1. From your Librarian: New CAS web site is up!

If you haven’t checked out the new web site yet, please don’t hesitate to browse it and provide some more feedback on what has taken us over seven months to complete.

All content was provided by the divisions, and the entire CAS Library staff, including all Graduate and Undergraduate Assistants, worked on project.

Thank you for your patience, support, and feedback! Currently we are working on the updating protocols and schedule, however, if you have an urgent need to add or change something, please contact us.

2. CARRF: Survey instruments available as PDF

The vast majority of the Ralph G. Connor Alcohol Research Reference Files (CARRF) special collection is digitized and accessible in the Library. Some items in the collection were not digitized due to copyright issues or accessibility through Government sources, but most of the collection is now available as PDFs.

Should you need an instrument or measure let us know and we can quickly provide you with a copy of the instrument, instructions associated with it and (sometimes) articles written on the merits of the measure.
The physical collection has been reorganized and is ready to grow! If you have become accustomed to using the collection by yourself you may need a new tutorial on where everything is now located. However, as noted, everything is available digitally and we would prefer to access the collection electronically, henceforth.

**Suggest new survey instruments to purchase of download!**

_We want to add to the collection, so if you feel we are missing an important instrument let us know and we will endeavor to fill the void._

### 3. 2009 Celebration of recently published faculty authors at RUL

On Tuesday March 24, 5-7 pm, Rutgers University Libraries will be holding the sixth annual exhibition and opening reception to honor faculty from the New Brunswick/Piscataway campus who have published books (or CDs/DVDs) during the calendar year 2008. This year’s exhibition will be held in the lobby of Alexander Library.

The Center will be represented by the following title:


This event is organized yearly. The CAS Library is happy to promote new books by CAS researchers and ensure that they receive the deserved attention. Tell us about your new book and you can be a prophet in your own land.

### 4. Status Report on Journals

**Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research available full text online**

As many faculty members requested, this journal is now available online full text (1997-to date), for CAS faculty from the Center’s two buildings only. To access the articles, you can simply copy the following URL in your preferred browser (we use Firefox or Internet Explorer):


Please remember that due to the provider’s restrictions, this title is available from the computers hard-wired in the CAS and BAS. You won’t get full access from a wireless connection, from home, or from the Rutgers University Library’s web site.
Journals available full text online from the CAS Library A-Z List

The new Library web site features a core list of journal titles dealing with alcohol issues. Print copies of all journals are located at the Center of Alcohol Studies Library and are available to date. Many of these titles are also available full-text online.

The list is available from almost any page from the “Information for” box. Click on “Faculty”, and choose Journals CAS library full list on the top of the upper right box to get to the following screen. We will do our best to keep the list up to date, including the links to the journal subscriptions of Rutgers University Libraries.
5. Library Facelift

During the Fall semester, the physical CAS Library and the collection underwent significant changes. Thanks to the fast and accurate work of our undergraduate assistants, we have completed the following major projects. The semester-long relocation project was spearheaded by Pat Bellanca. She was assisted by our undergraduate work/study students.

Collections Relocated
The ALCOHOL/NJ Collection is the most popular collection for patrons to browse. Although funds are limited to add to it, our undergraduate and visiting users like browsing these shelves. To provide better services, we moved the entire collection along the front walls, after condensing the Reference Collection. The non-circulating bound copies of JSA and JSAD were moved to a safer location at the Circulation Desk. The McCarthy Collection is now located along the walls, providing protected space for the current and prospective folders of the CAS Archives in the compact shelves.

Shelf Reading Complete
To accompany the CAS Library Journal Assessment Project from 2007/2008, we have finished reading the shelves of the entire collection. Shelf reading is a tedious, but important task of checking books on the shelf for accurate arrangement.

Weeding Project
Weeding of the collection is complete. Weeding is the selection of library material from the collection to be discarded, sold, or transferred to storage because of poor physical condition, outdated content or limited popularity. Concurrent with relocating and shelf reading, the entire CAS Library Collection has been weeded. Instead of discarding these books, including multiple and donated copies, a FREE TO TAKE shelf has been implemented for usable items. It soon became very popular, especially with students participating in the Continuing Education Seminars.

6. New faces in the library

Quadeer Porter, Undergraduate Assistant

Quadeer joined the Library towards the end of the last semester from the group of freshmen participating in the Byrne Seminar offered by CAS researchers in Fall 2008.

My name is Quadeer Porter and I am a freshman here at Rutgers. I am double majoring in neuroscience and psychology, but I am also interested in minor ing in Africana Studies. I am a proud member of the Equal Opportunity Fund (EOF) program and I serve as the freshman representative for my EOF class. Working here in the library has been a very rewarding experience because the staff here is very supportive and organized.
Nicole Frisone, Graduate Assistant

Nicole started to work for the CAS Library as an intern in the second half of the 2008 Fall semester. Her initial assignment included assessing the condition of the Alcohol History Collection at the CAS Library, and completing a pilot project on one section. She processed over 30 boxes and currently is drafting a plan to preserve this valuable collection as well as the CAS Archives. She brings a wealth of experience, including foreign language skills, to the Center. Nicole will also work at the Information Desk, together with Molly Stewart, Senior Graduate Assistant, and James Cox, Information Specialist, who graduated in December 2008 from SCILS.

7. CAS Library Poster at VALE/ACRL NJ 2009

The CAS Library presented a poster at the 2009 conference of the Virtual Academic Learning Environment/Association of College and Research Libraries of New Jersey entitled: *Minimal Staff, Maximum Results: Student Workers in a Special Library.*
8. New Books Highlights

Bull, Melissa: Governing the heroin trade: from treaties to treatment. Ashgate, 2008
Kiesbye, Stefan (ed.): Should the legal drinking age be lowered? GreenHaven Press, 2008
Plante, Thomas(ed.): Mental disorders of the new millennium. Praeger, 2006
Rapaka, Rao(ed.): Drug addiction: from basic research to therapy. Springer, 2008
Siple, Molly: Eating For recovery: the essential nutrition plan to reverse the physical damage of alcoholism. Da Capo, 2008

We are soliciting requests to purchase new books of your research interest.

9. Weird Stuff: Drinks for Librarians?

The American Library Association’s 2009 Midwinter Meeting in Denver featured the following drink selections at the Hyatt Regency developed especially for the ALA:

- **Overdue**: made with rum, orange and pineapple juices and raspberry purée;
- **Boolean Operator**: with mango rum, crème de cacao and cream;
- **Happy Librarian**: a mix of tequila, triple sec, fresh lime, cucumber, cilantro and Green Tabasco.