

CARLI Office Report
I-Share Resource Sharing Team Forum
April 16, 2008

- The CARLI Office has been updating libraries regarding the ongoing performance problems I-Share Voyager has been exhibiting since we moved from Oracle 9i to Oracle 10g. We are aware of the problems with WebVoyage timing out during a request or during the pre-request login process. These incidents have been reported to ExLibris (the Voyager vendor) and a high priority incident has been logged. CARLI tech staff continue to tune and adjust the system by re-allocating some memory resources. In addition, they are working on plans to distribute the Voyager and Oracle load more effectively by moving our environment to an array of servers. We understand the impact these problems have on your daily work routines and want to re-assure you that CARLI staff will continue to do what we can to improve the situation.
- The Resource Sharing Team is looking for new members, as are other CARLI and I-Share committees/teams. If you would like to nominate yourself or a colleague (with their permission, of course), please complete the volunteer form at <http://www.carli.illinois.edu/comms/volunteer.php> no later than May 15, 2008. If you have volunteered in the past and are still interested in serving, please submit a new form, the database is periodically purged in order to keep the data current. Terms on RS Team are for three years, and become effective July 1, 2008. The RS Team charge and current roster is available at <http://www.carli.illinois.edu/comms/iug/iug-res.html>.
- CARLI Office and I-Share library staff continue to work on two of the possible new front-ends to the integrated library system. We will be hearing about VuFind at today's forum.

- VuFind Update:

CARLI staff and VuFind early adopters met for the first time on February 14 to review VuFind, the new OPAC finding tool currently in development, and discuss potential enhancements and issues related to early testing and implementation. The next phases of the implementation, including releasing a URL to VuFind early adopters for testing and for sharing with users will be scheduled once the new VuFind server is in place. In the interim, CARLI is moving forward with VuFind enhancements suggested at the initial meeting.

- WorldCat Local Update:

Five I-Share libraries (the three University of Illinois campuses, Northeastern Illinois University, and the Illinois State Library) are working with OCLC and Lincoln Trail Libraries System on a pilot of WorldCat Local. CARLI has set up a separate WebVoyage server for this project in order to minimize its performance impact on the production I-Share database server. OCLC is currently doing some testing, and they project a May 2008 install of WorldCat Local for these I-Share libraries.

- The work is in progress to add additional libraries to I-Share. The institutions below make up the I-Share “Class of 2008”:
 - Adler School of Professional Psychology, Chicago
 - Chicago School of Professional Psychology, Chicago
 - Harrington College of Design, Chicago
 - Principia College, Elsau
 - Rush University Medical Center, Chicago

- The CARLI Board accepted a recommendation from the Product and Services Vetting Committee and the I-Share Acquisitions and Serials Team that CARLI pursue a request for proposal (RFP) to identify an electronic resource management system (ERMS). Upon successfully completing the RFP process and subsequent vendor selection, the ERMS would be used by CARLI staff to manage electronic resource contracts for the consortium. In addition, pricing will be made available to CARLI member libraries that may be interested in their own ERMS implementations.

- In addition, at its March 2008 meeting, the CARLI Board accepted a staff recommendation that no new I-Share participating libraries will be selected and implemented in 2008-2009. In spring 2009, the Board will make a decision on implementing new participant libraries in 2009-2010.

- CARLI staff will move in mid-May from current locations on Daniel Street and Green Street in Champaign to one new location at Trade Center South in Champaign. The new space will include 2 new meeting/training rooms and better access to parking for visitors.

- CARLI staff will send out an announcement when mail should be redirected to the new office. The new address will be: 100 Trade Centre Drive, Suite 303, Champaign, IL 61820.