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We publish INSIDE The CU Libraries weekly, when classes are in session. Here we share information about our services and resources with the campus community. Current and back issues are available online through the NEWS link on the Libraries’ homepage.

New Journals And Databases

We have added new electronic databases and enhanced existing ones that provide you with access to thousands of new journals. The journals are available in electronic form from anywhere and at any time you might need them. In this, and the next several issues of the Inside newsletter, we will provide you with an overview of these new information resources.

- **American History & Life with Full Text.** This definitive database of literature covering the history and culture of the United States and Canada, from prehistory to the present, contains selective indexing for 1,700 journals from 1955 to the present. It also provides full-text for more than 200 key journals and nearly 100 books.

- **Historical Abstracts with Full Text.** This is the definitive database for world history (excluding the United States and Canada) from 1450 to the present, including world history, military history, history of education, and much more. Find indexing of historical articles from more than 1,800 journals in over 40 languages, dating back to 1955 with access to the full text of 349 journals and more than 120 books.

- **Gender Studies Database.** An indexing and abstracting database that provides information about journal articles, books, book chapters, and other information resources covering the full spectrum of gender-engaged scholarship and popular literature. It includes more than 921,000 records with coverage spanning from 1972 to the present. Although it does not contain the full-text of journal articles, it does contain links to many that are available from our full-text journal databases or through our InterLibrary Loan borrowing service.

- **Sociological Collection.** Offering information on all areas of sociology including social behavior, human tendencies, interaction, relationships, community development, culture and social structure and more, this database provides coverage of more than 475 full text journals, including hundreds of peer-reviewed titles.

These databases are available through the Libraries Homepage. In the green “Research” block, click on the Databases link, then scroll down the alphabetical list or use the alphabetical links to jump to the appropriate section of the list.

If you have questions or need assistance, stop by the Libraries or call Carlson Library at 393-2490, Suhr Library at 676-6591, or Clarion Online distance education students may call toll-free at 866-272-5612, (press 5 for Library). Chat
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and other online services are available at through the Libraries’ website via the Ask a Librarian!/LibAnswers! link.
**Student Tip: Group Study Rooms**

Group study rooms are available in Carlson Library on Level A, 1, and 3.

The rooms are available on a first-come, first-served basis, although in special cases they may be reserved ahead of time.

Our policy states,

"Study rooms are available for either individual or group use. Priority for study room space is normally given to groups of three (3) or more. Library staff may request that an individual study elsewhere when the space is requested for group use."

In the event that a group needs a study space, and the room is occupied by fewer than three people, group members should first check the availability of other study rooms on Level A, 1, and 3. If another room is not available, you may ask individuals of smaller groups to vacate a room or request that Circulation Desk staff (Level 1) ask individuals to relinquish the room for group use.

Level 3 is a Quiet Zone, so if you expect to have a spirited discussion, please do so quietly, or use a group study room on Level A or 1.

**Group Study Rooms are not soundproof.** Those outside the room can usually hear conversation from inside the room.

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**Faculty Tip: Faculty Study Room**

Carlson Library offers current and retired faculty a place where they can conduct research or other business while they are in the building.

Located on Level A, in room A-17, this shared space has two tables and a networked computer. Faculty may borrow the key from the Reference Desk on Level 1. Please remember your ID Card.

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**The S.W.A.T. Minion’s Tip: Printing With Eagle Dollars**

- Your student ID card is preloaded with $5 that can be used for printing in campus computer labs.
- You can easily add as little as $1 to your ID on Level A of Carlson Library.

**BEWARE:**

*Your Eagle Dollars can disappear quicker than you expect!*

- When you swipe to pay for printing in the computer labs, be sure to click the “END SESSION” button. If you do not, your dollars may be used to pay for the next person’s printing.
As always, the S.W.A.T. Team Minions are here to answer your questions. You can find us on Level A of Carlson Library.

**Cranial Candy: Word Of The Week**

**mainspring**

**PRONUNCIATION:**
MAIN spring

**MEANING:**
If you look inside a wristwatch or a clock, the mainspring is the most important spring. It is the main thing that makes the timepiece work.

Similarly, the mainspring of something is its most important, most powerful cause or motive.

**HOW TO USE IT:**
Because a spring makes something work by uncoiling and forcing action, call something a mainspring when it provides steady pressure that forces something to happen, especially continuously and little by little.

So, talk about one thing being the mainspring of a second thing. (You can say either "the mainspring of something" or "something's mainspring.") For instance, a shared event, experience, or opinion might be the mainspring of connection or understanding between two people, or you might say a certain problem or event is the mainspring of a negative emotion, like selfishness or anger.

The thing to keep in mind is that whatever has a mainspring is being compared, loosely, to a clock or watch that keeps on going, driven by whatever that mainspring is.

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Although we do not “repair” computers, the **S.W.A.T. Team** (the **Students Who Assist [with] Technology** on Level A of Carlson Library) is always happy to help. Having an issue? Let us take a swat at it!

**Something To Think About:**

*Your pain is the breaking of the shell that encloses your understanding.*  
- Khalil Gibran