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Today’s Program: Content

- Trends & buzzwords
- Blogging
- RSS
- Wikis
- Keeping current
Today’s Program: Form

• Introduce topic. Audience …
  ➢ Familiarity
  ➢ Examples
• Cover topic
• “Coda” for each topic
  ➢ What you’ll remember
  ➢ What you’ll try to implement
Trends & Buzzwords

- “2.0”
- Podcasts
- Tags & folksonomies
- OPAC search & results
- Metasearch
- Mash-ups
“The challenge is to stay a step ahead of user needs while remembering that each new route to access doesn’t replace the old ones.”

Carol Tenopir, LJ April 1, 2006
Web 2.0

• **Internet** as we knew it for ~10 years:
  - Hyperlinking
  - Email, ftp
  - Answer any question (almost)

+ 

• **Interactivity** between content creators & audience
  - Blogs, wikis
  - Communication
Library 2.0

• Current library technology (maybe)
  ➢ Blogs, wikis, chat reference

• New ideas?
  ➢ Open access to OPAC
  ➢ Provide access to resources via PDAs
  ➢ Library mash-ups
  ➢ Visual display of search results
  ➢ Enable peer-to-peer promotion
1. How static is our web presence?
2. How much “interactivity” do we have with our users and the community at large?
3. How much non-text do we have in our web presence?
4. Any 2.0 tools we should play, experiment, or pilot with?
5. What’s our real role in the greater social context?

Stephen’s Lighthouse (blog), Feb. 2006
Social Networking

• Teens, college students congregate at
  ➢ MySpace
  ➢ Facebook
• Why?
• Libraries @ MySpace to “meet” patrons
  ➢ http://www.myspace.com/undergradlibrary
  ➢ http://www.myspace.com/lansingpubliclibrary
Lansing Public Library

"R U in Lansing, IL? Add us as a Friend!"

Male
70 years old
LANSING, ILLINOIS United States

Last Login: 3/25/2006

View More Pics

Contacting Lansing Public Library

- Send Message
- Forward to Friend
- Add to Friends
- Add to Favorites
- Instant Message
- Block User
- Add to Group
- Rank User

Lansing Public Library's Latest Blog Entry [Subscribe to this Blog]

Hi (view more)
[View All Blog Entries]

Lansing Public Library's Blurbs

About me:
Keep up with what's happening!

My website: Lansing Library

My Teen News Blog with reminders and information on programs, meetings and other cool stuff! You can sign up to get updates in your email! We even podcast audio from some of our programs and events!

Teen News Blog

Our screen names (so you can IM the library)

Yahoo: AskLPLTeen
AIM or AOL: AskLPLTeen
MSN: AskLPLTeen@hotmail.com

Buddy List us so you can tell if we're online!

Our email (so you can tell us the important things in your life)

Send us suggestions for books, music, or videos that we should buy!
Send us suggestions on what types of events we should have!

Teen@lansing.lib.il.us
Stop in! We're Open:
Monday-Thursday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Podcasts

• **iPod** + broadcast = podcast
  - Distribution of audio or video files over the Internet
  - Listen to what you want, when you want

• **Content**
  - Pre-existing radio shows
  - Independent audio programs
  - Education

• **Technology**
  - Receive new “episodes”
  - Using RSS technology via iTunes, etc.
Sample Podcasts

- Pre-existing content
  - NPR, BBC
  - PBS, *New York Times*, *Scientific American*

- Independent
  - The Word Nerds
  - Barak Obama

- Education
  - ESL, foreign language learning
  - Berkeley: lectures from Spring 2006 classes
  - Tours of art museums
How to Find Podcasts?
Tags & Folksonomies

• Tagging = cataloging for the masses

• Folksonomy = taxonomy for the masses

• See something interesting and “tag” for later retrieval
  ➢ by you
  ➢ by your friends
  ➢ by strangers with similar interests
WFUV.ORG and 90.7 FM, Public Radio from Fordham University in New York City edit / delete
to wfuv VinSclesa radio NYC ... saved by 40 other people ... just posted

All things iPod, iTunes and beyond | iLounge edit / delete
to itunes ipod music ... saved by 1067 other people ... 2 min ago

The Official Site of the New York Giants - Giants.com edit / delete
to football giants NFL ... saved by 22 other people ... 2 min ago

Grey Matter edit / delete
to greysanatomy television blogs tv ... saved by 92 other people ... 3 min ago

Television Without Pity edit / delete
to tv reviews ... saved by 160 other people ... on oct 5, 2005

CogSci Librarian edit / delete
to cogsci blog library ... on oct 5, 2005

ResearchBuzz edit / delete
to library blog ... saved by 13 other people ... on oct 5, 2005

University of Connecticut Library edit / delete
to library uconn ... saved by 3 other people ...
Tag Clouds

common tags | cloud | list

blog | blogs | book | books | brain | cognition | creativity

culture | daily | geek | hack | hacks | health | interesting

learning | lifehacks | mind | mindhacks | neuroscience | news

philosophy | productivity | psychology | research

science

Mind Hacks
http://www.mindhacks.com/
this url has been saved by 1015 people.
Shiyali Ramamrita Ranganathan

five laws of library science

1. Books are for use.
2. Every reader his or her book.
4. Save the time of the reader.
5. The Library is a growing organism.
Tags: Cons + Library Issues

• Cons
  ➢ Work to maintain
  ➢ No controlled vocabulary

• Library Issues
  ➢ People like doing it
  ➢ OPAC implications?
PennTags / tag / ENGL96


tagged microfilm women's_liberation ENGL96 women history primary_sources by jarson ... on 30-JAN-06

aggression
Underground newspaper collection [microform]. Copy
aggression ag... 30-JAN-06

encyclopedia
tagged ENGL96 primary_sources microfilm newspapers by jarson ... on 30-JAN-06

guides health
Columbia documentary history of American women since 1941 / edited by Harriet Sigerman.

tagged america history documentary_history women ENGL96 primary_sources by jarson ... on 25-JAN-06

magazine_cover
Modern American women : a documentary history / [compiled by] Susan Ware.

>tagged primary_sources ENGL96 documentary_history women american by jarson ... on 25-JAN-06

politics primary

>tagged american documentary_history ENGL96 women history primary_sources by jarson ... on 25-JAN-06
OPAC Results

- Software as front end to OPAC
- Showcase library “tags”
  - LCSH
  - Genre
  - Format
  - Language
- Visual display
Your query 'grief children' returned 204 results.

1. Grief
   how to help children feel, deal & heal /life cycle
   David A. Crenshaw, Phyllis L. Rubin
   Subject: bereavement, bereavement in children, ...
   Found: children (4) ; grief (3)
   Date: 1999
   Publisher: Michael Gold/The Corporate Image

2. Keys to helping children deal with death and grief
   Barron's parenting keys
   Joy Johnson
   concept of death in ways that will be understandable to children. She helps parents anticipate children's responses and needs shows how to cope with funeral rites in meaningful ways and points out the importance
   Subject: bereavement in children, death, ...
   Found: children (6) ; grief (3) ; child (2)
   Date: 1999
   Publisher: Barron's Educational Series

3. Children and grief
   when a parent dies
   J.William Worden
   Subject: bereavement in children, children and death, ...
   Found: children (4) ; grief (2)
   Date: 1996
   Publisher: Guilford Press
   Call Number: 155.937 W
Catalog Search: grief children

Search 'grief children':
We found 197 matching items. Limit results to currently available items.

Browse By:
B - Philosophy. Psychology. Religion (60)
D - History (General) and History of Europe (1)
E - History: America (3)
G - Geography. Anthropology. Recreation (1)
H - Social sciences (31)
L - Education (6)
M - Music (1)
P - Language and literature (31)
R - Medicine (42)
S - Agriculture (8)
Z - Bibliography. Library Science. Information resources (ge ... (2)

Brief View | Full View
1. Living with grief: children, adolescents, and loss
   Published: c2000.
   Format: Book
   D.H. Hill Library
   BF723 G75 L58 2000 Stacks (3rd floor)

2. The Grief process [videorecording]: children
   Published: 1982.
   Format: Video cassette
   Learning Resources Library
   BF723 D3 G69 1982 Media Collection
   BF723 D3 G69 1982 <guide Media Collection

   Author: Goldman, Linda, 1946-
   Published: c1996.
   Format: Book
“Federated searching consists of transforming a query and broadcasting it to a group of disparate databases with the appropriate syntax, merging the results collected from the databases, presenting them in a succinct and unified format with minimal duplication, and allowing the library patron to sort the merged result set by various criteria.”
Happy: Psychology + Philosophy

QuickSearch

Enter search term: happiness

- cog sci preprints
- Temporary set
- Shared Catalog
  - UMass & Four College Catalogs
- Combined Catalog
  - Find books, videos, CDs, and ...
- last-minute
  - These databases have many ...
- psych-phil
  - Psychology & philosophy ...
**Happy Results**

Results from **PsycINFO + Philo. Index**
Future of Metasearch?

- Patrons (may) want
  - Should they?

- Not ready for prime time
  - Vendors
  - Technology

- Keep an eye on …
  - AquaBrowser
  - MetaLib
  - EBSCO
Mash-ups

• Web site that integrates content from two or more disparate sources

• Most common: Map data +
  - Home rental / sales data @ HousingMaps.com
  - Crime @ “ChicagoCrime.org”
  - Local music bands @ podbop.org
  - Branch libraries @ Denver
Mash-ups – Housing Maps
Crimes by ZIP code / 60615

Latest reported crimes

- **MARCH 24** Criminal damage
  10:30 p.m. 5400 block S. Ridgewood Ct. Street

- **MARCH 24** Criminal damage
  9:50 p.m. 900 block E. 50th St. Street

- **MARCH 24** Battery
  9:35 p.m. 200 block E. 50th St. Street

- **MARCH 24** Robbery
  8:45 p.m. 5100 block S. Cornell Ave. Street

- **MARCH 24** Robbery
  8 p.m. 4900 block S. Indiana Ave. Sidewalk

- **MARCH 24** Burglary
  5:30 p.m. 4800 block S. Kimbark Ave. Residence: Garage

- **MARCH 24** Criminal damage
  5 p.m. 5400 block S. Ridgewood Ct. Street

- **MARCH 24** Criminal damage
  4:40 p.m. 5300 block S. Hyde Park Blvd. Apartment

- **MARCH 24** Criminal damage
  3:34 p.m. 5000 block S. Cottage Grove Ave. Restaurant

- **MARCH 24** Criminal damage
  10:45 a.m. 1500 block E. 52nd St. Residence

- **MARCH 24** Theft
  10 a.m. 600 block E. 50th Pl. Residence: Porch/hallway
## Mash-ups – PodBot

### PODBOP EVENTS IN ALBANY, NY:

Events matching MP3s in our [Artist Database](#).

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<th>Date</th>
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<td>APR 9</td>
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<td>MP3: The Dresden Dolls - Girl Anachronism, Missed Me</td>
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<td>EMPIRE CENTER AT THE EGG</td>
<td><strong>Bela Fleck &amp; the Flecktones</strong></td>
<td>MP3: Béla Fleck - Frontiers (Live), P'lod (Live)</td>
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Mash-ups – Denver Libraries

Locations & Hours

New hours at every location beginning January 3, 2006

Choose a branch location on the map or select from the text links to find more information about that branch or area.

Temporary Closure of Westwood Branch Library

Locations

Central Library
Athmar Park
Bear Valley
Blair-Caldwell
Byers
Decker
Eugene Field
Ford-Warren
Hadley
Hampden
Montbello
Park Hill
Pauline Robinson
Ross-Barnum
Ross-Broadway
Rose-Cherry Creek
Ross-University Hills
Schlessman Family
Smiley
Valdez-Perry
Virginia Village
Woodbury

Bookmobile
Trends & Buzzwords Coda

• Questions?
• What will you remember?
• What will you try to implement?
Blogging

• What is it and who’s using it?

• Examples of library blogs for public, school, academic, and special libraries
  ➢ Professional blogs (librarians as audience)
  ➢ Public blogs (patrons as audience)

• How do you make a blog?!
Anatomy of a Blog

Blogging

April 19, 2006

**IMLS findings on The Status of Technology and Digitization in the Nation’s Museums and Libraries**

A January 2006 report from IMLS on "The Status of Technology and Digitization in the Nation's Museums and Libraries" is very good.

Here are the Key Findings from the IMLS website. I hope that it intrigues you enough to read the full report. They also have specific findings for all types of libraries.

**TECHNOLOGY USE**

Small museums and public libraries have made dramatic progress, although they still lag behind their larger counterparts.

The extent of implementation and use of technologies in museums, public libraries, academic libraries, and all state library administrative agencies increased from the 2001 survey to the one conducted in 2004. The most dramatic increases are in small museums and public libraries, more of which have implemented basic office technologies and Web sites. Archives, which were not surveyed in 2001, report high percentages of basic and some advanced technologies in use.

The use of essential office technologies (e-mail, office productivity software, and desktop computers) is pervasive among state library administrative agencies, large archives, museums, public libraries, and academic libraries. Small museums and public libraries have expanded their use of basic technologies since the 2001 survey, but still lag behind the larger institutions.

Internet connectivity is pervasive among all groups, with broadband connections predominant over modern connections, except among smaller institutions. Institutional Web sites are prevalent among institutions in all groups. Use of institutional Web sites has increased in small museums and public libraries since the 2001 survey, but these institutions still lag behind medium and large institutions. Libraries and museums are putting services and activities online to manage their institutions and provide enhanced public service.

Newer technologies that use Internet-based and other kinds of online services and activities are being widely implemented among all groups.

New technologies include broadband Internet connections, which are easing out modern Internet connections; online catalogs of collections and holdings; local area networks (LANs); intranets; wireless network technology; and digital libraries, which combine digital collections and online services.
What is Blogging?

- **Web + log = weblog**

- **Software**
  - Free, $$
  - Remote- or locally-hosted

- **Content**
  - Opinion
  - News
  - Links
  - Diary
More Blog Details

• “The unedited voice of a person”
  - Compare with edited

• Periodic posts

• Optional
  - Archives
  - Comments (not edits)
  - Categories
  - “Syndication” (notification of new posts)
History of Blogging

• Free blog sites in 1999
  ➢ Blogger
  ➢ LiveJournal

• Definitions in media ~ 2000

• Tools made it easier to publish, 2000-2005
  ➢ Don’t need to know HTML or FTP
  ➢ Add or edit content anywhere, anytime
  ➢ Other features

• Now: millions worldwide
Teen Videos on YouTube: What can we learn?

Social community web sites such as YouTube allow teens to share their digital creations with one another. YouTube is largely dominated by short films, photographic video, and diary-style media that members create, upload, and share with one another. After viewing homemade films by teenagers on the YouTube web site, I noticed some different approaches that youth utilize when making their films.

“Spur of the Moment” video footage seems to be the theme for the majority of teen-created films on YouTube. Within these films, the footage is not scripted, but rather photographic, serving as a record of time. An example of this is Kyle Gone Crazed, a film where the videographer spontaneously captures a moment within the school library as he badgers his friends with on-the-fly humor. This type of film is appealing because it captures the “spirit” of the moment. They often seem like inside jokes between the person filming the event, and the person being filmed.
Feel-good Librarian

The Right Question

I was on desk with Quiet and Classy librarian yesterday. She is always dressed elegantly and speaks quietly and kindly. We were quite busy, running out from behind the desk to the shelves, to the computers, back to the phone and the IM requests.

On one of my trips back, I asked a tall older lady standing at the desk in a mink coat, jeans and sneakers if I could help her. She was looking at one of our city maps.

"I'm so flustered right now, I can't tell you," she said. "I'm looking for my eye doctor's office, and I can't think of what road it's on. You go north on the highway, then turn left and wind around and it's back in there."

Hm. "Well, just take a moment and calm down," I said. "We have lots of time. Is it Busy Street, by chance?"

"Busy Street... no, no, I don't think so," she mumbled.

"Well, take your time. If I can help you, I'll be right here." I pointed to the desk and she nodded, poring over the map.

The poor lady was there for over an hour, trying to figure out where she was going. I checked in with her from time to time, as did Quiet and Classy. She finally got that it was a dentist's office she was looking for, not an eye doctor.
Yet another ISBN 13 conversion tool. This one supports conversion of a batch of numbers in an Excel file, provides a Web service, and the folks at Booksprice are giving away the source code.

Resource Description and Access

The ALA/ALCTS/SS Continuing Resources Cataloging Committee Task Force for Reviewing RDA Documents has made available its final report on the Dec. 2005 draft of RDA Part I. The comments contained therein were submitted to the ALA/ALCTS/CCS Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access as part of CC:DA’s RDA review process.
The Simpsons on the Big Screen

Could this be some cruel April Fools joke?

According to news reports, the most beloved American family made their debut on the big screen this past weekend, announcing a new Simpsons movie in the works. A short teaser trailer featuring Homer Simpson in his tighty-whiteys was shown before the new animated film, Ice Age: The Meltdown. The release date is July 27, 2007, so mark your calendars!

The library has a ton of materials on the Simpsons, including DVD sets of the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, and sixth seasons of the popular television show. For those of you who want to read about the Simpsons, there are books discussing the social relevance and philosophy of the Simpsons.

login or register to post comments

Spring Forward: Daylight Saving Time Begins This Sunday, April 2

This coming Sunday, April 2, at 2:00 a.m. the time will become 3:00 a.m. and Daylight Saving Time will begin and will last until the last Sunday in October, the 29th.
Friday, April 21, 2006

**Charles Frazier's Next Book**

Charles Frazier, whose first popular novel, *Cold Mountain*, won the National Book Award and was made into a movie, is apparently close to finishing the revisions of his second novel, *Thirteen Moons*, to be published by Random House on 3 Oct. 2006. There's a [description of the new book at Entertainment Weekly](http://www.etw.com).
Music @ Case Memorial Library

THE JEWEL CASE
A LOG OF NEW MUSIC AT CASE MEMORIAL LIBRARY, ORANGE, CT

MONDAY, APRIL 03, 2006

The Derek Trucks Band: Songlines

CML call number: CD/ROCK/Trucks

Ben Ratliff wrote in the New York Times: "It is a delicious pleasure to hear Derek Trucks play the guitar on 'Songlines.' You can just sit agog at his natural abilities. It's even sweeter to hear a 26-year-old guitar hero who isn't cold and mechanical. Somehow his nervous system has absorbed older, earthier models of jazz swing and the blues cry. Influenced principally by John Coltrane, Ali Akbar Khan and Duane Allman -- whose songs he performs during his duties as a member of the Allman Brothers Band -- Mr. Trucks uses a slide on his fretting hand and picks the strings with his fingers. Like most slide guitarists, he's aiming for a voicelike expression. ... [T]he 'Sahib Teri Bandi,' a nearly 10-minute qawwali piece from Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan's repertory, ... Mr. Truck's improvisation is beguiling; somehow he has reached a natural balance between Southern gospel expression and the emotionally piercing vocabulary of qawwali music. ... 'Songlines,' Mr. Truck's first new studio album with his band in nearly four years. Improves on the five that preceded it. There's more texture, more layers of sound..." ("Critics' Choice: New CD's," 2/20/06).

POSTED BY JONATHAN WIEHER AT 2:07 PM  0 COMMENTS
McMaster Library News & Events

Blogging

Library News & Events

April 01, 2006
Oxford Scholarship Online and Oxford Digital Reference Shelf now on trial
Oxford Scholarship Online and Oxford Digital Reference Shelf now on trial Read More

March 31, 2006
OECD Factbook 2006 Now Available
OECD Factbook 2006 Now Available Read More

U.S. State Department's Central Foreign Policy Files (1973-1974) Now Online
U.S. State Departments Central Foreign Policy Files (1973-1974) Now Online Read More

Booking Group Study Rooms at Innis: Pilot from April 3 - 16, 2006
As an initiative from SLAC (Student Library Advisory Committee) and to provide better service, the Innis Library is now piloting the ability for students to reserve or book the four group study rooms. Read More

March 30, 2006
Income in Canada Released
Income in Canada Released Read More
The Daily Nightly began on May 31, 2005. As Brian wrote in his first post, it aims to provide a narrative of the broadcast day and a window into the editorial process at NBC Nightly News. Regular contributors include Brian and NBC News correspondents around the world, as well as producers and staff from the Broadcast Standards department.

ABOUT THIS BLOG

Brian Williams became the seventh anchor and managing editor in the history of NBC Nightly News on December 2, 2004. Read his full biography.

TONIGHT ON NIGHTLY NEWS

On this Earth Day, the country is once again focused on the price of gasoline. President Bush is in California pushing alternative sources of fuel while Americans are watching the price of gas climb higher. Overnight, the average price of gasoline rose 3 cents and in many parts of the country it is well over $3 a gallon. Kelly O’Donnell is with the president following that story.

CONTINUED »

IT SEEMS ALL SEWN UP, BUT WILL IT LAST?

Posted by Richard Engel, NBC News Correspondent (07:20 pm ET, 04/21/05)

While it is not yet guaranteed, and certainly there have been last minute changes, political party representatives in Iraq tell us it looks very likely that Jawad al Maliki will be Iraq's next prime minister.

Here’s a thumbnail analysis:
Grey’s Anatomy Writers

From Blythe Robe, writer of “Name of the Game”

Typical. Leave it to life to know just when you’ve sworn off the game. Just when you’ve decided to be alone, have your Mary Tyler Moore phase and “make it on your own,” made your vow of celibacy, then -- POOF! -- out of no where comes a sexy veterinarian with a whole “oooh look at me I’m saving your dog’s life, and I also routinely saves the lives of innocent puppies and ponies and am no doubt a good person and clearly irresistable!” thing. It’s like the universe can smell the fact that you are completely content about flying solo and decides to throw a big old sexy distraction your way in some sort of twisted joke, and you, of course, are powerless because, well it’s the universe, and it’s a guy, and so you have no choice but to play yet again. Just typical.

Having gotten that off my chest I would also just like to say… Well, hello Chris O’Donnell!! If anyone’s going to pull Meredith out of the McD rut, he just might be up for the challenge. But, I suppose we’re just gonna have to wait and see about that…damn!

So, tonight’s theme was “the games we play.” The reason I love this theme so much is because games are so much a part of this show. It goes all the way back to the very beginning when Shonda introduced their friendship as “the game.” The competitiveness strived...
March 22, 2006

"Dimensionalizing the paradigm" and other marketing speak

When I was with Apple, I worked in marcom (Marketing Communications). This is where I first learned to speak like a real marketing genius. For example, I learned to use the term "best practice" instead of the more common place "effective," "efficient" or..."good." In the old days we'd say something like "Let's identify what works and what doesn't." Or perhaps "What sucks and what kicks butt." But then I attended my first meeting to "identify best practices." I'm still not sure what it means, but I've been able to survive for the past few years in business without ever having to use the phrase again. And I hope that neither you or I ever have to see the phrase in a PowerPoint slide.

And speaking of marketing huck (I mean genius), did you ever see this great video by Aquent. Before the Microsoft parody of marketing communications and
How Do You Find Blogs?

- Google Blog Search
- Yahoo! News results
- Technorati
- PubSub

- Chaining — links from blogs you like
How to Blog?!

- Content
- Software
- Update, update, update
Blogging

Content

• “First, have something to say” — Walt Crawford

• “You write for your future boss” — Jakob Nielsen

• Things to think about …
  ➢ Audience(s)
  ➢ URLs
  ➢ Appearance
  ➢ Usability
  ➢ Comments

• Promotion
Software

- **Where?**
  - Local
  - Remote

- **Cost**
  - Free or fee?
  - Reliable software, host
  - Yahoo! lists

- **Learning curve tolerance?**

- **Good, fast, cheap — pick any two**
Blogging Coda

• Questions?
• What will you remember?
• What will you try to implement?
Break
RSS

- What is RSS and why should I care?
- See examples of how to RSS
- Consider which RSS option would be best for you
What is RSS?

- A type of XML that converts encoded web pages into **text-based format**

- **Summarizes web content** and provides
  - Links to original site
  - Metadata

- Track updates to the content using an “aggregator”
We kid you not

April 3, 2006 at 3:40 pm by Mary Fran Gleason

Notice from the Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office concerning tickets issued Friday to two people found with pot in Palatine: “Initially when asked what the subjects were doing at the location they replied they were ‘watching the sky.’ After they were found to be in possession of marijuana they stated they lied about what they were doing there because they were car salesmen and it was in their nature not to tell the truth.”

Posted in Miscellaneous | Add a comment »

This week’s first batch of 2-faced heads

April 3, 2006 at 3:15 pm by William Dowd, Associate Editor

Potentially double-meaning headlines culled from newspapers, wire services and online sites:

- Sexual disease Web site helps dateless connect
- Company produces clones from cutting horses
- Spider hunting nudist ends with ring of fire
- ARMs squeeze homeowners
- The dead tell their own stories

Posted in Miscellaneous | Add a comment »

Here are your latest 2-faced heads
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Why Bother with RSS?

**Librarians' Internet Index: New This Week**

New and newly-discovered Web sites for librarians and everyone else, updated every Thursday morning. See more resources on our site, http://illi.org/.

**The Blurb**

This week read up on Civil War spies, mystery authors, teens and tech, immigration, guinea worm disease, Lady Godiva, cowboys of Washington state, secretaries of defense, population in Nigeria, Daylight Saving Time, earthquake preparedness, and much more. Bon appetit from Karen, Wendy, Pat, Marie, Jennifer, Charlotte, and Tom.

**Tip of the Week**

The main page of [72Hours.org](http://www.72Hours.org) offers a rotating selection of featured sites, often reflecting current events and observations. Many of our featured sites at present are about the centennial of the 1906 Earthquake and Fire. A fresh site appears every hour. (Note: we're still compiling our survey input about the budget cut—we should have a summary next week.)

**www.72Hours.org**

Brief instructions and suggestions to help you “prepare yourself and your family for an emergency. You can also learn what to do in response to a specific disaster, like a tsunami” or an earthquake. Topics include first aid, utilities, food, pets, and more. Though the site was created for San Francisco residents, many sections are applicable to all. In English, Spanish, and Chinese. From the San Francisco Office of Emergency Services and Homeland Security.
Examples of RSS

• New books in Queens library; on your topic
  ➢ http://aqua.queenslibrary.org/rssfeeds.asp?q=mountain+bike

• Recent Supreme Court decisions
  ➢ feed://www4.law.cornell.edu/supct/rss/0.91/supct_recent.rss

• New Databases at the NYPL
  ➢ feed://www.nypl.org/rss/databases.xml

• Teen Events at Hennepin County Public Library
  ➢ feed://www.hclib.org/pub/events/XML/GetXML4Events.cfm?Agency=&keyword=&Type=T
Which RSS Reader?

- Mac = Safari browser
- Portable = Bloglines
  - http://www.bloglines.com
- Emailed to you = RSSfwd
  - http://www.rssfwd.com/
- PC
  - NewsGator
  - Active Web Reader
  - SharpReader
  - RSS Bandit
RSS Coda

- Questions?
- What will you remember?
- What will you try to implement?
• What is a wiki and why should I care?
• Look at some wikis
• Is Wikipedia any good?
• How to make your own wiki
What is a Wiki?

- **Software**
  - Ward Cunningham created WikiWikiWeb 1994-95
    - Goal: create a **simple** programming tool
    - End result: Very simple html

- **Content**
  - Social web sites which permit interactive writing and editing

*Wiki Wiki* loosely means quick or fast in Hawaiian
A wiki (IPA: [ˈwiːkiː] <wee-kee> or [ˈwiːki] <wick-ey>\(^1\)) is a type of website that allows anyone visiting the site to add, remove, or otherwise edit all content, very quickly and easily, sometimes without the need for registration. This ease of interaction and operation makes a wiki an effective tool for collaborative writing. The term wiki is a shortened form of wiki wiki which is from the native language of Hawaii (Hawaiian), where it is commonly used as an adjective meaning something "quick" or "fast" (Hawaiian dictionary)\(^2\).

The term Wiki can also refer to the collaborative software itself (wiki engine) or the operation of such a website (see wiki software).

In essence, a wiki is a simplification of the process of creating HTML text that records each individual change that occurs over time, so can be reverted to any of its previous states. A wiki system may also be designed to provide users with an easy way to monitor the constantly changing wiki as well as a place to discuss and resolve the many inevitable issues of inherent disagreement over wiki content. Wiki content can also be misbound to add incorrect information to the wiki page.
The University of Connecticut Libraries' Staff Wiki is a project to create a complete, up-to-date and reliable source for various ITS Documents. Check out the links below to see how you can edit any page right now. There are currently 694 documents in the database.

Welcome to the University of Connecticut Libraries' Staff Wiki

What is a Wiki?
A Wiki enables documents to be authored collectively using a web browser.

This Wiki was created to help maintain the ITS area's large amount of documentation. The Wiki makes all of our documentation searchable, and allows easy access for anyone in the library to edit the information when necessary.

A few tips to get you started:
- Please register first if you haven't already. It's quick and easy.
- Most information in a Wiki is found via the search. For example, try to search for the word, 'password' (without quotes).
- Once you've found a document, if you see that it is missing information or has an error, you can edit it (as long as you're logged in). Keep in mind that the Wiki doesn't have to use HTML. You can type things free form, or use the Guide to Markup Text to format.
ALA Conference Wiki

ALA 2006 New Orleans Wiki Main Page

Welcome to the Official Wiki for the 2006 ALA Annual Conference in New Orleans!

The purpose of this wiki is to develop a guide to the conference that reflects the knowledge of our diverse membership. Anyone with knowledge about New Orleans, the ALA Conference and participating in ALA is encouraged to contribute to the wiki.

The conference will take place from June 22-28, 2006.

Click here for information about the conference from our Web site.

Anyone who wants to add to or edit topics on the wiki can do it simply by clicking the edit tab at the top of the page. You don't need to ask before making a change -- this wiki belongs to the community of ALA members.

Topics

Community: Wiki Editing Tips | Ground Rules | Contributors
Conference: Official ALA Page | Conference Tips | Questions from Newbies | ALA Acronyms | Conference FAQ | Attendee Schedules | Conference Bloggers (add your blog to the list!)
CDLC Conference Wiki

Links for Crossing the Chasm @ CDLC | FrontPage

April 24, 2006

Tech Trends

Blogs
- Library Blogs
- For Librarians
- Civilian Blogs

RSS
- Definition
- Tech Stuff

Wikis
- Librarian Wikis
- Conference Wikis
“Imagine a world in which every single person on the planet is given free access to the sum of all human knowledge. That’s what we’re doing.”

Jimmy Wales, founder of Wikipedia and Chair of the Wikimedia Foundation
Wikipedia by the Numbers

- **Wikipedia “English”**
  - Started 2001
  - 1 million articles
  - 20 million internal links
  - 65,000 edits
  - 1,700 new articles daily
  - Entirely written by volunteers

- **Other Wikipedias**
  - 125 languages
  - >3.3 million articles
Wikipedia Coverage, Authority

• Sample articles
  - Felix Frankfurter biography
  - 1980 eruption of Mount St. Helens
  - History of saffron
  - Celtic Tiger

• Authority?
  - Anyone can write or edit. ANYONE.
  - Must have an account

• *Nature* compared several science articles in Wikipedia to Britannica
  - “Wikipedia comes close to Britannica in terms of the accuracy of its science entries”
  - Wikipedia = 162 errors
  - Britannica = 123 errors

• BUT: Britannica not happy with *Nature’s* review method

• Applying scientific principles to reference evaluation …
Wikipedia: Bottom Line

• For many topics, Wikipedia is “good enough”
  ➢ Technology
  ➢ Brief overview of a topic

• BUT: reader, beware

• Analogous to …
  ➢ Google vs. Academic Search Premier
How Can I Get a Wiki?

- Low-tech
  - Online
  - PBWiki
  - Little tech knowledge required

- Tech-intensive
  - MediaWiki
  - Requires server space, tech-savvy
  - More stable, controlled
PBWiki

Make a free, password-protected wiki as easily as a peanut butter sandwich. With easy editing, it's perfect for your business, school, or personal use.

WikiName: [ ] pbwiki.com
Just letters and numbers, no spaces.

Email: [ ] We'll mail you the setup instructions.

Make a wiki

About Us | Questions? | Privacy Policy

Take a Tour!
Albany (wiki) Playground

Password for this wiki: cdlc

Please enter the wiki password.

- Your Name
- Your Email
- Wiki Password

Log In!
Lost password

http://albanyplayground.pbwiki.com/
Welcome to the Albany Playground Wiki!

Edit this page, create new pages, learn how to use a wiki...

From PBWiki...
* How do you create a new page? [2 easy ways]
* Learn how to use **bold**, "italics", tables, and more: [WikiStyle] The wiki style page
* Share this wiki with others. [http://albanyplayground.pbwiki.com/share.php] It's easy
Wikis Coda

- Questions?
- What will you remember?
- What will you try to implement?
Overwhelmed?
Keeping Current

• How do you keep current now?

• Blogs for librarians and other areas of interest

• Handy journals and web sites to monitor

• Social networking for information
Blogs!

- Personal
  - Librarian in Black
  - What I Learned Today

- Professional
  - LJ Tech Blog
Journals & Web Sites

• Journals
  ➢ Computers in Libraries
  ➢ Multimedia & Internet@Schools
  ➢ Wired

• Web Sites
  ➢ ResearchBuzz
  ➢ ResourceShelf
  ➢ Library Success: A Best Practices Wiki
Other?

• Podcasts & webinars
  - APM’s Future Tense (podcast)
  - SirsiDynix Institutes (webinars)

• Social networking for librarians
  - Keep in touch with each other
  - Talk about what you saw, heard @ conferences
  - Email, fax, mail articles to your colleagues & ask them to do the same
Crossing the Chasm Coda

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Handouts

• Wiki has everything …

  - Online through (at least) June 30, 2006
  - PowerPoint online through June 30
  - Reading List online, too
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