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WELCOME TO THE SOCRS NEWSLETTER, IN WHICH WE HOPE TO OFFER SOME INTERESTING ARTICLES ABOUT THE SERIALS INFORMATION CHAIN, FROM PERSONAL TO INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENTS. WE WELCOME QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS AND LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING ALL IN SAN JUAN!

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*San Juan beckons us with images
throughout this newsletter*

LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

By Helen Adey (Nottingham University)

How quickly things can change in a very short time! In 2011 we have all been affected by the downturn in the world economy, and already we've seen signs of Library budgets coming under enormous pressure, Serials ceasing publication because they are no longer economically viable and the struggle to balance our budgets is becoming more of a challenge. Often it feels as if the only certainty is that more change will come.

For those of us fortunate enough to attend the WLIC IFLA conferences, it's a wonderful opportunity to share experience and learn from others and I'm sure the upcoming conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico will be no exception. Our open programme has speakers talking about hot topics such as the future of Serials Big Deals and innovative ways in which publishers and Librarians have worked



together to make serials available to less developed countries. It will also be an opportunity for our newly elected Standing Committee members to meet and plan our work and activities for the coming year, but also say a heartfelt thank you to those Standing Committee members who are stepping down this year and who have served us and IFLA so well.

It is a delight and privilege to work with such enthusiastic and knowledgeable people, and I look forward to seeing you again soon.

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SERIALS SECTION OPEN PROGRAMME: ABSTRACTS & AUTHORS

San Juan (Puerto Rico), August 2011

I. OpenEdition *Freemium*: developing a sustainable library-centered economic model for open access

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Abstract

In February 2011, the Centre for open electronic publishing (Cléo, France) launched the new portal OpenEdition. Mainly focused on the humanities and social sciences, this portal brings together three open access platforms: *Revues.org* (290 academic journals and book series); *Calenda* (15 000 academic event announcements); and *Hypotheses.org* (180 scholarly blogs). OpenEdition provides content to 2 million users per month worldwide. The journal platform alone, Revues.org, founded in 1999, is now an umbrella for 143 full open access journals.

OpenEdition aims at developing an innovative economic model for Open Access through a *Freemium* programme, tailored for libraries and their patrons. OpenEdition *Freemium* offers a set of services on top of the open access contents delivered on its three platforms. It is an opportunity for libraries to get involved in developing a global open access ecosystem for scholars and students. It is designed to give libraries a central position and an active part in the support of open access. The gated content system slows the dissemination of knowledge and puts libraries in the position of mere gatekeepers, worsening the digital divide. After 20 years, neither the green road nor gold road to open access has succeeded in developing the model of Open Access publication through libraries. The Centre for open electronic publishing now offers a third road to open access, the OpenEdition *Freemium* programme.

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II. Initiatives of the INFLIBNET Centre for delivering information to the Indian academic community

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Abstract

According to Five Laws of Library Science, Dr. S R Ranganathan said that every user should get their needed books and every book also should get its users. Similarly, delivering every piece of information to its users is a must for every library in this digital era. Unfortunately, it is difficult for the libraries to build-up a fund for acquiring the sufficient and needed resources. The establishment of the INFLIBNET Centre, an autonomous inter-university centre of University Grants Commission, located at Ahmedabad as a nodal agency for academic institutions, is a step towards filling this gap. Being a nodal agency, the INFLIBNET Centre has taken various initiatives for delivering the electronic resources to the doorsteps of the academic community and institutions of the country. The paper elaborates on various initiatives of the Centre taken for delivering the information to the academic community of India. It also touches the impact of the initiatives on higher education of the country. The authors of this paper brief only those initiatives that suit the theme of this IFLA section.



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Dr. Jagdish Arora joined as the Director of INFLIBNET (Information and Library Network) Centre in August 2007. Prior to his present assignment, Dr. Arora worked as the Librarian at the IIT Delhi from September 2003 to August 2007. He was also the Web Master of IIT Delhi and the National Coordinator of the INDEST-AICTE Consortium, one of the most successful consortium initiatives in India. He worked as Deputy Librarian at the Indian Institute of Technology Delhi for more than 11 years and was also Librarian at IIT Bombay from June 2002 to August 2003. Previous assignments include role of Documentation Officer at the National Institute of Immunology, Delhi (1983-1991) and Assistant Documentation Officer, ICRISAT, Patancheru, A.P. (1980-1983).

Arora received a Fulbright Professional Fellowship in Library and Information Science (1997-98), SIS Fellowship (1999), Librarian of the Year (IASLIC, 1999), Young Librarian of the Year (SATKAL, 2001), and ILA-Kaula Best Librarian Award (ILA, 2004). He was the Principal Investigator for a number of projects sponsored by Indian government agencies. Currently, he is Co-Principal Investigator of the Project entitled "National Library and Information Services Infrastructure for Scholarly Content (N-LIST)" funded by the Ministry of Human Resource Development under its National Mission on Education through ICT.

His current research interests include consortium-based subscription to e-resources, digital libraries, digitization of old and fragile documents and their storage, database-driven Web interfaces and Web-based library services, Web-based learning and education, and scientometric analysis. Arora has published over 70 research articles.

III. Widening access to serials in the developing world: the role and philosophy of INASP

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Abstract

INASP (the International Network for the Availability of Scientific Publications) has been working for many years with partner countries in the developing world to support all aspects of the scholarly research and communication cycle – by facilitating access to international scholarly e-journals, supporting the creation of indigenous e-journals, equipping librarians with the skills to support research, and helping libraries to create the infrastructure to enable them to deliver services in the digital library environment and provide integrated management of digital resources. For a philanthropic organisation such as INASP, the "teach a man to fish" mantra is central, as without a plan for sustainability or self-sufficiency all philanthropic work will ultimately fail. This paper describes our Programme for the Enhancement of Research Information (PERI) which has been described by Chan and Costa (2005) as "the most comprehensive initiative of access to worldwide research." It will also describe some of the challenges in building capacity to enable libraries to take charge of their own futures, and INASP's approach to support sustainable availability, access and use of research that is owned by and embedded within researchers' own institutions. The issue of sustainability is topical at the present time, following recent access changes to research information available through the HINARI programme.

Challenges are significant. There are the obvious obstacles of funding and limitations of IT infrastructures, but in many ways the real sustainability challenges relate to people: how to build on existing strengths and assets and enhance local ability to solve problems; encouraging and stimulating individuals to act either alone or, more effectively, together; appropriate sharing of responsibilities and obligations, with local partners taking ownership; appropriate utilisation of external vs. internal expertise; and understanding the country context.



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Peter Burnett is Head of Library Development at INASP. He works to build up the infrastructure of libraries and equip librarians with skills to deliver services in the digital library environment. A graduate in Russian and East European Studies, he has worked in the universities of Birmingham, Lancaster, Washington and Oxford and spent 9 years as Head of Technical Services at the Bodleian Library. From 1994-1999 he served as Chair of George Soros' Open Society Institute Network Library Program, and has worked as a library consultant in parts of the former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe.

Sara Gwynn joined INASP in 2002 on the ICT training component of PERI and is now coordinating INASP's programme work in her shared role as Director of Programmes. Before this, she worked at the Institute of Physics Publishing during the transition from paper to electronic journals. This triggered an interest which led to research in universities in the UK, Australia and South Africa on the impact of e-resources on the research process and roles of researchers and librarians. During this time she also lectured in Information Systems and managed the production and launch of several journals.

IV. Research4Life: bringing academic and professional peer-reviewed content to developing countries through public-private partnerships

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Abstract

This year sees the tenth anniversary of the launch of the HINARI programme, originally a collaboration between the World Health Organization, a US university library, and six major international medical publishers to bring vital medical knowledge to

researchers and practising physicians in the world's poorest countries. In the ensuing ten years, the HINARI programme has been replicated in agriculture (AGORA) and the environment (OARE), and the Research4Life partnership now covers a broader range of scientific subjects with input from three UN agencies, two US academic libraries, content from over 150 publisher partners, and technical expertise and services from companies such as Microsoft, Swets, and Ex Libris.

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V. Unbundling the Big Deal with patron-driven acquisitions

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Abstract

Academic libraries subscribed to publishers' "big deal" journal packages with expectations of significantly expanded access to full text at relatively small additional costs. With spending platforms and annual price increases, these deals often came to dominate serials spending, at the same time that serials account for a greater share of the overall acquisitions budget in many libraries. As budgets stagnate or shrink in difficult financial times, there are nagging questions not just about their cost, but whether these packages are pushing libraries to forgo needed resources in exchange for a list of titles with marginal value to patrons.

In this paper/presentation, we address our library's experiences in beginning to unbundle publishers' big deals. Our guiding principle is user-driven acquisitions. We use historical usage patterns to decide which journal subscriptions to retain, just as some vendors are taking usage into account when determining pricing. We will describe metrics that guide our selection for remaining subscriptions, including usage statistics, overlap analysis, price/usage ratio, impact factor, and other criteria. We will discuss our initial experiences implementing tokens for "just in time" purchase of individual articles at the users' requests. Will it be possible to provide a similar level of access while spending less? How will full text retrievals be affected by an ostensibly smaller title list? We hope to provide preliminary answers about whether unbundling the big deal can rein in expenses, while still serving our academic community's need for access to a wide range of timely and relevant research.

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Carnegie Library, oldest in San Juan

NEWS & NOTES: THE FIFTH INTERNATIONAL CLINICAL LIBRARIAN CONFERENCE

Submitted by Affra Alshamsi

The 5th International Clinical Librarian Conference 2011 took place on the 13th and 14th of June 2011 at the Birmingham Botanical Gardens in the heart of England. The conference brought together speakers and attendees from around the world interested in clinical librarianship. This year's conference also had an additional exciting event: the launch of the Association of Clinical Librarians and Informationists (ACLI), which is free to join and is expected to become a virtual community of practice in which to share ideas and network.

The first day of the conference started with Fiona Godlee (editor of the *BMJ*) as the keynote speaker. She addressed several key issues such as the best approach for "getting evidence into practice," the delay in adopting evidence-based practice, and the factors influencing implementation of evidence into practice. She then addressed the available solutions to overcome these problems provided by the *BMJ* – solutions that aim to help organisations integrate evidence; to deliver high-quality, safer and more efficient healthcare; and to achieve better patient outcomes.

The rest of the first day's program involved an eclectic mix of professionals presenting their experience in this field and their innovative ideas to provide better clinical information at the point of care. A variety of topics were covered: clinical information search systems; clinical evidence-based information service specialists; case studies on the effect of a clinical librarian intervention in a tertiary care centre; development of a search filter for identifying articles that address patient issues; implementing evidence into practice; a logic model for embedded research librarianship in a Health Information Network; and using social networks for current awareness.

The second day started with the announcement of the inauguration of the ACLI. This was followed by a presentation and then discussion of *NHS Evidence*, which is a web-based portal service provided by the National Institute for Health and Clinical

Excellence (NICE) to all NHS staff and provides access to clinical and non-clinical best practice and evidence. For the rest of the second day, the topics covered included the role played by the Medical Library Association (MLA) in clinical librarianship; current awareness services and applying a collaborative approach to their development; several case studies on the development and piloting of clinical librarian services in different places around the world; and developing a resource to share the evidence from the case studies.

NEWS & NOTES: ASSIGNING ISSN NUMBERS TO ONGOING INTEGRATING RESOURCES

The US ISSN Center in the ABA US and Publisher Liaison Division participated in the ISSN Network pilot test of the "Criteria for the Assignment of ISSN to Ongoing Integrating Resources" (CAITOR). Staff in USPL received training in these new guidelines for assignment of ISSN to eligible integrating resources (IRs) as well as a review of how to catalog IRs. Invitations to submit IRs were sent to 3 selected publishers and to CONSER libraries. A total of 90 IRs were cataloged. Staff had some suggestions about the guidelines that were shared with the ISSN Network.

The ISSN Network is considering a new policy for the assignment of ISSN to digital reproductions of print serials. Key US stakeholders have been contacted for input, including staff from the Library of Congress, National Library of Medicine, CONSER libraries and JSTOR. The US ISSN Center submitted a proposal to the ISSN Network that suggested use of the Linking ISSN in the first round of Network online discussions. During the second round of discussions, the US voted against a compromise solution that would have differentiated between current and ceased titles, and in favor of "Option 1," a policy that would assign one ISSN to any digital version, including digital reproductions of print serials. The US recommended more study and input from stakeholders.

The National Information Standards Organization (NISO) has established a Working Group on Presentation and Identification of e-Journals at the prompting of staff at LC and other CONSER libraries that wish to address the problems created when publishers re-format content published under a former title without acknowledging the former title, with the result that citations to that former title can no longer be used to access the content. The ISSN Coordinator, Ms. Regina Romano Reynolds, is LC's representative to the working group that will develop best practices for the presentation and identification of e-journals, particularly title information and identification via correct use of the ISSN. The recommendations will also include best practices for using accurate current and former ISSN.

Production of ISSN by the US Center grew by nine percent fiscal 2010, in part because of requests for large batches of ISSN for OpenURL linking. The US Center took a lead in promoting the Linking ISSN's use in OpenURL. The Automated ISSN Register and ISSN Mailer program completed a successful year of providing efficiencies in ISSN processing.

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NEWS & NOTES: ROUNDTABLE ON MEDICAL AND HEALTH KNOWLEDGE AND MEDICAL LIBRARIES WITHOUT FRONTIERS

Submitted by Affra Alshamsi

Since the emergence of the World Wide Web, individuals are able to access huge amounts of information related to any topic at anytime, anywhere. This has had a profound impact on health information and healthcare delivery. Having the required information readily available at the point of care has hugely benefitted healthcare providers, and has revolutionized the way medical professionals care for patients. There is enormous potential to increase the efficiency of clinical practice, reduce human error, and increase the quality of medical care. However, there has been much debate in the last few years concerning the

validity of medical information on the Web, Evidence Based Medicine (EBM) role in healthcare settings, types of clinical decision support resources available, and the level of medical professionals' information and computer literacy; and the delivery of health services. The role of the librarian in healthcare settings extended beyond literature identification to information retrieval methods and critical appraisal practicing and training.

In March 2011, the Special Library Association Arab Gulf Chapter (SLA-AGC) 17th Annual Conference took place at Al-Bustan Palace Hotel in Muscat, Oman. The conference theme was "The Changing Role of Information Professionals in the Knowledge Economy: Challenges and Opportunities." There, the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) information professionals from the medical and healthcare fields congregated for a medical round table that was held under the title "Medical and Health Knowledge and Medical Libraries Without Frontiers." The session explored and compared the factors affecting medical and health knowledge, from the users' (clinicians and physicians), professionals' and knowledge providers' (publishers and vendors) perspectives. The emphasis were on issues related to knowledge and information marketing, use, and access; how physicians access information; how professionals bridge the divide between users and the information they need; the challenges of evidence-based medicine (EBM); and finally it addressed other problems that exist in regards to information delivery to the medical community.



The round table started with three speakers. First to speak was a neurologist (Dr. Jaber Al Khabouri, Royal Hospital, Muscat, Oman) who provided an overview reflecting physicians' information/knowledge needs and behavior through a discussion on the sources of information physicians use, how they locate their sources, and what obstacles they face. It was concluded that physicians' main information/knowledge needs are for patient treatment and care, medical presentations, research, forming and auditing guidelines and treatment protocols, writing journal articles, and career development. They usually acquire this information/knowledge respectively from books, medical journals, Internet – medical sites, e- libraries, and medical conferences.

In regards to obtaining this information, the neurologist pointed out that information on general topics is easy to get from books and journals etc., but that there are many obstacles when looking for an answer to a specific situation: phrasing the question to satisfy the search engine, variety and reliability of search engines. It is also often difficult to obtain inexpensive or free texts, and it can be time-consuming to sift through search engine results. Most healthcare providers lack the skills and knowledge to master information retrieval tools, EBM practice, variability of expert medical opinions and bias, the continuous need of going back to books, and local cultures.



The second speaker was a senior consultant surgeon oncologist (Dr. Taha Al Lawati, Royal Hospital, Muscat, Oman) who reviewed the obstacles physicians face when practicing EBM, based on a case study done on The Royal Hospital, which specifically focused on challenges faced in the Outpatient Department (OPD) and operating rooms. This speaker said the most significant finding for operating room EBM is the role of inward rounds embarrassment. In addition, large egos cause some doctors to worry that their need to review and check information may negatively impact the level of trust a patient, intern or medical student has in a physician. Medical students and young doctors face a similar problem. Many are capable of using online information resources to review different treatment options and gather evidence, but are overruled by senior physicians with pre-fixed treatment methods.

Compounding this was the lack of Internet access for many of the healthcare professionals. All EBM resources are Internet-based, and online access at most hospitals is limited to the hospital intranet to avoid the threat of Internet viruses impacting patient records. The Royal Hospital is an exception to this, because wireless Internet is available, but the access is only through personal laptops, and it is slow due to the number of users. There are sometimes computer labs available to healthcare providers, but they are inconvenient since they are so far from the patient. Finally, the common method administrators use to economize the industry is to reduce the number of professionals and increase the work load of individuals, significantly detracting from a physicians' time to research and plan for a patient's treatment.

Like the doctors in the OR, the OPD also faces a lack of Internet access. Some hospitals try and compensate for this by providing treatment protocols and guidelines on the intranet, but they must be continually updated, and they can quickly lose their applicability. This problem, however, is second to the way doctors in the OPD are expected to spend their time. OPDs usually have a large number of patients on any given day, and many administrators understand medical practice to be concerned with seeing, diagnosing and treating patients; brain work is for medical students. Based on that, each doctor has his or her full day scheduled, and may see a new patient every 20 minutes. Administrators also think that the best way to have good documentation is by improving doctors' typing skills – it is estimated that a doctor may lose more than 60% of his or her time typing, making EBM near impossible because of lack of time.

The third speaker, a clinical pharmacist from Saudi Arabia (Ahmed F. Alkhalidi Ahmed F. B.Sc, MClIn Pharm, Medical Reviewer for the Saudi Food and Drug Authority, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia), shared his experiences on publisher bias in clinical reviews, and highlighted the significance of peer-reviewed medical journals as the primary dissemination source of information in the medical field. He found that many publishers, consciously or subconsciously, will censor findings that are harmful to their business. For example, a journal backed by a pharmaceutical company sometimes may not publish research containing negative findings on specific drugs they produce. Reports on selective publishing like this go back to the 1990s. The seriousness of this situation is obvious, as doctors and other healthcare providers are unable to find complete and accurate information about drugs and treatments they are providing for their patients.

Overall, the session highlighted important recommendations from the three parties (clinicians, medical librarians, and publishers), which can be summarized as follows: the importance of introducing clinical librarianship to support the clinical teams at the point of care, and the important role a medical librarian can play in providing information, training, education and awareness to the healthcare community; the emphasis on providing user-friendly access to information and easy to use access resources at the point of care; the importance of local publications; and the criticality of high speed internet access in health care facilities

NEWS & NOTES: L'ISSN ET LES REPRODUCTIONS NUMERIQUES DES PUBLICATIONS EN SERIE: VERS UN CHANGEMENT DES REGLES?

Submitted by François-Xavier Pelegrin (ISSN International Centre)

L'identification des reproductions de publications en série imprimées est régie par une règle élaborée à la fin des années 1970 pour les réimpressions, les versions en braille et les microformes (pas d'ISSN distinct attribué, c'est l'ISSN de la version imprimée qui est utilisé, voir le Manuel de l'ISSN, section 2.2.6). Cette règle a été ensuite appliquée telle quelle aux reproductions numériques au cours des années 1990.

Or, force est de constater que les conditions de production, de diffusion et de conservation des publications en série ont été bouleversées par le développement des technologies numériques rendant la distinction entre les versions «nées numériques» (qui ont un ISSN distinct) et les versions numérisées (qui sont donc identifiées avec l'ISSN des versions imprimées correspondantes) moins évidente pour les catalogueurs et moins importante pour les utilisateurs. Un journal accessible en ligne peut être ainsi constitué de numéros numérisés (numéros les plus anciens) et de numéros «nés numériques» (numéros les plus récents) ou bien présenter des similitudes très fortes avec la version imprimée (mise en page etc.) car il a été produit en même temps et avec les mêmes outils, comme c'est de plus en plus souvent le cas grâce à des langages tels qu' XML et des formats tels que PDF. A cela s'ajoute bien sûr le recours de plus en plus rare à la technologie des microformes pour laquelle la règle actuelle avait été initialement conçue.

C'est donc tout naturellement que sa pertinence a commencé à être questionnée et qu'une réflexion a été lancée au sein du réseau ISSN afin de mieux prendre en compte les nouveaux usages, les nouvelles conditions de production/diffusion des publications en série et, in fine, d'établir une nouvelle règle pour l'identification des reproductions numériques. Trois options concurrentes ont été discutées via la liste de diffusion du réseau pendant plusieurs mois et les directeurs de centres ISSN ont finalement retenu l'une d'entre elles à l'occasion de leur réunion annuelle d'octobre 2010: «Un ISSN distinct doit être attribué à la reproduction numérique d'une publication en série imprimée, qu'elle soit morte ou vivante, sauf si un ISSN a déjà été attribué à la version «née numérique» de cette même publication, sous le même titre, auquel cas c'est cet ISSN qui doit

être utilisé pour la reproduction numérique».

Conscient que ce changement aura des conséquences importantes pour les différents acteurs de la communauté des publications en série, le réseau ISSN a lancé une consultation, fournissant des explications détaillées sur cette nouvelle politique d'attribution ainsi que des exemples de notices bibliographiques. Editeurs, agences d'abonnements, agences de conservation et institutions/groupes de travail en charge des normes bibliographiques (ISBD, RDA, formats MARC...) ont été ainsi consultés en mai et juin 2011. L'enquête est en cours de dépouillement et d'analyse, ses résultats seront discutés lors de la prochaine réunion annuelle des directeurs de centre ISSN (Sarajevo, octobre 2011). Les résultats de l'enquête, ainsi que la position définitive du réseau ISSN, seront ensuite diffusés largement. Rendez-vous donc au mois d'octobre 2011!

ISSN Assignment and Digital Reproductions of Serials: towards a change of rules? (English version)

The identification of reproductions of print serials is based on a rule set up in the late 1970s to account for reprints, Braille versions and microforms (the ISSN assigned to the original, usually print version, is valid for the reproduction and no separate ISSN is assigned to the reproduction, see ISSN Manual, Section 2.2.6)

The rule as such was later applied to digital reproductions from the mid-1990s onwards.

However, the conditions for the production, distribution and preservation of serials have changed so radically under the impact of digital technologies, that the distinction between born digital versions (which are assigned separate ISSN) and digitized versions (which rely for identification on the ISSN of the corresponding print versions) is now less obvious for cataloguers and less relevant for ISSN users.

An online journal may thus consist of both digitized issues (the older back issues) and born-digital issues (the later issues). It may also bear strong similarities to the print version (in terms of layout etc.), as both versions are produced simultaneously, more often than not using the very same tools (languages such as XML or output formats like PDF).



Conversely, the microform technology for which the current rule was originally intended is used more and more rarely.

Quite naturally, the relevance of the rule began to be called into question and a thinking process was launched within the ISSN network in order to take into better account new uses and new production/distribution conditions for serials and eventually establish a new rule for the identification of digital reproductions. Three competing options were discussed for several months via the Network's mailing list, and the directors of ISSN national centres eventually made their choice in October 2010 during their annual meeting: "Assign a separate ISSN to a digital reproduction of a print serial, whether ceased or current, except when an ISSN has already been assigned to a born digital version of the same serial under the same title, in which case the ISSN of the born digital version should be used."

As this change of rule might entail significant consequences for the various stakeholders in the serials community, the ISSN Network initiated a consultation, while providing detailed explanations as well as examples of bibliographic records. Publishers, subscription agencies, digital preservation agencies, and institutions/working groups in charge of bibliographic standards (ISBD, RDA, MARC formats...) were thus consulted from May till June of 2011. The survey is being processed and analyzed. The results will be discussed during the next annual meeting of ISSN directors in Sarajevo. The final decision of the ISSN network, as well as the survey results, will then be broadly publicized. October 2011 is only just a few weeks away!

NEWS & NOTES: CLOCKSS: KEEPING STUFF SAFE

Submitted by Randy Kiefer, Executive Director, CLOCKSS

The Digital Distributed Community Archive is better known to the world as the CLOCKSS Archive [www.clockss.org]. Built on low-cost, open-source, award-winning LOCKSS (Lots of Copies Keep Stuff Safe) technology, the CLOCKSS Archive comprises a network of redundant nodes located at twelve major research libraries, into which e-content is ingested, and preserved. CLOCKSS' decentralized, geographically disparate preservation model ensures that the digital assets of the community will survive intact. This approach to distributed preservation makes CLOCKSS unique in its approach and provides a proven, sustainable methodology to protect and preserve the content. With twelve archive nodes around the world, CLOCKSS's decentralized, geopolitically diverse preservation model ensures that the digital assets of the community will survive intact. CLOCKSS is technologically diverse – able to store any number of content types in a diverse array of redundant locations.

CLOCKSS is committed to open access and to community governance for the entire world's benefit. Content no longer available from any publisher ("triggered content") is available for free. CLOCKSS uniquely assigns this abandoned and orphaned content with a creative commons license to ensure that it remains available, forever. The archive is managed by, and for, its stakeholders, not by a third party. Publishers and librarians have equal say in deciding procedures, priorities, and when to trigger content. CLOCKSS is committed to a transparent community-based governance structure, to be most sustainable in the future as technologies and priorities change. It must be governed by and represent the diverse voices of the global open-access scholarship community.

CLOCKSS is governed in a manner to share the responsibility of archiving across the global academic community. The founding librarians of the CLOCKSS community-governed archive stated, "It's been our honor and privilege to build, alongside esteemed publishers, a permanent archive to ensure the very long-term survival of our shared assets. We decreed early on that CLOCKSS would be community-managed, with strategy, policies, and decisions, such as whether to provide access to archival content, made by CLOCKSS participants via a transparent governance structure." CLOCKSS participants have the opportunity to be deeply involved in all aspects of the scholarly communications industry and keep the community's best interests at the forefront when they make their decisions.

CLOCKSS keeps operating costs as low as possible, so that institutions of all sizes and budgets can participate. The participation fees have remained the same since the beginning in 2008. Over that period of time, the CLOCKSS Archive has managed its finances on a sound and sustainable basis to make sure the archive will persist into the very far future. All participating libraries appoint a delegate to the CLOCKSS Advisory Council.

CLOCKSS has experienced three trigger events and has responded by releasing the triggered content, making it free not only to CLOCKSS participants, or to current or former subscribers to that licensed content, but free to *everyone* with access to the Internet. All libraries benefit from this commitment to open-access releases.

Randy S. Kiefer, the new Executive Director, sees the CLOCKSS Archive moving beyond only the largest commercial publishers to find new participation by those imprints where internal resources do not necessarily cover preservation. This group would include the small independent society publishers and open-access journal publishers. The new formats of online publishing, including additional materials like video, datasets, images, and animations, are of significant interest to the CLOCKSS Archive. The CLOCKSS Archive will be adding scholarly works not only in English, but in all languages. Kiefer will continue the development of the library communities surrounding the regional archive boxes to support the preservation work and increase the representation in the global community. This global distribution will encourage preservation of all cultural materials from everywhere.



El Morro Castle, San Juan

EDWARD SWANSON: *IN MEMORIAM*

Members of the Serials & Other Continuing Resources join the family, friends, and colleagues of long-time IFLA leader and former chair of SOCRS. We miss him greatly.



In a letter on December 17, 2010, IFLA President Ellen Tise wrote to the family of our late colleague Edward Swanson in these words:

"It is with great sadness that IFLA received the news of the passing away of Edward Swanson on Friday 10 December 2010. Edward has been a well known friendly IFLA activist for many years. He has been a member of the Standing Committee of the Serial Publications Section, later the Serials and Other Continuing Resources Section, from 2003 until the present. During the term 2005-2007 he also was a member of IFLA's Professional Committee and as such a member of the Governing Board. Within the IFLA Community Edward will be remembered as the consummate cataloger and the ultimate editor of any text, with a great eye for detail."

Edward Swanson died Dec. 10, 2010, after a brief battle with cancer. There was no funeral; a memorial service was to be held in the spring. Edward turned 65 in 2006; he retired from the Minnesota Historical Society after 31 years of cataloging, then un-retired and cataloged for Minitex 11 years in the Minitex Con-Cats project. He retired there in January 2010, then went back to work part-time on the Minitex project.

Edward was the consummate cataloger and the epitome of a life-long learner. He knew all of AACR2 by heart -- could quote all or parts of rules, and explain how each rule was developed and how it might be changed to accommodate new needs. He had a wonderful, dry sense of humor, which surfaced even during his duties as parliamentarian for the Minnesota Library Association. His range of knowledge and willingness to share his expertise were extraordinary. We will miss him!

He was always active in library organizations, joining the Minnesota Library Association while still in high school, and becoming a life member of ALA. The past several years he was active in IFLA, serving on its Governing Board, as President Tise noted. Much of his work in those organizations was done quietly and effectively on cataloging committees, working to make rules clearer and more effective. He taught workshops, edited and wrote cataloging manuals, and patiently answered

cataloging questions from many of us around the country.

He began his career as the Assistant to the Librarian at Macalester College (his alma mater) and then moved to the Minnesota Historical Society where he led the Newspaper, Processing and Technical Services departments, culminating in the position of Coordinator of Library Cataloging and Principal Cataloger. He played a vital role as a Minnesota AACR2 Trainer, helping librarians throughout the state learn and understand the new cataloging rules. He not only provided in-person training, but also authored and edited numerous manuals and other documentation to support cataloging that were used nationwide. He volunteered to prepare curriculum and conducting training for Minnesota Opportunities for Technical Services Excellence (MOTSE), strengthening the cataloging knowledge of Minnesota librarians and paraprofessionals. He has served as a long-time NACO trainer for the region and as the Minnesota NACO funnel. He has also been active on the national and international levels on ALA and IFLA boards and committees and as editor of many publications.

Edward joined Minitex Contract Cataloging after his retirement from the Minnesota Historical Society. He managed the program for many years and retired in January 2010. Since Edward never liked to be without work and something intellectually stimulating, after his second retirement, he enrolled in a bioethics class at the University of Minnesota and also worked several hours a week on a Minitex project for the University of Minnesota Twin Cities Libraries: reviewing digitized monographs scanned by Google and held in HathiTrust to make determinations regarding their copyright status.

Edward and his long-time partner Carsten lived in a 100-yr-old house in St. Paul with two Siamese cats (the current pair named Oscar and Louise). Their huge dining room table was the setting for countless local, state, national, and international committee meetings over the years -- lots of good work was done around that table -- and good food consumed after each meeting! Carsten is an organist, choral director, and caterer. He sometimes drove his catering van to ALA meetings where they would throw a party.

Edward's colleague Nancy Olson, Professor Emeritus at Mankato State University, wrote this of him: "I'm sorry I never took the time to thank Edward for all his help and advice over the years -- I especially remember how he helped develop interim rules for cataloging computer files, working through OCLC, CC:DA, and MARBI -- he knew just how to approach each group, how to handle the politics, and how to get results. We, and the library profession, will miss him."

This notice has gratefully borrowed from memorial notices from IFLA, from his colleagues at OCLC/Minitex, and from Professor Olson. We share in the sorrow of his loss, so soon after his service as CHAIR of the Serials and Other Continuing Resources Section of IFLA.

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SOCRS: PROFILES OF NEW MEMBERS



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AB from Princeton University in English literature and European civilization. My research as a librarian has focused on multicultural information dynamics, an exploration of how and why people search across languages on the Internet. I am also interested in teaching, having recently designed six modules of the SCCTP Serials Holdings Workshop Manual using Prezy, an innovative multimedia presentation application. In addition to cataloging, I lead an education abroad summer course in intensive Chinese for American students in Hefei, China. In ALA, I have been active in the ALCTS International Relations Committee, and have developed a passion for the IRRT International Sister Libraries Initiative, which I co-chair



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professional contributions in the areas of serials management, serials analytics, and promoting diversity in libraries, and has presented at state, national, and international levels, as well as contributed in various peer reviewed publications. In her personal life, she enjoys cooking, reading, music, hiking, gardening, travelling, and spending time with friends and family members.

Wilma Mossink is the legal advisor of SURFfoundation/SURFdiensten. Her expertise is in copyright management in higher education and the legal aspects of making content and information (openly) available. Part of her work regards the legal aspects of open access. She also drafts and comments on licenses for use of content and software. Mossink advises the legal committee of the FOBID, Netherlands Library Forum. In this capacity, she represents the Netherlands in the Expert group of Information Law of Eblida, the European organisation for libraries. She is the Dutch representative in the Copyright and Legal Matters committee of IFLA (CLM) and is its information coordinator.

She was a member of several (inter)national working groups, including the Zwolle Group and the NISO ONIX-PL Working Group. Currently, she is the chair of the Knowledge Exchange Licensing Working Group. She participates in the informal programme committee of the European ICOLC meetings.

Mossink regularly gives presentations nationally and internationally about the position of libraries in the information society, licensing, institutional repositories and the changing relationships of authors, institutions of higher education and publishers because of new technologies. She has written several articles and book chapters about the aforementioned topics. Some examples are: an article for *Serials* about a multinational tender for procurement of content; a chapter on ownership of digital content for *Digital Information: Order or Chaos* (Facet Publishing); and a report on digital preservation in the Netherlands for the International Study on the Impact of Copyright Law on Digital Preservation. She was co-author of a study on the reuse of material in the context of education and research.



Beáta Katrincová I was born in Bratislava (Slovakia), where I currently live. I graduated from the Comenius University in Bratislava, in Librarianship and Information Science and German language in 1986. My first job was librarian and documentarist at the Comenius University in Bratislava's Faculty of Law. In 1989, I graduated from the State Language School in Bratislava (German). From 1990 -1994, I attended the State Language School in Bratislava (English). I have one daughter, who is a student in middle school.



For the last 13 years, I have been Head of the ISSN National Centre in the University Library in Bratislava (Slovakia); in 2006 the department was broadened to become the ISSN National Centre and Electronic Information Resources. I am concerned with managing the processes in the Centre, with methodical and consulting activities in identification of continuing resources, promotion of ISSN in Slovakia, barcodes (our Centre provides EAN/ISSN barcodes for Slovak periodicals), presentation of printed and electronic journals, legal deposit of periodicals, and other problems related to continuing resources. My publication activity includes: *Workbook* for publishers of periodicals in Slovak

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In 1998, I was involved in the establishment of the ISSN database in the University Library in Bratislava. The database was first in OSIRIS/ISIS; now it is maintained in VIRTUA/ISSN, and the records are processed on-line. Our Centre is active within the ISSN Network, in working groups and other activities. In 2010, we participated in the RDA tests, which organized the ISSN IC.

Our Centre cooperates actively with the Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic, which registers periodical publications in Slovakia. The National ISSN Centre is co-responsible for keeping the Legal Deposit Law in Slovakia. In April – June 2011, we cooperated on preparing a new Legal Deposit Law proposal, which includes for the first time electronic publications published on-line. Within the University Library in Bratislava, the ISSN National Centre cooperates with the Slovak Union of periodicals and the Periodicals Department. The Centre provides these departments with information about new continuing resources in the ISSN Portal and about changes in publishing of periodicals as reported by the publishers. This cooperation helps to maintain the quality and actuality of the records in both the ISSN national database and the Slovak Union catalogue for periodicals.



Sjoerd Koopman

The members of the Serials and Continuing Resources Section want to close this newsletter by adding our thanks and good wishes for a colleague who has meant much to IFLA for the last thirteen years. Sjoerd Koopman, Professional Programmes Director, is stepping down on the first of August. He has been indispensable, he has been a mentor to many of us, he has been resolute in crises, and he has (most amazingly!) been ever cheerful and cheering. As we look back at Gothenburg last year, we give here a favorite picture of Sjoerd just beaming with pleasure in the middle of the ABBA-lookalike performance of the opening plenary session. It becomes a keepsake to hang onto for happy memories of working with a valued colleague. Our best to Sjoerd in his next endeavors. -- Ann Okerson



Some residents of the Mayaguez zoo look forward to seeing us