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NetLibrary Free Trial Continues

The free trial for the new BCR netLibrary Public Library Collection continues through October 31. To sign up for the free trial, complete the <u>form on BCR's Web site</u>. You will also find a list of the titles in the collection.

The order form to purchase access to the new public library shared collection of electronic books is also on the Web site. Libraries enrolling before October 20 will not experience any interruption in access to the e-books when the trial is over. Although this new shared collection is geared toward public libraries, all types of libraries are welcome to participate.

OCLC Adds New Journals to FirstSearch ECO

OCLC has added 69 new journals from 17 publishers to the FirstSearch Electronic Collections Online service. Additional information is available in "Electronic Collections Online Publishers and Journals" at www2.oclc.org/oclc/fseco/publish.htm.

Oxford University Press Enhances ANB Online

The newest upgrade to the American National Biography Online has been published by Oxford University Press and includes more than 60 new articles profiling occupations from architects to U.S. representatives.

In addition, the Custom Search page has several new features, some of which allow users to search articles with illustrations or online resources or by update.

Emerald is New Name for MCB UP Limited

MCB has officially changed its name to Emerald to make it more easily recognizable. In conjunction with the name change, Emerald has launched a new and expanded Web site. The new URL is www.emeraldinsight.com.

Emerald now offers a Support Resources service that includes a comprehensive range of library and user support resources. Go to www.emeraldinsight.com/support/index.htm for more information.

H.W. Wilson Joins Art Museum Image Consortium

The H.W. Wilson Company and the Art Museum Image Consortium (AMICO) have partnered to make the AMICO library available via WilsonWeb beginning January 2002. More than 77,000 digitized works of art will be available to WilsonWeb users through this online resource of art images and related multimedia gathered from member museums such

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as The Art Institute of Chicago, J. Paul Getty Museum, The Library of Congress, National Gallery of Canada and Smithsonian American Art Museum, among many others.

The AMICO Library provides educational institutions with images and other related information to support learning in art history, the humanities, studio art and design and other subjects ranging in time from 3000 B.C. to the late 20th century. All works in The AMICO Library are rights-cleared for educational use and include curatorial text, provenance information, details or multiple views of the work as well as other related multimedia such as sound and video. For more information, contact Karen Graham at kgraham@bcr.org.

Gale Offers Enhanced Computer Database Product

The Gale Group has enhanced its Computer Database product to include indexing and full-text as far back as 1980 for a variety of magazines and journals. Current subscribers can add this new feature without any cost increase. Go to www.galegroup.com and click on **Title Lists** to learn more or contact Karen Graham at kgraham@bcr.org.

SilverPlatter Update

Beginning in January 2002, SilverPlatter will offer a new, monthly version of PAIS International in addition to the current quarterly version. The monthly version will be accessible via the Internet and QUIKData only. The quarterly version will be available via CD only.

SilverPlatter is retiring several medical reference databases. SilverPlatter versions of Toxline, ToxlinePlus and AIDSLine databases are being discontinued, with Toxline available through the end of December.

Medline subset databases were removed from Silver- Platter's Internet Service in August. However, users can access all data from the Medline subsets through Medline and Medline CD. These subsets include: Bioethicsline, Healthstar, ToxlinePlus and Popline.

Look for the release of PsycARTICLES in October. Published by the American Psychological Association (APA), this full-text offering is a source for basic, applied, clinical and theoretical psychology for students, researchers and clinicians.

For questions or to subscribe to any reference database, contact BCR's Jim Hensinger (jhensing@bcr.org) or Karen Graham (kgraham@bcr.org).

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