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Time to Renew EBSCO K12 and Children's Databases

Prices reduced by 5% are a new plus in the cooperative purchase agreement negotiated by the AIRS Committee and the CSL. Renewals are needed by May 1. For information and descriptions of databases available, visit <http://www.aclin.org/committees/airs/>. Databases include

MAS Ultra; School Edition	Professional Development Collection
Middle Search Plus	Health Source; Consumer Edition
Primary Search	Newspaper Source
TopicSearch	ERIC

The statewide agreement provides subscribers with unlimited use of these databases from school, library, or home - - 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. If a library subscribed to the print versions of all the resources included in these databases, the cost would be over \$58,000 per year!!

Free Online Book Resource! Multiple Languages!

The International Children's Digital Library (ICDL) is a five-year project funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the Institute for Museum and Library Services (IMLS) to create a digital library of international children's books. The materials included in the collection reflect similarities and differences in cultures, societies, interests, lifestyles, and priorities of peoples around the world. The collection has two primary audiences. The first audience is children ages 3-13, as well as librarians, teachers, parents, and caregivers, who work with children of these ages. The second audience is international scholars and researchers in the area of children's literature.
<http://www.icdlbooks.org/>

New E-Cards Promote National Library Week, Reading

Now more than ever it is important to promote the value of America's libraries. E-cards are among the new tools available to promote library usage and reading or to recognize library workers during National Library Week (April 10-16). Available free online from American Greetings at <http://www.americangreetings.com/category.pd?path=59953&>, the cards can be sent via e-mail to library friends, workers and trustees - or anyone who loves libraries.

For customizable press releases, programming ideas, PSAs and more, please visit the 2005 American Library Association (ALA) National Library Week promotional toolkit at <http://www.ala.org/ala/pio/campaign/nlw/nationallibraryweek.htm>. For more information on events and activities scheduled during the week, visit <http://www.ala.org/ala/pio/piopresskits/nationallibraryweek2005/2005nlwevents.htm>

Preservation Assistance Grants Available to Small and Mid-Size Institutions, Libraries

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Preservation Assistance Grants are available to help small and mid-size institutions, libraries improve their ability to preserve and care for their humanities collections. For more information, visit <http://charitychannel.com/publish/?a=3261&z=26> or <http://fedgrants.gov/Applicants/NEH/OPUB/OPO/NEH-GRANTS-111604-002/Grant.html>

2005 Rebecca Jackson Scholarship Applications Being Accepted

Each year, the Rocky Mountain Chapter of SLA awards a scholarship to a library school student currently enrolled in a graduate degree program in library science. Students are required to be living in the Chapter region (Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, or South Dakota) and/or enrolled in a graduate library school program in the Chapter region.

The amount awarded depends on the amount raised through the scholarship fundraising event each year. Contributions can be made at any time to the scholarship fund by contacting the RMSLA Treasurer, Becky Russell at treasurer@rmsla.org.

For application and more information, visit the RMSLA website, at <http://rmsla.org>. Or, contact Linda Van Wert, the RMSLA Academic Relations Chairperson, at academic.relations@rmsla.org to request an application be sent to you. Applications are due by June 30, 2005.

ALA Announces Pre-White House Conference on Aging Forum

The American Library Association's pre-White House Conference on Aging (WHCOA) forum, "Libraries, Lifelong Learning, Information and Older Adults," is to be held on Friday, June 24th, 2005, from 8:30am-12:30pm in Chicago.

Registration for ALA's Forum is FREE but please register prior to June 1st. Attendance is limited to 150 participants. Please use this link to register: <http://www.ala.org/ala/rusabucket/prewhcoaforum/whcoaonlineregform.htm> or contact: tmorris@ala.org via e-mail.

For further information about the forum and what will be discussed, visit <http://www.ala.org/ala/rusabucket/prewhcoaforum/whcoa2005forum.htm>.

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