

Webside Chat 5-17-12

Chat Transcript

Barb Brattin: Jim, I'm really impressed with the organization and communication from the AIRS committee. It's such a huge job and you make it look so easy!

Barb Brattin: Thank you, everyone! Awesome job!

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): Thank you, Christine.

Christine: The committee works hard!

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): About 42 libraries have expressed interest in receiving a quote for WorldCat. Please submit only one interest form per library.

Jordan and Amy: It's important for me as a cataloger

Susan Ooton & Suzanne Lasha: CCPL uses FirstSearch several times a day-very important to us

Jordan and Amy: I use it a lot to discover call numbers other libraries have used

abby koehler: We use it all the time for cataloging and ILL and I'd like to use it more, actually

Barb Brattin: I'm not ready to lose our (Colorado's) "presence" in the OCLC holdings list.

Jim Duncan: Jordan & Amy: do you use it instead of SWIFT or Prospector?

Marsha Gilbert: Important at Bemis PL

Ellen Lovell, LCC: Use it for cataloging, use it to locate titles that do not show up on swift.

Jody Hungenberg (Sterling) :Important to us in Sterling to locate titles and cataloging. Also feel it is important to have CO libraries represented.

gina: Do other libraries find that patrons use Worldcat.org as a discovery for local holdings? Has Worldcat.org received critical mass?

Susan Ooton & Suzanne Lasha: We also know from patrons, especially those in distant learning programs that they use this service

Jordan and Amy: Jim Duncan, yes, I use it instead

Jordan and Amy: Sometimes I will use Prospector, but usually WorldCat has more results

Lisa Thomas: We use it all the time as well. It is extremely valuable.

Tom Jacobs: The ILL subsystem is different than FirstSearch?

Jim Duncan: Next Thursday, OCLC will be hosting a webinar to discuss this from its perspective. See the AIRS site after 4:30 today for details

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): If you haven't done so yet, please complete the interest form ASAP. If you don't complete the form, we won't be negotiating on your behalf. FYI - there are 113 libraries in CO that have OCLC symbols.

Veronica and WPL staff: worldcat.org would still be available, but would not show Colorado library holdings. If you had access to worldcat in this manner, would that fulfill the cataloging needs or do you need to have the holdings?

abby koehler: @Veronica, We definitely want holdings, too

Stephen Sweeney :I'm sorry if I've missed something, but this would represent a new cost to our Libraries for FY13, right?

Jim Duncan: CO holdings would still show in WorldCat, but not in WorldCat.org.

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): Yes, an additional cost Stephen.

Jim Duncan: And pricing tiers specifically for FirstSearch

Veronica and WPL staff: Have libraries that use Firstsearch for cataloging records tried other sources such as Bookwhere?

Stephen Sweeney: Yes, thank you. Would this also appear to be a "salad bar," where there would be one cost for access to many OCLC databases?

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): We have no idea what the cost will be. It depends how many libraries value the service.

Jim Duncan: FirstSearch is a single product, so everyone would be eating lettuce. Tasty lettuce

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): No, this would not include OCLC databases

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): Yes, tasty dark green lettuce

Veronica and WPL staff: Our library can probably not afford Firstsearch if we had to buy it on our own.

Jim Duncan: Replacement product--what that means is this: in December, OCLC is sunsetting FirstSearch and replacing it with another product

Jody Hungenberg (Sterling): It would be difficult for small libraries to afford without the consortial pricing.

Stephen Sweeney: Perhaps it was a mis-type, but a response I received from my OCLC rep is that the planned retirement is Dec. '13. Is that not correct?

Lauren Cassatt: We do all our copy cataloging through OCLC Connexion. Am I correct that this will not be affected one way or another?

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): OCLC indicated that in previous years we were enjoying an 81% discount over retail, because it was a statewide package

Jim Duncan: Checking...

Linda Sturgeon: OCLC indicated FirstSearch would go away by the end of this year.

Linda Sturgeon: TO be replaced by enhanced worldcat.org

Jim Duncan: Crucial for libraries to fill out the OCLC interest form on the AIRS web site for us to know how many libraries are interested. Filling out form does not COMMIT the library to participation.

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): I saw a few libraries on today's webinar that aren't currently participating in AIRS. Please contact Jim Duncan and myself if you have any questions.

Melissa Carlson: <http://airs.cvlsites.org/>

Jan Gabehart: In Elbert County we are still debating but will be getting in touch.

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): If you are NOT a current AIRS subscriber, you are not committed until we send you a price.

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): Thanks Jan.

Julie Carmen: Curious how many special libraries are participating in this state. Do you think it is reasonable to say that many of them are not aware of these packages the state library offers?

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): We will be rolling out a training program late summer for Ebsco products.

diane: I'm at a special lib and we are aware

Ross: Kudos to the committee for job well done!

Kris Johnson: There isn't a tier at the site for special libraries

Julie Carmen: Thank you, I'll share where I can.

Christine: I can help Plinkit libraries update their websites in July!

Jim Duncan: 16ish specials have participated in the past. Currently, specials aren't included in EBSCO deal, but we're having discussions with EBSCO on this topic

Veronica and WPL staff: A question from our staff...why are holdings in OCLC important if we have SWIFT and Prospector?

Julie Carmen: I have realized that some special libraries are more active within SLA and not aware of the local state events, offerings, etc.. Could be something we can all look into.

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): They won't show up in searches like Bing, Yahoo.

Veronica and WPL staff: Right...but we would still see those in the free worldcat.org, right?

Jim Duncan: No

Jim Duncan: If there isn't a state contract, no CO holdings will show up in worldcat.org

Jim Duncan: even if an individual library subscribes to firstsearch, its holdings won't be in worldcat.org

Melissa De Santis: Earlier comment was made that without a state contract, CO libs not showing up in WorldCat.org but will be in WorldCat. What does that mean?

Jim Duncan: Worldcat is the system libraries have access to with various OCLC products. Worldcat.org is the 'free

Veronica and WPL staff: Yes, but if we use SWIFT and Prospector for Colo holdings, then we could use worldcat .org for libraries outside of Colo, so again...why do we need Colo holdings in Firstsearch?

Jim Duncan: and open web site that public can access

Jim Duncan: and various apps can access

Jim Duncan: and has APIs...

Jim Duncan :etc.

Jim Duncan: Ah, yes non CO holdings would still be in worldcat.org

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): Libraries wouldn't be as "discoverable" by the average patron. Those who work in the library wouldn't necessary be affected.

abby Koehler :I'm pretty interested in Worldcat.org's APIs, and for a library not on Prospector, there's no way we could do our ILL lending through SWIFT

abby koehler: only through SWIFT, I mean

Melissa De Santis: Do you know, if there is no API, will this affect those of us that have a Discovery system like Summon?

Veronica and WPL staff: Abby...you could still keep OCLC for ILL

Jim Duncan: We can help you with the SWIFT to OCLC connection (ILL subsystem).

Jim Duncan: Contact Lori smith (lsmith@coloradovirtuallibrary.org)

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): Please help us communicate the urgency concerning OCLC to those in libraries that aren't part of today's webinar. Encourage them to attend the OCLC webinar next week, to read the fact sheets on the AIRS website, and contact Jim and Lisa with questions.

Jim Duncan: Melissa - don't know the answer to your question, but will ask George Machovec @ the Alliance

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): We will begin discussions with OCLC around June 1st.

Jim Duncan: We're recording this session, so all chat comments are captured. Thank you!

diane: can we get a transcript of this... my boss is out of town

Lisa Thomas: What are the next steps regarding OCLC?

diane: thanks

Melissa Carlson: yes, we can post the transcript with the archive

Melissa Carlson: It will be posted at <http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdelib/Webinars/WebsideChat.htm>

Marsha Gilbert: Thank you Melissa. We would be interested at Bemis also.

diane: you rock thanks

Julie Carmen: Deadline for libraries to sign up for OCLC is when?

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): Yes, covered very well

Susan Ooton & Suzanne Lasha: Thanks Gene, Melissa, Jim and committee members. Very helpful webinar.

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): We can also add to the AIRS website.

diane: perfect!

Julie Carmen: Thank you all!

Jody Hungenberg (Sterling): Thank you all for the great information.

Melissa De Santis: thank you!

Shana Wade: Thanks!

Lisa Thomas: Thank you. It was informative.

Gene Hainer: thank you committee members for the comments

Lisa Priebe (CLiC): You're most welcome.

Jim Duncan: Happy to be of service