

Statewide Projects Update  
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MontanaLibrary2Go: <http://www.montanalibrary2go.org>

Phase Ten new libraries are the Bridger Public Library and the Wibaux Public Library. This brings the consortium to 42 members. Phase Eleven begins in January and there are several libraries that have requested cost estimates. The members have added E-pubs to their collection. Compatible reading devices for this format at this time are listed at <http://www.overdrive.com/resources/drc/compatibleebookdevices.aspx>

WorldCat Local Pilot:

The final test in this pilot is to see how the interoperability between two separate ILS functions. The pilot libraries will work with our pilot's assigned OCLC support to create the scoping needed on their end to offer patrons this level of search. The Missoula Public Library and the Montana State Library (both Shared Catalog system libraries) and the Montana State University Library (separate system) would connect using this WC Local functionality.

The pilot has been informational, particularly in these major areas:

1. An open URL resolver is essential to making the inclusion of resources external to the catalog truly successful.
2. The upload of holdings and deletions to OCLC needs to be performed daily for optimum patron service. This is currently an issue for Montana Shared Catalog participants.
3. The exclusivity of the MARC record format in the architecture of Local can be problematic and limiting when producing search results.
4. The local ILS vendor's restrictions on selecting the format of an OCLC number in the MARC record for match on drill down between Local and the catalog limits the success of search results.
5. Generally, it begins to be clear that until all is wrapped into a single service such as OCLC Web-scale Management Services, there will be issues in the current attempt to connect between OCLC content and the local library's catalog using WC Local. This gets clearer the larger the group involved (consortium versus single library).

Montana Memory Project: <http://mtmemory.org>

The Montana Memory Project (MMP) now has a formal executive committee with elected representatives:

Molly Kruckenberg, Historical Society Research Center (Chair)

Jennie Stapp, Montana State Library (Special Libraries)

Steve McCann, University of Montana Mansfield Library (Academic Libraries)

Steve Jackson, Montana State University Library (Museums/Archives)

Janice Kalvig, Flathead County Library (Public Libraries)

Norma Glock, Columbus Public Schools (School Libraries)

(User Community): election underway

Ex officio members are Sarah McHugh and Mike Price, Montana State Library and Christine Kirkham, Montana Historical Society Research Center.

OCLC is configuring spaces in the Montana Digital Archive to provide MMP and non-MMP institutions long term preservation and storage of digital masters. Butte Silver Bow Public Library is in the initial steps of uploading files through this statewide subscription.

Two digital scanners were purchased by the State Library to provide two scanner/laptop sets for loan to institutions interested in adding content to the MMP. Interested institutions will be initially trained in scanning specifics, cataloging guidelines, copyright, uploading to the MMP and preservation of masters in the Digital Archive before borrowing the equipment.

OCLC Group Services:

The October deadline for final payment on the FY2011 OCLC GS contract determined that there is a \$10,533 gap between total individual library contributions, State Library LSTA and ILL repurposed funding and the total GS cost. This cost is budgeted for in the current FY10 LSTA budget. Libraries can continue to enroll in FY2011 GS with any additional enrollment fees going to the Montana OCLC overage account for expenditure to be determined at a future date.

Statewide Databases:

Gale has replaced What Do I Read Next with an improved resource called Books & Authors. Biography in Context has also been updated. Gale representatives that cover this region will be visiting MSL on December 2, from 1:00-3:00 and NAC members are encouraged to attend this meeting. Both Gale and EBSCO are promoting new mobile applications for their products.

Heritage Quest was renewed for another year in October, through contributions totaling \$18,400 from 51 public libraries using a shared cost formula and \$13,625 in FY10 LSTA.

There is a small group of public libraries currently discussing the purchase of a resource called Optimal Resume using a shared cost approach. This has been a very slow process. Facilitation is being provided by the Statewide Projects Librarian to the degree of assisting with a suggested cost share formula and determining level of interest.