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Announcing the CARLI Digital Preservation Trainers Initiative

CARLI is pleased to announce the Digital Preservation Trainers Initiative. This initiative from the CARLI Digital Collections Users' Group and Preservation Working Group is designed to advance the understanding of digital preservation problems and solutions. The program consists of two parts:

The initial training will involve 18 librarians or staff from CARLI member libraries. The trainees, chosen through a competitive application process, will participate in a 3.5 day digital preservation Train-the-Trainer workshop developed and taught by the Library of Congress Digital Preservation Outreach and Education (DPOE) office. View the DPOE curriculum. Training will take place in Champaign and trainees' hotel expenses will be covered by CARLI.

After successful completion of the workshop the 18 CARLI Digital Preservation Trainers will be required to share their knowledge of digital preservation with other CARLI libraries via CARLI-coordinated programs, online and in-person, within the next academic calendar year.

The goal of this program is twofold: to build a CARLI network of librarians knowledgeable about digital preservation techniques and issues, and to educate additional CARLI libraries about digital preservation.

The Train-the-Trainer workshop will be held July 9-12, 2013 in Champaign. Program participants will be selected through a competitive application. Application materials will become available in early Spring.

Save the Dates: E-Resources Usage Statistics Symposium and Pre-Symposium Webinar

CARLI is planning two events related to usage statistics for electronic resources. What's the Use?: A Symposium on Usage Statistics will be held on March 25 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Champaign. A presymposium webinar on March 11 will cover the ABCs of usage statistics in order to familiarize attendees (and others) with the terminology and issues related to usage statistics.

Symposium keynote speakers Jason Price, Interim Library Director, Claremont Colleges, and John McDonald, Associate Vice President & Chief Information Officer, Claremont Colleges, will discuss the current thinking and research on usage statistics. The program will include a panel of CARLI librarians who will discuss usage statistics workflows. Breakout session topics will include using statistics for collection development decisions; how CARLI utilizes statistics; and use of statistics to inform ROI studies.

Registration and further information will be available soon.

Book Digitization Initiative Webinar on February 4, 2013

Over 7,400 books, serials, and pamphlets from 45 CARLI member libraries have been digitized through the CARLI Book Digitization Initiative and are available on the Internet Archive. Libraries have digitized organizational and community histories; archival documents; civil war journals; yearbooks; university monographs, magazines, and serials; Illinois history documents; and special collections materials.

To find out more about the Initiative and the process for submitting proposals, join us for an informational webinar on February 4, 1:00–2:30 p.m.

Register by noon the day prior to the workshop. If the workshop dates do not work for your schedule, you may also request an individual session by emailing the CARLI Office.

For more information about the program visit the **Book Digitization web page**.

I-Share

I-Share Welcomes 4 New Libraries

I-Share now has 80 participating institutions! As of this week, the four newest I-Share libraries now have their collections fully represented in the I-Share union catalog and accessible for resource sharing. These libraries are Morton College, Cicero; Richland Community College, Decatur; Southeastern Illinois College, Harrisburg; and Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville.

These libraries have a combined total of 189,960 bibliographic records, of which 26,087 are unique to one of these libraries. All four institutions are Illinois community colleges and they have a current combined total of 11,525 patron records.

The I-Share "Class of 2012" libraries were implemented under an accelerated timeline and are to be commended for meeting all of their data migration and profiling deadlines on time and with a minimum of conversion issues.

Please join us in welcoming these libraries to I-Share!

IACQ Team Webinar "Changing Your Institution's Voyager Ledger and Fund Structure"

Plan to attend the I-Share Acquisitions and Serials Team webinar "Changing Your Institution's Voyager Ledger and Fund Structure" on Friday, February 22, 10:00–11:00 a.m.

In this webinar, Carlos Melian, Interim Dean of Libraries and Learning Resources, Northeastern Illinois University, will discuss Voyager ledger and fund structures, and how NEIU went about changing their fund structure after determining their initial structure no longer served their needs. A brief overview of Voyager ledger and fund structure basics will be followed by NEI's reasoning, plan and implementation of their fund structure change.

Watch for registration information coming soon.

Save the Date: I-Share Liaisons' Forum March 26, 2013

The I-Share Users Group (IUG) Forum for I-Share Liaisons will be held at Elmhurst College on March 26, 10 a.m.–3 p.m. Registration and further information will be available soon.

If you are an I-Share Liaison, the I-Share Users' Group would like to hear from you. Your feedback will be used to develop and improve content for the forum. To respond, please <u>complete the survey</u> by Thursday, February 14.

Archon Webinar Recording Available

The recording of the <u>January 18 webinar</u> about the CARLI installation of Archon is now available. An <u>Archon FAQ</u> is also available.

Archon is an Open Source tool for managing descriptive information about archival materials and for publishing that information on the web. As a unified platform for archival description and access, Archon provides both a way to record descriptive information about collections and digital objects and a means to view, search, and browse that information in a fully functional public web site. Once you have input or edited information using some simple web forms, Archon automatically uploads the information, publishes the website, and generates EAD and MARC records.

Contact the CARLI Office for more information.

Preservation Tip: Apply for an NEH Preservation Assistance Grant This Year

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Division of Preservation and Access will once again offer preservation assistance grants of up to \$6000 to help small to mid-size institutions preserve and care for their humanities collections. Almost any type of collection material representing cultural heritage and humanities significance is eligible. Projects may last up to 18 months, beginning January 2014.

The grant supports the following preservation-related projects: general preservation assessments, hiring a consultant to address a specific preservation issue (disaster preparedness, environmental monitoring, improving storage, or assessing conservation treatment needs), purchase of storage furniture and preservation supplies, purchase of environmental monitoring equipment, and support for education and training.

To illustrate the benefits of this grant, here are a few examples of CARLI members or their campuses that recently received NEH preservation assistance funding:

Milner Library at the Illinois State University—grant funds were used to purchase archival boxes and acid free sleeves to re-house negatives from an important collection of campus photographs spanning the decades of the 20th century. Not only did this grant allow for the purchase of archival supplies that otherwise could not be in the library's budget, it provided a kick-start for a larger preservation project. As the negatives were re-housed, they were inventoried and re-organized to improve access to the collection.

The Special Collections and Archives at Knox College Library—grant funds were used to hire a consultant to conduct a general preservation assessment of special collections. The assessment gave the institution a baseline from which to set priorities for preservation projects and to determine where best to concentrate resources. This grant-funded project served as a "gateway" to begin the process of long-term planning for preservation of the collections and, additionally, tied in to larger campus-wide strategic planning efforts.

Loyola University Museum of Art–grant funds were used to purchase archival storage supplies, thermohygrometers, a HEPA-filtered vacuum, and painting storage racks. These materials were used to upgrade their art storage area, following recommendations of a previously-awarded Conservation Assessment Program grant. The NEH Preservation Assistance Grant helped to bring LUMA's collection storage area up to museum standards, facilitating their application for professional accreditation with the American Alliance of Museums.

The guidelines for this year's applications will be posted by March 2013 on the NEH website. The deadline for applications is May 1, 2013. The website encourages interested parties to use the currently posted guidelines (for last year) to get a sense of what is involved in assembling an application.

Resources:

<u>NEH website about the Preservation Assistance Grant</u>—includes links to further information and downloads for application materials.

<u>Connecting to Collections webinar</u>—presented by Elizabeth Joffrion, Senior Program Officer in the NEH Division of Preservation and Access—describes the NEH Preservation Assistance Grant, what it covers, eligibility requirements, and other helpful information for submitting an application; includes links to NEH online resources about the grant program. The webinar was recorded on March 12, 2012.

Other Library News

State Library Annual Certification Web Site Now Online

Beginning on January 2, 2013, all regional library system member libraries will be required to complete an annual online library certification. The State Library's <u>Annual Library Certification web site</u> is now available.

The Certification web site includes a link to the data and questions that will be included in the certification form, a link to the online certification portal (accessible only between January 2 and March 31), and a timeline and Frequently Asked Questions document about the annual certification process.

All system member libraries should have received an informational letter from State Library Director Anne Craig with more information about the certification process.

The online certification portal requires the agency ELI Control Number and the main administrative branch number for each library system member. This information is available on the <u>L2 web site</u>. Locate your library agency information and scroll through the information to find the ELI Control Number. Main administrative branches are identified as 00 for public, academic, special, and private school libraries.

The annual certification process is a requirement for all library system members, full or developmental, in order to qualify for system services and programs/services from the Illinois State Library. The window for this certification will begin January 2 and will be open through March 31, 2013. Questions about the process should be <u>emailed to Pat Boze</u>.

2013 ILA Annual Conference Call for Programs

The theme for the 2013 ILA Annual Conference is "Ignite!" with fire symbolizing the burning enthusiasm of our profession, the sparking and catching of ideas, and the untamed ambition of all those who seek to offer warm atmospheres, transforming ideas, and hot services to their communities.

The ILA Annual Conference Program Committee is seeking program proposals that focus on engaging your community, stimulating imagination, fostering creativity and ingenuity, sharing gifts and talents, and demonstrating leadership for libraries of every size and every type. Whether you are an academic, special, school, or public librarian; a human resources, marketing, facilities, or law professional; or in a rural or city library serving a large or small population, we ask you to consider submitting a proposal.

Proposals are due February 28, 2013.

For additional information, visit the ILA web site.

Upcoming CARLI Meetings and Events

Forums, Workshops and Training

February 4 February 22	Book Digitization Initiative Informational Webinar IACQ Team Webinar "Changing Your Institution's Voyager Ledger and Fund Structure"
March 11	E-Resources Usage Statistics Pre-Symposium Webinar

March 25 What's the Use?: A Symposium on Usage Statistics, Hilton Garden Inn, Champaign

March 26 I-Share Liaisons' Forum, Elmhurst College

Meetings

February 4	I-Share Cataloging and Authority Control Team
February 7	I-Share Resource Sharing Team
February 11	E-Resources Working Group
February 13	I-Share OPAC Team
February 19	Collections Working Group
February 20	Digital Collections Users' Group
February 20	I-Share Acquisitions and Serials Team
February 21	Digital Preservation Joint Subcommittee
February 25	Preservation Working Group
February 25	Public Services Working Group
March 4	I-Share Cataloging and Authority Control Team
March 6	Executive Committee
March 7	I-Share Resource Sharing Team
March 11	E-Resources Working Group
March 13	I-Share OPAC Team
March 15	CARLI Board of Directors, CARLI Office
March 15	I-Share Instruction Team
March 19	Collections Working Group
March 20	Digital Collections Users' Group
March 20	I-Share Acquisitions and Serials Team
March 21	Digital Preservation Joint Subcommittee
March 21	Public Services Working Group
March 26	I-Share Liasons' Forum

Consult the CARLI calendar for the most current list of meeting times and locations.

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