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NEW PUBLIC SERVICE UNIT AT MIK

MIK's newest public service unit opens Monday, 2 February. AIDS (Academic Information/Developmental Skills) is an experimental program designed to serve as both a campus clearinghouse for academic information and a developmental skills educational program. As AIDS librarian, David Farrell is responsible for the academic information and referral service. He will collect information and materials relating to academic programs offered through the instructional units as well as academic services offered through the Developmental Studies Program, the Counseling and Testing Center, the Advising Information Center, and other campus agencies.

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UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY LIBRARIES  
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Short-term tutoring in basic reading and study skills will be offered at the AIDS center with the help of the Division of Basic Studies' Developmental Studies Program and the Counseling and Testing Center.

AIDS services will be available to all UK students on a drop-in basis weekdays M-F from 8 to 5 and evenings Tu and Th from 7 to 10. It will be located in room 216A, King Library South (formerly the Interlibrary Loan Offices) and will have a telephone number shortly. Visits and suggestions by staff members are welcome!

CDC PRESIDENT ADDRESSES STAFF

On Friday, January 23, Dr. Thomas R. Ford and Dr. Sue Johnson from the Center for Developmental Change discussed that body's history and current activities before a group of library faculty members in the Gallery of the M. I. King Library. Since its inception in 1964, the Center has devoted its efforts toward bringing together outside groups or agencies interested in problems of social change with University researchers who are willing to examine those areas.

During the past eleven years the Center has directed its attentions to teaching in foreign countries (Peace Corps Training Groups), research (Office of Economic Opportunity Research Projects, etc.), foreign programs (Office of Instructional Programs), and institutional development and state problems (Appalachian Educational Satellite Program). Some of the Center's ongoing projects include the compilation of a University of Kentucky Faculty Research Interest Index, cooperating with the Dean of Undergraduate Studies, Dr. John Stephenson, in his work on "Problems and Prospects of Eastern Kentucky: An Assessment of the Last Decade;" an attempt to gain funds from the Rockefeller Foundation to study the feasibility of establishing an Appalachian Center at the University; and a study devoted to uncovering the esthetic costs of strip mining in Breathitt County.

With such a spectrum of interests before the Center, Dr. Ford noted a need for increased library support. He stated that a library liaison might be assigned to each of the Center's projects to provide professional and bibliographic assistance.

As an example he cited the need to uncover all pertinent library holdings in the area of Appalachian Studies. In addition, he strongly

recommended that the library aggressively pursue the acquisition of "fugitive" archival material in the various areas that involve the Center. In conclusion, Dr. Ford encouraged librarians, who have research ideas that need development, to pay the Center a visit. He stated that he could not promise anything "except a good ear to listen to (the proposal) . . . and whatever help we are able to offer."

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#### KEENELAND ASSOCIATION DONATION

Carolyn Hammer recently announced that the Keeneland Association has donated \$1,000.00 toward the new King Library Press edition of "The Hittite Horse Book" due for publication this spring.

#### INTERLIBRARY LOAN MOVES

Harry Gilbert's crew occupied spacious new offices this week on the fifth floor of MIK-South. Their new address is Room 518; hours and telephone number remain the same.

#### ALA CENTENNIAL CONFERENCE

Complete information (including programs, special events, etc.) concerning the 1976 ALA Centennial Conference at Chicago, July 18-24 is published in the January 76 American Libraries.

#### FACULTY & STAFF NEWS & NOTES

##### Staff Room Committee requests:

We have taken inventory of Staff Room needs and we find the usual shortages. Can anyone supply us with the following items:

Teakettle	Teaspoons	Salt & Pepper shakers
Soup bowls	Soup spoons	
Forks	Paring knives	

Also we remind the old-timers and inform the newcomers of the few requests of the Staff Room Committee:

1. Be careful what you pour down the drain in the sink--the pipe gets clogged too often.
2. Don't leave your dirty dishes in the sink--we have no maid to wash them.
3. Please don't take food and drink onto the carpeted area--things do get spilled.
4. Every Friday afternoon the refrigerators will be checked. If you plan to leave food in the refrigerator over the weekend please store in sealed container, or it will be disposed of.

If you have any suggestions or if there is anything we can do to make the Staff Rooms a more pleasant place please contact any of the Staff Room Committee members:

Joyce Turner, Chairman  
Helen Bendzsa  
Sally Johnson  
Jerry Reisig  
Peggy Southerland  
Sue Westfall

U.K. Training Program

University Personnel is offering the following courses for supervisory employees: Basic Principles of Supervisory Management; How to Interview and Select Employees; How to Train Employees. If interested, please see Faith Harders immediately.

U.K. Libraries Staff Development Series

The Professional Activities and Staff Development Committee would like to thank Trudi Bellardo for her presentation on Data Services. For those people who missed the program, a copy of the handout is attached to this week's Green Bean; we hope that people will save the handouts from each session and combine them into a library manual. The program for February will be on Acquisitions (BATAB). If you have any suggestions, please see Faith Harders, Susan McCargar or Lynn Shrewsbury.

ARL Movie

There will be an ARL movie, Managing in a Crisis, Tuesday, 3:30 PM, Rm. 219 Classroom Bldg. Please let me know by Monday afternoon if you plan to attend.

F. Harders

PERSONNEL

If you had Work Study students last semester who are not working this semester or if you have added any new Work Study students, please send their names to Faith Harders.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Special Collections Librarian. Auburn University. 1 July 76. \$10,000-\$16,000.

Library Director. East Carolina University. 1 April 76. \$25,000 max.

Science Reference/Bibliographer. University of North Carolina-Charlotte. 1 February \$11,000-\$13,000.

Chemistry Librarian. Syracuse University. 1 April 76. \$11,265+.

Rare Book Bibliographer. Syracuse University. 1 April 76. \$11,265+.

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## U.K. LIBRARIES STAFF DEVELOPMENT SERIES

### DATA SERVICES

Location: Second floor, King South, Room 200A

Hours: Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The University of Kentucky Libraries has contracted with the Lockheed Information Retrieval System and the System Development Corporation to provide to library users access to major bibliographic data bases using a computer terminal located in the Data Services office.

This terminal is connected by telephone lines to computers in Palo Alto and Santa Monica, California. In the computers are stored about forty different data bases which cover a large range of subject areas. Attached to the terminal is a thermal printer which prints everything that appears on the terminal screen simultaneously. Thus most bibliographies can be produced immediately. It is usually cheaper to have a very long bibliography printed off-line in California and mailed to us the following day.

On-line searching at the terminal supplies the same kind of bibliographical information as the more traditional tools--card catalog, periodical indexes, bibliographies, etc. However, its advantages are speed and greater comprehensiveness. Also, the computer can handle complex search strategies that are not possible with the traditional tools.

The data bases contain bibliographic citations to books, book reviews, journal articles, conference proceedings, technical reports, government reports, patents, etc. Some data bases also provide abstracts of the items cited. The materials themselves must be obtained elsewhere. After obtaining the bibliography, the patron is directed to the catalog, to Central Serials Record, Government Publications, or Newspaper/Microtext. For the items which are not available on this campus, the patron can be directed to Inter-Library Loan.

In this short summary, it is impossible to describe all the data bases available, but some of the major ones include:

CAIN--Agricultural and related sciences  
CHEMICAL ABSTRACTS CONDENSATES--Chemistry  
COMPENDEX--Engineering  
NTIS--Government reports in all fields  
SCISEARCH--Citation index for physical, biological and medical sciences  
ABI/INFORM--Business, finance, administration, marketing  
ERIC--Education and related fields  
COMPREHENSIVE DISSERTATION ABSTRACTS INDEX--Dissertations in all fields  
PSYCHOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS--Psychology  
SOCIAL SCISEARCH--Citation index for social and behavioral sciences

The Reference Department and certain of the branch libraries have detailed information on the subject coverage, scope, and costs of the data bases available. But the staff and student assistants in all

public service departments may need to refer faculty and students to Data Services. They all, therefore, need to be aware of the capabilities of this service.

A patron may make a request in person or over the telephone. He is encouraged to come into the library to fill out an "On-line Information Search Request" form, and to schedule an appointment for the search. It is best for the patron to be present when the search is run, because it is the continual input and the chance to modify the search as it progresses that makes on-line searching superior to other forms of computer searching.

Unlike most other library services, on-line searching is paid for partially by the patron. Users are charged for computer connect time and network communications time. The charge for off-line printing is per citation. Users are not charged for personnel time; terminal, printer, and modem rental; supplies; and general overhead. This means that the total cost for providing this searching is split almost evenly between the user and the library. User charges are necessary because the services are expensive and require a net addition to the library budget. Also, if these services were offered free, it would be difficult to prevent one user or department from taking advantage of the privilege and preventing others from using the system.

Potential patrons are likely to be very curious as to how much a search is going to cost them. The answer, however, is not simple. The cost of the search will vary depending upon several factors:

1. Searching time at the terminal;
2. Cost of the particular data base(s) searched (the cost of the data bases varies from \$25 to \$150 per hour);
3. Number of citations in the bibliography produced off-line.

It is possible to make a very rough estimate before the search begins, and a fairly good estimate once the search is completed. But the exact charge cannot be calculated until the end of the month when the invoices from Lockheed and SDC are received. Patrons are billed for the search at that time.

Since Data Services is a new and experimental venture for the library, it is important to carefully evaluate the service it provides. Patron's opinions and comments regarding the general value of the search, the usefulness of the citations received, and the comparative value of on-line searching versus the use of traditional search tools will aid in an overall evaluation of the service. In addition, it is important to gauge the general quality of services provided by the library as a whole in filling the patron's information need.

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