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St. Minutia, patron saint of catalogers



"There is no hair too fine to be split."

http://sun3.lib.uci.edu/~murrizol/ts_history/tshist.htm

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President's Message

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I would like to welcome everyone back to another year of tours, workshops, sharing ideas, and the pleasure of each others company. The executive has met a couple of times and we are going to start the year with a Tour of the Jean Morrison Library at Old Fort William. We are expected by 7:00 pm on September 20th so hope to see you there. Linda Bukovy is responsible for this meeting so please let her know you are coming (phone 577-5430 or email lbukovy@hotmail.com)

In October Jeremy Mohr, the new archivist at Lakehead University Library, will take us on a tour of the archives. These are now housed on the fifth floor... where many of us attended our Library Technology classes. We are shooting for October 18th at 7:00 pm. Kathy Crewdson is responsible for this meeting and she will send out notices providing full details.

The Jingle Mingle is scheduled for November 29th at 7:00 pm this year. If Kathy Crewdson's house renovations are completed, the gathering will be held there. If not, my house is the fall-back. I am going to give everyone a gift... a Sudoku book and a quick lesson on how to complete this logic puzzle. Won't that be entertaining? We may need more than a couple glasses of wine!

Details of January's tour of Magnus Theatre are still being worked out as well as February's workshops. We are going to hold the Annual Dinner Meeting in Scalero's at East Side Marios again.

There: the year is planned. Is there anything we missed that you would like to see? If so please feel free to call me (767-2177) or email (vwjwelsch@tbaytel.net).

Welcome back and let's enjoy another great year!

Valerie Welsch
 President

CARL

The Canadian Association of Research Libraries' **September 2006 Pre-Budget Submission to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Finance** is available online @

http://www.carl-abrc.ca/projects/finance/pdf/brief_2006-e.pdf

Netspeed 2006

"To assist library staff and trustees in keeping pace with evolving technologies, The Alberta Library hosts an annual library technology conference called Netspeed. Netspeed is a conference for librarians, technical staff and trustees to explore new technologies in a highly connected world."

October 18 - 20, 2006 in Edmonton

<http://www.thealbertalibrary.ab.ca/viewChannel.asp?channelID=142>

Creating a Comprehensive Plan for Information Literacy

- an

ACRL Online Seminar

October 16-November 4, 2006

<http://www.acrl.org/ala/acrl/acrlproftools/comprehensiveplan.htm>

National School Library Day

23 October 2006

4th Monday in October

<http://www.nsls.ca>

For resources, activities,
projects...

International Association of
School Librarianship (IASL)

<http://www.iasl-slo.org/isld.html>

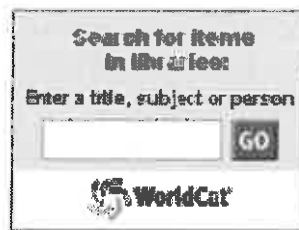
WorldCat

*-the world's largest library
network-*

Access

1.3 billion items in 18,000
libraries worldwide

<http://www.worldcat.org>



(- or place the search box
on your personal,
organizational or
commercial Web site -)

Netlibrary offers new Asian e-Content

OCLC's *Netlibrary* is offering a subscription service to three highly-regarded Chinese-language databases:

Airiti's Taiwan Electronic Periodical Services (TEPS)

The Taiwan Electronic Periodical Services covers 81,000 articles published in leading Taiwanese academic journals.

Chinese Electronic Periodical Services (CEPS)

CEPS includes 338,000 full-text articles from journals published in China and in Taiwan. Spanning subject areas including medicine and life sciences, humanities, social sciences, natural sciences and applied sciences, each service is updated daily with new academic journal content and includes archived issues dating to 1991.

The National Palace Museum (NPM)

The NPM Online database contains more than 12,000 images of Chinese antique art paintings, calligraphy, ceramics, jade, bronze, Buddhist antiquities and other artifacts from the National Palace Museum in Taipei.(more)

CARL Institutional Repositories:

The Next Generation

The Canadian Association of Research Libraries (CARL) is conducting a one day Access 2006 pre-conference session on institutional repositories, both technical and policy considerations.

Ottawa
October 10, 2006

Free of Charge

Register online:

http://www.carl-abrc.ca/projects/institutional_repositories/access_preconf_registration_2006-e.html

American Library Association

ACRL e-learning Online Seminar:

Creating a Comprehensive Plan for Information Literacy

October 16-November 4, 2006

Register online:

<http://www.acrl.org/ala/acrl/acrlproftools/comprehensiveplan.htm>

A.R.M.A.

Conference

"Managing Information Assets in the Public Sector"

October 12 - 13
Edmonton, AB

Download Registration Form:

<http://www.armatoronto.on.ca/docs/EdmontonConfOct12-06.pdf>

Confederation College's

Challis Resource Library

is now offering access to

Project Muse

<http://www.confederationc.on.ca/library>

Election 2006

The Municipal Election will be held on Monday, November 13, 2006.

Whether a voter or candidate, everything you need to know can be found at this website.

<http://www.thunderbay.ca/index.cfm?fuse=html&pg=3526>

Netlibrary (cont'd.)

NPM Online provides high-resolution 1024x768 pixel images and includes artifact descriptions in multiple languages, including Traditional Chinese, Simplified Chinese, and English. Japanese versions will be coming soon.

<http://www.oclc.org/newsp/releases/200634.htm>

Google

Lets Users Search Online Archives

Google Inc. is expanding its online news index to include archives from ... The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, Time magazine and The Washington Post ... and LexisNexis, Factiva and HighBeam also have opened up sections of their databases to Google's expanded index.

- Rachel Rosmarin

Market Scan

Forbes.com

<http://www.forbes.com/2006/09/06/google-0906markets03.html?partner=alerts>

"Books" is the **library brand**. There is no runner-up. "

-(Part 3.8)

Perceptions of Libraries and Information Sources: A Report to the OCLC Membership

http://www.oclc.org/reports/pdfs/percept_concl.pdf

**Sustainable Fossil Fuels:
The Unusual Suspect in
the Quest for Clean and
Enduring Energy**
- by Mark Jaccard
(Cambridge University Press)

2005 Donner Prize winner for the best book on Canadian public policy, Mark Jaccard is a Professor in the School of Resource and Environmental Management at Simon Fraser University in Vancouver.

The Kids' Site of Canadian Settlement Library & Archives Canada

Books, activities, links, and teaching resources designed for Grades 4 – 6 to explore both aboriginal and immigrant communities in Canadian history. Includes an evaluation rubric.

<http://www.collectionscanada.ca/settlement/kids/index-e.html>

DDC

Vietnamese Edition

OCLC has announced its first complete translation of the 14th Abridged Edition of the Dewey Decimal Classification (DDC) into Vietnamese.

Invite a Writer

Writers-in-the-Schools Northern Ontario Program

The Writers' Union of Canada, with the assistance of the Ontario Arts Council, offers a program providing elementary and secondary schools in northern Ontario the opportunity to have Canadian authors visit the classroom and interact with students at no cost to the school. Except for remote schools, funding is dependent on three schools inviting the same author to visit on the same tour.

For a list of participating authors eligible to receive this funding, visit:

<http://www.writersunion.ca/oacnorth.pdf>

For more information:

Contact the Projects
Coordinator
projects@writersunion.ca

Or phone 416-703-8982 ext. 223

<http://www.writersunion.ca/witsnp.html>

OCLC & Research Libraries Group

Data Dictionary for Preservation Metadata: Final Report of the Premis Working Group

PREMIS

(PREservation Metadata: Implementation Strategies) Working Group, winner of the 2005 Digital Preservation Award, has made its Final Report, the Data Dictionary, and Examples, as well as the XML Schema, available on the OCLC website:

<http://www.oclc.org/research/projects/pmwg/>

The Canadian Encyclopedia

The web site now offers the full text of the prestigious **Encyclopedia of Music in Canada**, with some 4000 articles on all aspects of music in Canada.

<http://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.com/index.cfm?PgNm=EMCSubjects&Params=U2>

Letter from the Editor...

Sometimes I really enjoy putting this newsletter together ... sometimes it's a chore to be gotten through ... but it's *always* a learning experience, and a great sense of accomplishment when it's done. For some reason, it took less time when I was taking courses and already involved in online research: I'd often come across resources that I could also use for the newsletter. This was the first time I didn't already have a few items saved for when I started; and after the summer holiday, with no write-ups on events, no executive reports (other than from the President), and eight empty pages, it was a daunting task. For this issue, I've gone to six pages; hopefully the next newsletter will be eight pages again.

As I've been surfing the net searching interesting morsels for this smorgasborg, I've come to realize just how amazing it is that this local chapter is still functioning. Website updating seems to be just as difficult for larger national organizations (with real budgets) as it is for the small ones. Finding either the budget to hire someone, or the volunteers to give their time, is not easy.

I'm not complaining. Most of us have bills to pay, homes to maintain, and families to care for - and little time available for other commitments. I *am* suggesting though, that many hands can make light work. If you're working in the field, perhaps there's some event, policy change, or new service available that you'd like to share with us: a quick e-mail is all it takes. Perhaps you've found a great teaching resource, or read a great book: a brief description or review e-mailed to me can be shared with us all. Perhaps you just want to complain about my editing skills: that's appreciated also.

In the meantime, get outside when you can, before the snows come, and enjoy the smells and colours of autumn. Give thanks for the harvest.

Remember also that a hug or a pat on the back could be the most important thing you do today, or any day.

- Wanda Ewachow

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