to the most outstanding effort using multimedia in conjunction with the Slice of Life videodisc. This year prospective Sandoz applicants may submit work developed using either the Slice of Life or Slice of Brain videodiscs. The eligibility requirements for the Sandoz Software Award have been expanded as well. Any student project, undergraduate or postgraduate will be given consideration. The only stipulations are that the work submitted for consideration was work undertaken during the time that the developer was enrolled as a student and that the work has not been juried elsewhere.

Those individuals interested in attending the workshop or in submitting software for consideration for the Sandoz Award are encouraged to contact the following individuals:

For registration and program information on the workshop, contact: Ole Winding, University of Copenhagen, Institute of Forensic Medicine; 11 Fr. V. vej, DK-2100, Denmark; Voice: 45-35-32-61-85; FAX :45-35-32-61-50; Internet: owhealth@inet.uni-c.dk

Further information and forms may also be obtained from the workshop/conference website: <http://www.odont.ku.dk.mhse>

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