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DAYTON, Ohio, November 17, 1988--The University of Dayton has a solution to the drudgery of library research.

Students, faculty and even area residents can now access the Roesch Library's on-line card catalog through a home computer—virtually any time of the day or night. One of the biggest fans of the new system is UD President Brother Raymond L. Fitz, S.M., who uses his office computer to check on the availability of books.

The Dynix Public Access Catalog allows persons to search a book by title, author, subject, key word or call number, check the book's location and circulation status, and find related works. To gain entry into the system, the library user needs a microcomputer, a 300 or 1200 baud line modem and a software communications program. Communications programs suitable for accessing the on-line catalog include Procomm, Bitcom, Smartcom, Xtalk, Mirror and Apple Access. The service is available 24 hours daily, except for Friday evenings after 10 p.m. when the system will be down for approximately five hours.

The Dynix Online Catalog is an automated electronic card catalog system that has been available in the Roesch Library since January. Communications lines to enable public access were installed in March. The library's book holdings number almost 800,000 volumes.

For an introductory session that covers how to "log in" and "log out" of the Roesch Library system, contact Mary Ann Walker, coordinator of UD's library systems and automation, at 229-3551.