

NEUMANN NEWS

Highlighting Scholarly Information Services & Resources for the UHCL Community

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Neumann librarians look forward to welcoming faculty and students to our new 21st century library at the Pearland campus! The library will incorporate many of the latest trends in providing space to study, scholarly resources, and services.

Librarians have planned an inviting learning environment with up-to-the-minute technology and good old-fashioned services. The Pearland campus library will provide access to over 100,000 ebooks and approximately 50,000 ejournals. These will be supplemented by the collections at the home library, available through online request forms and delivered within a day or two. Course reserves also will be provided.

For students to be successful, understanding the scholarly communication process is important. Onsite library staff will help students find their way through the digital landscape of academic research, teaching them to find, use, and evaluate information. Help also will be available from librarians at the home campus.

The Pearland library will be a place for students to meet, study, interact with each other and relax. There will be flexible seating so that students can rearrange the furniture to suit their needs, whether they are studying in teams or individually. Desktop computers will be available, as will laptop-friendly seating and a wifi network.

Neumann librarians look forward to welcoming all of you to this new campus library!

Karen Wielhorski

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Please invest 15 minutes in a UHCL library that better meets your needs and expectations

We know your time is valuable. If you already have completed the [Neumann Library Survey](#), you have our deepest thanks! If not, we sincerely request your help. The anonymous survey will be available through **April 22** from the link above or from the library [homepage](#).

The time-tested, internationally recognized LibQUAL+® survey instrument was developed by researchers at Texas A&M University and the Association of Re-

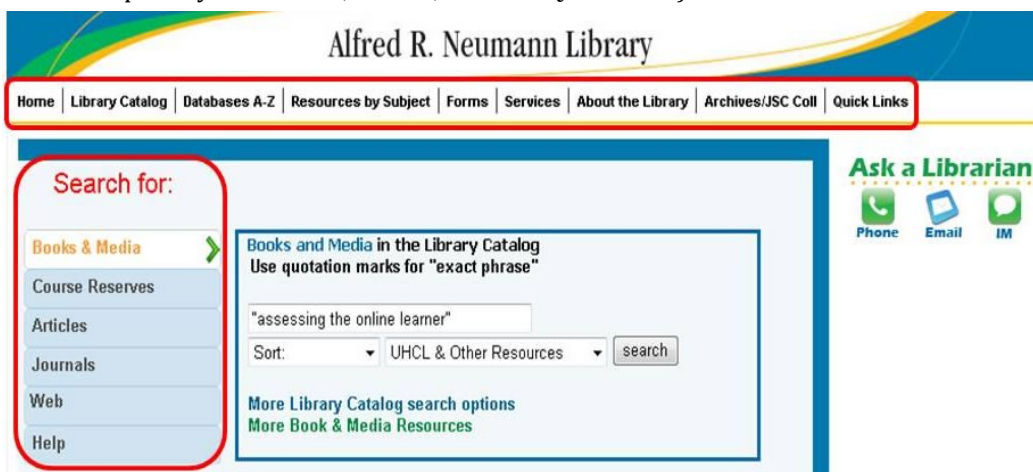
search Libraries. The survey results will be a critical part of the Neumann Library's documentation for UHCL's reaccreditation review by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Your response also will help us to understand how closely the library meets your scholarly information needs and to prioritize our commitments to improvement.

Thank you so much for your dedication and assistance!

New website navigation options

Following user testing, the library website has a new look. The menu underneath the banner appears on every page of the site and includes mouse-over, drop-down menus for all entries except *Home*, *Library Catalog*, and *Databases A-Z*. The *Search* for box on the homepage provides immediate search capability for books, media, and

course reserves in the Library Catalog, for articles in a multiple database interface (try this when you don't want a specific database such as *ERIC*, *PsycINFO*, etc.), for journals in the Journals List, and for the web in *Google Scholar*. Not finding something? See our improved [Site Map](#) (under *Quick Links*) or [Ask a Librarian](#)!



New feature in Journals List (formerly Ejournals List)

In addition to linking to online fulltext databases and publisher sites, the [UHCL Journals List](#) now provides links to the

Library Catalog when the library has paper copy or microfilm for a serial (a journal, magazine, or newspaper).

A LOOK BACK IN TIME



These photographs were scanned from 35mm slides taken during the October 1969 groundbreaking of the Clear Lake Graduate Center, now known as the Arbor Building. All eleven slides can be viewed in the [Archives Catalog](#). Search for *CLGC*, and then select **Display Finding Aid** to view thumbnail images. Click any thumbnail to see a larger image.

Additional information about the Arbor Building, including why it was located across Horsepen Bayou from the Bayou Building site, can be found in the Neumann Library [Blog](#). Thank you to the Office of the Vice President for Administration and Finance for donating the slides.



Photos: [University Archives](#) collections

BORROW AN EBOOK READER

Would you like to try out an ebook reader? The library currently has four available for loan, thanks to a purchase made possible by the Mary Elizabeth Tamer Endowment. To check on availability, see [Portable Reader System](#) in the Library Catalog. The loan period is three weeks.

Moving forward with Census 2010



April 1 is Census Day, and the [U.S. Census Bureau](#) is working hard to encourage full participation. An accurate count of residents determines Congressional representation and serves as the basis for many social services.

The 2010 Census is the first census to use a "short form" only. What was commonly called the "long form" in Census 2000 and earlier years is now the [American Community Survey](#) (ACS). The ACS is part of the official census but conducted throughout the decade on a rolling sample of about 2.5 percent of the population every year.

Search and manipulate data from the decennial censuses and the American Community Survey at [American FactFinder](#). For additional help on the American Community Survey, see "[How to Use the Data](#)" on the ACS website.

Frequently asked questions about the current census are answered under "[The Whole Story](#)" on the [Census 2010](#) website.

For more information, contact [Gay Carter](#), Reference/Documents Librarian, or [Heather Strawser](#), Documents Associate.

From [Government Documents](#)

Instructions for linking to videos, clips, & playlists

Reference and Instruction Librarian Ashlynn Wicke has prepared step-by-step instructions on how to link to videos, individual clips, and customized playlists in the streaming video databases *Films on Demand* and *Counseling and Therapy in Video*. Find the

document [Linking to Videos in Neumann Library Databases](#) on the library's [Services for Faculty](#) webpage, which also includes documents on linking to library website pages, articles in databases, and eBooks.

Let us know of any problems with persistent links

Using persistent links that have been modified with the library's authentication server prefix (<http://libproxy.uhcl.edu/login?url=>) allows you to share scholarly articles from research databases with students while avoiding concerns about copyright infringement. Advise your students to use high speed Internet services, however, to avoid occasional timed-out connections. When you encounter failures with persistent links to articles or other materials in library

databases, please email the problem link to [Karen Berrish](#), Associate Director for Library Digital Services, or to referencestaff@uhcl.edu. When timing out isn't the issue, we can contact the database vendor and seek a solution. Please keep us informed. Thank you!



FROM THE EDITORS...

Please contact [Gay](#) or [Susan](#) with ideas or requests for stories in future issues.



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Library hours during regular academic session:

Monday—Thursday 8 am—12 midnight
Friday 8 am—5 pm
Saturday 9 am—6 pm
Sunday 1 pm—9 pm

This newsletter is available with active hyperlinks on the library website at www.uhcl.edu/library/NEWS.

Can we be of assistance?

Call the Reference Desk at 281-283-3910 or see other [Ask a Librarian](#) options.