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Dates to Note

April 7 and 13, 2005

WorldCat Resource Sharing—Oshkosh
WorldCat Resource Sharing—Wausau

April 14, 2005

WiLS Hour: Copyright Issues for Digital Projects

April 19, 2005

Collection Analysis Webinar

April 19-22, 2005 (see page 2)

WAAL Spring Conference, Madison

May 18, 2005

Spring WiLS OCLC Peer Council Meeting,
Pyle Center, Madison

July 19-20, 2005

WiLSWorld Conference, Pyle Center, Madison

WiLS Annual ILL Meeting

We are in the early stages of planning for the annual WiLS ILL meeting being held on Tuesday, September 27.

We are always looking for program suggestions. If you have any suggestions for topics or speakers, please send them to Joy (jpohlman@wils.wisc.edu) or Bob (reshaw@wils.wisc.edu).

More information about WiLS sponsored conferences, meetings, workshops and online registration can be accessed from the WiLS [events calendar](#).

Conferences

WAAL Spring Conference

The annual conference of **Wisconsin Association of Academic Librarians** is happening in Madison April 19-22. Here are two programs specifically dealing with ILL:

Resource Sharing in the UW System Libraries: Are we there yet?

Paul Moriarty, UW System
Heather Weltin, Memorial Library, UW-Madison
Rachel Waters, Wendt Library, UW-Madison

“One System, One Library” has been an ongoing vision for the UW System Libraries in its mission to improve the sharing of resources. Universal Borrowing via Voyager, ILL via ILLiad, electronic document delivery via Odyssey, and now SFX have converged; UW System library collections and accessibility. Are we there yet? Come to this session to learn what strategic directions are on the horizon and what innovative, new services are being developed.

Licensing and archival issues: Is there a convergence?

Susan Barribeau, UW-Madison

This presentation will review some of the language found in current license agreement clauses covering perpetual access rights to purchased electronic material and ponder the meaning(s) thereof. The issues of access to this material for our future patrons, with attention to legal, financial, and practical matters, will be discussed, as well as some proposed solutions.

The WiLS ILL staff will be there for many of the sessions. Hope to see many of you in Madison in a couple of weeks.

- Bob Shaw

Review of ILLiad International Meeting

I was fortunate enough to attend the ILLiad International Meeting March 17-18 at OCLC Headquarters in Dublin, OH along with several other librarians from Wisconsin. The meeting, featuring speakers from ILLiad libraries as well as staff from Atlas and OCLC, delved into topics related to implementing and using ILLiad. Some speakers included Cyril Oberlander, Marna Hostetler, Tanner Wray, Margaret Ellingson, Karen Oye, and Heather Weltin.

Topics included the Billing Manager, Odyssey, Multi-Campus Use of ILLiad, and Reports using Cold Fusion. OCLC and Atlas staff also gave short presentations on future release enhancements. There were 150 attendees as well as a few hundred watching via the WebCast.

The speakers were outstanding and there were lots of opportunities to meet colleagues and hear what people around the country are doing with this powerful tool. The meeting was incredibly positive and inspiring. Librarians are doing some really creative things with ILLiad and it was a good reminder of how much can be done through collaboration and support of one another. The presentations are still available for viewing on the OCLC website at www.oclc.org/illiad/illiadmeeting.htm.

-Sarah Marcus

For Your Information

Passport is dying very soon, long live WorldCat Resource Sharing

On May 1, 2005, OCLC will retire all existing client and Web-based interfaces currently used to access OCLC Interlibrary Loan: ILL Web, Passport for ILL, ILL ME and ILLiad version 6.x. Current OCLC member libraries that perform their resource sharing in these interfaces should plan to migrate to the Web-based WorldCat Resource Sharing or ILLiad 7.0 by that date.

That's right, in less than 30 days all the old ways you used to do OCLC ILL will completely and totally go away. The only methods for using OCLC ILL will be either:

- 1) The new WorldCat Resource Sharing system which uses FirstSearch for its interface, or
- 2) ILLiad 7.0 and above.

For details straight from the horse's mouth check out the OCLC ILL Migration web site at:

www.oclc.org/ill/migration

At WiLS we have done and continue to offer opportunities to learn about the new WorldCat Resource Sharing system. We held WiLS Hours last March 10th and 11th and you can find the Powerpoint slides for those meetings from this page:

www.wils.wisc.edu/ill/new.html

In April we'll be holding a number of Hands on sessions around the state. Check this link for details and to register:

www.wils.wisc.edu/events/newocll.html

Finally and most importantly you can use the new WorldCat Resource Sharing system right now. Take advantage of the powerful and easy searching in WorldCat using Firstsearch which includes results lists ranked by number of holding libraries by default.

Enter the Resource Sharing tab to work your ILL requests in an interface much the same as the current ILLweb. All of your Constant Data, ILL Policies, Custom Holdings are already in the new system and ready to go. During this transition period any work you do in ILLweb shows in Passport which shows in WorldCat Resource Sharing which shows in ILLweb. To use the new WorldCat Resource Sharing system simply go to:

firstsearch.oclc.org

Use your ILL authorization number and password to log on. That's it.

Any questions or problems don't hesitate to contact me at: Mark Beatty; mbeatty@wils.wisc.edu; 608.265.5719.

Referrals Upheaval

ILL at WiLS will go through many changes with the upcoming migration but perhaps none more dramatic than referrals. Our homegrown WiLSWorks software relied upon the Passport interface and allowed us to customize the unique service of referrals. But all things must change and Bob and I have been working to integrate the referrals process into the ILLiad Borrowing and Lending modules. This involves much customization, creativity, and a downright jerry rigging of ILLiad.

At the point of migration, WiLS members may experience a short disruption in the referral service. A more likely scenario is that things will appear slightly differently in both borrowing and lending requests, and that we are able to continue the service and work out the kinks as we go. Over the next few weeks, we will provide you with more details on these potential changes.

- Chloe Lauer

For Your Information

Ariel 4.0 To Be Backwards Compatible

In mid-February Infotrieve first announced that Ariel 4.0 would be backwards compatible to Ariel 2.x and 3.x with a release of a free Ariel 4.1 patch sometime with the next eight weeks.

This is a very significant development. Previous to this, Ariel 4.0 would only be backwards compatible to a specially patched version of Ariel 3.4, and would not be able to communicate with any earlier versions of Ariel. This caused great consternation within the Ariel community, as many libraries considered how to upgrade to Ariel 4.0 while still being able to interact with their Ariel partners who may not yet have plans to upgrade. A world-wide Ariel 3.4/4.0 conversion date plan had even been proposed.

After a great deal of criticism on the Ariel-L listserve, as well as at the Infotrieve Ariel session at ALA Mid-Winter, Infotrieve began developing a patch to Ariel 4.0 to make it backwards compatible to Ariel 2.x/3.x.

Infotrieve recommends that Ariel 4.0 not be installed until the 4.1 patch is available, which will probably be sometime in May 2005. Ariel 4.0 is now available for purchase directly from Infotrieve. WiLS is not a vendor for Ariel 4.0.

It should be noted that Infotrieve is discontinuing Technical Support of Ariel versions 3.01 and 3.3 on December 31, 2005. Technical Support for Ariel 2.x was discontinued on March 31, 2003.

We applaud Infotrieve's decision to develop the Ariel 4.1 backwards compatibility patch, and hope that this is a sign of continued attention to Ariel user's needs.

-Allen Wenzel

Memorial Library Reference Resources

Our Reference Contacts may find these latest additions to the reference department at Memorial Library of use:

Writers of the American Renaissance
World Authors 1995-2000
Encyclopedia of the Occult
Asian Databook
Historical Dictionary of the Central African Republic
Thailand: A Global Studies Handbook
Historical Dictionary of the Vikings
Brill's New Pauly: Encyclopaedia of the Ancient World
Encyclopedia of War Movies

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-Fran Metcalf

Staff Profile

Audrey

Last fall WiLS got a new staff member—although she is a bit under the legal working age, she works holidays without asking for overtime pay, has yet to take a vacation or sick day, and never complains. Meet Audrey III!

Audrey is relatively easy-going unlike her namesake from the Little Shop of Horrors. But this being a library she does have literary connections. George Orwell wrote Keep the Aspidistra Flying over sixty years ago and Audrey's true name is "*Aspidistra elatior*".

However Audrey does get out a bit during the summer (she summers in Bob's garden). And I have heard her say she definitely prefers the warmth of WiLS office in the winter compared to Bob's cold house.

Aspidistra elatior is native to the Eastern Himalayas, Taiwan, China and Japan and is commonly known as the "cast-iron plant". It is an old-fashioned, tough-leathery foliage plant. *Aspidistra* was a favorite indoor plant during the Victorian era when houses were anything but bright and airy. It thrives even when there is no sun (our office is in the basement with nary a window).



So the next time you stop down at WiLS, please introduce yourself to Audrey.

- Bob Shaw

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