

# Inform Quarterly

*A Newsletter from the Illinois State Library's Reference Section*

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## From the Reference Desk

In light of the smoking ban trend across the country, this issue of *Inform Quarterly* takes a look at some smoking-related items that can be found through the Reference Section's Gateway page and the State Library's online catalog. Also in this issue, a few Web sites offer information on child welfare and energy issues. Our featured database in this issue — Academic Search™ Premier — is a helpful resource on a broad spectrum of topics.

The Reference staff encourages you to contact them regarding any of the information or resources in this issue for your professional information needs. Or stop by the desk on the second floor of the library. While you're there, check out the Reference Section's monthly exhibits on the second-floor atrium bridge, including April's Child Abuse Prevention Month display and May's display on National Preservation.

### To request materials or find answers to your questions, please contact:

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*We look forward to hearing from you!*

## Smoking ban debate at forefront of political arena

Proposed, pending and enacted smoking bans have sparked controversy amongst business owners, individuals, and smoking rights and anti-smoking advocates, and has become a political hot topic at the local, state and national levels. Following is a list of resources that may be of interest to you. Articles may be found through the State Library's Gateway page at [www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/library/what\\_we\\_have/gateway.html](http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/library/what_we_have/gateway.html). Books may be accessed through I-SHARE, the State Library's online catalog at <http://library.ilsco.illinois.edu/isl>.

- "Smoking Please," by Iris Dorian, *State Directions*, vol. 19, no. 12, 2006, p. 10. (A theater company in Boulder, Col., filed lawsuit to seek exemption from the statewide ban.)
- "November Elections Yield Victory for Popular Public Health Causes," by Kim Krisberg, *Nation's Health*, vol. 36, no. 10, 2006/07, p. 18. (Report on victories achieved by public health in recent U.S. elections.)
- "Time to Stub Out Smoking," by Karen Springen, *Newsweek*, vol. 147, no. 9, 2006, p. 12. (Discusses the growing rise in places where it is illegal to smoke.)
- *Up in Smoke: From Legislation to Litigation in Tobacco Politics*, by Martha A. Derthick, second edition, Washington, D.C., CQ Press, 2005. 338.4 / DERT 2005.
- *Library in a Book: Tobacco Industry and Smoking*, by Fred C. Pampel, New York, NY: Facts on File, 2004. REF 338.4 / PAMP.

## Academic Search™ Premier

The Academic Search™ Premier database provided through the State Library offers unmatched full-text coverage for a wide array of subject areas, including biology, chemistry, engineering, physics, psychology, and religion and theology. The database contains indexing for more than 8,100 journals, with full text for nearly 4,500 of those titles. PDF back files to 1975 and before are available for more than 100 journals, and searchable cited references are provided for 1,000 titles.

Access to the database is available at the State Library or remotely for current Illinois state government employees with a valid State Library card. For more information, contact the Reference desk.

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## Bestseller/current interest titles

- **Cyberethics: Morality and Law in Cyberspace**, by Richard A. Spinello. 175 SPIN
- **E-business Strategy, Sourcing, and Governance**, by Petter Gottschalk. 658 GOTT
- **Group Communication Pitfalls: Overcoming Barriers to an Effective Group Experience**, by John Orville Burtis. 302.3 BURT
- **Looming Tower: Al-Qaeda and the Road to 9/11**, by Lawrence Wright. 973.931 WRIG
- **Mighty and the Almighty: Reflections on America, God, and World Affairs**, by Madeleine Albright with Bill Woodward. 261.8 ALBR
- **Palestine: Peace Not Apartheid**, by Jimmy Carter. 956.04 CART
- **Podcasting for Dummies**, by Tee Morris. 070.57973 MORR
- **Unofficial Guide to Windows XP**, by Michael Toot. 005.446 TOOT

## On the Web

**www.childwelfare.gov** — The Child Welfare Information Gateway provides access to print and electronic publications, Web sites and online databases covering a wide range of child welfare topics, including child abuse prevention, family preservation, foster care, domestic and international adoption, and much more. A service of the Children's Bureau of the Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the site also offers information on Child Abuse Prevention Month, access to the *National Adoption Directory*, and publications related to state and federal civil laws on child abuse and neglect, child welfare and adoption.

**www.eere.energy.gov/consumer** — Looking for ways to curb soaring energy costs? Visit *A Consumer's Guide to Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy on the Web*, provided by the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Energy and Renewable Energy. Access fact sheets, resources for identifying energy-saving and renewable energy products, and energy calculators that can help you evaluate your energy use. Information on federal tax credits for energy efficiency and weatherization assistance for low-income families also is available.

## New in Reference

**2006 State Rankings, REF 317.3 / STAT3; 2006 Crime State Rankings, REF 364.973 CRIM14; 2006 Health Care State Rankings, REF 362.1 / HEAL19**

— These three books are a great place to start in finding out where Illinois ranks among other states in such areas as agriculture, transportation, crime rates, birth rates, diseases, physical fitness and much more.

**Encyclopedia of Disability, edited by Gary L. Albrecht. REF 362.4 / ENCY** — With an estimated 16 percent of Illinoisans having a disability, this five-volume set is a great resource for scholars, disabled persons and disability advocates as well as the general public. Articles include bibliographic listings and "see also" references to other related articles. Other features include a chronology of events in the history of the disabled and an overview of Web resources with tips on searching online.

## Reference staff profile

Carol Weyhrich came to the Illinois State Library in 1979 after graduating from Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C. She spent her first 20 years at the library working with federal documents and then in the Interlibrary Loan Section. For the last seven years, along with her other responsibilities in the Reference Section, Carol has been on the Inform team, which provides tables of contents and articles to state employees who subscribe to the service.

## Now On Display

**Illinois State Library atrium second-floor bridge April — Child Abuse Prevention Month**

Promoting awareness about child abuse and neglect and the important roles of prevention, family support and community involvement in protecting children from abuse and neglect.

**May — National Preservation Month**

Celebrating the diverse and unique heritage of our country's cities and states.

**June — Gay & Lesbian Pride Month**

Paying tribute to the Stonewall uprising on June 28, 1969, and advocating equal rights and opportunities for gays and lesbians.

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