

An Overview of Recent WorldCat Resource Sharing Enhancements

OCLC continues to make improvements to the WorldCat Resource Sharing system. Here is an overview of the most recent enhancements to WorldCat Resource Sharing:

- **Additional deflection for WCRS users:** Lenders can now deflect requests based on their lending costs and age of materials with an override capability if the lender is the last in the lender string.
- **Improved printing for WCRS users:** Users can now print shipping labels, book straps, book stickers and 1-per-page printing using either batch functionality or request-by-request. In April 2008, users will have improved 2-per-page printing using PDFs.
- **Improved searching of completed request archive:** Users can now search the request archive by request ID, bibliographic fields, lenders and borrowers.
- **New Reasons for No:** Users have an additional reason for no – *Not licensed to fill* – to accurately reflect restrictions on e-publications.
- **Policies Directory update:** Users who have not updated their Policies Directory information in the last 12 months now receive a reminder for them to update their policies. This assists in providing current and complete resource sharing information to all users of the Policies Directory.
- **Policies Directory improved searching:** In response to user suggestions and feedback, this enhancement returns more accurate results for the advanced search in the Policies Directory.
- **Change in how “Not found as cited” is handled:** When the reason for no is “Not found as cited,” the request will be immediately returned as Unfilled for the borrower to correct the citation. It will no longer be routed to any additional lenders.
- **GAC, GAC/UL and UL affiliations displayed in lender requests:** Lenders can now see a listing of the GAC, GAC/ULs and ULs that both they and the borrowing library have in common. This will improve the lender workflow, making it easier to recognize partners with whom they have lending agreements, and more accurately make policy decisions, and apply constant data and lending charges.

For more information on these enhancements, go to the OCLC web site: <<http://www.oclc.org/resourcesharing/support/enhancements/default.htm>>.

OCLC ILLiad Newsletter – Volume 6, Issue 1, Now Available

Volume six, issue one of the *OCLC ILLiad Newsletter* is now available on the Atlas Systems home page: <<http://www.atlas-sys.com/>>. This issue includes a recap of the 4th OCLC ILLiad International Conference, an “At Your Service” column about the Stop Sign icon, information on new OCLC ILLiad Quick Courses, and an article by Heather Campbell on developing a disaster response plan. Check it out, and if you have any comments, questions, or suggestions, please forward them to John Brunswick at jbrunswick@atlas-sys.com.

ILLiad Users Converge on Virginia Beach

More than 320 ILLiad users gathered in Virginia Beach on March 13-14 to attend the OCLC International ILLiad Conference. This conference provided an opportunity for ILLiad users to share information about how they are using ILLiad as well as to discuss developing trends in resource sharing. More than 125 Nylink libraries use ILLiad and New York libraries were well represented at the conference, both as attendees and as presenters. The following presentations were offered by staff from Nylink member libraries:

- “The Information Delivery Services (IDS) Project: a Unique Demonstration Project of How Academic Libraries Can Implement a Highly-effective Resource Sharing System at Low Cost” – Mark Sullivan and Ed Rivenburgh, SUNY Geneseo.
- “Round Table Discussion-Taking the Helm of a High-functioning Interlibrary Loan Department: Optimising Workflows and Sprucing Up ILLiad” – Susan Lieberthal, SUNY Stony Brook.
- “Two ILLiad Clients on One Desktop: Sharing a University's Collection, Staff and Expertise” – Cynthia A. Bertuca and Carol Lelonek, University at Buffalo; Sarah Morehouse Carmen, Empire State College.
- “ILLiad and VDX/Pica: ISO-Compliant Dance Partners” – Andy Perry, SUNY New Paltz.

ILLiad 7.3 Released on April 1 (No Fooling)

ILLiad 7.3 was released on April 1, 2008. This release includes:

- Overhauled web reports that include new graphs and layouts based on Microsoft's Active Server Pages (ASP) technology to provide dynamically generated Web pages.
- The addition of Odyssey Helper to help streamline Lending and Document Delivery activities.
- Web Circ module, a web-based interface that will allow limited access to ILLiad for circulation staff to help with the process of checking materials in/out.
- Rapid Manager, a new web service for handling Rapid requests in the ILLiad client.

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