

Welcome to the October 2013 issue of *C&RL News*. This month, ACRL President Trevor A. Dawes launches his presidential initiative focusing on financial literacy education with “Libraries, ACRL, and financial literacy,” the first installment of a series of articles on the topic. Watch for additional installments in future issues of the *News* leading up to the ACRL President’s Program at the 2014 ALA Annual Conference in Las Vegas.

In preparation for the October 21–27, 2013, celebration of Open Access Week, this issue’s Scholarly Communication column features a piece examining “Open access, publisher embargoes, and the voluntary nature of scholarship” by Shan C. Sutton of Oregon State University. Open access is also the focus of the Internet Resources feature, where Diane Dawson focuses on tools to assist librarians and researchers in “Making your publications open access.”

Demonstrating the effectiveness of library services remains an essential component of proving the value of libraries on campus. Jennifer Lanzing and Anna Kijas of the University of Connecticut outline that institution’s project in “Assessing the value of library instruction ses-

sions.” Changing approaches to teaching information literacy can increase the effectiveness of teaching and learning. Lisa Shamchuk and Leah Plouffe detail “MacEwan University Library’s pedagogical shift” towards more active learning in this issue.

Inspired by a January 2013 article in *College & Research Libraries*, Nicole E. Brown and Jill Barr-Walker embarked on “Collaboration and innovation ‘across land and sea’” to develop effective orientation sessions using the Caphalonian Method for students traveling between New York University’s New York City and Abu Dhabi campuses.

Make sure to check out the other features and departments in this issue, including an interview with Project ERIAL’s David Green by Sims Kline on “The librarian as ethnographer,” a The Way I See It essay examining “Self-plagiarism” in academic research and publishing by Merle Rosenzweig and Anna Ercoli Schnitzer of the University of Michigan Health Sciences Library, and keep up-to-date with the activities of the ALA Washington Office in our Washington Hotline department.

Thanks as always for reading the *News*!

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