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My husband and I have two old **Volvos** ('91 and '92, that's old for cars, right? I mean, I am talking 1990 not 2000). Our flawless **Volvo** repairman burst my dreaming bubble when he told my husband not to sell the **Volvos** til the wheels fall off. Needless to say, I guess it will be a while (probably) before I drive a new (used) car. (and, look, I know that a car is not an appliance really, but bear with me)

Moving right along, my husband was heading somewhere without me right after the repairman told him not to get rid of the **Volvos**, when he was forced to call me to come get him because his **Volvo** (92) wouldn't start (hope?). So — I set off in my (91) **Volvo** to help him out! And I did! (end of hope)

But that was just the beginning of the adventure. That very same weekend we found out that we needed a new washer and dryer. Gulp!

And we ignored the other appliance-type stuff (refrigerator, dishwasher) the house needed.

So, your trusty **Editor** decided to ignore the appliance problems and work on the **November ATG!** Believe me, it's a lot more fun! This issue is great! Guest edited by **Audrey Powers** (did you know that her son is named **Austin**?) and has articles by **Peter McCracken**, **Emilie Delquie**, **Cory Tucker**, **Lisa Carlucci Thomas**, **Stephen Rhind-Tutt**, **Michael Gorrell**, as well as **Mark Johnson**, **Anh Bul**, **Helen Szigeti**. Our **Op Ed** about print-based humanities research is by the astute **Bob Holley**, our **Back Talk**, as always by the incredible **Tony Ferguson**, is about real live reference. We have many interviews, thanks to **Tom Gilson**, with **John Dove**, **David Burleigh**, **Tim Babbitt** and **Kevin Sayar**, and **Stephen Rhind-Tutt**. Our **Publisher Profile** is with **OverDrive**. We have a fascinating

Special Report by **John Schimittroth** about the *Encyclopedia of Associations*, a **Legally Speaking** about the recent 2nd Circuit Court decision about the **first sale doctrine**, and **Biz of Acq** is about **backlogs**. For sure, **there's a lot more in this issue**

Oops! I just found out that my heating and air conditioning system needs repair! There seems to be water somewhere it shouldn't be! When it rains, it pours! (no pun intended!) Lucky me!

See y'all in **Charleston in November!** Much love, Yr. Ed.

Letters to the Editor

Send letters to <kstrauch@comcast.net>, phone or fax 843-723-3536, or snail mail: **Against the Grain**, MSC 98, The Citadel, Charleston, SC 29409. You can also send a letter to the editor from the **ATG Homepage** at <http://www.against-the-grain.com>.

Dear Editor:

First off, thanks again for being so generous with your time and allowing me to call you. I enjoyed our conversation!

I am a first semester Master's of Library Science student at **San Jose State University of California**. I came across *Against the Grain* while researching for a paper on Patron-Driven Acquisition. I was so happy to see an entire journal issue dedicated to this topic! I was even happier when I was able to spend some time reading several different issues. The articles were informative

and interesting — presenting insider looks at library acquisitions with writing accessible to the non-library professional. I've learned a lot just by reading. I also really enjoy the blog aspect of your Website — I feel like that really opens a dialog between readers and writers, which is what librarians help to do, whether electronically or in person. I especially like the **Multigrain** and **Wondering Wednesday** sections. I've added *Against-The-Grain.com* to my blogroll! Thanks for making this possible!

Yours, **Nicole Fitzhugh**
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September 10. The wedding was in Asheville at the same place where **Anna** and her husband met which was also where **Beth** and her husband met. **Anna** is in Asheville working and considering hospital administration. Her husband **James Arthur Hodan** is also in the medical field, working with prosthetics. Obviously, these two young people know where the money is from the aging baby boomers, don't they? Congratulations to **Beth** and **Anna** and the husbands too.

Speaking of **September 10!** Was talking to the wonderful **David Magier** who is the brains behind the "flaming" preconference (see below). He told me that his wife and he have the same **wedding anniversary** as my husband **Bruce** and I do! September 10. But we have a few years on them — 26 to be exact! And now we are joined by **Anna** and **James!** Congratulations, everyone!

Speaking of which, we had to cancel the "flaming issues" preconference but watch for our blog on these issues and for the updated preconference (or main conference panel) in 2012! So sorry that it didn't come together this year!

We are still getting registrations for the **2011 Charleston Conference**. Right now, we have 1,305 people registered 226 more than were registered at the same time in 2010! Hmmm. It's gonna be fun and something's gotta give!

Was sad to learn that the incredible **Amanda Harmon** (UNC-Charlotte) has retired and this is her last **Charleston Conference**. Maybe not? Have been asked to have a registration fee for retired librarians, and why not? What do y'all think?

Other **preconferences**, however, are taking place! Can't wait to see how the **E-Everything** preconference and Webinar come off! Did you notice that this issue is guest edited by the razor-sharp **Audrey Powers**? Many of the papers in this issue are by speakers at the e-everything preconference.

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Charleston Conference	November 2012	08/22/12	09/12/12
ALA Midwinter	Dec. 2012/Jan. 2013	11/09/12	11/30/12

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