

“Librarian’s Shelf” by Heather St. Clair

New Databases at the Columbus Public Library

The Columbus Public Library (CPL) has some new database available. Our first new databases are part of Salem Health. Currently, you can access the information found in the print sets of Salem Press’s “Cancer” and “Psychology & Mental Health.”

Cancer topics found in the database include entries for different types of cancers, carcinogens, treatments, symptoms, and more. Pictures are available in color and can be enlarged. Topics in mental health include subliminal messages, IQ, well known psychologists, pharmaceutical treatments, and mental disorders. Coming soon from Salem Health, we will also offer “Magill’s Medical Guide” which will offer a wide variety of medical topics..

The Salem Health databases are all available on computers in the library and at home. To access the databases at home go to <http://www.columbuslibrary.info/resources.htm>. When you click on the Salem Health link you will be asked for your library barcode number. This number is located on the back of your card and must be entered without the spaces..

Our other new database is Ancestry® Library Edition. This database is Ancestry.com for use in libraries. The major collections of genealogical materials include U.S., Canadian, United Kingdom, German, Jewish, and military collections. The U.S. collections include census and immigration records, passport applications and vital records. In some cases there are even family photos, maps, and pictures of headstones. The Learning Center of Ancestry® Library Edition will even help you begin a family tree.

Ancestry® Library Edition is only available to use in the library. To use CPL computers a library card is needed. Both Columbus Public Library and Platte County Bookmobile cards will work.

Also coming soon is the database Books & Authors, where you will be able to find information on your favorite authors and the books they have written.

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