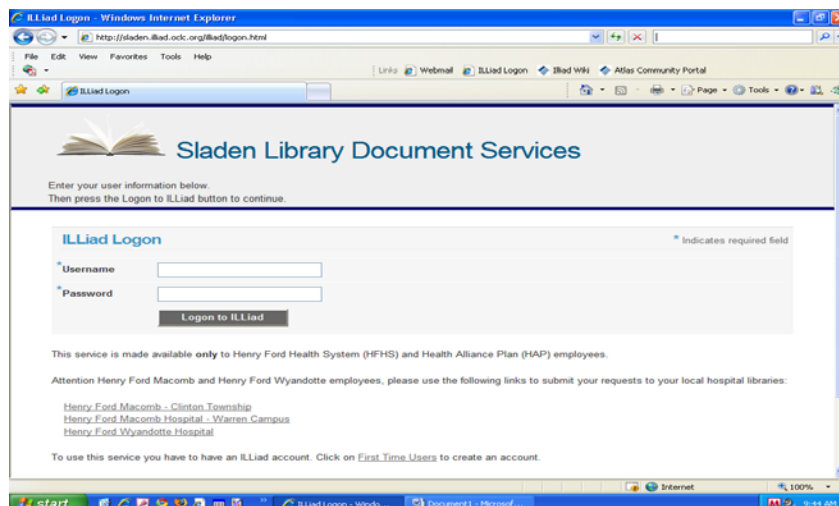


Sladen Library News

Announcing ILLiad! A New and Improved Way to Order Books and Articles

The new Sladen Library ILLiad Document Delivery System will be up and ready to use on April 6, 2009. *"This new system is great,"* says Library Director, Nancy Bulgarelli, *"It makes it easier for our users to request items while at the same time streamlining our behind-the-scenes processes."*

With ILLiad, you register once to set up a personal account using your Sladen ID and password at <http://sladen.illiad.oclc.org/illiad/logon.html>. Once you have registered, you will never have to enter your contact information again. Simply log into the system to place your requests! Articles and books can easily be ordered from your account for desktop delivery. You will be automatically notified by email when your requests are filled. ILLiad is compatible with PubMed's Loansome Doc system and with the Ovid "Order" option. From your account, you will be able to check on the progress of your orders and see a record of everything that you requested. All account information is housed on a secure server to protect your privacy. Set-up your account today and get ready for April 6th!



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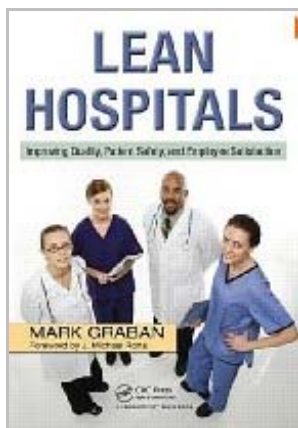
Hours:
8:30-7:30 Monday - Thursday
8:30-5:00 Friday

Sladen by the Numbers

Despite the availability of online information, Sladen Library continues to be a popular destination point for physicians, employees and visitors. In 2008, Sladen had **78,424 visits**, a 3% increase over the previous year. Physicians and employees come to the library to use the computers, borrow books (not everything is available on the Internet!), get expert help with accessing information, attend training programs and find a quiet, comfortable space for study. Come up and enjoy our view!

Brush Up on *Lean* Thinking at the Library

Despite how it sounds, lean thinking has little to do with your waistline. Lean thinking, or lean management as it is also called, is experiencing a rebirth of popularity in the health care industry. It aims to identify and eliminate waste of time, money, supplies, and staff energy with the goal of improving safety, quality of care, and employee satisfaction.



We recently added a number of books on lean thinking to our circulating collection. Visit the library to check out these titles and browse for others.

Lean Hospitals: Improving Quality, Patient Safety, and Employee Satisfaction. Mark Graban, 2009

A Lean Guide to Transforming Healthcare: How to Implement Lean Principles in Hospitals, Medical Offices, Clinics, and Other Healthcare Organizations. Tom Zidel, 2006

Lean Six Sigma for Service: How To Use Lean Speed and Six Sigma Quality to Improve Services and Transactions. Michael L. George, 2003

New Electronic Books from Springer

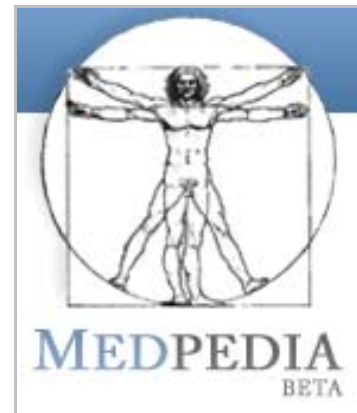
We've recently added over 800 electronic books from the publisher Springer to the collection. The Springer e-books cover a wide variety of medical specialties and healthcare topics. You can access the e-books through the library's [online catalog](#). Some of the new titles include *Electrical Diseases of the Heart*, *The SAGES Manual: A Practical Guide to Bariatric Surgery*, *Pocket Guide Pain Management*, and *Robotic Urology*.

Medpedia – The Next Big Thing?

<http://www.medpedia.com>

On February 17, 2009, the online beta version of [Medpedia](http://www.medpedia.com) was released with the goal of one day “producing the world’s most comprehensive resource” of medical knowledge. This seems like quite a grand claim considering many people have yet to even hear of Medpedia. So how does one go about becoming the “world’s most comprehensive resource?” Medpedia plans to provide a collaborative area for both medical professionals and consumers, all for free.

A large part of Medpedia is the medical encyclopedia, which serves as a reference source for topics on health, medicine, and the body. The encyclopedia portion is structured as a wiki (think Wikipedia), but unlike Wikipedia which allows *any* registered user to create and edit wiki information, only physician and PhDs in the biomedical field who have had their credentials checked and verified by Medpedia administrators are allowed to write and edit encyclopedia entries. Other medical professionals such as nurses and pharmacists can “suggest changes” to entries which will be reviewed by an approved editor before appearing on the page.



In addition to the medical encyclopedia portion, Medpedia also consists of a professional directory. Here, medical professionals create profiles that highlight their specialties and experience. The directory provides a space for professionals to network and become known among their peers.

There are many features that still have yet to become fully functional and utilized, including discussion forums where doctors can interact with patients. Even though all content on Medpedia is community generated, it has the support of many reputable health organizations including the University of Michigan Medical School, Harvard Medical School, and the American College of Physicians. Medpedia is still in the growing stage, but it will be interesting to see if it really can live up to its lofty goals.

The Sladen Library Wishes Our Docs a Happy National Doctors' Day!

In 1991, President George Bush designated March 30 as National Doctors' Day, but its original observance dates back much further. On March 30, 1933, Eudora Brown Almond wife of Dr. Charles B. Almond chose to set aside a day to honor physicians. The original day was observed by sending greeting cards to physicians and putting flowers on the graves of deceased doctors. The red carnation has become the symbol for National Doctors' Day. March 30 was chosen to commemorate the date ether anesthesia was first used in surgery by Dr. Crawford Williamson Long in 1842.

Update on UpToDate

UpToDate has added Neurology to the list of subspecialties it covers. The content covers all the major areas of neurology, including:

- Behavioral and cognitive neurology
- Dementia
- Epilepsy
- Headache
- Medical neurology
- Movement disorders
- Neuromuscular disease
- Neuro-oncology
- Neuro-ophthalmology
- Neuroradiology
- Neurovirology and neuro-AIDS
- Stroke

Upcoming Events @ the Library

April 12-18 marks the celebration of National Library Week. This year's theme is "Worlds Connect @ Your Library." Check the library's [website](#) for information on how we will be celebrating!

The library's new Walkstation will be soon be unveiled. Stay tuned to the next issue of Sladen Library News for more details.



From the Conrad R. Lam Archives

Dr. Clarence Livingood, Team Physician of the Detroit Tiger Baseball Club, November 14, 1968

In addition to his work with the Detroit Tigers from 1966-1997, Dr. Clarence Livingood was an acknowledged founder of the field of sports medicine. He came to Henry Ford Hospital in 1953 after an invitation by Eleanor Ford to establish the Department of Dermatology. Among his many accomplishments, Dr. Livingood was the dermatology consultant to the Surgeon General in World War II, served as Executive Director of the American Board of Dermatology, and was the only dermatologist to receive the American Medical Association distinguished service award.