Letters to the Editor

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Dear Editor:

The article by Rick Anderson (UNC-Greensboro) in the April issue of ATG about licensing (“Biz of Acq—To License or Not to License: That Really Ought to Be the Question,” p.68-70, 72) was fabulous. Everyone needs to read it. I will be making copies for people here where I work. Hear! Hear!

Thanks,
Eleanor Cook
(Appalachian State University)
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Dear Editor:

As part of a decade-long policy of periodically rotating my professional subscriptions, I had decided not to renew my subscription to Against the Grain. Acquisitions is just one part of my job, and my subscriptions budget is just $40,000.

You, however, continued to send more issues and I continued to read them. When I realized how many titles I would be buying from the useful list of biology bestsellers in the April issue, you won my renewal check, enclosed. What other magazine will walk the plank instead of Against the Grain? Your competitors for my (personal) professional subscription budget include Library Journal, Searcher, and Online. Since I have already renewed these subscriptions for 1999, the decision is deferred another year.

Incidentally, over the past five years, when visiting brew pubs and homebrew shops, I believe I have been mistaken on occasion for the well known acquisitions librarian and beer writer with whom I share a name and avocation. Although I have been a homebrewer for five years, I would not think of writing about beer, not under my own name at least.

Best wishes,
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Rumors

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share the email addresses of Nick Vincelli (Order Librarian, UNC-CH) <vincelli@email.unc.edu> and Selden Durgon Lamooreux (Serials Librarian, UNC-CH) <lamour9@email.unc.edu> in Rumors to help them get oriented to the acquisitions community more quickly! Hey, y’all! Everybody send them an email NOW!

Let’s see. The also fabulous Ned Kraft has a new job! After 13 years he’s left the Smithsonian Institution Libraries to join the library of the State Department as Or—continued on page 8

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