



Library News, October 2012

Welcome to the Graff Library's October newsletter! Please click the links below to read the full articles.

News

[We're in the pilot phase! Update on our publication database](#)

Our new publication database is in the pilot phase. We have extended access to the system beyond our working group and have asked a small group of researchers, core facility directors, and administrative personnel to use it, and provide us with feedback. We plan to extend access to all of City of Hope early in 2013.

[Open Access Week 2012](#)

Find out how the library supports open access—and how you can, too. And, [enter to win a prize!](#)

[Back to School recap](#)

Our annual Back to School festival was a success! Click the link above for a recap of the event - with pictures.

Staff Changes

[John Carrigan retires](#)

John Carrigan, Electronic Services Librarian, retired at the end of September after 40 years of service at City of Hope.

[Welcome, Karin Saric - the library's new intern](#)

In September the library welcomed Karen Saric, a library school intern from UCLA. Karin will be with us on Tuesdays and Wednesday mornings through December, helping users, shadowing library staff, and working on several projects to help her learn the ins and outs of biomedical libraries.

Did You Know?

[UpToDate and the evidence](#)

Earlier this year, UpToDate added some new features to support evidence-based practice. Read this article to learn how UpToDate grades the evidence they use and their recommendations for practice.

Collection Updates

[More e-books - and a new way to buy them](#)

Under a new purchasing model, we are able to provide access to lots of e-books but only pay for the ones that are used. This new model allows us to provide access to many more e-books than before, in

a wider variety of subject areas. Search our [catalog](#) or [A-Z list of online journals and books](#) to see what's available.

[New books](#)

We added many new books—especially e-books—in the last three months. Check the [New Resources category](#) on our blog or search our catalog for a topic of interest.

From the Archives

[The famous watch and thimble](#)

What do a watch and thimble have to do with the founding of City of Hope? Click the link above to find out.

Library Staff Activities

Your library staff have, as always, been busy providing the City of Hope community with the information resources and services needed to support your work. In addition to our usual duties, though, the staff attend and present at conferences, write for publication, and attend workshops and other events to learn new skills and keep up with our rapidly-changing profession. Here's what we've been up to since July:

- Janet Crum was selected to participate in the Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries' New Directors Symposium, a six-month program of in-person and virtual meetings with a cohort of new library directors.
- Andrea Lynch attended a workshop called "Spotlight on the User: Enhancing Value Through User-Centric Design and Innovation," sponsored by the San Diego chapter of the Special Libraries Association.
- Susan Yates attended the Society of American Archivists Annual Meeting in San Diego, CA.