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1998 Charleston Conference Call for Papers

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Rumors
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Libraries looking for the best print and nonprint materials for children can look to the twenty-first edition of Brodart's The Elementary School Library Collection (ESLC). School, public, and academic libraries will find ESLC to be a primary resource for selecting and prioritizing purchases. Available both in book and CD-ROM versions, ESLC features a comprehensive, updated listing of 10,000 of the most highly recommended children's titles.

Faxon has appointed Frank Semancik Regional Manager, Sales and Service in the Ohio Valley which includes Ohio, Michigan, and Indiana. Frank will be based in Bay Village, Ohio, and comes from The Brodart Company.

Had a delightful lunch with Gary Wilson and his father of ESCN Database Reports <ESCN_Database_Reports@compuserve.com> recently when I interviewed them for Against the Grain. These fantastic gentlemen spend all their waking hours indexing Early South Carolina Newspapers and have just completed research on year 1759 of the South Carolina Gazette newspaper and that new year of data has now been added to the main database records. The ESCN Database Web site has also been updated at http://eurworld.computerworld.com/pages/escn_database_reports Watch for the interview coming soon!

Recently heard from the oh-so-tall and wonderful Kenneth Kirkland (Collection Development Coordinator, DePaul) <kirklan@wpdept.depaul.edu>. He needed a piece of information from, guess what, the 1997 Charleston Conference!

Sometime when you have time, check out the Bibliocity homepage at http://www.bibliocity.com. This site of rare and collectible books supports searching of member inventory by any period of publication and price range.

Recently heard from Sever (the great and wonderful) Bordeianu <sbordeia@umn.edu> who assures me that a report from the Oklahoma Conference is upcoming! He also mentions that his and Claire Lise Benaud's book Out sourcing in Academic Libraries is getting ready to be published by Libraries Unlimited. You'll remember their excellent article in ATG, November 1997 (p.16, 18). That article has apparently generated many phone calls to both Sever and Libraries Unlimited, not to mention the ATG SoHo, wanting to know when the book will be out. For more information, try Libraries Unlimited at 800-237-1624.

The vivacious Marcie Kingsley (Head, Serials Resources, Western Michigan University) <kingsley@wmich.edu> sends word that she doesn't know whether WMU is part of a new trend or not. Whereas in 1991, Marcie was busy joining together the separate monographic-acquisitions and serials departments - now they are dividing up again. The complexities of the electronic environment for serials is something they couldn't have envisioned in the early '90s. So — ta da — Marcie is happy to report that Donna Heady, who was Head of Acquisitions at Kenyon College, has been hired to be Head of the re-formed Monographic Acquisitions Dept. Marcie is Head of the Serial Resources Dept. where they try to manage the electronic resources. Since they are busy getting ready for migrating to a Voyager system, Marcie says that Donna came just in time! And, there's more. Donna and Marcie are both coming November 5-7 to the 1998 Charleston Conference! Is it on your calendar?

Britannica Online celebrated March's Women in American History through a special Website http://women.eb.com. This Britannica Online Spotlight takes you on a tour through the accomplishments of American women from colonial times to the present. I found it way cool!

Recently heard from Deborah K. Jensen (Serials Librarian, Boston Athenæum) <jensen@bostonathenaeum.org>. Can you imagine that she and Anthea Harrison have not been getting their ATG's in the mail and they even attended the 1997 Charleston Conference. I think the balance between end user and buyer has shifted to the library. Karen Hunter, "Sleepless Nights Redux," ATG, February, 1998, p. 29.

Call for Ideas/Papers/Speakers/etc.


If you are interested in leading a discussion, acting as a moderator, coordinating the lively lunches or simulation rooms, or would like to make sure we discuss a particular topic, please let us know. The Charleston Conference prides itself on creativity, innovation, flexibility, and informality. If there is something you are interested in doing, please try it out on us. We'll probably like it ...

The Planning Directors for the 1998 Charleston Conference include Barbara Dean (Arlington County Public Library), Robin Lent (U. of New Hampshire), Heather Miller (SUNY-Albany), Katina Strauch (College of Charleston) and Judy Webster (University of Tennessee).

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