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## TECHNOLOGY EXPO 3

What's new for libraries in the technology world? Come see some of the new products and programs. There will be something for all types of libraries: academic, public, special, medical, and school. Session descriptions and information on speakers follows. **Register early** because many sessions are hands-on in computer labs and registration is limited. Registration form can be found on page 5.

When: Wednesday March 23, 2005

Where: St. Charles Community College – Technology Building  
4601 Mid Rivers Mall Dr. -St. Peters

Cost: \$18 member / \$25 non-member (this includes sessions, lunch)

Schedule: 9:45 a.m. – Registration  
10 – 10:45 – Session I  
11:05 – 1150 – Session II  
Noon – 1:00 – Lunch and Speaker  
1:15 – 2 – Session III

Speaker: **Stephanie D. Tolson**

**"Librarians as Catalysts for New Technology Exploration within Their Organizations"**  
Stephanie D. Tolson is Dean of Learning Resources for St. Charles Community College in St. Peters, Missouri. Her professional duties include oversight of library, instructional media and distance-learning programs. She has been involved with planning the integration of the WebCT course management system with the Datatel Colleague student record system. She established specifications for a migration from social security number dependence in the College's ID card and MOBIUS bibliographic catalog. Stephanie currently serves on the College's Technology Committee and the Board of Directors for the Westplex Information Network. She is a member of the American Library Association, Association of College and Research Libraries, Missouri Library Association and Special Libraries Association. She served on the Board of Directors for the Special Libraries Association from 2000-2002. Stephanie wrote "Wireless laptops and local area networks" for THE Journal, June 2001; and is currently completing her doctoral dissertation entitled Transforming Community Colleges through the Incorporation of Learning College Principles.

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## Virtually Missouri

Virtually Missouri is designed to provide centralized access to the special collections of Missouri's libraries, archives, historical societies and museums. The website now includes a searchable inventory of collections as well as databases of digitized images and texts held by a variety of institutions throughout the state. Access to these primary source materials can assist teachers, citizens and researchers in their educational and recreational pursuits. As the website of the statewide Missouri Digitization Planning Project, Virtually Missouri is a prime example of a statewide digitization portal.

## What's Up with OCLC WorldCat?

As the foundation of many OCLC services, access to WorldCat allows your library to process, manage and share informational resources and lets your users search for and obtain them. Have you heard of Open WorldCat? What does OCLC's migration to Oracle mean to you? The answers to these and other questions about the WorldCat database and associated OCLC products will be answered in this session. WorldCat is a worldwide union catalog created and maintained collectively by more than 9,000 member institutions. With millions of online records built from the bibliographic and ownership information of contributing libraries, it is the largest and most comprehensive database of its kind.

**Presenter:** Tracy Rochow Byerly has been the Executive Director of the Missouri Library Network Corporation (MLNC) since December of 2003. Prior to that she was the User Services Manager at MLNC for eight years. In her current position, Tracy guides and directs MLNC activities, works to expand its excellent programs, and furthers relationships between MLNC and other organizations, such as the Missouri State Library and MOBIUS. She also works closely with OCLC, the Online Computer Library Center, Inc., as MLNC is the regional support and training provider for OCLC products and services in Missouri. MLNC is also the coordinating agency for Virtually Missouri, a grant funded statewide digitization project that manages access to digital collections and exhibits created by the cultural and scientific heritage institutions of Missouri.

## unitedstreaming

unitedstreaming is a Discovery Education digital video-on-demand service brought to you by Cooperating School Districts. The library serves 43,000 schools and over 20,000,000 students and teachers who already know-unitedstreaming works! With unitedstreaming, you get: 4,000 videos and 40,000 video clips correlated to the Missouri Show Me Standards. Digital still image library, quiz creator, clip art, teacher resources, and more. The largest and most current K-12 digital video/video clip library available today. The only standards-based video-on-demand application shown to increase student achievement. Access to a wide variety of producers-Discovery Channel School, United Learning, Standard Deviants, Weston Woods, Rainbow Media, AIM and many more Unparalleled options for customization and local control New content and features continuously added throughout the year

**Presenter:** Linda Chiles, M.Ed., is the Video Resources Coordinator for Cooperating School Districts. Linda holds an undergraduate degree in mass communications from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. Her graduate degree is in instructional technology and distance education from Nova Southeastern University, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. Active in television broadcasting, media production, and marketing at the university and public school levels, Linda has been recognized by many organizations for her service. Winner of a bronze Telly award as an executive producer of Behind the Minds, Linda is a member of the National Educational Telecommunications Association (NETA), Association for Educational Communications & Technology (AECT), St. Louis Education Technology Advisory Association, Missouri Distance Learning Association (MODLA), ITFS Association, St. Louis United Way Allocation Committee.

### netTrekker How To Use netTrekker To Increase Teacher Productivity and Student Time-on-Task

netTrekker is an award-winning K-12 search engine for educators and students with more than 180,000 educationally relevant websites. A team of 400 educators and librarians select, evaluate, and approve websites for academic integrity and age appropriateness before they are included in netTrekker. netTrekker aligns these websites to the Show-Me Standards and organizes them into an easily accessible instructional tool.

**Presenter:** Sally Dunne has worked in the educational technology field for over ten years. She specializes in basic skills intervention programs for students struggling with reading, math or writing competencies. She has recently affiliated with Education Technology Partners, a provider of educational software, technology solutions and professional services to the K-12 market.

### Health Information: It's all there for YOU!

MedlinePlus and PubMed are the sources you need if you wonder where to go for health information. These products of the National Library of Medicine provide high quality health information at no cost. MedlinePlus, the consumer health site developed by NLM, offers easy to understand, reliable full-text information for people of all ages, and is also available in full-text Spanish. PubMed, based on the powerful Medline database, provides access to over 15 million health information citations, as well as links to many sites providing full text articles and other related resources.

**Presenter:** Barb Jones, National Library of Medicine, is the State Liaison for Missouri and for Network/Membership projects within the MidContinental Region. She is located at the J. Otto Lottes Health Science Library at the University of Missouri - Columbia.

### "Flexible Small Library Automation on a Budget"

Do you want new software to keep track of your books and patrons? Do you want it to be able to run on your old computers? Do you want it to run on both Macs and PCs? Do you want it for significantly less than the price you've been quoted so far? Would you like to be able to customize it to fit your specific needs? Would you like to expand beyond just tracking books and patrons? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, then you would probably enjoy learning about the "HelpfulServices.Net" family of products. These are simple, straight-forward programs that deliver exactly what you want because they are customized for your particular situation. Even better, the cost is lower than a "one-size-fits-all" approach because nothing is wasted on extraneous "features" you have no use for.

**Presenter:** Keith Henderson is a former teacher, administrator, and director of technology for Thomas Jefferson School. Over the course of his 17 year tenure he has developed several computer programs to make life easier at the school. One of these programs automates the library's card catalog and circulation. Keith received a BS in Engineering from Swarthmore College in 1984. He currently teaches physics part time at Parkway West High School and runs his business "HelpfulServices.Net" on the side.

## **Openurl technology - an introduction**

Openurl is a standard for communicating bibliographic citation information across different vendor platforms, to aid patrons in linking between different resources, for example, between a citation and the full text. This presentation will introduce the usefulness of the technology from a patron's perspective, demonstrate how Maryville has implemented it, discuss how some major database vendors support it, and offer some issues to consider when evaluating various commercial or free openurl product options.

**Presenter:** Melissa Belvadi is the Systems and Services Librarian at Maryville University, St. Louis. She developed her own openurl resolver software in the perl programming language. She received her MLS degree with a specialization of information systems design from UCLA in 1993.

## **MOBIUS "The Latest Scoop on MOBIUS"!**

MOBIUS, the Missouri Bibliographic Information User System, is widely known as a consortium emerging with remarkable success in Missouri over the past few years. This presentation is for everyone, because it offers both a sweeping portrayal of MOBIUS and a look at very recent developments that include cooperative collection development, new enhancements for both patrons and staff, and broadening of affiliation beyond academic institutions. Ample time for Q&A is included.

**Presenters:** Stephen Jamieson is the Reference & Systems Librarian at Covenant Theological Seminary in St. Louis (Creve Coeur). Steve is the Library's MOBIUS site coordinator as well as alternate rep from the Bridges Cluster (of 10 member institutions) to the MOBIUS Coordinators Advisory Group at the state level.

James Pakala is Library Director at Covenant Theological Seminary and a member of the MOBIUS Executive Committee. In 2002 he was chair of the MOBIUS Conference Planning Committee and was a member of the ad hoc committee to develop the MOBIUS handbook for conference planning. Serving as a library director in Pennsylvania until 1991, Jim received his library degree from Drexel University and holds two other graduate degrees. He has served on the MLA board and currently serves on the board of the American Theological Library Association.

## **MOREnet**

**MOREnet** will give an overview of the MOREnet system and present their online database resources. These databases include EBSCOhost, Gale DISCovering collection, Gale Business and Company Resources, Newsbank, Finding Missouri: our History and Heritage and eThemes.

**Presenter: Jeanne Sullivan** has been a Program Manager for the Missouri Research and Education Network (MOREnet) since 1995. She manages the REAL Program that provides Internet connectivity and related services to Missouri Public Libraries as well as access to a number of full text online resources. The REAL Program is funded through state appropriations administered by the Missouri State Library. Jeanne holds a Bachelors of Science degree in Business Administration and a Masters of Arts in Library Science.

# WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

March 23, 2005

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Library: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone # : \_\_\_\_\_ (in case of bad weather & need to cancel)

**Workshop choices: [circle sessions (maximum 3 sessions) you plan to attend] If you will only be attending 2 sessions, which 2 sessions? \_\_\_\_\_**

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**WorldCat**

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**Confirmation, driving and parking directions will be faxed or e-mailed..**

Please mail check (**\$18-from member library/\$25 from nonmember library**) to:  
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Libraries who must wait for a check to be processed sent in registration with a note that check will follow.

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