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"One of our digital prizes."
Mary Chutes
IMLS Deputy Director

"The long list of partners shows how ambitious the Civil Rights Digital Library Initiative is . . . The Civil Rights Digital Library promises to be an extremely useful portal to civil rights history on the web."
American Historical Association

CIVIL RIGHTS DIGITAL LIBRARY
DOCUMENTING AMERICA'S STRUGGLE FOR RACIAL EQUALITY

Now available at http://www.civilrightslibrary.org

The struggle for racial equality in the 1950s and 1960s is among the most far-reaching social movements in the nation's history, and it represents a crucial step in the evolution of American democracy. The Civil Rights Digital Library (CRDL) promotes an enhanced understanding of the Movement by helping users discover primary sources and other educational materials from libraries, archives, museums, public broadcasters, and others on a national scale. CRDL is a partnership among librarians, technologists, archivists, educators, scholars, academic publishers, and public broadcasters. The initiative receives support through a National Leadership Grant for Libraries awarded to the University of Georgia by the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

'There isn't anything out there like this', Dr. Barbara McCaskill,[UGA]English Professor whose students collaborated on a segment of the site.
Atlanta Journal Constitution

Members of the CRDL Steering Committee

Annual GOLD/GALILEO Users Conference set for August

Georgia librarians will soon come together as one, when this year's GOLD/GALILEO Users Group Conference presents "One World One Library: Working Together to Put the User First." The 19th annual conference will take place — appropriately enough — on Aug. 1 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the University of Georgia Center for Continuing Education Conference Center and Hotel in Athens.

According to **Toni Zimmerman**, director of Resource Sharing and Interlibrary Cooperation for GPLS, the annual one-day event draws librarians, paraprofessionals and technical staff from academic libraries, public libraries, schools, technical colleges and special libraries throughout Georgia and the Southeast.

The 19th GOLD/GALILEO Users Group Conference

One World One Library

Working Together to Put the User First

The goal of the conference is to provide a forum for continuing education and professional development related to the use of Georgia's interlibrary lending and resource sharing network, GOLD, and the statewide virtual library, GALILEO. The conference will showcase new collaborative trends in library resources and highlight current partnerships.

This year's keynote speaker is **Cliff Landis**, technology librarian at the Odum Library of Valdosta State University.

"Cliff plans to share his real-time vision for libraries and the consortia that serve them," Zimmerman said. "He believes that libraries may be suffering from the drive to implement the perfect Library 2.0 service model.

"In our zeal to embrace the principles that libraries can now be everywhere, have no barriers and are capable of social networking," she continued, "we may be ignoring what is at the very heart of any evolving library — a single, user-centered approach to service."

"We may even see that traditional library catalog transform to a social network of ideas," said Landis, who researches, talks and writes about social software, social networking, technology in libraries, teaching with technology, user-centric services, Library 2.0 and the future of libraries.

"One World One Library" will include three sets of concurrent programs, along with a GALILEO training showcase. Sessions will feature presentations that demonstrate how dynamic Georgia libraries are using creative collaborations, emerging technologies and highly adaptive communication styles, tools and trends to meet the multifaceted needs of information seekers.

"Fostering this environment means talking with your users and finding out what they want, using the same tools that they are using and contributing to multiple-user experiences and programs that earn their respect," said Zimmerman. "The 'one' approach enables libraries to connect with multiple audiences in both their physical and virtual spaces and to successfully cope with the diversity of their users. This year's conference theme celebrates both the unifying power of this approach and its simplicity in beginning with a single commitment to put your users first."

Links to registration materials and hotel information will be available in June at www.georgialibraries.org/lib/gold.html.

This conference is made possible by a grant from the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services to the Georgia Public Library Service under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act. ■

Speaker Cliff Landis gives a thumbs up to participants at a recent training class for GPLS's PINNACLE Institute.

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WELCOME

GALILEO welcomes the following new members to the GALILEO family.

GPALS Consortium
Southern Catholic College

Private K-12 Consortium
Darlington School
The Heritage School
Monsignor Donovan Catholic High School
Providence Christian Academy
St. Martin's Espisopal School
Tallulah Falls School
The Weber School

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For information on other GALILEO consortia, go http://www.usg.edu/galileo/about/inst

Examining GALILEO

By Merryll S. Penson, Library Services

If you are like me, you are well aware of the increasing cost of gas and food; and if you read, view or surf the news you know the state of Georgia like many others is facing revenue shortfalls. So you will not be surprised to know that GALILEO and its member libraries are currently struggling with budget reductions for FY09 and FY10. At this time, we are not certain what the specific impact will be on GALILEO offerings for each of the user communities for this year or next. But, as stewards of Georgia's Virtual Library we need to continually assess the value of the databases to ensure that we are serving Georgians in the best way we can with the available resources. In order to help users be informed and transformed into more knowledgeable

citizens and students, do we have the right mix? Do we need different formats to reflect different learning styles of our users? Are there resources that, while nice and useful, could be eliminated for something that would provide more value? These kinds of collection development issues are not new to GALILEO or its user communities, but they will most certainly require more critical analysis and discussion during this coming year. Everyone's participation and feedback will be very important. Stay tuned!

UPCOMING 2008 FALL CONFERENCES

Look for the GALILEO Exhibit Booth and GALILEO staff presentations at these upcoming conferences.

Georgia Council of Media Organizations (COMO)
October 15-17, The Classic Center, Athens

USG Annual Computing Conference
October 22-24, Rock Eagle 4-H Center

Georgia Council for the Social Studies Annual Conference
October 23-24, The Classic Center, Athens

Georgia Educational Technology Conference (GAETC)
November 4-7, Georgia International Convention Center, College Park
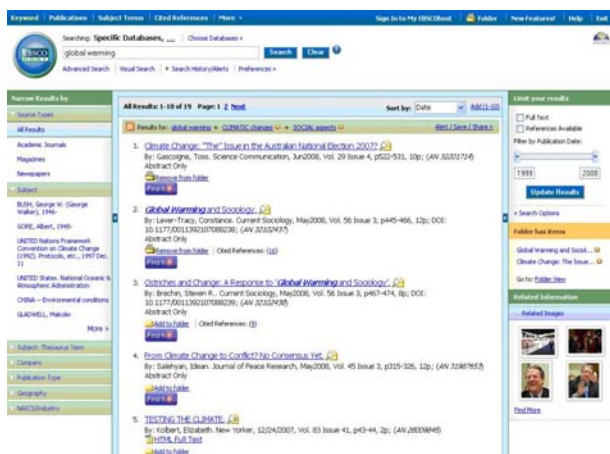
A New Search Experience with EBSCO*host* 2.0

By GALILEO Staff

EBSCO*host* has a new look with some exciting new features. Through feedback from a great deal of usability testing, EBSCO has developed a simple interface that allows for an easy, but powerful, search.

The new basic search screen offers a clean, simple search box for quickly typing in search terms and receiving results. Users wanting more choices for

searching can choose Search Options or Advanced Search for more limiters and search modes.

The new results screen provides more ways to limit results without performing a new search, as well as more options to view related materials and the folder. Some of the new features include

1) *Breadcrumb Trail* – Users can narrow results using the list of subjects and source types on the left pane and then use the breadcrumb trail to remove any of the terms they choose.
2) *Alert/Save/Share* – Users can easily save search and journal alerts, create an RSS feed, or share links in many social networking sites, such as Del.icio.us, Digg, Twitter, or Facebook.
3) *Limit results from the results screen* – Users can now limit to peer-reviewed or full-text articles directly from the results screen.
4) *Date slide limiter* – The date slide allows users to filter results by dates of their choosing.
5) *Folder items* – Users can view the contents of their folder from the results screen.
6) *Related information* – The results screen now includes images and other information related to search terms.
7) *Preview pane* – Users can preview the article entry in a small window by clicking the icons beside each article.

These are just a few of the new features in EBSCO*host* 2.0. For additional information, screenshots, help sheets, and tutorials, see the EBSCO*host* 2.0 support site at http://support.ebsco.com/ebscohost2/.

Looking for GALILEO Training?

Need instruction on how to use GALILEO databases?

Want to learn more about the new GALILEO interfaces?

Check out our training schedule at

http://www.usg.edu/galileo/help/library/training/

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