

# Eastern Great Lakes Innovative Users Group

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Toledo-Lucas County Public Library

## Program Descriptions

Below, you will find descriptions of the programs that were presented at the 2005 EGL-IUG meeting. Links to the handouts in PDF format from the sessions are included.

### **An introduction to Circulation parameters or How I learned to rule my loan rules**

Circulation parameters, Loan Rules and the Loan Rule Determiner Table can make circulation run smoothly or create total confusion. This presentation will be an introduction to loan rules and how to get the most from circulation. What are all those odd parameters you can set and what do they really do? How does the system decide which loan rule to use? How can I clean up what's there already? How can I update these rules without causing problems? Where can I find documentation? This presentation will be helpful to those who have experience with circulation, but who might not understand the circulation system settings.

**Presenter:** George Leggiero, Unit Leader for Systems Administration, John Carroll University

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### **Fund activity reports: They're not just for binders anymore!**

Beginning with an examination of the fund activity report structure in both the traditional and newly-available exported formats, this presentation will focus on several different ways the Technical Services department at The University of Michigan Ross School of Business' Kresge Library packages fund activity report data for use by selection librarians and other Library staff. It will also focus on the use of advanced data analysis and summation tools in Excel (and, time permitting, OpenOffice) to manipulate and summarize fund activity data.

This presentation is designed for preparers and end-users of fund activity reports with any level of experience, across all library types. It assumes basic to intermediate knowledge of Microsoft Word and Microsoft Excel operations or their OpenOffice equivalents.

**Presenter:** John Sterbenz, University of Michigan Kresge Library

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### **Unleashing Release 2006 on your Public Webpac**

BGSU unleashed the 2006 example set on our public web catalog in middle of July this past summer. This session will look at some of the new files that control the look of your catalog with Webpac Pro enabled, including: bib\_display.html, resource\_display.html, and the webpub.def file that Innovative generates with your Webpac Pro upgrade. Our experiences at getting the 505 music contents field, the oclc # field, and the location field (from serials checkin records), to display to the public will be used to help illustrate how you can customize your user experience with the webpub.def file.

**Presenter:** Mark Strang, Bowling Green State University

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### **Wireless Workstation - What is it and What can it do?**

Tired of transporting books on trucks or using a laptop for inventory control? Would you like a quick way to checkout books at minimal service points? Wireless Workstation may be the product for you. Wireless Workstation can be used for inventory control, internal use counts, rapid updating, checkout and checkin. I will share tips for

implementing this product with a handheld PDA and barcode scancard, as well as possible project ideas.

**Presenter:** Leigh French, Wright State University

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### **Morphing Metadata: Automated Support for Cataloging Electronic Theses and Dissertations**

Kent State University has created a highly automated process to load brief records for ETDs into its KentLINK catalog as soon as the EDT is available at the OhioLINK EDT Center, thus providing nearly instant access to these valuable resources. The process retrieves metadata from the Center, reformats it, sends it to KentLINK, and notifies the cataloger via email. ...

By exploiting technology to input the routine descriptive portion of the bibliographic records, staff time is freed to concentrate on the intellectually challenging portion, full subject analysis and classification. This efficiency maximizes user access to Kent State University's intellectual contribution of graduate student research. The process will be demonstrated and explained, and sample records will be available.

**Audience:** Applicable to academic, special, and public libraries that provide catalog access to electronic documents

**Presenter:** Sevim McCutcheon & Mike Kreyche, Kent State University

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### **RSS & the WebOPAC**

With Release 2006 LE, WebOPAC pages can display RSS feeds in a great variety of formats. In this presentation, the speakers will be discussing some of the ways to use and take advantage of this new feature of the WebOPAC. Also, the presenters will be discussing the the new outgoing feeds with the new 2006 Feed Builder product. The presenters will be focusing on both the technology itself and then talk about how RSS can enrich the users experience.

**Presenter:** Corey Seeman, University of Michigan/ Kresge Business Admin Library

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### **Tweaking III III Stick-istics**

Using III's ILL module, Xavier University Document Delivery Department staff have found ways to tweak information when receiving books and articles and also when canceling requests. This has allowed us to stop inputting manual statistics into an Excel spreadsheet. It has greatly enhanced our ability to provide statistics for annual reports and library surveys. We would like to present our methods of using special codes when we receive items so that we can identify whether items come from OhioLINK, SWON (Southwest Ohio and Neighboring Libraries), LVIS (Libraries Very Interested in Sharing) or Non-Library consortia.

**Presenters:** Anne Davies & Sidnie Reed, Xavier University

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### **The OPAL Experience: Lessons in Sharing**

This group presentation will discuss the formation of the consortium and the OPAL catalog. It will explain how the group uses Millennium to catalog all types of materials, with an emphasis on essential cataloging standards. The presentation will conclude with a discussion on future concerns as the consortium continues to grow in size and complexity.

"The OPAL Experience" has a wide audience appeal. Although OPAL is an academic consortium, many of the lessons learned are applicable to any library consortium

**Presenters:** Margaret Hasenmyer, Assistant Librarian for Cataloging Services, Antioch College/Brian Kern, Head of Technical Services, Muskingum College /Elizabeth Salt, Cataloging Librarian and Professor, Otterbein College Barbara J. Sedlock, Associate Librarian for Technical Services, Defiance College

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## **Electronic Resource Management: The Adventure Continues.....**

Our adventures with Innovative ERM began with WebEX training. Bowling Green State University focused our ERM implementation on our Electronic Research Databases by providing users a subject search index and licensing information. Our ongoing adventures include: basic ERM record relationships, implementation decisions, and some of our customizations using the wwwoptions file. We'll discuss changes to our environment and workflows due to: fluctuating staff, staff responsibilities, subscribed resources, and Release 2006. Our conversations about the costs and benefits of using the Serials Solutions data for ERM Coverage Load may be touched upon. Join us as we continue our adventures into the land of Innovative ERM.

**Presenter:** Mark Strang & Christy Reineck, Bowling Green State University

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## **INNOPAC-robotics: Creative Contortions for unusual Circ and Stats**

This presentation details methodologies for using the power of the III system to incorporate "misfit" transactions that don't fit neatly into the built-in system parameters. We will describe our library's approach to using Millennium Circulation for handling two formerly paper-based activities: circulating unbound periodicals that are not cataloged with item records, and keeping in-house usage statistics for unbound periodicals. The methods used include considerations for patron convenience, staff ease, and non-interference with the library's catalog records. The presentation will include background, system setup, implementation, and "lessons learned". While it is approached from an academic library angle, the presentation would be appropriate for any library. Co-presented with Kelly Shook, KentLINK Coordinator, Kent State University Libraries.

**Presenter:** Jessica Gardner, Kent State University

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## **Using MarcEdit -**

Do you have records that need batch updates that cannot be done within III? Do you load records from third-party vendors that need local edits prior to loading? Would you like to be able to make brief records from spreadsheet information? MarcEdit may be the answer to your needs. MarcEdit is freeware that allows one to edit MARC records singly or in batches outside of an ILS. This session will demonstrate how to use MarcEdit in connection with III Millennium Data Exchange to solve these problems and more. (Character-based "Read-Write MARC Records" can also be used.) Requires familiarity with editing MARC records and authorization to load records into III.

**Presenter:** Martin Jenkins, Wright State University