



OPENING DOORS: Contemporary African American Academic Surgeons

Health Sciences Library Hosts National Library of Medicine Exhibit

The National Library of Medicine's nationally touring exhibit "Opening Doors: Contemporary African American Surgeons" celebrates the achievements of African American pioneers in medicine by highlighting four contemporary pioneer African American surgeons and educators who exemplify excellence in their fields. (See <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/exhibition/aframsurgeons/> for more information). Dr. Claude Organ, one of the four surgeons highlighted in this exhibit, received his medical degree from the Creighton University School of Medicine. He remained at Creighton to complete his internship and residency and quickly moved up the ladder to become the first African American to chair a department of surgery at a predominantly white medical school when he became chair at Creighton University School of Medicine in 1971.

Creighton University Health Sciences Library/Learning Resources Center is pleased to host the "Opening Doors" exhibit in Omaha from **November 1, 2008 - January 30, 2009**. The exhibit will be housed at Love's Jazz & Arts Center (**November 1- December 12, 2008**) and at the Health Sciences Library (**December 14, 2008 - January 30, 2009**). The Love Gallery and Creighton University have joined together to arrange a series of events around the exhibit. Some of the highlighted events:

- November 7:** The Love Gallery hosted an Opening Night Reception with speakers, refreshments and entertainment.
- November 18:** The Creighton University Community Health Center will host a lunch 'n learn around the exhibit while it is at the Love Gallery. Public health screenings will be provided and a speaker will be on hand to discuss nutrition during the upcoming holiday season.
- November 19:** Creighton's Center for Health Policy and Ethics (CHPE) has teamed up with the Alegent Ethics Center to bring to Omaha Dr. September Williams, a graduate of Creighton University School of Medicine, a bioethicist and filmmaker. Dr. Williams was mentored by Dr. Organ. A reception co-sponsored by CHPE and the Creighton University Alumni Group will be held at the Love Gallery at 4p.m.
- December 15:** Creighton University's kick-off reception will be in the Hixson-Lied Atrium with speakers to include Fr. John Schlegel, S.J., President of Creighton University, Dr. Ray Gaines, Professor of Surgery, and Dr. Jeffrey Sugimoto, Chair of the Department of Cardiology.
- January 13, 2009:** The Health Sciences Library/Learning Resources Center is co-sponsoring librarian/consultant Eugenie Prime as a Distinguished Lecturer. Ms. Prime has a national reputation as a speaker on topics such as the role of information services to underserved and diverse populations.
[The other co-sponsors are ICON (the Nebraska health sciences library consortium) and the Creighton University School of Medicine.]

THANKSGIVING

Wed, Nov 26 7:00am–5:00pm
 Thurs, Nov 27 **CLOSED**
 Fri, Nov 28 9:00am–5:00pm
 Sat, Sun, Nov 29-30 10:00am–6:00pm

CHRISTMAS

Fri, Dec 12 7:00am-10:00pm
 Sat, Dec 13 10:00am - 6:00pm
 Sun, Dec 14 10:00am-12:00am
 Mon–Thurs, Dec 15-18 7:00am–12:00am
 Fri, Dec 19 7:00am–6:00pm
 Sat –Sun Dec 20-21 10:00am–6:00pm
 Mon, Tues 22-23 7:00am – 5:00pm
 Wed, Dec 24– Sun, Jan 4 **CLOSED**

Mon, Jan 5 **REGULAR HOURS RESUME**

Located in the Bio-Information Center (BIC) on the Creighton University campus, the Health Sciences Library / Learning Resources Center of the Creighton University Medical Center publishes the **BICInformer** four times a year.

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Free Personal Print Subscription to *Cell*

As a benefit of the library’s license to *Cell Online*, Cell Press is offering Creighton University faculty, students, and staff the opportunity to subscribe to *Cell* in print at no charge, under the Cell Affiliated Subscription Program. The print subscription is for 26 biweekly issues (1 year). To take advantage of this offer, visit <http://www.Cell.com/freesub>

If you have questions, please contact Bryan Stack, Serials and Electronic Collections Librarian (280-5137 or cuhs-serials@creighton.edu).

Open Access Forum Held at Harper Center

What is Open Access and why is it important? Open access information is free of charge, free of licensing restrictions, and online. Open Access is important for authors, students, and teachers. With Open Access, authors will have a larger potential audience than any subscriber-restricted journal could offer; students/researchers will have free online access to literature necessary for research; teachers will know that their students have convenient access to the information they need *when they need it*.

On November 10th, the three Creighton University libraries and the Creighton University Graduate School sponsored a forum on Open Access Publishing. The forum was held at the Harper Center. Julia Blixrud, Assistant Director Public Programs, Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition (SPARC), delivered the keynote speech. Her speech was followed by a panel of Creighton University faculty – Craig Dallan, J.D., School of Law; Roger Brumback, M.D., Department of Pathology, School of Medicine; Christy Rentmeester, Ph.D., Center for Health Policy and Ethics, School of Medicine; Ernest Goss, Ph.D., Economics, College of Business; and Isabelle Cherney, Ph.D., Department of Psychology, College of Arts and Sciences. Audience questions followed the panel discussion.

For a concise introduction to Open Access view Peter Suber’s “Very Brief Introduction to Open Access” at <http://www.earlham.edu/~peters/fos/brief.htm>. Suber is a Senior Researcher for the Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition (SPARC) and has been active in promoting open access for many years through his research, speaking, and writing.

Reciprocal Borrowing Agreement Provides Free Interlibrary Loan

The Health Sciences Library has entered into a reciprocal agreement with the other three Jesuit medical school libraries – **Loyola University-Chicago, St. Louis University, and Georgetown University** - to offer one another free exchange of interlibrary loan items. *What does this mean for Creighton University faculty, staff, and students?* If an item requested is not available from our library and it is available at one of the other Jesuit medical school libraries, there will be **no charge** to the individual requesting it.

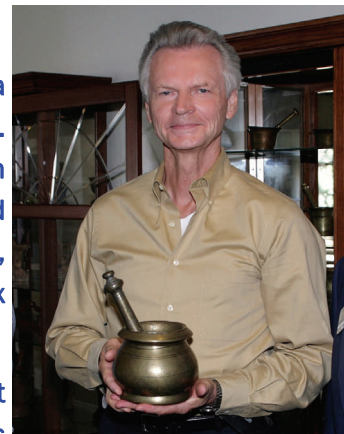
For more information, contact the Health Sciences Library Circulation Department (280-5109 or hslcirc@creighton.edu).

Dr. Sidney Stohs Donates Mortar and Pestle Collection

The Creighton University Health Sciences Library/Learning Resource Center has a new permanent exhibit that offers a glimpse into the history of pharmacy. Dr. Sidney Stohs, former dean of the Creighton School of Pharmacy and Health Professions (1991-2003), donated his personal collection of nearly 180 mortars and pestles to the Library. Recognized as the most common symbol for the profession, mortars and pestles are traditionally used by pharmacists to crush and mix ingredients for prescription compounds.

Dr. Stohs began collecting mortars and pestles in the 1960s as a student. Most of the collection comes from the United States, Europe and the Middle East and dates back to the 19th century, while several bronze mortars and pestles date to the 18th century. The collection includes pieces made of bronze, brass, iron, wood, ceramic, granite, porcelain, quartz, agate, alabaster, glass, volcanic stone, and aluminum as well as several silvered items. Some of the more unique pieces of the collection include a 15th century stone mortar and pestle which once belonged to the Anasazi, a prehistoric Native American civilization that existed in the “Four Corners” region of the southwestern United States, and a 19th century set from Sweden which features an eye hook pestle as well as an eye hook on the mortar which allowed the pieces to be hung in a medicine wagon.

Regarding his donation to the Health Sciences Library, Dr. Stohs commented, “I wanted my collection to be viewed and appreciated by as many people as possible. I enjoy history, and I believe other health professionals do also.” The collection is labeled and available for public viewing on the second floor of the library.



Holiday Food for Fine\$

For the **18th year in a row**, the Health Sciences Library is collecting non-perishable food items for our annual **Holiday Food for Fine\$** drive.

From November 1st until December 19th you can clear your overdue item fees by donating one non-perishable food item for every \$1.00 in fees.

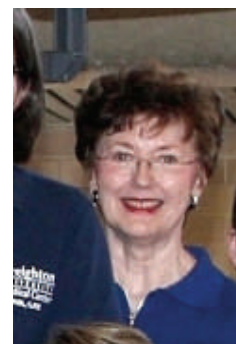
This will be our first year bringing your donations to the **Omaha Food Bank** – you may visit their website at <http://www.omahafoodbank.org/> for more information on this local charity. Deliveries will be made before the Christmas Holiday.

Please contact the HSL Circulation department at **280-5109** if you would like more information.

Happy Holidays from the Health Sciences Library!

Staff News

Jane Romack, Head of the Learning Resources Center (LRC), retired after nearly 21 years of service to Creighton University. Jane oversaw tremendous growth and change in the use of the LRC during her tenure as Head – formats changed from 16 mm film reels to streaming video; the number of anatomical and simulation models increased four-fold during her time in the library. She left the LRC poised for future growth and development. In the interim, **Richard Jizba** will oversee the strategic direction of the LRC and **Diana Boone** will oversee the day-to-day operation and management of the center.



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Hours of Operation

Library/LRC

Sunday 10:00 am—Midnight
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 Friday 7:00 am—10:00 pm
 Saturday 10:00 am— 8:00 pm

Reference Desk

Sunday 1:30 pm—10:00 pm
 Monday-Thursday 7:30 am—10:00 pm
 Friday 7:30 am— 6:00 pm
 Saturday 10:00 am— 6:00 pm

Drug Information & Evidence Based Practice

Monday-Friday 8:00 am— 5:00 pm

Creighton Creative Services

Monday—Friday 8:00 am— 5:00 pm

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