GALILEO Opens the DOOR

by Brad Baxter, GALILEO Technical Coordinator

The GALILEO interface has undergone a major change. The familiar lists of resources are now being generated from a new "database of databases" named DOOR: The GALILEO Database of Online Resources. Presently, the change is not obvious, but it marks the beginning of our being able to make modifications and enhancements to GALILEO more quickly and easily.

Because DOOR database records can be created via a web-based administrative interface, it will be possible for participating institutions to begin to add their local resources to the GALILEO database menus. This increased accessibility will enable "one stop shopping" for institutions' patrons. All of the valuable resources each institution has purchased can potentially be found in one place, GALILEO.

Adding local resources for so many institutions is a significant undertaking. It is not clear yet how heavily it will impact GALILEO staff, and what measures will be needed to keep up with the changes. For that reason, there will be careful testing and pilot projects to ensure the success of the integration of these local resources.

As the number of databases increases it is necessary to make them easier to find. Each record in the DOOR contains rich metadata to facilitate sophisticated and powerful searching via a database discovery tool now being developed. The metadata in the DOOR will continue to be expanded to help patrons find the resources they need.

The DOOR database system is the right tool for generating database menus. It has a simple structure that is centralized, data-driven, and compatible with most standards. The centralized design makes simple changes easy. More staff have access to the inner workings of GALILEO, enabling faster response to requests and problems. Because the system is data-driven, many complex programming changes are easy, too. In addition, it can import and export data in most standard formats, XML, Dublin Core, MARC, CSV, etc., and eventually it *(continued, page 3)*

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¡Información, por favor! GALILEO Resources Grow for Spanish Speakers

by Philip McArdle, GALILEO Services Coordinator

Magazine and journal articles are now much more accessible to Spanish-speaking Georgians through GALILEO. *¡Informe!,* the Gale Group's database of articles from Spanish-language and bilingual publications, and Spanish interfaces to five of GALILEO's most popular EBSCOhost databases now appear on a special menu accessible through a new "Spanish/*Español"* link on the GALILEO homepage.

¡Informe! offers a searching experience entirely in Spanish, which makes it unlike any database that has been available in GALILEO before. Its search screens, instructions, and content are all in Spanish, and users can search for and retrieve articles using Spanish search terms alone. However, this database is not just for Spanish speakers: *¡Informe!* features a complete English interface also, and offers both Spanish and English titles for each article in the database. This allows English-speaking librarians to help Hispanic patrons find useful materials more easily, and makes the database a valuable learning tool for students of either language. Popular Hispanic magazines such as *Actual* and *¡Siempre!,* Spanish editions of *(continued, page 3)*

e-Rights? e-Wrongs? E-volving!

by Judy Kelly, Director of Virtual Library Development

On June 25th, the U.S. Supreme Court issued its ruling on what is often referred to as "The Tasini case." The seven-to-two decision affirmed a lower-court ruling (*www.supremecourtus.gov/opinions/00slipopinion.html*). They found that "...electronic publishers infringed the authors' copyrights by reproducing and distributing the articles in a manner not authorized by the authors...Print publishers infringed the authors' copyrights by authorizing the electronic publishers to place the articles in the databases and by aiding the electronic publishers in that endeavor."

How did it all begin? Rosalind Resnik tell us in her article "Writers, Data Bases Do Battle," March 7, 1994, the *National Law Journal*:

"THREE YEARS ago, Jonathan Tasini, a New York freelance writer who has published articles in the *New York Times*, the *Village Voice* and *Atlantic Monthly,* received a strange-looking check for an op-ed he'd *(continued, page 4)*

Guest Perspective
Proud of My State:
My Year on the Steering Committee

by Beth Hedrick, Coordinator of Library & Media Services, Lanier Technical College

When I got the message about a year ago that my colleague and friend Carol Stanley desperately needed me to fill in for her at a GALILEO Steering Committee meeting, my initial reaction was the same as it is for all of us when a meeting comes up in our busy calendars. "Let's see, how in the world can I get this done? Oh, bother! Another meeting." Then I stopped to think just what meeting this was I was attending: the Steering Committee for GALILEO. Wow.

I have to go back just over five years to a time when I attended another meeting. It was the first time I had heard about GALILEO and I'll never forget how astounded I was at what we Georgians were about to do to make electronic information so accessible to students. I walked away from that meeting proud of my state and in awe of the huge undertaking that was beginning to take shape. At that time I was working in a technical institute and recognized the incredible advantages GALILEO would offer to a small library with a limited budget. Today, as library director of Lanier Technical College and the one who has to make that budget stretch to fit the needs of our tech-savvy students, I am even more aware of these advantages.

This past year I have been promoted from occasional member of the Steering Committee to regular attendee as the representative for technical colleges. It has been an honor to be a part of this group and to be able to speak for the needs of the technical college students and faculty. GALILEO has become a essential tool to help our students to walk through those doors of opportunity in the working world. It speaks well for GALILEO that it is flexible enough to serve the needs of all Georgia students, from post-graduate work in the humanities to occupational studies in Allied Health, Automotives and Computer Sciences.

Last year I attended a Computers in Libraries conference in Washington DC. At lunch I sat down with a group of other librarians, both public and academic, from all over the country. When the discussion turned to electronic databases it was quickly apparent that each of them were very proud of being able to afford just one or two of the many databases we in Georgia almost take for granted. I found it awfully hard not to brag!

I enjoyed my year serving on the Steering Committee. GALILEO makes me proud of my state for financing this huge project and very proud of my profession for putting aside competition between libraries and allowing the spirit of collaboration and resource sharing to lead us. I'm looking forward to GALILEO's future. To quote that great philosopher Jimmy Buffet, "Yesterday's over my shoulder, and I can't look back for too long. There's just too much to see waiting in front of me and I swear that I just can't go wrong."

Trolling for Internet Resources

by Karen Minton, Virtual Library Development Specialist

We are all experienced now in searching, surfing, crawling, and mining the Web. One of the best ways of building a good collection of Internet resources, however, is trolling the Web. The OED defines troll as "to angle with a running line," so trolling the Web means leaving lines out there ready to catch a good web site. Such a line may be a mail list or newsletter of new site announcements and updates to reputable Internet directories. Below are some of the lines we cast for GALILEO's Internet Resources.

LII New This Week
www.lii.org/search/file/mailinglist
This newsletter includes a selection of the best sites added to the Librarians' Index to the Internet (LII) each week. LII by Carol Leita and her crew of librarians is one of the best directories out there.

The Scout Report
http://scout.cs.wisc.edu/report/sr/srsubscribe.html
This weekly report from the Internet Scout Project of the University of Wisconsin is one of the Internet's oldest (since 1994) and most respected publications for online resources.

Net-Happenings
http://listserv.classroom.com/archives/net-happenings.html
From Classroom Connect's Gleason Sackman come announcements about the latest Internet resources, especially K-12 education-related sites.

Academic Info What's New
www.academicinfo.net
"Your Gateway to Quality Educational Resources" from Mike Madin now has advertising on the site but still has a great directory and useful monthly updates.

Neat New Stuff
http://marylaine.com/neatnew.html
Former editor of St. Ambrose University's Best Information on the Net, Marylaine Block finds sites no one else finds.

Internet Resources Newsletter
www.hw.ac.uk/libwww/irn/irn.html
This one comes from the U.K. (Heriot Watt University Library), so it sometimes has sites we haven't come across yet.

Conference Schedule

GALILEO will participate in the following conferences during the coming year:

- **University System of Georgia Annual Computing Conference**
  Rock Eagle 4-H Center, Eatonton, GA
  October 24-26, 2001

- **Georgia Council of Media Organizations (COMO) Conference**
  Jekyll Island Convention Center
  October 31-November 2, 2001

- **Georgia Educational Technology Conference**
  Savannah International Trade and Convention Center
  April 16-18, 2002

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How netLibrary Changed My Life

by Rand Raynor, GALILEO Support Specialist

My mechanic told me that the clicking noise I heard when I accelerated was caused by a blocked valve in my intake manifold. I nodded my head to indicate, falsely, that I knew what he was talking about. Then I asked what the cost would be to repair it. Imagine my shock when quoted a price of five hundred and seventy five dollars. Many thoughts went through my mind. "Liar! Cheat! Inventor of imaginary car problems! I'll never pay!" But what I said was, "Okay."

You see, I had a problem with assertiveness, or rather the lack thereof. But as I wrote out my check to the mechanic for seven hundred and fifty dollars (I let him talk me into si-monizing the Buick logos on my Regal) I thought to myself, "Never again!" This time I would do something about my spinelessness. I'd get a self-help book. I'd reinvent myself as a man of action. But how could I do this without letting librarians or bookstore clerks know what a weak-kneed, trembling leaf of a man I was? Then it hit me: GALILEO! There must be a resource in my collection of licensed databases that could help regain my self-respect.

Going to the Full-Text Books database category menu, I found myself searching through the netLibrary database. Surely a database prid-ing itself as one of the largest providers of full-text electronic books would provide me with a solution to my problem. Sure enough, I found the book that would prove to be my sal-vation, *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Assertiveness*. Im-mediately I started to read the online book, feeling more em-powered with each chapter. When fatigue started to over-take me I downloaded the book to netLibrary's eBook Reader on my laptop, and continued to read at the cof-fee shop. Thanks to netLibrary, when I was finally finished, I was a new man. I raced to my car, anxious to drive to the mechanic's shop and give him a well-deserved piece of my mind. Unfortu-nately, my car wouldn't start.

will be compliant with OpenURL, Z39.50, and the Open Archives Initiative.

In addition to the database dis-covery tool mentioned above, other examples of possible modifications and enhance-ments to GALILEO include:

• Expanded, multi-tiered subject categories. Institutions may possibly choose from a number of subject category strategies.

• Redesigned homepage with greater flexibility. Since authen-tication now occurs at the homepage, it may be possible to present more custom infor-mation on the opening page.

• Direct linking to database lists and search screens. Direct link-ing is important for distance learning courses and other course materials as educators increase their use of the Internet. It will allow more customization and be more con-venient for users.

Finally, the DOOR provides im-proved management of ses-sions and authentication. Pa-trons will experience fewer session time-outs, retaining useful information longer. User authentication now happens up front at the homepage and is fast, fully featured, and well in-tegrated with the rest of GALILEO. It retains the fea-tures of both IP and password authentication. Its improved in-tegration allows better manage-ment as the database menus are expanded to include local resources.

In conclusion, we are excited about the DOOR. It opens a larger realm of possibilities as we endeavor to maintain GALILEO's standing as one of the premier library systems in the world.

familiar U.S. magazines such as *Time* and *People*, and nearly fifty other publications are avail-able in full-text form. Thanks to funding from the Library Ser-vices and Technology Act, this database is now available at all of GALILEO's participating insti-tutions.

EBSCOhost's Academic Search Premier, Business Source Pre-mier, Health Source: Consumer Edition, MAS FullTEXT Ultra, and MasterFILE Premier data-bases are already popular GALILEO resources, but the new EBSCOhost *Español* ser-vice makes these available with a complete Spanish interface and a helpful translating feature. Now full-text articles from the thousands of journals and magazines included in these da-tabases not only are easier for Spanish-speaking users to lo-cate, but can be translated into Spanish—and even into other languages—instantly.

GALILEO hopes that *¡Informe!* and EBSCOhost *Español* will be valuable not just to Spanish speakers, but also to the En-glish-speaking and bilingual li-brarians, media specialists, and instructors who help them daily. As the Hispanic community of Georgia continues to grow, GALILEO is making its world of information more accessible than ever before.

For Your Information

- GALILEO marketing and instructional materials
  www.usg.edu/galileo/materials/materials_form.phtml

- GALILEO training opportunities
  www.usg.edu/oiit/training/sched.html

- More about the GALILEO initiative
  http://www.usg.edu/galileo/

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GOLD/GALILEO Users Group Gathers in Athens

by Tim Brown, GALILEO Marketing Specialist

On August third, over two hundred people attended the Annual GOLD/GALILEO Users Group Conference at the University of Georgia's Center for Continuing Education. The GOLD/GALILEO Users Group Conference is intended to provide librarians, paraprofessionals and technical staff from academic libraries, public libraries, technical libraries, K-12 schools and special libraries throughout Georgia with a professional development forum related to using GOLD (the Georgia Online Database) and GALILEO.

An informal discussion during the GOLD/GALILEO Users Group Conference

address, entitled, "What's Your Story?", Ms. Coleman expressed her admiration for Georgia's librarians, noting that the librarians' story "is powerful and effective just as it is, and needs no embellishment....the most compelling stories are those based on truth and told with courage, clarity and grace."

Conference sessions covered many topics, including a discussion about the Virtual Reference Desk, an overview of GALILEO's DOOR (Database of Online Resources), an update on the Digital Library of Georgia project, and a discussion of technology's impact upon Interlibrary Loan (ILL) procedures. During the conference's luncheon, after plaques of appreciation were presented to the members of the GOLD/GALILEO Advisory Committee, the 2001 GOLD Interlibrary Loan Library of the Year Award was presented to the University of Georgia Libraries.

Administered by the Office of Public Library Services, a unit of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, GOLD promotes resource

GALILEO staff members Rand Raynor and Philip McArdle discuss GALILEO with an attendee of the 2001 GOLD/GALILEO Users Group Conference.

The conference's keynote address was delivered by Chris Coleman, a technology marketing pioneer, author of *The Green Banana Papers,* and lecturer who has launched and promoted more than two hundred technology companies worldwide. In her

sharing through interlibrary lending and a serials union listing throughout the state. GOLD's consortium is comprised of over 200 academic, public, technical, private, K-12 and special member libraries. The Georgia Online Database is a Group-Access Capability (GAC). A Group Access Capability (GAC) group consists of libraries that use the OCLC system for resource sharing and in-

terlibrary lending. OCLC profiles each member of a GAC group so that all members have access to each other's bibliographic, locations, and summary holdings records. The OCLC's WorldCat database, the world's most comprehensive bibliographic database, is comprised of more than 41 million records. Online information about GOLD can be found at *www.public.lib.ga.us/pls/gold.*

written for *Newsday*. On the back, just beneath the space where he was supposed to sign his name, he says he found some legal language stating that, by endorsing the check, he would be granting the Long Island newspaper the right to republish his article electronically.

"Mr. Tasini, who is president of the New York-based National Writers Union and a staunch advocate of writers' legal rights, says he scribbled out the offending language, then signed and deposited the check. Shortly afterward, he says, he discovered that *Newsday* had placed an electronic copy of his article on Nexis, an online data base that for a fee makes available articles printed in major newspapers and magazines."

The rest is history (and we all know how that keeps changing). In the mid-1990's, publishers began including electronic rights into writers' contracts. However, for material published between that point and the rise of electronic databases, it remains to be seen if (as the freelancers hope) publishers will track them down and pay them for the use of their work in electronic form; or, simply remove content from the databases. The dissenting opinion of Justices Stevens, joined by Justice Breyer, mentions that unfortunate possibility. In closing, Justice Stevens says, "The majority is correct that we cannot know in advance the effects of today's decision on the comprehensiveness of electronic databases. We can be fairly certain, however, that it will provide little, if any, benefit to either authors or readers."