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service. Katrina and Rita also have called attention to the need for libraries to be better prepared for future disasters.

In early 2006, SOLINET evaluated the damage at Gulf Coast academic libraries with support from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. While each affected academic library is unique in terms of extent of damage, current state of recovery, current provision of service, and plans for complete recovery, most have immediate needs related to re-establishing and providing service and longer term needs for replacing lost collections and facilities. Of the 33 academic libraries evaluated at 25 hurricane-damaged institutions, 60% have moderate to devastating damage to buildings and/or collections.

For ongoing information about this project, visit SOLINET's Gulf Coast Libraries Recovery website at www.solinet.net/GulfCoastRecovery or click on the button on the SOLINET home page.

EBSCO PRODUCT NEWS

EBSCOhost® Electronic Journals Service Enhanced Expands Biomedical and General Content

The American Diabetes Association, The Endocrine Society and IEEE have recently added their content – collectively representing 13 biomedical titles – to EBSCOhost® Electronic Journals Service Enhanced. Also, the International Labour Organization, Multilingual Matters, Psycke Logo Press and the University of Nebraska at Omaha have recently added their content.

With the addition of this metadata, participating publisher content will be easily accessible at the article level in addition to the journal level, enhancing the visibility and usage of these journals.

The **American Diabetes Association** is the nation's leading non-profit health organization providing diabetes research,

information and advocacy. Founded in 1940, the American Diabetes Association conducts programs in all 50 states and the District of Columbia, reaching hundreds of communities. The mission of the Association is to prevent and cure diabetes and to improve the lives of all people affected by diabetes.

The Endocrine Society is the world's largest and most active professional organization of endocrinologists in the world. Founded in 1916, the Society is internationally known as the leading source of state-of-the-art research and clinical advancements in endocrinology and metabolism. The Endocrine Society is dedicated to promoting excellence in research, education and clinical practice in the field of endocrinology.

IEEE, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc., is the world's leading non-profit professional association for the advancement of technology. Through its global membership, the IEEE is a leading authority on areas ranging from aerospace systems, computers and telecommunications to biomedical engineering, electric power and consumer electronics among others.

The **International Labour Organization** promotes social justice and internationally recognized human and labour rights: freedom of association, the right to organize, collective bargaining, abolition of forced and child labour and equality of treatment and opportunity. Its unique tripartite structure with workers and employers participating as equal partners with governments makes it particularly effective in working in these areas. The ILO is a specialized agency of the UN.

Multilingual Matters is an international independent publishing house with lists in the areas of bilingualism, second/foreign language learning, sociolinguistics, translation, interpreting and books for parents. Multilingual Matters also publishes

peer-reviewed academic journals and a newsletter for parents, *The Bilingual Family Newsletter*. Recent innovations include the forthcoming *Journal of Multicultural Discourses* and *Innovations in Language Learning and Teaching*. Multilingual Matters publishes 40 books per year and 18 academic journals.

Psyche Logo Press publishes the *Journal of Social Distress and the Homeless*, an international, interdisciplinary forum for the publication of original, peer-reviewed papers on psychosocial distress throughout society. The journal is of interest to a wide range of professionals in the humanities and in the behavioral, medical, psychological and social sciences.

Administrative Theory & Praxis is published by and with the support of the College of Public Affairs and Community Service and the School of Public Administration at the **University of Nebraska at Omaha**. *Administrative Theory & Praxis* is a quarterly journal of dialogue in public administration theory that seeks to advance knowledge and stimulate new thought in public administration.

About EBSCOhost Electronic Journals Service

EJS handles electronic journal access and management needs. EJS Enhanced offers extensive features that help with e-journal management tasks such as: tracking the registration status of e-journals, authentication assistance to facilitate both on-campus and remote access to e-journal content, automatic management of e-journal URLs and much more. EJS Enhanced serves as a consolidated gateway that allows users to search and link to (OpenURL supported) more than 13,600 journals and nearly 7.7 million articles. EBSCO provides durable URLs for every journal, table of contents and article in EJS Enhanced. No URL maintenance by the library is required.

If you are interested in learning more about the benefits of adding journal metadata to

EJS, please contact Bragan Patterson (bpatterson@ebSCO.com).

New Medical Subject Classification Scheme Enhances Search Precision for EBSCO A-to-Z® Users

EBSCO Information Services is pleased to announce the addition of a medical subject classification scheme to its online title listing service, EBSCO A-to-Z® (A-to-Z).

The new medical classification scheme further broadens the scope of A-to-Z classification options, enabling hospital and other medical libraries to offer their users a more precise search for medical and health-related materials. These subject headings are based on a blend of subject terms from both the National Library of Medicine's *List of Journal's Indexed for MEDLINE* and General subject terms.

In addition to this medical classification scheme, other classification schemes available on EBSCO's A-to-Z include General and Library of Congress subject headings.

"This additional subject classification for EBSCO A-to-Z will enable libraries to create an access site that is tailored specifically for their patrons' needs," said Oliver Pesch, EBSCO's Chief Strategist of E-Resources. "At EBSCO, we are devoted to continually expanding our products to better meet the needs of our customer libraries.

About EBSCO A-to-Z

EBSCO's A-to-Z service provides library patrons with a single, comprehensive list of the electronic titles to which they have access. A library's print titles can also be included. With A-to-Z, users can quickly locate and link to journals of interest. Users can search for journals by keyword or browse an alphabetical list by title or subject. Built-in administrative tools allow customization of the list, including extensive branding options that allow the list to match

the colors and style of the library's other Web-based services. The master A-to-Z title database provides link and coverage information to more than 117,000 unique titles from more than 1,100 database and e-journal packages from 220 different providers. All major database vendors and publishers are represented.

EBSCO and Ex Libris Announce Successful Testing for EDI Claims

EBSCO is pleased to announce successful completion of EDI serials claims testing for the Ex Libris ALEPH 500 ILS with John Jay College and Queens College, both part of the City University of New York (CUNY) system. As a result, claims are automatically sent from ALEPH 500 ILS customers directly to EBSCO, which in turn expedites overall claim processing time.

About Ex Libris

Ex Libris is a leading worldwide developer and provider of high-performance applications for libraries, information centers, and researchers. ALEPH, the Ex Libris integrated library solution, has been installed at over 1500 sites in 62 countries. MetaLib[®], the information portal for library collections, and SFX, the context-sensitive linking solution for heterogeneous electronic resources in the scholarly information environment, have collectively been purchased by more than 900 institutions in 36 countries. DigiTool[®], a solution for the construction of digital collections, and Verde[®], the electronic resource management (ERM) system, complete the Ex Libris product suite.

ScholarlyStats Consolidated Usage Statistics Management Service Now Available Through EBSCO

In partnership with MPS Technologies, EBSCO Information Services is pleased to announce the availability of ScholarlyStats, a usage statistics management portal providing library administrators with a

single point of access to all of their vendor usage stats.

ScholarlyStats provides the library with a suite of monthly usage reports. These reports are based on the standards of the COUNTER Code of Practice. Collectively the reports measure not only the activity of library resources, but also research trends, including the total number of journals accessed, total use by platform, average use by platform, most and least used journals and more. Usage data for EBSCO's e-journal and database products is included within ScholarlyStats.

About MPS Technologies and ScholarlyStats

MPS Technologies provides a range of technology-driven services specifically designed to support libraries and publishers. These services include web analytics, fulfillment services and content delivery. ScholarlyStats provides libraries across the globe with consolidated vendor usage statistics. ScholarlyStats collects, standardizes and consolidates journal and database usage reports, providing libraries with a single point of access to their valuable usage data. For more information, please visit www.mpstechnologies.com or www.scholarlystats.com.

EBSCO and OCLC Successfully Deploy Web Service for ONIX for Serials Online Holdings (SOH) Format

Technology Will Automate E-Holdings Delivery and Access

EBSCO and OCLC have successfully deployed a Web service to facilitate automated delivery of e-holdings data in ONIX Serials Online Holdings (SOH) format.

In June 2005, EBSCO joined with OCLC in a pilot project to make e-serials as visible as print materials in WorldCat, the world's largest database of items held in libraries.

This latest achievement will benefit the organizations' mutual users by allowing OCLC to harvest e-serials holdings data from EBSCO's A-to-Z[®] service for automated loading into WorldCat, exposing

STATE NEWS

ALABAMA

To honor the memory of her husband Hibbert Masters Weathers, Jr, Mrs. Jewell Ammon Weathers stipulated in her will that the Birmingham Public Library receive a \$100,000 gift. BPL will establish a fund in the name of Mr. Hibbert Masters Weathers, Jr., an inquisitive mind and avid reader, who was a frequent patron of the Birmingham Public Library. The library humbly accepts this gracious gift and will use these funds to further its mission statement of offering life-long learning, cultural enrichment, and enjoyment to all the citizens of Birmingham, as well as honoring the name and memory of Hibbert Masters Weathers, Jr. For additional information, contact Barbara Sirmans, Director.

ARKANSAS

Mark your calendars for the 2007 Alabama Library Association Convention! April 17-20, 2007 in Mobile, Alabama.

The Arkansas Literary Festival was celebrated April 21-26 in the River Market District of Little Rock. The festival is an annual event that is free to the public and celebrates literacy, language, and the written word. The festival includes author readings and discussion, autograph sessions, children's activities, musical entertainment, outdoor exhibits, and special fundraising activities. Proceeds from the festival benefit Arkansas Literacy Councils, Inc., and fifty volunteer adult literacy councils across Arkansas.

The *Encyclopedia of Arkansas History & Culture* went online amid much fanfare on

those records to searchers on the open Web. Libraries can access the eSerials Holdings Web site at www.oclc.org/eserialsholdings to pre-register for the service. Orders can be made from the site beginning July 9.

the second of May. Launch activities included a preview party the evening before the unveiling, a press conference the morning of May 2, and celebrations around the state. The encyclopedia is an ongoing project of the Butler Center for Arkansas Studies of the Central Arkansas Library System. The project's goal is "to provide a reliable resource for students, teachers, historians, and the general public." The encyclopedia may be accessed at www.encyclopediaofarkansas.net.

The William F. Laman Public Library of North Little Rock held the grand opening of its Argenta Branch on June 22, 2006. A ribbon cutting ceremony and reception were held that morning, and an Argenta Branch Fun Family Fest took place that evening. The building, newly refurbished and remodeled, was built in 1895, and has housed City Hall, the Central Fire Station, and several private businesses. The library shares the building with the North Little Rock History Commission, which is located on the second floor.

FLORIDA

The University of South Florida Libraries' Special Collections Department released *Collecting Florida: The Hampton Dunn Collection and Other Floridiana*. Authored by University Librarian **Paul Camp**, this full-color book tells Florida's rich history using images and materials from the Libraries' Floridiana collections.

Collecting Florida is dedicated to Hampton Dunn, a man known for his vast knowledge, zeal and love for Florida history. Author and journalist Hampton Dunn began donating his collection of notes, interviews, papers, photographs, manuscripts and other research material to the USF Tampa Library in 1982. The publication of *Collecting*