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Charlotte Johnson is the 2012 Illinois Academic Librarian of the Year

Charlotte Johnson, former Associate Professor of Library and Information Services at the Lovejoy Library, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, is the 2012 recipient of the Illinois Library Association Illinois Academic Librarian of the Year Award. The award, presented by the Illinois Association of College and Research Libraries (IACRL) Forum, recognizes an Illinois librarian who is making an outstanding statewide contribution to academic or research librarianship and to library development. The award is sponsored by CARLI.

Charlotte Johnson has been a leader in promoting and developing eBook and electronic services in academic libraries. Her concerns and activities have centered on student accessibility, collection development, and library services with eBooks and other electronic sources.

The award will be presented at the Illinois Library Association Annual Conference Awards Luncheon on Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at 12:00 noon at the Peoria Civic Center.

Save the Date: CARLI Annual Meeting

The CARLI Annual Meeting will be held on Friday, November 9 at the I Hotel and Conference Center, Champaign. All faculty and staff from CARLI member institutions are invited. Details and registration information will be announced in September.

Internet Archive Surpasses 3.5 Million Digital Texts Online

The [Internet Archive](#) now has over 3.5 million books online including over [6,700 items digitized](#) for the Archive through the [CARLI Book Digitization Initiative](#). More than 40 CARLI member institutions have contributed historical out-of-copyright works, government documents, materials in which their institutions own the copyright, or have partnered with local organizations to digitize materials. All texts are available for free to anyone with an Internet connection.

Through the Book Digitization Initiative, CARLI pays the cost of digitization and the expense of shipping materials to the digitization location in Indiana. CARLI member libraries interested in participating in the Initiative should submit a simple proposal that identifies the materials that an institution would like to have digitized.

For more information, visit the [CARLI website](#). Interested libraries may also request a webinar on the topic by sending an email message to CARLI Support at support@carli.illinois.edu.

Digital Preservation Training Survey

CARLI's Digital Preservation Joint Subcommittee, composed of members from the Digital Collections Users' Group and the Preservation Working Group, is seeking to identify the level of interest among CARLI members for a proposed train-the-trainer program on digital preservation.

CARLI is considering sponsoring a "Train-the-Trainer" session as part of the Library of Congress' [Digital Preservation Outreach & Education \(DPOE\) program](#). A training session would be offered at a central location in Illinois; the session would last 1.5 to 2 days. Following the session, those attending would become CARLI digital preservation resource experts and would be expected to share their new knowledge with other CARLI members.

Please take a few minutes to share your views on this proposed program. [The survey will be available until September 21.](#)

Please contact the CARLI Office at support@carli.illinois.edu if you have any questions.

E-Resources Selection Cycle

Beginning with the next E-Resources selection cycle, the subscription periods for CARLI license agreements will be identified in a new way. The selection period for products with January to December subscriptions, formerly called the fall period, will now be referred to as the Calendar Year period. The cycle for products with July to June subscriptions, formerly called the spring period, will now be referred to as the Fiscal Year period.

CARLI staff are preparing for the Calendar Year 2013 period, which we anticipate will open in mid-October and will remain open until mid-November. At this time we anticipate the following products will be included:

- ACM Digital Library
- ARTstor
- C & EN Online
- eDuke Scholarly Expanded and Scholarly Standard Collections
- eHRAF Archaeology and World Cultures
- JSTOR collections
- MathSciNet
- Nature
- Project Muse Arts & Humanities, Basic College, Premium and Standard collections
- Sage Premier ejournals
- Scientific American
- Springer electronic journals (this agreement is currently in negotiations)
- Web Editions
- Web Edition Archives
- Wiley electronic journals (this agreement is currently in negotiations)

Messages will be sent to the e-resource contacts and ccg email lists with more information as it becomes available. Please contact the CARLI Office at support@carli.illinois.edu if you have any questions.

I-Share

HathiTrust & VuFind Webinar Recording Available

CARLI recently introduced access to public domain, electronic full-text materials in the HathiTrust collection via the I-Share union catalog. Member libraries are now considering whether to incorporate the same HathiTrust records into default searches of their local catalogs as well.

A [recording of the August 13 presentation](#) from the I-Share Users' Group OPAC Team on VuFind, HathiTrust, and Public Domain e-Resources is now available.

View the recorded webinar to learn:

- What is HathiTrust?
- What can your library currently do with these records?
- What are the implications for small and large libraries?
- What are the issues for mobile device users?
- What are your options for providing access (or not) to 1.2 million freely available electronic documents via your local catalog?

I-Share Non-Print Resource Sharing Webinar Recording Available

Are you wondering if your library is "typical" in the amount of non-print that can be borrowed by other I-Share libraries' patrons? Have you not given your non-print policies much thought in a long time?

A [recording of the July 31 presentation](#) on I-Share resource sharing patterns and policies, with a special focus on non-print media materials, is now available. The webinar provides an informal overview of I-Share resource sharing patterns for non-print materials, and reviews a few statistics using reports for an anonymous example library.

If you're interested in viewing the recording you may want to review versions of your library's Circ Stat 10 and Circ Stat 8 reports. These reports are available in your library's I-Share FTP directory and [are described in detail on our website](#). Your I-Share liaison has access to your FTP directory. If you need any assistance with accessing these reports, send a note to support@carli.illinois.edu.

CARLI Toll-Free Telephone Number

Service has been restored for the toll-free CARLI Support telephone number. If you have any additional problems or concerns, please email the CARLI Office at support@carli.illinois.edu.

We appreciate your patience during this recent outage.

Preservation Tip: Preservation Tip: Not to Put Too Fine a Point on It: pH Pens

One of the major factors in the preservation of print materials is the pH value of the paper. The pH of an object is a measurement of the activity of the hydrogen ions. The pH of an item is measured on a 14-point scale ranging from 0 (concentrated hydrochloric acid), pure water at 7, to concentrated sodium hydroxide at 14. The pH of paper can vary, with the highest acid concentrations in paper produced from the mid-19th century on when paper was treated with alum, as a sizing agent. Alum is very acidic and would, over time, break down the cellulose in the paper. This, combined with the lignin left in the paper, would lead to the paper yellowing and turning brittle.

These effects were first noted and studied in the 1930s, and in the 1950s processes were implemented to reduce the acidity of wood pulp papers. Currently, paper is treated with a bicarbonate solution that neutralizes the acids used and leaves a reserve of the bicarbonate to counteract further exposure to acids in the paper and in the environment. According to the ASTM D3290-00(2005) Standard Specification for Bond and Ledger Papers for Permanent Records, acid free paper was said to last 500-1000 years depending on the grade of paper. This standard was dropped in 2010 due to lack of interest. The ISO has set a standard for the physical qualities of acid free paper but not its durability.

The measurement of the pH of paper is achieved by using a pen filled with a solution (typically bromothymol blue or thymol blue if a binary color indicator) that then turns a certain color based on its acidity. The color is dictated by an established scale, ranging from red for extremely alkaline to violet for extremely acidic. The color is calibrated to a chart provided by the manufacturer based on the testing solution used.

There are a number of manufacturers of pH pens on the market today. Each has its own advantages and drawbacks. In 1990, the Alkaline Paper Advocate conducted a study of seven different brands of pH pens and found that all of them required testing on known pH papers before use on unknown papers. Their results can be found online at the link listed in the Web resources.

Web resources:

- [ANSI Standard comparison chart](#)
- [ASTM D3290-00](#) (2005)
- [Comparison of pH pens on the market](#)
- [ISO9706](#)

Other Library News

Call for Proposals: ForwardFocus Conference for Community College Libraries

Illinois Central College invites librarians to submit program proposals for the [ForwardFocus Conference](#) to be held on Friday, November 2, 2012 at Illinois Central College in East Peoria, as well as online via Blackboard Collaborate. The conference is intended to inspire library innovations in community college libraries by showcasing current projects, pilot projects, or out-of-the box ideas that have yet to take off, and will feature a keynote presentation by Dr. Anthony Molaro.

The ForwardFocus conference will include highly interactive online and in-person sessions. Conference organizers are seeking a broad range of submissions that highlight current, evolving, and future issues in community college libraries. The following program tracks are suggested:

- Student success
- Instruction (in-person & alternate modes of delivery)
- Technology integration
- Public Relations/Marketing
- Patron satisfaction
- Interdepartmental relationships
- Programming
- Facilities
- Assessment
- Staffing
- Mobile solutions

Proposals may address the topic in a variety of ways including:

- 45-minute solo presentations (with corresponding synchronous webcast)
- 15-minute lightning presentations, combined with others interested in the same topic (with corresponding synchronous webcast)
- 30-minute moderated discussions led by you on a topic of interest (online only or in-person only)

You don't have to have a 45-minute PowerPoint presentation to play a vital role in the conference. It's all about your great ideas regarding services and issues facing community college libraries. Submit your proposal by September 7 to be a leader in the conversation!

To submit a proposal or for more information about the conference [visit the conference website](#).

Would you rather attend the conference? Registration is opening soon with early bird rates!

Pullman House History Project Webinar from ICPN

The Illinois Collections Preservation Network is pleased to announce another free webinar: Pullman House History Project presented by Andrew Bullen, to be held on September 10 11 am-Noon. Andrew Bullen is the Coordinator for Information Technology for the Illinois State Library and, of course, a resident of Pullman.

Bullen will provide an overview of the town and company of Pullman and will describe his work in developing the content management system currently in use at the site. In addition, he will describe the contents of the Pullman House History project which ties together census data, demographic data, and historic maps. He will also talk about optical musical recognition, used to bring music about Pullman to life.

To attend, [log on to Adobe Connect](#) as a guest. Attendees will have the chance to ask questions regarding the project.

To join the ICPN [contact Bronwyn Eves](#), Project Manager. Network membership is free and allows you to participate in member events. Other member benefits include attending Webinars on preservation topics, attending a burn recovery workshop hosted by the University of Illinois Fire Service Institute, and borrowing environmental assessment kits to monitor temperature and humidity in collections areas. ICPN members are also eligible for scholarships for courses at the Campbell Center for Historic Preservation Studies in Mt. Carroll.

[Visit the ICPN web site](#) for more information. The ICPN is made possible by the Institute of Museum and Library Services' "Connecting to Collections" initiative.

The Future: FrankenLibraries or Librarytopia

Librarian and blogger Stephen Abram will present the annual Bryant Jackson Lectureship on Thursday, Sept. 27, at 3 p.m. at the Illinois State University Alumni Center, 1101 N. Main St., Normal, with a talk titled The Future: FrankenLibraries or Librarytopia.

For more information, [read the full announcement](#).

Upcoming CARLI Meetings and Events

Forums, Workshops and Training

November 9 CARLI Annual Meeting, I-Hotel, Champaign

Meetings

September 5 CARLI Executive Committee
September 6 I-Share Resource Sharing Team
September 10 E-Resources Working Group
September 12 I-Share OPAC Team
September 14 CARLI Board, CARLI Office, Champaign
September 19 Digital Collections Users' Group
September 19 Public Services Working Group
September 21 I-Share Instruction Team

October 1 I-Share Cataloging and Authority Control Team
October 4 I-Share Resource Sharing Team
October 8 E-Resources Working Group
October 10 I-Share OPAC Team
October 17 Digital Collections Users' Group
October 26 Public Services Working Group

CARLI Committees, Working Groups and Teams are setting meeting dates and times for FY 2013. Consult the [CARLI calendar](#) for the most current list of meeting times and locations.

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