



# Inside The Library

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## BRAIN TEASER



A customer at a 7-11 store selected four items to buy, and was told that the cost was \$7.11. He was curious that the cost was the same as the store name, so he enquired as to how the figure was derived. The clerk said that he had simply multiplied the prices of the four individual items. The customer protested that the four prices should have been **ADDED**, not **MULTIPLIED**. The clerk said that that was **OK** with him, but, the result was still the same: exactly \$7.11. What were the four prices?

Visit the Scientific Library Website for the answer!

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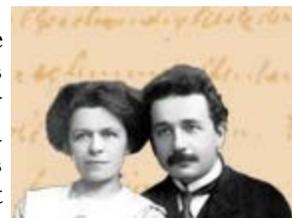
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## CELEBRATING ALBERT EINSTEIN

During the month of December the Scientific Library staff observed the **World Year of Physics** and its theme of *Einstein in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century* with a multi-part program called "**Celebrating Albert Einstein.**" We purchased books written by and about Einstein; we created a bulletin board using book covers and posters; we created and gave away free Einstein bookmarks; we compiled a print and a web bibliography to provide additional sources for learning about Einstein; we scheduled showings each week of 3 different Einstein documentaries and 1 feature-length movie.

The first documentary we showed was **EINSTEIN REVEALED**, a **PBS NOVA** program that traces Einstein's extraordinary rise from a student who flunked his engineering exams to the world's most renowned physicist.

**EINSTEIN'S WIFE**, our second documentary, explores the life of Mileva Maric, a brilliant mathematician, who was Einstein's university sweetheart, first wife, and possibly his scientific collaborator during 1905 when he published five ground-breaking papers. The third documentary was **EINSTEIN'S BIG IDEA**, a drama that tries to explain what  $E=MC^2$  really means, and how Einstein's intellectual journey began with the ingenuity and innovative thinking of Michael Faraday and Antoine Lavoisier.



Then, after showing all the serious documentaries, we offered a lighthearted view of Albert Einstein by showing the movie **IQ**, a romantic comedy starring Tim Robbins and Meg Ryan, and featuring Walter Matthau as Albert Einstein.

We received lots of positive comments about this four-part program. Some people loved the quotes that we included in each listserv announcement (found in the book **THE NEW QUOTABLE EINSTEIN**, available in our collection). Many people enjoyed attending the programs to learn more about Einstein, including the amazing fact that his famous  $E=MC^2$  paper from 1905 is only 3 pages long and contains no references to any previous research—a truly original work!

You can still benefit from this program, even if you were unable to attend any of the showings. We have added DVDs of all the documentaries and the movie, plus a variety of books, to our circulating collection where they can be checked out with an approved barcode. You can find a list of those titles, plus other Einstein resources, on our web bibliography at URL <http://www-library.ncifcrf.gov/bib/albertEinstein.aspx>. Or, you can stop by the Scientific Library anytime and ask about our materials on Albert Einstein.

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On the web at: [www-library.ncifcrf.gov](http://www-library.ncifcrf.gov)



## Instructional Training Classes

We are now taking registrations for the following hands-on instructional classes, taught by Library staff.

Thursday, Jan. 19 – INTRODUCTION TO ENDNOTE – AM

Thursday, Jan. 19 – INTERMEDIATE ENDNOTE – PM

Tuesday, Jan. 24 – INTRODUCTION TO ENDNOTE – AM

Tuesday, Jan. 24 – INTERMEDIATE ENDNOTE – PM

Thursday, Feb. 2 – INTRODUCTION TO REFERENCE MANAGER – AM

Wednesday, Feb. 15 – INTERMEDIATE REFERENCE MANAGER – AM

In addition, we have scheduled three classes that will be taught by outside instructors.

Tuesday, Feb. 7 – NCBI IDENTIFICATION OF DISEASE GENES

Thursday, Feb. 16 – NCBI UPDATE – NEW SERVICES AND DATABASES

Tuesday, Mar. 7 – NCBI CORRELATING DISEASE GENES AND PHENOTYPES

Please call x5840, or email [meckley@mail.ncifcrf.gov](mailto:meckley@mail.ncifcrf.gov), to register for any of these classes.

“I believe that a simple and unassuming life is good for everybody, both physically and mentally.”

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Albert Einstein

## Library Orientation

Upcoming Library Orientations will be held on the following dates: **Wednesday, January 11**, **Wednesday, February 8** and **Wednesday, March 8**. All Orientations **begin at 2:30 p.m.** Orientations, which are held in the Library’s Microcomputer Lab, require no registration.

We encourage all new employees to attend a **Scientific Library Orientation** to learn about the Library’s services, and to see demonstrations of the Library’s Home Page and online catalog. If you are unable to attend any of these sessions, please call x5840 to schedule an alternate session.

## Featured Web Site

### BioProtocol

<http://www.bioprotocol.com/protocolstools/index.jhtml>

If you’re in need of a particular protocol, take a look at **BioProtocol**. This searchable database is an extensive collection of protocols created by researchers from the Department of Molecular and Cell Biology at the University of California, Berkeley who recognized the need for a single, comprehensive, centralized database of high-quality protocols for the life-science researcher. The founders also believed in the importance of making this database freely available to scientists world-wide via the Web, although the site requires an initial individual registration.

The protocols in the database are assembled from over 125 contributing laboratories throughout the world. Each protocol has gone through a rigorous editorial process by PhD-level research scientists to ensure that it is complete, in a uniform format, and that its instructions are clear. In addition, an Editorial Board oversees the general quality of the protocols as well as the coverage of holdings.

## REWARDS: A MULTI-PART LEARNING PROGRAM

Since August 2004, the Scientific Library, the NCI-Frederick Employee Diversity Team, and Occupational Health Services have collaborated to offer multi-part programs that help attendees learn more about consumer health topics through participation in Book Discussions, Movie Showings, and Invited Speaker Talks. Previous program topics included autism, heart disorders, Alzheimer's Disease, and deafness.

Encouraging feedback from participants and our desire to educate NCI-Frederick employees on consumer health issues have convinced us to continue offering this program in 2006. We decided that with the beginning of a new year and new topics, our program needed a new name. So, we would like to introduce....**REWARDS**! Each letter in "**REWARDS**" helps explain and describe the program.

- R** – **Read** a book on a selected topic
- E** – **Enjoy** talking about the book and its topic with others
- W** – **Watch** a movie on the topic
- A** – **Analyze** the topical points in the movie
- R** – **Review** the literature using a topical bibliography
- D** – **Discuss** the topic with an expert
- S** – **Share** the topical information with a friend



We are planning a new **REWARDS** program for February or March, so watch for announcements and flyers in early 2006.

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## FREDERICK COUNTY COALITION OF LIBRARIES

Over the past few months the Scientific Library staff has been initiating an effort to organize all of the various libraries of Frederick County into one cooperative group. Our efforts paid off in December when the first meeting of the **Frederick County Coalition of Libraries (FreCCoL)** was held. We hope that **FreCCoL** will facilitate a sharing of ideas and an exchange of information between all types of Frederick County libraries. We plan to begin by supporting the 2006 **Frederick Reads** program, a county-wide reading program that will be promoted by many Frederick County organizations. Stay tuned for more information!

## Center for Health Information Renovated, Expanded

The Center for Health Information at the Scientific Library has recently undergone renovations, enlarging the space dedicated to consumer health information. The new space was formally introduced to the NCI-Frederick at an Open House on November 16.

In addition to the new space in the Scientific Library, CHI's space on the web was also renovated and expanded. The web

site for the CHI, <http://www-library.ncifcrf.gov/chi.aspx>, was revised to include more links to relevant health information on the web, as well as to include a place for programs and events that are produced locally. The materials from the Lyme Disease program and the recipes offered at the Farmer's Market are two examples of items that are now available on the new web site.



# Featured Database

## Proteome BioKnowledge Library

Six database volumes of biological information about proteins comprise BIOBASE's **Proteome BioKnowledge Library**. Each volume focuses on a different organism important in pharmaceutical research.

The new Proteome BioKnowledge Interactions Module includes new protein-protein interactions data for the mammalian species and introduces a visualization tool for use with all BioKnowledge Library volumes. This module provides users with the added ability to physically view how sets of proteins relate to one another.

Proteome scientists manually collect and curate the information in each BioKnowledge Library volume from current scientific literature. The information in each volume represents thousands of independent research results. The BioKnowledge Library currently contains information about more than 60,000 scientific references on more than 80,000 proteins, including data on protein classification and function.

Access to the Proteome BioKnowledge Library is available to NCI-Frederick employees from the Scientific Library's home page, by scrolling over *Databases*, and then clicking *Complete List*, and then scrolling down the list to the *Proteome BioKnowledge Library* link.

NCI-Frederick employees should click on **Register** to obtain a user name and password or **Customer Login** if you have already registered.



### Library Hours

Monday—Thursday ...8:30AM—9:00PM  
Friday ...8:30AM—7:00PM  
Saturday ...10:00AM—5:00PM  
Sunday ...11:00AM—5:00PM

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## Link to frequently used sections of our web site directly from the Scientific Library Home Page

~~ Under Online Catalog Category ~~

- Serials Holdings List
- Diversity Café Movie Series
- Science in the Cinema
- New Books
- Center for Health Information
- Reading Diversions

~~ Self-Titled Categories ~~

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- Online Books