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TECHNOLOGY EXPO

What's new for libraries in the technology world? Come see some of the new products and programs. There will be something for all types of libraries: academic, public, special, medical, and school. Session descriptions and information on speakers is inside. Registration form can be found on page 5.

When: Wednesday March 13, 2002

Where: St. Louis University, Pius Library
3650 Lindell Blvd. -St. Louis

Cost: \$10 member / \$18 non-member (this includes sessions, lunch, and parking)

Schedule: 9:45 – 10 a.m. – Registration
10 – 10:45 – Session I
11 – 11:45 – Session II
11:45 – 1 – Lunch and Speaker
1 – 1:45 – Session III

Lunch: Catered by Russo's Gourmet Express
Sandwich (turkey, ham or veggie), chips, cookie, drink

Speaker: Dr. Frances Benham "Libraries and Technology"

Frances Benham has been a librarian for over 30 years. She worked her way up through the ranks to become the director, and she now leads our host library at St. Louis University. Fran has both practiced and taught librarianship, and managed library staffs. She is the current president of the Missouri Library Association. Her Ph.D. in librarianship (a term she clearly loves and prefers) is from Florida State University.

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HELP WANTED - TOWER GROVE PARK

The Park is looking for help to set up its Library in the newly renovated Plant House. Full time or part time to start and then quarterly maintenance is needed.

The collection is over 5000 books separated into three categories. The Library needs to be established from the beginning. From putting books on the shelf; to developing a catalog system, to maintaining the library on an on going basis.

An experienced consultant would be appreciated. Hourly fee is negotiable. For more information call David Weber, 314-771-3679.

Info-Pass Update

ADD:

John Burroughs Library
OA: Barb Thach

Tech Expo Sessions

E-BOOKS

Paul Duckworth is Collection Development Coordinator for the Springfield-Greene County Library District, where he has been employed for the past twenty-six years. He has held this position for eleven years. Prior to his current position, he was Reference Manager for the District. From 1971 to 1975, he was employed as a reference librarian at Drury College, in Springfield. Paul graduated with a B.A. in English from Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield, and received his M.S. in Library Science from the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. He has taught classes in library use at Drury, as well as numerous workshops for Springfield-Greene County Library staff. He has also taught at the Missouri State Library's Summer Institute. Recently, he and SGCL Business Reference Librarian Mike DePue have co-sponsored three "Ebooks For Dummies" introductory programs for the public.

"Ebooks: Yesterday And Tomorrow"

- What does the word "ebook" mean?
- Where did this all begin?
- What's happening right now?
- What can I expect in the next few years?
- What does this mean for my library?

BLACKBOARD

Brad Hough is the Chief Information Officer for Covenant Theological Seminary. He holds a Ph.D. in Education and Human Development from Vanderbilt University, where his work focused on developing models for creating, supporting, and assessing virtual communities of practice for online professional development. He is an author and speaker on the use of technology in schools and has developed and provided custom technology

training for a variety of schools and universities. Brad also holds a Master's degree in School Administration (Instructional Technology emphasis) and a Bachelor's degree in Interactive Multimedia Design.

Blackboard's course management software creates a web-based, online teaching and learning environment that can be used for a range of educational purposes: from enhancing face-to-face classes, to supporting a complete online learning experience. Blackboard provides a variety of tools to help create and manage course content and facilitate interaction with students and instructors in their courses. Come see concrete examples of how Covenant Seminary applies the program in both the residential and distance education contexts, and begin to think about how it can be creatively used at your school.

Marco Polo

Sandra Blanco is the Associate Director at the Regional Professional Development Center at CDS. The state of Missouri has signed a comprehensive agreement to roll out the Marco Polo Professional Development Program statewide to all interested libraries.

MARCO POLO program provides no-cost, standard-based Internet content for the library, K-12 teacher and classroom. Online resources include links to top sites in many disciplines, professionally developed materials, and powerful search engines.

Web Dewey –Net Library

Tracy Rochow Byerly : In her position as the User Services Manager at Missouri Library Network Corporation (MLNC) for seven years, Tracy coordinates and manages the MLNC training program as well as serving as one of the trainers. Her most frequent workshops are MARC Tagging and Coding and Using the OCLC Interlibrary Loan System. She also provides extensive phone support for OCLC's FirstSearch and Cataloging services. Prior to her current position, she worked as the St. Louis County Library as a cataloger and in reader's services. She received her M.L.S. from the University of Missouri - Columbia.

WebDewey This session will demonstrate WebDewey, an easy-to-use, browser-based interface that allows you to search the DDC (and related terminology) efficiently and navigate intuitively. WebDewey includes the full DDC 21 Contents--schedules, tables, manual, notes, Relative Index. It also has all DDC 21 updates, new and changed entries, mapped LCSH from Weekly Lists, other revisions and updates and additional Relative Index terms and built numbers.

NetLibrary is a leading provider of eBooks for the institutional library market. eBooks are full-text electronic versions of published books that library patrons can search, borrow, read and return via the Internet. netLibrary develops, hosts, maintains and preserves eBook collections for academic, corporate, public, and school libraries. This session will give information on netLibrary, the recent OCLC acquisition of netLibrary and the current offer by of a netLibrary collection.

Bigchalk Library and Proquest Historical Newspapers

Jennifer Burns is the Digital Media Consultant for bigchalk. She has worked in educational technology since 1986 with experience in both k-12 and Academic environments. She has experienced and continues to believe that technology, when integrated into a quality instructional program, can be a tremendously effective tool in helping students develop the communication and critical thinking skills they will need to be successful as lifelong learners.

Bigchalk Library unites comprehensive search options and content sets with easy-to-use functionality to create an indispensable reference resource. bigchalk Library combines unique content, including 100% cover to cover review, exclusive 10 year rights to The New York Times from 1999, over 150,000 pre-screen organized appropriate web-sites, audio/video results, extensive biography section, topic search, etc. All wrapped in the most-easy-to-use Internet delivered interface.

ProQuest Historical Newspapers –Explore the Past makes the entire back file of The New York Times since 1851 available in full-page searchable images. Proquest has digitally reproduced every issue cover-to-cover from news stories and editorials to graphics and advertisements. Each article result provides a full citation and abstract for pinpoint retrieval, plus the full-page image of the complete article, including article continuations.

MOREnet

Jeanne Sullivan has been a Program Manager for the Missouri Research and Education Network (MOREnet) since 1995. She manages the REAL Program that provides Internet connectivity and related services to Missouri Public Libraries as well as access to a number of full text online resources. The REAL Program is funded through state appropriations administered by the Missouri State Library. Jeanne holds a Bachelors of Science degree in Business Administration and a Masters of Arts in Library Science. Before coming to MOREnet, Jeanne worked in reference services at Westminster College and Stephens College libraries.

John T. (Ted) MacDonald, Ph.D. has been a Program Manager for the Missouri Research and Education Network (MOREnet) since 1996. He currently manages the MOREnet Affiliates program that serves private K-12 schools, state and local governments, community information networks, University Outreach and Extension, the system offices of the University of Missouri, and various non-profit agencies. He also managed a community information program for five years. Ted holds a Bachelor of Science degree in biological sciences, a Master of Business Administration degree, and a doctorate in political science, and has taught undergraduate and graduate courses at the University of Missouri-Columbia, Williams Woods University, and Lincoln University. He recently retired from the U.S. armed forces after 28 years, most recently serving on a National Disaster Medical System team in Washington, D.C.

MOREnet will give an overview of the MOREnet system and then present their online database resources.

DOCUTEK

Per Almquist is currently the Reference & Systems Librarian at Covenant Theological Seminary in Creve Coeur. In this capacity he has overall responsibility for circulation and reserves, administers and maintains the Library's computers and systems, and serves as the primary instructional designer and teacher for the Library. He also serves as the chair of the Bridges Cluster coordinators for MOBIUS and is a member of the MOBIUS Electronic Resources Advisory Committee. Per has degrees from the Johns Hopkins University and Covenant Theological Seminary and is currently pursuing studies at the University of Missouri, Columbia.

Docutek's E-Res system is an online Electronic Reserves system for posting copyrighted materials on the Internet. The system is primarily intended for use in posting course reserves in academic libraries but can be creatively used beyond that. The session will include a brief introduction to the E-Res system, its functionality, set-up, and maintenance as well as allowing time for participants to share ideas for broadening the usefulness of the system through creative uses.

WOLFNER LIBRARY

Dr. Richard J. Smith is the Director of the Wolfner Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. His rich and varied library background includes working for three state library agencies in Ohio, Indiana, and Louisiana. He taught library automation at the University of Pittsburgh, the University of Iowa and at San Jose State University. He served as Assistant Director of the University of Southwestern Louisiana and as Director of the Allegany Community College Library. While working on his dissertation in distance education at the University of Pittsburgh, Dr. Smith learned the value of the Internet in communication and education and wrote a best-selling book *Navigating the Internet* that sold over 100,000 copies. It was translated into three different languages, Greek, Portuguese, and French.

Wolfner Library

Dr. Smith will provide an overview of Wolfner Library services including descriptive videos, Wolfner's electronic distribution list, web-braille, DocMorph, and other assistive technologies.

WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

March 13, 2002

Name: _____

Library: _____

FAX #: _____

Home phone # : _____ (in case of bad weather & need to cancel)

Lunch choice ..(circle one) : HAM....TURKEY....VEGGIE

Workshop choices: (circle sessions you plan to attend)

Session I

Bigchalk Library

eBooks

WebDewey

Blackboard

Wolfner

Marco Polo

Session II

Proquest

eBooks

WebDewey

Docutak

Wolfner

Marco Polo

Morenet

Blackboard

Session III

Bigchalk Library

NetLibrary

Docutak

Morenet

Wolfner

Marco Polo

Confirmation, driving and parking directions will be faxed.

Please mail check (\$10-from member library/\$18 from nonmember library) to:
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Libraries who must wait for a check to be processed sent in registration with a note that check will follow.

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