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ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINITEX Contract Cataloging Program Welcomes Susanne Nevin

The MINITEX Contract Cataloging Program is pleased to announce that Susanne Nevin has shifted from Pool Cataloger status to a one-year, 3/4 time position. Susanne brings with her a wealth of cataloging experience; she has worked in St. Olaf's Rolvaag and Kierkegaard Libraries, the Fire/EMS Center Library, Gustavus Adolphus College Library, and the University of Minnesota Libraries. A native speaker of German, Susanne is also proficient in numerous other Western European languages, including Norwegian, Italian and French. We are excited to have her join the Contract Cataloging team. Welcome, Susanne!

Carla Dewey Urban, MINITEX

NetLibrary Offers New Selected Subject Collections for Libraries

NetLibrary now offers a quick and simplified way for libraries to meet the needs of their users with 'subject sets.'

Subject sets are groups of NetLibrary eBook titles covering specific subjects for public, academic, school and community college libraries. They were developed by NetLibrary collection development librarians and are ideally suited to support heavily-used subject areas and popular degree programs.

NetLibrary has created 62 different subject sets that cover 18 general topic areas, all designed to serve a variety of library and patrons' interests. For example, libraries that need Business content might be interested in six different Business subject sets, including: Accounting, International Business, Economics, Finance, Management & Leadership, as well as the General Business set for less specialized titles. Other subject set titles range from Career Development to Nursing and from Allied Health to Engineering & Technology.

The subject sets contain titles from top publishers, and since titles are never duplicated from set to set, libraries are able to own more than one subject set without overlapping their collections. The sets designed for **Public Libraries** include materials for small business, travel and leisure, personal/career development and "Books with Feet." The **School Libraries (K-12)** sets have resources for children, teachers and school libraries—including materials in Spanish. The **Academic Libraries** sets focus on business (MBA) topics, History, Engineering and Technology; and the sets for **Community College Libraries** feature vocational materials such as nursing, criminal justice, IT and more.

NetLibrary subject sets are a great way to expand your collection! To investigate further, you can view the complete lineup of subject sets, including their prices and full title lists at:

<<http://www.oclc.org/ebooks/subjectsets/>>

GREAT NEWS! OCLC is offering each of these sets at a discount of 25% from now through June 23. When you are ready to order, call 1-800-898-6252, or e-mail libservices@oclc.org.

OCLC Announcements, OCLC Web site, and Virginia Dudley, MINITEX

GENERAL

OCLC Union Listing Has Become Local Holdings Maintenance

On Feb. 19, OCLC migrated the OCLC Union List service to the Connexion browser. The new functionality is called Local Holdings Maintenance (LHM) in recognition of its scope, which includes materials and purposes beyond those of the old Union List service. As part of the migration, OCLC converted the format of the old Local Data Records (LDRs) to the MARC 21 Format for Holdings Data (MFHD). The conversion to MFHD will allow OCLC to offer participating libraries enhanced services in Resource Sharing, Collection Development, and discovery services that will take advantage of the holdings that staff have entered in WorldCat.

New features include the ability to use Constant Data to create new Local Holdings Records (LHRs), and libraries can now use the Derive command to assist in creating new LHRs – either deriving a second record from an existing LHR for your institution or by editing an existing LHR of another institution.

The MINITEX/MULS staff is planning additional training opportunities to help library staff who maintain their library's MULS holdings make the transition to LHM. Two new webinars are planned in March and early April to cover the use of MFHD in LHM and searching for serials with an emphasis on finding appropriate bibliographic records for LHM functions. A full-day, hands-on training session will be scheduled at Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota locations in April and early May. If you would like to suggest a location for this training session, please contact Dave Linton or Cecelia Boone (contact info at the end of this *Mailing*).

For other information:

- See the Announcements page on the MULS Web site, which provides links to OCLC tutorials and other information about Local Holdings Maintenance.
<<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/muls/announce.asp>>
- Log onto Connexion
<<http://connexion.oclc.org>>
and search "Connexion News." A link to "News" appears on the "Welcome" screen. To list enhancements, choose the "System Updates" category on the "News" search screen.

- For more information about reported problems, search the "Problems with local holdings maintenance" section of the Known Issues page for the Connexion Browser:
<http://www.oclc.org/connexion/support/browser_known_problems.htm>

Two new OCLC publications, "MARC 21 Format for Holdings Data Primer" and "OCLC-MARC Local Holdings Format Tag Chart, February 2006," are available on the OCLC Web site.

MARC 21 Format for Holdings Data Primer

<<http://www.oclc.org/support/documentation/localholdings/primer/holdingsprimer.pdf>>

MARC Local Holdings Format Tag Chart

<<http://www.oclc.org/support/documentation/localholdings/tagchart/holdingstagchart.pdf>>

Printed copies of both of these forms will be sent out in the April OCLC *Mailing*. If you would like additional print copies, please contact the MINITEX BATS unit (contact information at the end of this *Mailing*).

Myrtle Myers, OCLC, and Cecelia Boone, MINITEX

WorldCat Collection Analysis: Quarterly Update for Current Users

On Feb. 19 OCLC loaded the quarterly update to the data in WorldCat Collection Analysis. This update includes all changes that libraries had made in their holdings through Jan. 1. All Individual Library Analyses, WorldCat Comparisons, Library Comparisons, and Group Analyses will reflect these updates.

Here is the 2006 quarterly schedule for data in Collection Analysis. All additions and deletions to WorldCat need to be completed by the date in the first column in order to be reflected in the analyses released on the date in the second column.

<u>Cutoff for Updates to WorldCat</u>	<u>Analyses are Updated</u>
Jan. 1	Feb. 19
April 1	May 21
July 1	Aug. 20
Oct. 1	Nov. 19

In addition, OCLC has added "2006" to the date ranges. They have also replaced the date ranges "Pre-1900" and "1900-1949." The period before 1900 is now divided into six new date ranges:

- Pre-1500
- 1500-1599
- 1600-1699
- 1700-1799
- 1800-1849
- 1850-1899

The period between 1900 and 1949 is now divided in two: "1900-1924" and "1925-1949." These new date ranges allow users to view their older materials in greater detail.

OCLC and Mark Wilhelmi, MINITEX

CATALOGING & METADATA

Announcing Two New Webinars!

The MINITEX BATS unit has added two new Webinars to its training offerings: *Tools for Original Cataloging with Connexion Client* and *Using the OCLC Authorities File*.

Tools for Original Cataloging with Connexion Client is for anyone who does original cataloging but wants to learn more about when original records are required and how to input them. Topics include: criteria for creating new records and Connexion Client tools -- workforms, derived records, constant data, and text strings.

For more information, for dates and times, and to register, please go to:
<<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/webinars/upcoming.asp#98>>

Using the OCLC Authorities File is the second in a series of four classes on authorities available this spring. This class is divided into two 60-minute sessions offered on two separate days, and each session will provide take home exercises to give you "hands-on" experience. Topics include: searching the authority file, editing and exporting authority records, and using the control headings function in OCLC Connexion.

For more information, for dates and times, and to register, please go to:
<<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/webinars/upcoming.asp#96>>

The other classes in the Authorities series include the following:

- Brief Introduction to Authorities: Authorities Series #1 (Webinar)
 - This 75-minute Webinar offers a quick and simple introduction to the concept of authorities and authority control. The session includes information on where to find authority records, a quick guide to interpreting them, and examples of how you might use them.
 - To register go to:
<<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/webinars/upcoming.asp#89>>
- Authority Control Basics (working title)
 - A full-day, in-person workshop that will present an in-depth look at the format and rules for authority records, how authorities fit into a cataloging workflow and the maintenance of an online system

- Offered through MOTSE (Minnesota Opportunities for Technical Services Excellence), with registration handled by MINITEX. It is expected to be ready sometime in April. Registration is not yet available.
- NACO training
 - A four-day class of specialized training for catalogers who belong to institutions wishing to participate in the national Name Authority Cooperative Program by contributing new authority records for names, uniform titles and series to the national authority file.
 - Scheduled for the week of May 22, 2006. Registration is not yet available.

Mark Wilhelmi and Virginia Dudley, MINITEX

What's All This Fuss About FRBR?

As librarians, we have long since gotten used to almost constant change. Nevertheless, it can still be hard to face changes looming on the horizon when we do not fully understand their reasons or implications. FRBR (Functional Requirements for Bibliographic Records) might fall into this category for many of us. Perhaps, if we view it as a means to address user expectations and needs, it will be easier to accept.

Even before Charles Ammi Cutter's *Rules for a Dictionary Catalog* (the 4th ed. was published in 1904), a main purpose of library catalogs has been to help the end user find resources. This purpose, or function, of the library catalog continues to inform innovative concepts today, most notably FRBR.* (See note below.)

FRBR came about in response to nagging questions in the face of new information sources--and most especially electronic resources--that current cataloging rules and practices are trying to accommodate. The questions, as paraphrased by Glenn Patton of OCLC, are: what information is of the most value to users of the catalog?; and, how can that most valuable information be used more effectively? As a result of analyzing these questions, a prominent value of FRBR is that it spells out user tasks and helps clarify how catalogs should function.

FRBR is not a standard. It does not contain rules that one would implement. Rather, it is a conceptual model that will help us restructure catalogs to be more responsive to users' needs. It explains the bibliographic universe in a way that emphasizes the relationships among bibliographic entities. This allows for more collocation of records, more gathering together of related entities at a level higher than the individual bibliographic record. This will simplify displays of search results, and as a result, improve the navigation of a bibliographic database.

A search today in most bibliographic databases results in a list of bibliographic records. Each record is equal in value and there is no hierarchy. If the search is performed in a large, shared database, such as WorldCat, and if the search is for a prolific writer or an often published title, the results can be bewildering at best. A "FRBR-ized" database (one constructed with FRBR concepts) would present results in a more hierarchical manner. For example, a search for Jane Austen in a hypothetical FRBR-ized database might first give us a result with two choices: works by Jane

Austen, or works about Jane Austen. A click on the works by Jane Austen would take us to a list of titles, without yet specifying particular editions. Then, a click on a title would lead us to specific editions of that work. In this example, detailed information about individual publications is hidden or kept back until needed by the searcher.

In this same hypothetical FRBR-ized database, a search for *Pride and Prejudice* might first give us a display that lists the various formats of this Jane Austen work. A click on motion pictures would then lead us to a listing of all the motion pictures. And a click on the 2005 version would result in a list of all the various editions and material types (e.g. VHS, DVD) available.

FRBR concepts are already being used to restructure online databases. OCLC, RLG, and some library system vendors are incorporating the concepts of the FRBR model in various ways. For examples, see the list of references below. If you explore these, you will see that there is no one way to incorporate FRBR concepts.

FRBR concepts are also informing the reworking of our cataloging standards. RDA (Resource Description and Access), the successor to AACR2, is currently under development, and it is incorporating the terminology and concepts of the FRBR model. However, it is not yet known exactly how FRBR will be incorporated because RDA *Part II – Relationships* has not yet been developed.

As a result, we do not yet know the full degree to which FRBR will influence our library lives. This will depend both on the cataloging rules and on system design. One thing we can be fairly sure of, however, is that the FRBR model does not need to be applied to every publication that we catalog. In fact, the vast majority of items we catalog do not need the benefit of FRBR's collocation because they represent only a single publication. Our FRBR efforts, then, can be concentrated on those works that will greatly benefit from the application of FRBR concepts, namely those that exist in many editions and a wide variety of media.

If you would like to get a jump start on a deeper understanding of FRBR and what it will mean for both technical services and public services, I urge you to explore some of the references listed below. And keep in mind, we are embracing this change in order to help our users.

*Note: FRBR (Functional Requirements for Bibliographic Records) was developed by an IFLA Study Group (1992-1995). For details about the model, please see the list of references below. Also, I want to point out that the upcoming Academic and Research Libraries Day will include a session on FRBR. (Academic and Research Libraries Day will be held on April 28, 2006, at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. It is an event of the Academic and Research Libraries Division of the Minnesota Library Association. Watch this site for registration and further details:

<<http://mnllibraryassociation.org/ARLD/Events.htm>>

References

For more information about FRBR: (Each of the references listed below will lead you to additional references about FRBR.)

Bowen, Jennifer. "FRBR: Coming Soon to Your Library?" *Library Resources and Technical Services*, 49 (July 2005):175-188.

Childress, Eric. "What's FRBR?" Presentation to the Central Ohio Chapter, American Society of Information Science & Technology, 21 July 2005, Columbus, Ohio.
<<http://www.oclc.org/research/presentations/childress/20050721-coasis%26t.ppt>>

Gonzalez, Linda. "What is FRBR?" *Library Journal NetConnect*, (Spring 2005): 12-14.

International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions, "Functional Requirements for Bibliographic Records: Final Report," (1998).
<<http://www.ifla.org/VII/s13/frbr>>

Patton, Glenn. Various presentations, including "What's FRBR and Why Do I Care?" Presentation to the Ohio Library Council Annual Conference, October 5, 2005.

Tillett, Barbara. "What is FRBR?: A Conceptual Model for the Bibliographic Universe (2004)."
<<http://www.loc.gov/cds/FRBR.html>>
Originally published in *Technicalities* (v. 25, no. 5, Sept./Oct. 2003).

FRBR Projects:

OCLC Research Activities related to FRBR
<<http://www.oclc.org/research/projects/frbr/default.htm>>
OCLC Fiction Finder
<<http://fictionfinder.oclc.org/>>
RLG. RedLightGreen
<<http://www.redlightgreen.com>>
VTLS. FRBR Presentations
<<http://www.vtls.com/Corporate/FRBR.shtml>>

For more information about RDA

RDA: Resource Description and Access. This Web site includes Background, Prospectus, Drafts, Discussion List, FAQ, Presentations, and Ongoing Activities.
<<http://www.collectionscanada.ca/jsc/rda.html>>

Virginia Dudley, MINITEX

MOTSE Training Sessions Added

Minnesota Opportunities for Technical Services Excellence (MOTSE), with support of LSTA funds through the MN State Library Services Agency, is sponsoring two more sessions of **MARC21 Format for Holdings Data** :

- Monday, March 13 in Duluth, MN

- Friday, March 31 in Moorhead, MN

This class is important for anyone who works with serial and holdings data in OCLC or in Ex Libris' Aleph system. Aleph uses the MARC Format for Holdings Data (MFHD), and OCLC has switched its union list data to MFHD as well. To view the full course description, go to:

<<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/oclc/#94>>

NOTE: Because of grant funding limitations, the sessions are free to staff of Minnesota libraries, but individuals from other states will be charged \$60. We are limited to 20 people in each session, and MN registrants will be given priority. To register, go to the MINITEX Training page

MN Librarians:

<<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/oclc/#94>>

Non-MN Librarians:

<<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/oclc/#95>>

New PromptCat Vendor: The Compact Disc Source

Founded in 1985, The Compact Disc Source is a major supplier to academic and public libraries across the United States for CD, DVD, and VHS needs. The Compact Disc Source is located in Evanston, IL, and offers standing orders, firm orders, and approval plans to libraries. Their staff has in-depth music & video knowledge to aid libraries in selection.

OCLC welcomes this major supplier of music and visual resources as a new PromptCat vendor. For a list of all PromptCat vendors see:

<<http://www.oclc.org/promptcat/about/vendors/>>

If you are interested in learning more about OCLC's PromptCat service, please contact the MINITEX BATS unit (contact information at the end of this *Mailing*).

Upcoming OCLC Web Information Sessions

Do you want to learn more about how to improve access to your library's collections, or how to receive high-quality cataloging records at a lower cost for the titles you order? Join OCLC from your desk and via the Web for live, free Web sessions to learn more. These are two of the upcoming information sessions offered:

- Learn about OCLC's **Contract Cataloging service**, which provides contract cataloging and physical processing for materials in all bibliographic formats and more than 60 languages.
- You can also attend a web session that provides an overview of the **Cataloging Partners Program**, which is OCLC's newest collaborative effort with distributors, importers,

booksellers and publishers to provide high-quality cataloging records for each title you order from the vendor's active title list at a lower cost to your library.

To register, visit:

www.oclc.org/education/websessions/usa/

Instructions for logging on to the Web session will be sent to you via email five days prior to the event.

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RESOURCE SHARING

Have You Heard About Deflection?

OCLC is working to implement deflection in WorldCat Resource Sharing of Interlibrary Loan requests. The benefit to libraries is to help cut down on the amount of requests that libraries receive for materials that they do not lend. Libraries will be able to set up deflection through their local holdings data and in their OCLC Policies Directory profile. What follows is a summary about these new "deflection" options.

Local Holdings Data Deflection

What it is: Deflection on individual items

Background: On Feb. 19, OCLC installed Request Deflection for WorldCat Resource Sharing. The defaults for the Lending and Reproduction policy bytes in the local holding record (Field 008 bytes 20 & 21) were set to 'u' for undefined. Until your library staff begin to enter or edit your Local Holdings Records to contain data other than undefined in the 008 20 and 21, no deflection will occur.

If you have specific items that you will absolutely not ever lend to anyone (e.g. archival, reference) you can ask the library staff member responsible for local holdings maintenance to set the local holdings record for that item to will not lend.

Policies Directory Deflection (Coming in Summer 2006!)

What it is: Deflection based on class of items (e.g. material type, MAXCOST, group affiliation)

Background: OCLC is currently writing requirements defining how deflection will work for libraries based on their policies in the OCLC Policies Directory. Lenders will be able to set up deflection requirements in their ILL Policies based on categories. For example, if a user does not

wish to lend AV materials, or has a MAXCOST that is higher than the incoming request's library wishes to pay, the request will be automatically advanced to the next lender. This is deflection at the highest level. Another example may be that your library only loans AV items to libraries in the MINITEX region. You could specify that you only loan AV to MINITEX member libraries. If a library outside of the MINITEX region requests an AV item from your library, it would automatically be deflected.

NOTE: If a library wishes to make exceptions to rules set in the Policies Directory, they may do so at the item-level based on Local Holdings Data Deflection, as described above. Whatever information is entered in the local holdings record will override any deflection you set up in the OCLC Policies Directory. More details on this new functionality will be forthcoming in the spring!

If you have questions about these new options, please contact the MINITEX BATS unit (contact information at the end of this *Mailing*).

OCLC Resource Sharing and Sara Ring, MINITEX

REFERENCE

New WorldCat Dissertations and Theses Database Now Available

The WorldCat Dissertations and Theses database is now available to all U.S. subscribers of the OCLC Base Package and OCLC Collection on FirstSearch. This database contains records for over 5 million items cataloged as dissertations, theses, or published materials based on theses or dissertations, in WorldCat, including titles provided by NetLibrary. The database allows users to quickly and efficiently retrieve records for theses and dissertations. **Please Note:** This database cannot be purchased as a stand-alone database on the FirstSearch platform. If you have any questions about accessing this database, please contact Christine Kline at MINITEX (contact information at the end of this *Mailing*).

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How Do I Create URLs for IP Recognition?

Question Number four from OCLC's Top 10 Questions Asked about FirstSearch is "How do I create URLs for IP recognition?." In last month's *Mailing*, we covered how to set up IP Address Recognition in the FirstSearch Administrative Module. Once you have IP Address Recognition configured, you can create links to FirstSearch Databases from your library's web pages. To help you get started creating these links, see the examples on OCLC's Web site:

<<http://www.oclc.org/support/questions/firstsearch/question10.htm>>

If you would like more background on setting up IP-Address Recognition, see OCLC's Getting Started guide:

<http://www.oclc.org/support/documentation/firstsearch/getting_started/ipweb/default.htm>

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OCLC Union Listing, including MULS

MINITEX Calendar of Training, Meetings, and Conferences
March 2006

(Updated March 3, 2006)

This calendar primarily lists events scheduled by MINITEX, although other events are included. This is an informational posting only, registration materials are sent separately. If you are interested in attending a workshop and have not received registration materials two weeks prior to the event, contact the MINITEX Office (612-624-4002, 800-462-5348). For OCLC training sessions, ask for Kay Kirscht. There is a registration fee for many of the events listed.

Some events listed on the calendar may be cancelled due to lack of registered participants. Cancellations and changes are highlighted by ****CANCELLED**** following the date of the event.

This calendar will be updated and posted at the beginning of each month. If you would like your event included in the calendar, please call Kay Kirscht at 612-624-3532.

MARCH

- 7-8 First Annual Regional *Ex Libris* Users' Meeting
 Radisson Riverfront Hotel
 11 Kellogg Boulevard, East
 St. Paul, MN
 <http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/announce/exlibris-users.asp>
- 13 MOTSE: MARC21 Format for Holdings Data
 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., CST
 MOTSE-Sponsored Training Session
 College of St. Scholastica, Science 3211
 Duluth, MN
 MN Librarians: <http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/oclc/#94>
 Non MN Librarians: <http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/oclc/#95>
- 14 & 16 Searching WorldCat Using Connexion Client (*A two-part series*)
 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., CST
 Online Training Session
 <http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/webinars/upcoming.asp#90>
- 15 Brief Introduction to Authorities: Authorities Series #1
 9:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m., CST
 Online Training Session
 <http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/webinars/upcoming.asp#89>
- 17 University of Minnesota Floating Holiday – MINITEX office closed
- 21 MARC Format for Non-Catalogers
 9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m., CST
 Online Training Session
 <http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/webinars/upcoming.asp#12>
- 21 & 23 Using the OCLC Authority File: Authorities Series (*A two-part series*)
 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., CST
 Online Training Session
 <http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/webinars/upcoming.asp#96>

MARCH, *continued*

- 22-24 Computers in Libraries Conference (DC)
Hilton Hotel
Washington, D.C.
http://www.infotoday.com/cil2006/CIL2006_PreliminaryProgram.pdf
- 24 2006 CEED (*Center for Early Education & Development*) Symposium:
Early Research Matters
8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., CST
The Depot, 225 Third Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN
<http://education.umn.edu/ceed/events/ceedsymposium/>
- 27 & 29 Searching WorldCat Using Connexion Client (*A two-part series*)
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., CST
Online Training Session
<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/webinars/upcoming.asp#90>
- 28 Tools for Original Cataloging with Using Connexion Client
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., CST
Online Training Session
<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/webinars/upcoming.asp#98>
- 29-30 MLA Legislative Day
St. Paul, MN
<http://mnlbraryassociation.org/Legis%20Day%202006.htm>
- 30 MnLINK Celebration in conjunction with MLA Legislative Day
- March 30- April 4 North Dakota State Library Spring Continuing Education Day
Fargo, ND
- 31 MOTSE: MARC21 Format for Holdings Data
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., CST
MOTSE-Sponsored Training Session
MN State Community & Technical College, Moorhead, Rm 222
Moorhead, MN
MN Librarians: <http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/oclc/#94>
Non MN Librarians: <http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/oclc/#95>

APRIL

- March 30- April 4 North Dakota State Library Spring Continuing Education Days
Fargo, ND
- March 31- April 1 18th Annual Spotlight on Books Conference
Sugar Lake Lodge, Grand Rapids, MN
<http://nlln.org/spotlight.html>
- 3 Cataloging Videos and DVDs
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., CST
MINITEX / OCLC Training Session
S-30B Wilson Library
University of MN, Twin Cities
<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/oclc/#13>

APRIL, *continued*

- 5 & 7 Using the OCLC Authority File: Authorities Series (A two-part series)
9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m., CST
Online Training Session
<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/webinars/upcoming.asp#96>
- 7 “Serving Immigrant Populations”
– *The last in a series of three Soaring to Excellence 2006 teleconferences*
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., CST
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities Campus
S30-B Wilson Library
Minneapolis, MN
<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/teleconference/>
- 11 & 13 Searching WorldCat Using Connexion Client (A two-part series)
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m., CST
Online Training Session
<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/webinars/upcoming.asp#90>
- 12 Tools for Original Cataloging with Using Connexion Client
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m., CST
Online Training Session
<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/webinars/upcoming.asp#98>
- 18 Brief Introduction to Authorities: Authorities Series #1
1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m., CST
Online Training Session
<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/webinars/upcoming.asp#89>
- 20-21 MnPALS Consortium Spring User Group Meeting
St. Cloud State University
St. Cloud, MN
http://www.pals.msus.edu/pals/user_groups.html
- 24 & 26 Using the OCLC Authority File: Authorities Series (A two-part series)
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., CST
Online Training Session
<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/webinars/upcoming.asp#96>
- 26-27 MACHE Annual Conference
- 28 ARLD Day
Minnesota Landscape Arboretum
Chaska MN
- 28 “Google Print, Its Impact on Scholarship & Libraries”
– *The second of two Library Challenges and Opportunities teleconferences*
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., CST
Teleconference
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities Campus
S30-B Wilson Library
Minneapolis, MN
<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/teleconference/>

MAY

- 1-5 MN Voluntary Certification Statewide Workshops
East Central Regional Library -Wyoming Branch
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- 1 MINITEX ILL Conference
- 4 MnPALS Executive Meeting
- 4 MnLINK Gateway Operations Committee Meeting
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities Campus
120 Andersen Library
Minneapolis, MN
- 4-5 English as a Second Language: Bilingual and Migrant Education
St. Paul, MN
- 11 MARC Format for Non-Catalogers
2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m., CST
Online Training Session
<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/webinars/upcoming.asp#12>
- 12 Tools for Original Cataloging with Using Connexion Client
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., CST
Online Training Session
<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/train-conf/webinars/upcoming.asp#98>
- 15 U of M Libraries / MINITEX Reference Symposium:
“Library as Place: Physical Realms, Virtual Possibilities”
University of Minnesota, St. Paul Campus
Continuing Education and Conference Center
St. Paul, MN
- 18-19 2006 Minnesota e-Learning Summit
Augsburg College
Minneapolis, MN
- 20 Minneapolis Public Library’s Grand Opening
Minneapolis, MN
http://www.mpls.lib.mn.us/ncl_projectssummary102803.asp