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We have interviews with Jane Burke the General Manager of Serials Solutions and Howard Harris the General Manager of Library Dynamics, and David Moore has furnished his profile encouraged. Plus there are reviews of reference titles from Tom Gibson and Debbie Vaughn asks us to consider the library “bookstore model” in her “Monographic Musings,” Peter Shepherd has taken on “International Dateline” and brings us more on open access in Europe. Don’t miss Eleanor Cook’s “Drinking from the Firehose — The More Things Change, the More They Stay the Same” and Greg Tannanbaum’s “I Hear the Train A Comin’” which is an interview with Heather Joseph who follows Rick Johnson as Executive Director of SPARC. And finally we have Jack Montgomery’s Wandering the Web — Subcultures on the Internet? Whew! That’s a lot... and believe it or not, there’s even more!

Well, time to take a tranquilizer. See ya’ll soon in Charleston!

Cheers,
Yr. Ed.

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Dear Editor:

Susan Campbell <scampbel@sc.edu> and I are offering our services as Mentors to new people coming to the Charleston Conference this year. We hope that people will contact us with questions, ideas, suggestions, and whatever they want to talk about.

Sincerely,
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action moves from Blackboard to the college library staff, which handle the licensing details.

Guess what? David Levinson’s niece’s wedding is the same weekend as Charleston! The nerve! Plus the wedding had to be moved from New Orleans so Karen Christensen and David will not be in Charleston this year. In the meantime, we can read all about them and Berkshire Publishing Group in Business Week, July 26, 2005. In the article “CEO’s Tech Too box,” it says that “podcasts, RFID tags, and mesh networks are among the ten new technologies that should be on the radar of every chief exec.” And Karen is one of those quoted (you know that her father worked for Honeywell and since she grew up with computers she wasn’t a fan of them... until lately?). Karen is talking about Wikis and their importance for scholars collaborating on the same text. Anyway, this article should be read by Stephen Spilberg or maybe Michael Crichton for movie material.

http://www.businessweek.com/technology/content/2005/c20050726_8027.htm

And speaking of Wikis, in this issue we have a Technology Left Behind on Wikis by the incredible Kris Ferguson <cris.ferguson@fjirm.md>, see this issue, p.83.

And speaking of Kris Ferguson. She is wonderful. Kris and Jack Montgomery <jack.montgomery@wku.edu> (who is also double wonderful) have worked hard to put together the Memory Book for the 25th Charleston Conference, included with your Conference booklet. Plus Kris has put together the history of the Charleston Conference Talk on Friday afternoon at four o’clock at the Conference. See you all there!

And speaking of the Table Talks, many, many thanks, credit and kudos to Barbara Schader <bschader@calpoly.edu> (Science, Math & Engineering Librarian, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo) who agreed to be the Director of the Table Talks which have never been done before. Barbara was Johnny on the spot (or Jeanette on the balls) and brokered the whole event. Thanks to Barbara. And Barbara was helped in Local Arrangements by the intrepid Debbie Vaughn of the College of Charleston who doesn’t miss a trick either.

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