

INFO BITS

2007 Nylink Achievement Awards Nominations Sought

Nylink is very pleased to announce the third annual Nylink Achievement Awards. The launch of this initiative in 2005 to recognize the achievements of member libraries was a great success and the award ceremony at both the 2005 and 2006 Nylink Annual Meeting was a highlight for both recipients and attending members.

All members are encouraged to submit nominations either for an institution or group of institutions for the Nylink Achievement Awards.

Full details of the awards' criteria and categories, and a nomination form, are on the Nylink web site at < <http://nylink.org/about/ncawards.htm> >.

Nominations are open until January 31, 2007.

Nylink Information Showcase

The 8th annual Nylink Information Showcase returns to The Hotel Pennsylvania in New York City on November 14. Many of the exhibitors that members have met over the years will return, and, as of this date, more than 25 vendors will be present. Also a fixture: Nylink member Poster Sessions for the second year. As always, admission and refreshments are free, and there will be a very interesting selection of door prizes! For a complete list of exhibitors and to help us plan for refreshments and programs, please register at < <http://nylink.org/showcase/> >.

What's Up on the Web?

In keeping with the season of cooler temperatures and numerous holidays that bring us indoors for hearty meals and rich treats, this month's column is devoted to web sites about food. The library web sites of some Nylink member institutions with culinary programs – Culinary Institute of America < <http://www2.ciachef.edu/lm/hilton/internet.html> >, Paul Smith's College < http://www.paulsmiths.edu/go.pl?page=research/tech_services/culinary.html > and SUNY Cobleskill < <http://cobyweb.cobleskill.edu/Library/wguides/cularts.asp> > – provided good starting places for finding comprehensive directories and content-rich sites. Here's a sampling:

National Turkey Federation < <http://www.eatturkey.com/> >: With the NTF web site, figuring out what to do with Thanksgiving leftovers becomes fun with a searchable database of hundreds of recipes. Tips for purchasing, preparing and cooking turkey are also included.

The Cook's Thesaurus < <http://www.foodsubs.com/> >: This resource could come in handy when confronted with an unusual ingredient in a recipe or when wanting to know what could be substituted for an ingredient.

The Vegetarian Resource Group < <http://www.vrg.org/index.htm> >: This nonprofit organization has an educational mission and uses its web site to disseminate information on vegetarian nutrition including articles from the print serial *Vegetarian Journal*. Recipes are also provided, and the site even includes a guide to restaurants in the U.S. and Canada.

Digital Librarian "Food and Drink" page < <http://www.digital-librarian.com/food.html> >: The well-known directory compiled by librarian Margaret Vail Anderson includes an extensive list of links to both popular and unusual sites.

Food and Nutrition Information Center < <http://www.nal.usda.gov/fnic/> > and **FoodSafety.gov** < <http://www.foodsafety.gov/> >: These U.S. government resources can help keep the holidays and new year safe, healthy and happy with information on dietary guidelines, diet and disease, food composition, food labeling, dietary supplements, consumer safety tips, research reports, and much more.

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