CatSIG

Cataloguing Special Interest Group

Catapult : newsletter of the LIANZA Cataloguing Special Interest Group

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Editorial comment

Catapult is the quarterly newsletter of CatSIG (Cataloguing Special Interest Group). The responsibility for editing Catapult is shared around libraries or individual committee members. The next two will be edited by University of Auckland.

After four years of working in a library that has Horizon as its system, I started a new job in April in one that uses Spydus. It has been interesting learning to catalogue in a different system.

Jessie Moir, editor

Catapult online

Archived issues are available on the Describe NZ wiki:
http://www.describe.org.nz/

CatSIG news

CatSIG 2011 Study Sponsorships

This year CatSIG offered two sponsorship opportunities for people undertaking the Open Polytechnic 72272 Cataloguing and Classification course. We would like to thank everyone who applied; the quality of applications was very high.

We are delighted to announce Daphne Smithers and Shona Rees as the recipients of these sponsorships.

Items in brief

Announcing the LC/NAL/NLM RDA Implementation decision

The Library of Congress, the National Agricultural Library, and the National Library of Medicine have issued a statement from the Executives of the three libraries regarding the *Report and Recommendations of the U.S. RDA Test Coordinating Committee* on the implementation of *RDA—Resource Description & Access.*

An executive summary of the report is available at:
http://www.nlm.nih.gov/tsd/cataloging/RDA_report_executive_summary.pdf

The cover statement by the executives of LC, NAL, and NLM is available at:
http://www.nlm.nih.gov/tsd/cataloging/RDA_Executives_statement.pdf

[Source: AUTOCAT, June 15, 2011]

The full "Report and Recommendations of the U.S. RDA Test Coordinating Committee on the implementation of RDA—Resource Description & Access" (192 pages) is now publicly available on the US RDA Test Home Page:
http://www.loc.gov/bibliographic-future/rda/

[Source: AUTOCAT, June 18, 2011]

Cataloging and beyond: publishing for the Year of Cataloging Research

This was the title of a session at the ALA annual conference, 2010. Amy Eklund gave a presentation on the shortage of research examining next generation catalogues, and areas that need to be explored. You can view her slides at this link:
http://presentations.ala.org/images/9/91/Eklund_NextGenCatalogResearch.pdf

[Source: The Cataloguing Librarian, November 16, 2010]

Cataloguing remote access multimedia

David Bigwood supplies a link to "The Streaming Guide to Cataloging Remote Access Multimedia: A How-to Virtual Manual for Catalogers" by Marielle Veve.
http://www.newfoundpress.utk.edu/pubs/veve/streaming-guides.html

[Source: Catalogablog, March 24, 2011]

Cool cataloguing tool for school librarians

A tool designed for school librarians automatically generates MARC records for web resources. It also creates MARCSML, MODS and CSV formats.
http://dl2sl.org/web2marc

[Source: Cataloging Futures, May 10, 2011]

FRBR as cake

Karen Coyle has an interesting graphic in one of her blog entries in which she discusses her concern about the way FRBR treats bibliographic records. See what you think.
http://kcoyle.blogspot.com/2011/04/frbr-as-cake.html

[Source: Coyle's InFormation, April 19, 2011]

How the modern Web environment is reinventing the theory of cataloguing

Grant Campbell and Karl Fast have written a paper that "uses cataloguing theory to interpret the partial results of an exploratory study of university students using Web search engines and Web-based OPACs". They conclude that "the effectiveness of Google is consistent with the aims of cataloguing as expressed in the theories of Anthony Panizzi and Seymour Lubetsky."
http://lisnews.org/node/39256/

[Source: AUTOCAT, May 26, 2011]

Interview with Janet Swan Hill

Arro Smith recorded an interview with Janet swan Hill at the 2010 American Library Annual Conference. The interview is part of the Capturing Our stories Oral History Program of Retiring Librarians. You can listen to the interview or read the transcript:
http://solstice.ischool.utexas.edu/Capturing_Our_Stories/index.php/Interview_with_Janet_Hill

[Source: Catalogablog, March 24, 2011]

Librarians: masters of the universe

CNN published an article honouring librarians during National Library Week.
http://edition.cnn.com/2011/LIVING/04/12/librarians.masters.of.universe/index.html?hpt=Sb

[Source: AUTOCAT, April 12, 2011]

Library Blog Awards, 2011

The 2011 Library Blog Awards will be announced on June 15, 2011. The finalists consist of 40 blogs in 8 categories, such as general, academic, public, etc. Check out the winners.
http://salempress.com/Store/blogs/blog_home.htm

[Source: Catalogablog, April 19, 2011]

Lost library skills

Want to take a trip down Memory Lane? How about these delightful blog entries from Daniel Stuhlman?
http://kol-safran.blogspot.com/2011/03/catalog-card-drawers.html
http://kol-safran.blogspot.com/2011/03/filing-catalog-cards.html

[Source: AUTOCAT, March 21, 2011]

MARC is to be reviewed

Library of Congress is setting in place a process to review MARC21 in the light of RDA and the technological and environmental changes that have been taking place.
http://www.loc.gov/marc/transition/news/framework-051311.html

[Source: Cataloging Futures, May 25, 2011]

There was interesting debate about the announcement in May, Week 4, in AUTOCAT, and also at this link:
http://everybodyslibraries.com/2011/05/24/open-datas-role-in-transforming-our-bibliographic-framework/

[Source: AUTOCAT, May 25, 2011]

MARC must die?

Roy Tennant wrote an article with this title in 2002, and now, Sally Chambers has used the same title for a workshop she presented at ELAG 2011 (European Librarian Automation Group's 2011 conference) in May. She subtitled her workshop, *Developing a shared vision for the future of bibliographic metadata.* The workshop link is:
http://elag2011.techlib.cz/en/855-07-marc-must-die/
Roy Tennant's 2002 article:
http://www.libraryjournal.com/article/CA250046.html
Roy Tennant's 2004 article on the same theme:
http://roytennant.com/A_bibliographic.pdf

[Source: Cataloging Futures, May 17, 2011]

Minimum viable record?

This is the title of a post by George Oates who is the lead developer at the Internet Archive's Open Library. She would like to see metadata simplified. Read her comments at
http://blog.openlibrary.org/2011/04/11/minimum-viable-record/

[Source: Cataloging Futures, May 12, 2011]

More library blogs

Librarian Masters have a list of "50 excellent library science blogs worth reading".
http://www.masteroflibraryscience.com/50-excellent-library-science-blogs-worth-reading.html

[Source: The Cataloguing Librarian, December 15, 2010]

New book about the eXtensible Catalog

Scholarly practice, participatory design and the eXtensible Catalog, edited by Nancy Fried Foster, et al. "As part of the development of eXtensible Catalog (XC) … four institutions conducted 80 interviews and numerous workshops to understand how researchers learn about, acquire, and use scholarly resources." This book reports on their findings.
http://www.alastore.ala.org/detail.aspx?ID=3408

[Source: Catalogablog, May 12, 2011]

Open Bibliographic Data Guide

JISC have developed a guide to open bibliographic data to help those wanting to make a business case for "releasing some or all of a library's catalogue records for open use and re-use by others."
http://obd.jisc.ac.uk/

[Source: Coyle's InFormation, March 5, 2011]

RDA in a non-MARC environment: the eXtensible Catalog

Jennifer Bowen and David Lindahl have submitted a written statement about the eXtensible Catalog's partial implementation of RDA.
https://urresearch.rochester.edu/institutionalPublicationPublicView.action?institutionalItemId=14154&versionNumber=1

[Source: AUTOCAT, April 14, 2011]

Reorganising DDC

I featured some links from this AUTOCAT discussion in the last edition of Catapult. The discussion continued on into March and a link was posted to a description of Markham Public Libraries' new user-friendly layout called C3.
http://www.markhampubliclibrary.ca/docs/C3_overview.pdf

[Source: AUTOCAT, March 11, 2011]

Standards, perfection and good enough

This is the title of a podcast by James Weinheimer, one in his series called Cataloging Matters about the future of libraries and catalogs. This particular podcast generated some favourable discussion on AUTOCAT.
http://catalogingmatters.blogspot.com/2011/04/cataloging-matters-podcast-no-9.html

[Source: AUTOCAT, April 12/13, 2011]

Streaming Guide to Cataloging Remote Access Multimedia

This how-to manual by Marielle Veve has a new URL. It is a useful guide giving instructions on cataloguing streaming video and audio, e-books, web games and podcasts.
http://www.newfoundpress.utk.edu/pubs/veve/

[Source: AUTOCAT, March 22, 2011]

Using RDA: Moving into the Metadata Future

ALA TechSource had a three-part webinar workshop in May led by Chris Oliver, Karen Coyle and Diane Hillmann. Daniel Freeman has blogged about them on the ALA TechSource website, and has uploaded the slides from each session.
http://www.alatechsource.org/blog/2011/05/continuing-the-conversation-rda-designed-for-current-and-future-environments.html
http://www.alatechsource.org/blog/2011/05/continuing-the-conversation-new-models-of-metadata.html
http://www.alatechsource.org/blog/2011/05/continuing-the-conversation-rda-vocabularies-in-the-semantic-web.html

[Source: Coyle's InFormation, April 26, 2011]

Value of cataloguing librarians

In response to a plea for a strong argument to support the retention of a cataloguing position, one cataloguer listed some excellent points in her reply, and another posted the following link:
http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/alcts/resources/org/cat/catlibvalue.cfm

[Source: AUTOCAT, March 11, 2011]

What is the change that is RDA?

Diane Hillmann discusses this question in her blog, and makes some strongly positive comments about RDA.
http://managemetadata.org/blog/

[Source: AUTOCAT, April 25, 2011]

Will RDA kill MARC

This seems to be a recurring theme currently. Kelley McGrath gave a presentation on this topic at ALA Midwinter 2011. There was also some interesting discussion on AUTOCAT following the post of this link.
http://pages.uoregon.edu/kelleym/KM_MWpresentation.pdf

[Source: AUTOCAT, March 25, 2011]

Dewey Blog

DDC 23 in print

DDC 23 print copies will be available for purchase from next month (July). Orders can be placed now.
http://www.oclc.org/us/en/dewey/ordering/default.htm

[Source: Dewey Blog, March 22, 2011]

Computer hardware and storage in DDC 23

There have been a number of changes in the 004s since DDC 22 and a number of these are given in this entry.
http://ddc.typepad.com/025431/2011/06/computer-hardware-and-storage.html

[Source: Dewey Blog, June 3, 2011]

Literature (Belles-lettres) and rhetoric (808) in DDC 23

There are some new Dewey numbers in this area. Examples are given in this entry in the blog
http://ddc.typepad.com/025431/2011/04/ddc-23-800-literature-belles-lettres-and-rhetoric.html

[Source: Dewey Blog, April 23, 2011]

Management of part-time businesses

An article in Library Journal about works helpful for people who want to start or run a part-time business inspired this entry on Dewey numbers for such items.

http://ddc.typepad.com/025431/2011/03/part-time-or-potentially-part-time-businesses-management.html

[Source: Dewey Blog, April 1, 2011]

Preview of 340 Law in DDC 23

Any changes in 340 in DDC 23 are expansions of existing provisions. This entry in the Dewey Blog gives examples.
http://ddc.typepad.com/025431/2011/03/ddc-23-preview-of-340-law.html

[Source: Dewey Blog, March 18, 2011]

Preview of 610 Medicine and health in DDC 23

Several illnesses and diseases have been given new Dewey numbers since DDC 22. This entry looks at these.
http://ddc.typepad.com/025431/2011/04/ddc-23-preview-of-610-medicine-and-health.html
[Source: Dewey Blog, April 7, 2011]

Table 3 Subdivisions for the arts, for individual literatures, for specific literary forms in DDC 23

This entry reviews the changes in this table. There is a new note to help cataloguers choose between Table 3A and 3B. The entry gives examples to illustrate the changes
http://ddc.typepad.com/025431/2011/05/ddc-23-table-3-subdivisions-for-the-arts-for-individual-literatures-for-specific-literary-forms.html

[Source: Dewey Blog, May 4, 2011]