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From Your (get me out of this cold and wet!) Editor

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H ave y’all been cold this winter? We in Charleston sure have!

Except for the times that I have been caught in out-of-town snow in places like Minnesota, Philadelphia, Chicago, Boston, and Richmond, I can count on one hand how many times I have encountered snow. But it sure did snow in Charleston this winter — 4-6 inches depending on where you were. What a shock it has been to adapt. I have worn my winter coat this winter more than I ever have in my life. And I am still wearing it even though February is winter more than I ever have in my life. And we have encountered snow. But it sure did snow — I can count on one hand how many times I have been caught in out-of-town snow in places like Minnesota, Philadelphia, Chicago, Boston, and Richmond, we were working on another great issue. Our guest editors are Robin Champieux and Steven Carrico. They have put together a series of papers — by Rick Anderson, Sue McKnight, and Alice Keller — from the Oxford Conference on Exploring Acquisitions. They have also contributed their very first dialog, Library Perspective, Vendor Response. We have several special reports from Karen Christensen and Yahiaoui Zahr and his colleagues, and a report by Allen McKiel on the very first Charleston Observatory Global Survey. And while on the subject of Charleston, in this issue you will find the first installment of conference reports from the 2009 Charleston Conference courtesy of Ramune Kubilius and her reporters. Tony Ferguson discusses China and Google in his Back Talk column, and our Op Ed this time is from Michael Pelikan about technology and market share. Our interviews in this issue are courtesy of Greg Tananbaum (Catherine Mitchell of eScholarship) and Xan Arch (Jeff Dietrich of Coutts Information Services).

And there’s lots more I haven’t even mentioned here! I have to go now. Seems that it’s suddenly sunny and warm outside and I don’t want to miss the Vitamin D! Let’s hope for spring! Much love and oh! Happy 2010! Yr. Ed. 👐

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