University of Missouri Library Systems

Introduction from Kurt Kopp

May was a busy month for the Library Systems Office staff (not that every month isn't). Terry and Abbie have begun the electronic database renewal process and so far have achieved a cost savings of over $6,507. Also in this issue is the announcement of a new federated search engine called Scitopia.org. This month also saw the conversion to the PeopleSoft student system by the UMKC campus. Many thanks to Christopher Gould of the MOBIUS Consortium Office (MCO) for his valuable assistance with getting the UMKC student data sent directly from PeopleSoft to MCO for loading on MOBIUS. We couldn't have done it without his expertise. The UMC campus will be the next to switch over to the PeopleSoft student system in August. The patron load program for UMC was modified so that the proper home library and pcode3 are now assigned. We completed the transition of sysadmin responsibilities for our servers from MOREnet to Division of IT and had our first planning meeting for single signon with MCO and DoIT.

The digitizing lab had a productive month with a total of 5,969 pages scanned, 4,674 pages corrected and 17,511 pages added to the digital library.

MEA CULPA: Last month I noted that the grant project to digitize the UMC Agricultural Experiment Station Publications was completed but failed to say that Judy Maseles wrote the grant and was the co-principal investigator. When listing the staff contributions to this newsletter I forgot the important contribution made by Susan McCormack in providing the statistics for electronic resource use. Finally, I wrongly stated that single signon was for MU when I meant to say UM as this is for all UM campus libraries. (Hopefully, there will be no need for this section next month).

eResources: Facts and Figures

In a study on the subject of ejournals, it was found that for scientists, two-thirds of their reading now comes from eResources, and in some fields, such as astronomy, the number is approaching 80%.[1]

[1] Wolverton, Robert E. Jr., and Carol Tenopir. 2005. Conference Report: Discovering the Magic: Faculty and Student Use of Electronic Journals. *The Serials Librarian* 49(3): 159.

In March 2007, 6906 full text views were recorded for PsycARTICLES. In April, that number increased to 9870.

Upcoming Meetings:

- ♦ Next MCDRSC Meeting: July 12

eResources News: Renewal Process Results in Cost Savings

It is time once again to begin the renewal process for electronic resources. Two resources were due for re-bid for July renewals: PAIS and GeoRef. PAIS will remain with CSA (soon to be known as ProQuest) as the low bidder. GeoRef will have a change in vendor. The low bidder is CSA. By moving GeoRef to CSA we will save $1607.

Also analyzed for cost savings were the renewals for Lexis/Nexis Academic™, Congressional™, and Statistical™. By subscribing directly with LexisNexis for Statistical and associated modules we will save over $2900. There was no difference in cost for Congressional and the Academic subscription is only available through MLNC/Solinet so these two databases with remain with the MLNC/

Solinet deal.

Finally, LSO will assume the administrative responsibility of subscribing to EconLit on behalf of the four UM campuses. Each campus was currently subscribing although Rolla was only using pay per search. The new deal will save over $2000. This resource is not included in the central budget and will be billed back to the individual campuses.

From the Special Collections Dept. of Miller Nichols Library at UMKC, the Buck Clayton collection contains over 1500 photographs documenting Clayton's life and musical career. A seminal figure in the evolution of jazz, Clayton distinguished himself as an arranger, composer, trumpeter and band leader. In addition to portraits of Clayton and other musicians, the photos document musical performances, tours and venues, and his experience as a music educator. Included are family photos as well as images from his travels and social life.

digital.library.umsystem.edu/image/claytonic

eResources News: Scitopia.org

A group of scholarly societies is uniting to create more direct access to their collective content. On June 5, thirteen of the world's leading science and technology societies will launch scitopia.org, a free federated vertical search portal that will enable users to explore the research most cited in scholarly work and patents with a single click.

Scitopia.org will aggregate the entire electronic libraries of the leading voices in major science and technology disciplines. More than three million documents, including peer-reviewed journal content and conference proceedings, spanning 150 years of science and technology will be searched through this dedicated gateway. Founding partners include: American Geophysical Union (AGU), American Institute for Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA), American Institute of Physics (AIP), American Physical Society (APS), American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), The Electrochemical Society (ECS), IEEE, Institute of Physics Publishing (IOP), Optical Society of America (OSA), SPIE, Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE), and Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM). Other organizations will be invited to join as the project progresses.

"The scitopia.org search will be focused on the best in sci-tech research with vetted, authoritative content," said Barbara Lange, Director of Product Line Management and Publishing Business Development for IEEE. "Our goal in developing scitopia.org is not to provide yet another search portal, but rather to provide a platform where this highly cited content can be found with greater ease, unencumbered by the noise of the Internet."

"Because of the breadth of the partnership behind it, researchers will be able to explore multiple disciplines at once," said Tim Ingoldsby, AIP's Director of Strategic Initiatives and Business Development.

More information about scitopia.org can be found at that website after it launches on June 5. The contact for the scitopia.org press release is Beth Dempsey, beth@bethdempsey.com.

Most Used Digital Library Collections for May 2007

1930 Platbooks: 26,195 pageviews

Missouriana Digital Text Collection: 18,579 pageviews

Savitar: 15,155 pageviews

Most Accessed Digital Library Item for May 2007:

The History of Lincoln County

What LSO Can Offer You

Storage for Digital Objects Available

With the expansion of our online storage capabilities discussed last month we can store digital objects created by the campus libraries (including the four Western Historical Manuscript locations). The UMKC, UMSL, and UMC libraries are already or will soon be loading their archival images. If you are trusting your archival images solely to cd-rom or dvd, you should talk to us about storing an online copy with us for backup. Doing this will give you a triple backup: your cd; an online copy and another online copy on the backup online storage.

Future Plans for Digital Library:

I have been contacted by several librarians to discuss the addition of their material to the Digital Library and will be meeting with them soon. I plan to make visits to all the campus libraries to discuss what LSO can offer in the way of electronic resources – both licensed databases and scanned digital items or any other projects in which we can offer assistance. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me or any of the LSO staff with ideas, requests, or suggestions.