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To register for the Joint Conference of Librarians of Color (JCLC), October 11-15, 2006 in Dallas, TX, go to www.ala.org/jclc. Advance registration closed September 8th. Save at least \$50 by registering early. Additional discounts are available for members of the Ethnic Caucuses or the American Library Association.

To review the full descriptions of programs, poster sessions and pre-conferences, go to www.ala.org/jclc.

JCLC offers four days of tracked programs for a wide audience of attendees, including librarians, library supporters and community member of color, providers of library services to communities of color, and advocates and colleagues of service providers. The conference programs celebrate diversity within library studies and the research and development aspects of community outreach.

JCLC is hosted by the Adam's Mark hotel. Significant discounts are available for JCLC attendees for rooms at the Adam's Mark. Reserve your room in the JCLC Block by Sept 9th at www.adamsmark.com/jclc2006.

American Airlines is offering a 5% discount off the lowest published rate on air fare for JCLC attendees. Use discount code A10H6A0 when calling 800-433-1790 or online at www.aa.com.

Schedule time to visit the Exhibit Hall. JCLC and over 75 library vendors and publishers invite you to enjoy refreshments and entertainment while reviewing the latest materials for your library and worklife.

Jobseekers - the JCLC Placement Services website will be online the first week of September at www.ala.org/jclc. Bring your resume and connect with employers from around the country.

We look forward to gathering with you in Dallas for this historic, and important, conference.

SOLINET PRODUCT NEWS

SOLINET is pleased to announce that it will offer a new product from Emerald at special member discounts. Emerald Management Xtra College contains full-text articles from 30 prestigious applied and vocational journals. The content was selected especially with the community college student and faculty in mind. SOLINET members save 33% off the list price, making the discounted price \$995. For more information about the SOLINET offer of Emerald Management College Xtra, please see www.solinet.net/product_index/CollegeXtra.

Management Xtra College includes more than 9,000 articles that cover different areas of management, including marketing, strategy, training and development, and human resources. For a complete list of journals offered through the resource, please see www.emeraldinsight.com/info/products_services/collegejournals.jsp

In addition to the full text of the articles, Emerald Management Xtra College also offers resources for librarians, educators, students, researchers, and authors. These additional resources include case studies, book reviews, interviews, and specialist teaching and student resources.

SOLINET Elects 2006/2007 Board, Officers and OCLC Members Council Delegation

At the Annual Membership Meeting in Atlanta in May, SOLINET member libraries elected five members to the Board of Directors and two delegates to the OCLC Members Council.

Newly elected to the **SOLINET Board of Directors** were:

- **Charles Brown**, Director of Libraries, Public Library of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County, NC
- **Laura Davidson**, Dean of Library Information Services, Meredith College, NC
- **Connie McCarthy**, Dean of University Libraries, College of William and Mary, VA
- **Lynn Sutton**, Director, Z. Smith Reynolds Library, Wake Forest University, NC
- **Kay Wall**, University Librarian, University of Southern Mississippi

The newly seated Board of Directors elected these officers:

- **Carol Walker Jordan**, Director, Everett Library, Queens University of Charlotte (NC), *Chair*
- **Bill Miller**, Director of Libraries, Florida Atlantic University, *Vice Chair*
- **Pat Pickard**, Director, Educational Media Dept., DeKalb County School System (GA), *Treasurer*
- **David Paynter**, Director, New Hanover County Public Library (NC), *Secretary*

Elected as **SOLINET Delegates to OCLC Members Council** were

- **Kathleen Imhoff**, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer. Lexington Public Library, KY
- **Elsie Stephens Weatherington**, Dean of Library and Media Services, Virginia State University

ASERL ADDS NEW TECHNOLOGY & SERVICES TO IMPROVE VIRTUAL REFERENCE

Will use Docutek VRLplus for online reference service

The Association of Southeastern Research Libraries announced today that it has licensed a new virtual reference software package for its cooperative virtual reference service. The eight participating ASERL libraries have selected Docutek VRLplus™ to power the Ask-A-Librarian online reference service, available to students and faculty at the participating institutions.

“Our virtual reference service permits ASERL librarians to meet their users where they are in the online environment,” said John Burger, ASERL executive director. “We are pleased to offer this new software package to users. It has a solid reputation for speed and reliability, and will offer additional methods for librarians to guide patrons to the information they seek.”

The participating ASERL libraries are: the College of William and Mary, Mississippi State University, the University of Alabama, the University of Central Florida, the University of Memphis, the University of Mississippi, the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, and Virginia Commonwealth University. They are scheduled to go live on Docutek VRLplus this month.

Angus Carroll, SirsiDynix chief marketing officer, said: “Forward-thinking library organizations, such as the members of ASERL, seek to extend their reach into the communities they serve. We continue to deliver solutions like Docutek VRLplus to help these libraries meet the needs of their users and extend their reach outside the walls of the library building.”