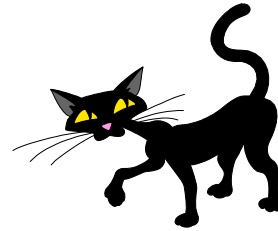


GENERAL

From the MINITEX Kitchens



I have a cupboard full of beautiful and interesting cookbooks. You would think that they would serve as endless sources of inspiration. But, mostly, there are 4 or 5 recipes that I use from any given book and I rarely, if ever, explore further. But, put a new cookbook in my hands, and I am driven to find something new to try. Recently, I have been cataloging for a local Technical College, and I have been exposed to a number of interesting cookbooks. These books tend to be for students who aspire to be professional cooks and they often have titles that do little to excite the imagination: *How to Cook* and *The Recipe Writer's Handbook* to name just two. These titles are long on instructions and short on recipes, but they always seem to produce one or two tantalizing examples.

On a recent snow day, I was moved to make a batch of Cherry Chip Cookies from *The Recipe Writer's Handbook*, by Barbara Gibbs Ostmann and Jane L. Baker. (Published by John Wiley and Sons, c2001.) I made a stop at my local food coop and picked up the required 3 cups of dried tart cherries. At \$11.59 a pound, they made for a spendy cookie ingredient. The white chocolate at the coop was Ghirardelli brand and at \$1.75 per 4 oz bar; I scrimped and used only 3 bars. I drew the line at the cashews and decided to omit them altogether and substitute walnuts, which I had at home. The recipe easily made 100 cookies, so we had plenty to share after sledding. I found that although the recipe says not to over bake, these cookies needed the full 12 minutes in my oven to get just a touch of golden brown. I made the first several batches without nuts and the remaining batches with walnuts. The kids liked the nut free, but I preferred the texture of those with walnuts added. If you like dried cherries, these will delight you. In light of the expense, I wouldn't make these often, but for a high-impact dessert, they are a sure thing.

CHERRY CHIP COOKIES

(Yield: 100 3-inch cookies or 150 2-inch cookies)

Butter or margarine, softened	1 pound	2 cups
Granulated sugar	10 ounces	1 ½ cups
Brown sugar, firmly packed	10 ounces	1 ½ cups
Whole eggs, slightly beaten	7 ounces	4
Vanilla extract		2 tsp.
All-purpose flour	1 lb. 6 oz.	4 ½ cups
Baking soda		2 tsp.
White baking chocolate, chopped	1 lb. 2 oz.	3 cups
Dried tart cherries	1 lb	3 cups
Cashews, broken pieces	8 oz.	2 cups

Combine butter, granulated sugar, and brown sugar with an electric mixer on medium speed. Add eggs and vanilla; mix well.

Combine flour and baking soda; add to butter mixture. Mix thoroughly. Stir in white baking chocolate, dried cherries and cashews (or walnuts).

Portion batter with No. 40 scoop 4x6 onto a lightly greased or parchment paper-lined 26x18x1 inch baking pan. (This must be something professional cooks know about, but I don't have the faintest idea what a #40 scoop is. I used a teaspoon and my regular baking sheet – I don't know what the dimensions are – and had great success. I did use parchment paper and the results were worth it. Easy clean up and the same 2 sheets of parchment worked for all the batches.)

Bake in preheated 350 degree oven 10-12 minutes, or until light golden brown. Do not over bake.

The next installment from the MINITEX kitchens: Perhaps the best oatmeal raisin scones you've ever had. Stay tuned.

[Jane Young, MINITEX Contract Cataloging, March 21, 2002]

WebDewey PlaceWare Demonstration for MINITEX Libraries

On March 28, the MINITEX Bibliographic and Technical Services unit hosted our first live, web-based demo of an OCLC software product. Using a Web-based conferencing package called PlaceWare and a conference call, we were able to bring together 23 attendees to see and hear Dawn Lawson, the OCLC Product Manager for WebDewey, give a demonstration of WebDewey functionality. The host was in Minneapolis, the presenter was in Ohio, and the participants were scattered throughout the MINITEX region, but everyone got a feel for the product, many questions were answered, and no one had to travel! We are excited about the options this new technology offers us and pleased that the feedback from our 'guinea pig' participants was so enthusiastic. We look forward to using PlaceWare for additional updates and demos in order to increase communication and reduce travel time (both on your part and ours).

To attend a PlaceWare session, participants simply log into the PlaceWare website, using a specific login provided as part of the registration process. No purchase or downloading of software is required. For the audio portion of the session, participants dial into a conference call. If more than one person is attending from the same institution, we recommend using a speaker phone with a mute option. Interaction between participants and the presenter is live. Presentations may use live connections to the product, canned screen shots, or Powerpoint slides, depending on the content.

We plan to host another WebDewey session in the near future so keep an eye out for that or other Web-based updates coming to your desktop soon!

[Carla Dewey Urban, MINITEX, April 1, 2002]

Keyword Searching Index Changes Installed in February

OCLC implemented some changes to keyword searching of WorldCat for OCLC Cataloging, CORC, Interlibrary Loan, Selection, and Union List on Feb. 24, 2002. Four existing indexes were updated: Notes, Report number, Standard number, and Subject/Title/Contents. Seven new subject indexes were added: Library of Congress subject headings, Library of Congress Children's Literature subject headings, Medical subject headings (MeSH), National Agricultural Library subject headings, Canadian English subject headings, Canadian French subject headings (Repertoire des vedettes-matiere), and Sears subject headings.

For more information on the changes, please see this site:

<http://www.oclc.org/oclc/bit/258/content.shtm#keyword>

In addition, *Technical Bulletin 235* has been revised and is available at:

<http://www.oclc.org/oclc/tb/tb235/tb235.htm>

The Searching WorldCat Reference Card has also been updated and is available at:

<http://www.oclc.org/worldcat/searching/referencecard#keyword>

For the updated Searching WorldCat Tutorial, go to:

www.oclc.org/oclc/menu/tutorial.htm

The CatME help system and OCLC System Help have also been revised.

[David Whitehair, OCLC, *Bits and Pieces*, March 2002; edited]

Accessions List Formatting

The OCLC Accessions List service produces lists of your recently cataloged current acquisitions in convenient HTML electronic format. The electronic format is easy to mount directly on your library's web page. If you want to do additional editing and formatting, you can import the file into a word processor or web editor program. OCLC provides minimal formatting in the lists to allow for local uses, display options and system limitations at your institution.

Some users have suggested the enhancement of providing Accessions List data in a comma-delimited format to allow for easier sorting. We have considered this enhancement, but the variability of bibliographic data (e.g., some bibliographic fields are optional, many are repeatable) makes the task of manipulating the data very difficult. There is no simple way to store bibliographic data in a useful comma-quote-delimited format unless strict rules are imposed on the data.

[Anna Sylvester, OCLC, *Bits and Pieces*, March 2002; edited]

Upcoming OCLC Web Information Sessions

The upcoming OCLC web information sessions will include a live, FREE presentation that you can access via the web with audio available via a conference call. You will be able to submit questions at any time during the presentation.

Registration

Space for these OCLC web information sessions is limited, so please register early. To register, send the following information via e-mail to libservices@oclc.org: (1) session name, (2) session date, (3) your name and title, (4) institution name, and (5) your e-mail and phone number.

Details for logging on to the web information session will be sent to you after you register. To optimize your participation in the session, you need access to the web during the session, as well as a telephone with a mute button. Additionally, if several staff in your library want to attend, we recommend a telephone with both speaker and mute functionality.

OCLC Cataloging Services Can Help Improve Productivity Friday, April 12 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. CDT

Learn more about how OCLC cataloging services can help you save time and increase efficiency. Whether you are looking for an affordable, easy-to-use copy cataloging tool, or automatic copy cataloging that arrives when books come from participating vendors, OCLC has a cataloging solution to meet your needs. In addition, we will share the benefits of the new cataloging service to be introduced in July. We will discuss migration from OCLC Passport and other software to the new service.

OCLC CatExpress, a copy cataloging tool designed for libraries with smaller collections and libraries in groups, will soon offer immediate record export in addition to overnight record delivery.

OCLC PromptCat offers fast, automatic copy cataloging for books ordered through participating vendors. Your books can arrive shelf-ready with holdings already set, freeing your catalogers for higher priority projects.

OCLC Custom Services let you add an experienced team of catalogers to your staff at a price you can afford. You can improve your users' search results by providing a complete and upgraded online catalog, with all of your records in full MARC format. Our services free your staff for higher priorities within your library, while giving your users access to your entire collection—even those you haven't yet found time to catalog.

The **new OCLC cataloging service** will help you efficiently catalog all of your materials. From books to electronic resources and automated authority control, find out more about what the new service will offer. We will also discuss the various options available for migrating from OCLC Passport and other software to the new cataloging service.

Give Your Patrons Improved Access to Your Collection
Thursday, June 6 11:00 – 11:45 a.m. CDT

Learn more about OCLC's customized cataloging solutions—OCLC Contract Services and the OCLC MARC Record Service (OCLC MARS). OCLC Contract Services—OCLC TechPro and OCLC RetroCon—offer cataloging and conversion services for all types of collections. We provide contract cataloging and physical processing for materials in all bibliographic formats and about 40 languages, for both long- and short-term solutions.

OCLC Contract Services let you add experienced catalogers to your staff at a price you can afford. You can improve your users' search results by providing a complete and upgraded online catalog, with all of your records in full MARC format. Our services free your staff for higher priorities within your library, while giving your users access to your entire collection—even those you have not yet found time to catalog.

The **OCLC MARC Record Service (MARS)** provides authority control, bibliographic record upgrading, smart barcode number generation, ongoing authority updating and notification services, and record enrichment with tables of contents. If you are considering a change to a new local system, the time is right for you to consider authority control.

Develop Your Non-English Collections Affordably
Thursday, June 6 12:00 p.m. – 12:45 p.m. CST

Learn more about **OCLC Language Sets** that make it easy and affordable for you to meet the needs of an increasingly diverse population. We make it simple to start or expand your current collection in the following languages: Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Vietnamese, Russian, and Spanish.

Choose from separate collections for children and adults in several sizes of pre-selected sets for each language. You can order just one set or add sets on a regular basis at a fixed price. In addition to selected current titles, you receive full OCLC cataloging for all materials.

What we do for you:

- Select current bestsellers in Asian, Russian, and Spanish languages (plus Spanish videos for adults and children).
- Acquire the items.
- Catalog in full MARC with LC subject headings, Bilindex subject headings (Spanish titles), and Dewey or LC call numbers.
- Physical processing for your items, if you wish.
- Set your holdings in OCLC WorldCat.
- Ship your new materials to you at no cost.

For more information, please see OCLC Language Sets on the OCLC Website at:

<http://www.oclc.org/languagesets/>

[Laura Kreis, OCLC, *Bits and Pieces*, March 2002; edited]

RESOURCE SHARING

Local Data Records Updating Service

The OCLC LDR Updating Service enables libraries to add or update copy-specific holdings data in OCLC's WorldCat Union List database through batch processing. This is outlined in the draft specifications along with a brief overview of the service and other details regarding standards that must be used to create and submit records. It is located on the web at:

<http://www.oclc.org/oclc/specs/ldrus.htm>

Minnesota State University, Mankato and St. Cloud State University have used the LDR updating Service to update their MULS union list holdings.

The *OCLC Local Data Record Service Planning Guide* gives more detailed information about record requirements, procedures for initiating projects, and procedures for submitting files. You can find it on the web here:

<http://www.oclc.org/oclc/union/ldruss.pdf>

General Guidelines

Following are general guidelines for libraries interested in pursuing batch processing of holdings via the LDR Updating Service:

- The library or system vendor must be able to output a file of the holdings data compliant with the *MARC 21 Format for Holdings Data* (MFHD).
- The library must have cataloged or "set holdings" in OCLC for each serial title to be loaded via LDR Updating Service.
- A number of fields must be present in the record while some fields may be present depending on content. See the specifications document or the *Planning Guide* for field definitions.
- Libraries must supply all holdings records associated with a specific bibliographic record even if there is a change to only one of the holdings records; each holdings record sent in the set of records for a specific bibliographic record must represent the holdings data for only one copy.
- An OCLC bibliographic control number (OCLC#) must be present in the data submitted for batch processing.

There is no charge for either data evaluation or for batchload processing of holdings via the LDR Updating Service. Contact Cecelia Boone (612-624-6353, 800-462-5348, c-boon@umn.edu) if you have questions about the Updating Service.

[Cathy Kellum, OCLC, *Bits and Pieces*, March 2002; edited]

Check Your NAD

OCLC would like to remind you of certain things you should do at least twice per year:

- Change your clock settings when appropriate.
- Check the batteries in your smoke detector.
- Check your library's OCLC Name-Address Directory entry to be sure your address, phone numbers, and ILL policies are up to date!

To view your NAD record, type `:xxx <F11>` (with "xxx" being your library's OCLC symbol) at the Home position. Remember, you must be logged on with a full-level authorization for any OCLC service (Cataloging, ILL, Union List) to make any changes to your record.

You cannot change some fields, such as your library's name. These changes must be changed by OCLC via a no-charge "profile change request." To request this change, send a letter or e-mail containing the details to the MINITEX Bibliographic and Technical Services unit. Changes usually take 4–6 weeks for completion in the OCLC system.

For assistance with other changes to your record, please contact the MINITEX Bibliographic and Technical Services unit or e-mail OCLC at support@oclc.org

[Cathy Kellum, OCLC, *Bits and Pieces*, March 2002]

115 Millionth OCLC ILL Record

On Feb. 25, 2002 the 115 millionth OCLC ILL record was created by the Corpus Christi Public Library (CCA). It was for a book, *Air conditioning & refrigeration technicians' EPA certification guide*, and it was requested for a patron in the Federal Corrections Institute in Three Rivers, TX.

[Cathy Kellum, OCLC , *Bits and Pieces*, March 2002]

REFERENCE SERVICES

Asian Language Interfaces Coming Soon to FirstSearch

OCLC plans to introduce user and administrative interfaces to the OCLC FirstSearch service and the OCLC FirstSearch administrative module in at least two Asian languages, beginning with the Japanese language, in the first quarter of 2002. Following a successful installation on March 24, 2002, users of the OCLC FirstSearch service are able to use the Japanese language interface to search the contents of more than 70 databases in FirstSearch.

OCLC is scheduled to install a Chinese (Traditional) language interface in the second quarter of 2002, and is also planning to introduce interfaces in other Asian languages, such as Chinese (Simplified) and Korean, in the months ahead. OCLC is implementing these Japanese and Chinese (Traditional) interfaces in response to long-standing requests from libraries and users in the Asia Pacific region and from libraries with patrons who speak these languages. OCLC internal staff is also collaborating with its distributors in the Asia Pacific region to translate the FirstSearch user and administrative interfaces in these languages.

Initially, the translations will be limited to the FirstSearch user interface and the FirstSearch administrative module interface. Translations of online Help will follow changes to the interfaces. The database content itself will continue to be available in the language originally provided in the database. OCLC is implementing a link to the Select Translation Service (STS) from FirstSearch through which different levels of translation of the original source documents will become available to users. These options range from an automatic machine translation at no cost to a link to a human-mediated translation for a fee.

The OCLC FirstSearch News will be available in Japanese at the time of the installation. OCLC has consented to OCLC's distributors' requests to retain the English language Terms and Conditions, as English Terms and Conditions meet market needs. Furthermore, online Help will not

be available in Japanese at the time the interface is rolled out in March 2002, but is expected to be installed sometime this year. However, there will be a Japanese Help file that describes the specific browser requirements for viewing the interfaces in Japanese.

System Requirements for Japanese Language Interface

To optimally view the Japanese interface, users will need to have Microsoft Internet Explorer version 5 or above, or Netscape version 6 or above loaded on their computers.

The administrative module will require the use of a Japanese operating system in order to correctly display error messages and all components of the administrative interface.

[Sonya Oliver, OCLC, *Bits and Pieces*, March 2002; edited]

New Journals Added to OCLC FirstSearch Electronic Collections Online

Fifty-four new journals from 14 publishers were added to Electronic Collections Online on Feb. 24. This brings the online total of available journals to 3,868. The number of publishers under contract is approximately 63, and the number of journals under contract for distribution through Electronic Collections Online is over 4,000.

[*Bits and Pieces*, March 2002; edited]

WorldCat Languages

Remember that the WorldCat database now enables you to expand the list of languages available for use in limiting searches from the current list of the 30 most common in WorldCat to the approximately 400 languages represented in the database. This change was made in response to requests from users of the previous version of FirstSearch, who appreciated being able to select a language from an on-screen list. You can control the language list by selecting the **Show all languages** and **Show fewer languages** links on the Advanced and Expert Search screens. This serves not only to allow users to retrieve material in languages they can use, but also to highlight the breadth of languages covered in WorldCat and the global nature of the cooperative database.

[Deb Bendig, OCLC, *Bits and Pieces*, March 2002]