




News and Services of the Hekman Library –September, 2009

WELCOME FRESHMEN AND RETURNING STUDENTS
In this newsletter, you'll find tips, advice, etc. to help you meet your research needs. As a start, we suggest you explore these links on the library's homepage:

- **WebCat**—Unsure where or how to start researching for that paper your professor's just assigned? No point in wandering aimlessly through the stacks for unknown books. Welcome to WebCat, Hekman Library's online catalog. With basic and advanced searches, you can locate books by subject, title, author name, and more! 
- **Subject and Class Guides**—So you have your books now, but the professor also wants you to reference journal articles in your paper. With over 150 databases, where's the best place to start? If the subject is unfamiliar to you, use these guides—librarians have carefully compiled the best resources (in print and online) for all disciplines.
- **Research Databases**—To get started, click on "More Info" to read a brief summary of each database. Look for the following: **Subjects included** – Many focus on a subject or discipline (e.g., Historical Abstracts). Others are interdisciplinary (covering multiple subjects). **Dates covered** – Some have up-to-date information, while others include older materials (e.g., JSTOR). **Types of materials** – Does it include scholarly or peer-reviewed journals? Popular magazines or newspapers? Images? E-books? **Full-text** – Does the database offer full-text online, or only abstracts? u
- **KnightCite**— Now your paper is written, and all that's left is to compile your bibliography. But the reference guide is too confusing and you're quickly running out of time. Why not use KnightCite, an online citation generator service provided by the Hekman Library? APA, MLA, Chicago . . . we've got them all.

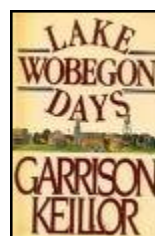
THE RESEARCH TEAM THAT HELPS TAKE YOU TO THE FINISH LINE!



Our team of professional librarians have years of experience in a variety of subject areas. We are supported by a group of behind-the-scenes experts and student assistances to bring you the best service possible. Stop by the research desk!

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Strapped for cash, homework done, and no place to go? Then head back to the **Cayvan Recorded Media Center** to browse its selection of CDs, DVDs, (including television programs, foreign films, and classics).



Books more your style??? Visit the **Recreational Reading** section on the 3rd floor of the library and enjoy a light read. While there, you might also pick up a periodical: Newsweek, Runner's World, Psychology Today.

Take a trip down memory lane. Visit the **Children's Literature Collection** in the H.J. Kuiper Room for biographies, collections of poetry, folk and fairy tales. Ideal for all ages!



- **Shortcuts**—The ‘Quick Renew’ link on the library’s homepage allows you to renew your books whenever you need (provided they’re not overdue!) from wherever you are (and you don’t have to trek them all to the library!).— Use the ‘Interlibrary Loan’ link to request any books or articles you might need and which our library doesn’t have.— Link to KnightCite directly from the library homepage to help you compile your bibliography