A Note from the Dean of Libraries & Media Services

The new year promises to bring some significant changes with OhioLINK access. OhioLINK, with direction from the Library Advisory Council and Governing Board, has been reviewing alternative software packages that could be used for managing OhioLINK's reference databases and making them available on the Web. The criteria required that the software improve functionality, provide broader support for other types of content (such as electronic journals), and enhance connections between various OhioLINK services. 1998 will be the transition year to the new interface, with the first set of research databases being moved by July 1 and the remainder by December 31. Neither KentLINK, nor the OhioLINK Central Catalog, are affected.

As we plan for this change to the databases, users need to be aware that the new interface will provide Web-only access. There will be no provision for the now-standard VT100 interface. Access, therefore, will need to be through a network connection on a workstation that can run a graphical browser such as Netscape or Internet Explorer. We will keep you informed of the transition schedule as it is determined. Wishing you a very happy holiday!

Don L. Tolliver
Dean of Libraries & Media Services

PowerPoint Support

The *PowerPoint* Sixty-Minute Seminar was one of the most popular sessions this fall. Because restricted class size limited the number of attendees, we would like to direct those who are interested in getting support using *PowerPoint* (version 4.0, 7.0, or 97) to the InfoSource tutorials that are freely available to the University community. Available tutorials include assistance with *PowerPoint* fundamentals, as well as for more intermediate skills. The tutorials are available without restriction to University students, faculty, and staff. They may be used on campus or at home and do not require that the application itself be on the computer. To get a copy of a *PowerPoint* tutorial, or any others in the series:

- bring blank diskettes to the Computer Lab, 1st floor, Main Library; OR
- download from any networked campus PC by accessing the Academic Computing & Technology Web site (http://act.kent.edu/infosource); OR
- contact the University Information Systems HelpDesk for more clarification (helpdesk@kent.edu or x.2031).

Placing Materials on Reserve in the Main Library

Information for placing course materials on Reserve in the Main Library is available on the Libraries' Web site. Beginning in January, faculty will also be able to obtain and submit forms for Spring semester Reserves via the Web. Follow the link from "Main Library Services and Departments" on the Libraries' homepage to "Reserves" or use the following direct address:

http://www.library.kent.edu/access/reserves.html

Because of the online availability, Reserves information packets are no longer being mailed to all faculty prior to each semester. Forms and information may also be obtained at the Main Library Circulation Desk or by







calling Reserves at x.7906 (ext. 46 or 30).



Footnotes

News from the Kent State University Libraries & Media Services

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Electronic Journals Online

OhioLINK plans to begin offering the Elsevier electronic journal collection in January. The Academic Press (AP) titles will move to the OhioLINK computer facility housed at the Ohio Supercomputer Center sometime this spring. This change with the AP journals should provide for better access response time. Plans are underway to include links to the electronic journals from the Central Catalog and member online catalogs.

New OhioLINK Members

Wittenberg University holdings now show in the OhioLINK Central Catalog and will be available for requesting in January. Hiram College records are also being added, along with those from Washington State. John Carroll University has announced plans to join as an independent member in 1998.

How to Cite Information from the World Wide Web

The American Psychological Association (APA) Web site includes information on citing Web resources.

"All references begin with the same information that would be provided for a printed source (or as much of that information as possible). The Web information is then placed at the end of the reference. It is important to use "Retrieved from" and the date because documents on the Web may change in content, move, or be removed from a site altogether.... To cite a Web site in text (but not a specific document), it's sufficient to give the address (e.g., http://www.apa.org) there. No reference entry is needed."

This helpful guide can be viewed at: http://www.apa.org/journals/webref.html

Using Netscape to Save Information from FirstSearch Web Databases

An important FirstSearch enhancement now allows users to use the "Save As" command from the Netscape "File" menu option to save the Web page currently being viewed in a text format (.txt) in addition to the option to save in HTML source format (.htm). This provides a clean text file that can be viewed through word processing software or Windows Notepad. FirstSearch databases include: WorldCat, OCLC ArticleFirst, PapersFirst, ProceedingsFirst, RILM, Telephone Directories (Business White and Residential).

Intersession Hours:				
(Dec. 20, 1997 - Jan. 19, 1998)				

	MonThur.	Fri., Sat. & Sun.	
Main Library	7 am-8 pm	Fri. 7 am-5 pm	
		Sat. 9 am-5 pm	
		Sun. Noon-8 pm	
Circulation	7:30 am-7:45 pm	Fri. 7:30 am-4:45 pm	
		Sat. 9 am-4:45 pm	
		Sun. Noon-7:45 pm	
Periodical	8 am-5 pm	Fri. 8 am-4:45 pm	
Information Desk		Sat. 1 pm-4:45 pm	
		Sun. 2 pm-6 pm	
Reference Center	10 am-5 pm	Fri. 10 am-4:45 pm	
		Sat. Closed	
		Sun. Closed	
Audio Visual	8 am-5 pm	Fri. 8am-5 pm	
Services		Sat. Closed	
		Sun. Closed	
Branch Libraries:			
Chemistry/Physics	8 am-5 pm	Fri. 8am-5 pm	
		Sat. Closed	
		Sun. Closed	
All Others	By Appointment	By Appointment	
Teleproductions	uctions 8am-5 pm Fri. 8 am-5 pm		
	(5 pm-midnight	Sat. & Sun. 8 am -	
	by appointment)	midnight by	
		appointment)	

News from Government Documents

The first report of the 1997 Economic Censuses will be released early in 1999. This will be the first Census to report its data using the North American Industrial Classification Systems (NAICS--pronounced "nakes"). NAICS replaces the Standard Industrial Code (SIC). A major difference in these classification schemes is that NAICS is geared toward a service economy, rather than a manufacturing economy as represented in the SIC. Be advised that few printed reports will be issued from the Economic Censuses. Information will be available via the Internet. Also, the Census of Agriculture will no longer be a part of the Economic Censuses, but has been transferred to the Agriculture Department.

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