I CAN DO IT ALL BY MYSELF — part III.

Exploring new roles for libraries and mediating technologies in addressing the DIY mindset of library patrons

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- What about users that don't come into the building?
 - Libraries are passive
 - Users are active
- Building engaging tools and online experiences

New Paradigm

Traditional library services are designed to solve information scarcity by mediation.

- In economics, disintermediation is the removal of intermediaries in a supply chain: "cutting out the middleman".
 - en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Disintermediation

Disintermediation



DIY — "Do It Yourself"



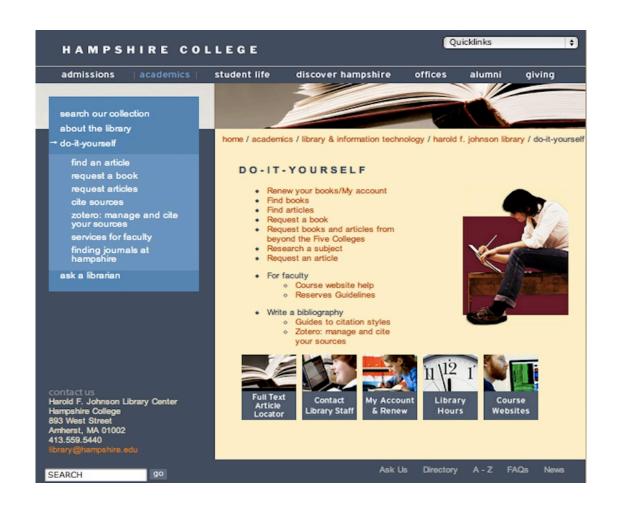
DIY — "Do It Yourself"

- "...recorded their own music, produced albums and merchandise, distributed their works and often performed basement shows in residential homes rather than at traditional venues to secure freedom in performance."
 - en.wikipedia.org/wiki/DIY_ethic

DIY — "Do It Yourself"

- DIY as part of Internet Culture
 - Make Magazine
 - makezine.com
 - Skillshare
 - www.skillshare.com
- We work in a medium that facilitates DIY

DIY and the Internet

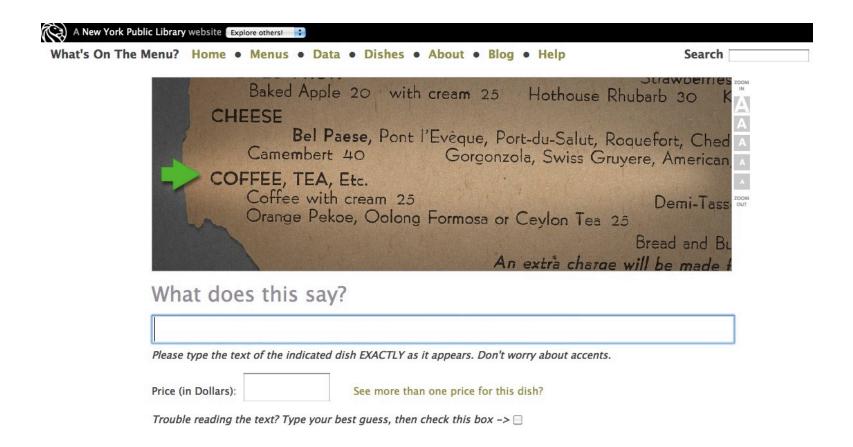


DIY Libraries

What about apps and tools that create and support DIY behavior?

- WikiAnswers
 - wiki.answers.com
- Direct Me NYC: 1940
 - directme.nypl.org
- What's on the Menu?
 - menus.nypl.org
- Patron Driven Acquisition
 - <u>scholarlykitchen.sspnet.org/2011/05/31/what-patron-driven-acquisition-pda-does-and-doesnt-mean-an-faq</u>

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Volunteer Meeting and Orientation

Join in the volunteer discussion Google Group here

We meet monthly to catch up on all the goings on at the Read/Write Library and to acquaint new volunteers with the project. This is the perfect way to get up to speed on what we're working on in our programming, collection development, community outreach and cataloging. All are welcome!

While we try to work out an easy to remember schedule for meetings, for now the best way to find out when they are is to join the discussion list or email info@readwritelibrary.org.

Login

Visit Us

Friday, Saturday and Sunday 1 PM - 5 PM or by appointment

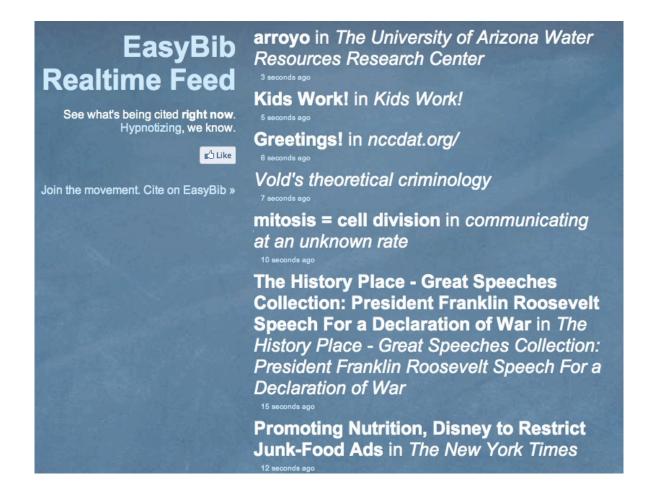
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Crowdsourcing

- The Student Research Pad (draft)
 - <u>www.stephenfrancoeur.com/digitalreference/2012/04/02/the-student-research-pad/</u>
- Surfacing scholarly community activity
 - www.lib.montana.edu/resources/popular.php
 - <u>realtime.easybib.com</u>
- Mendeley, Academia.edu, Zotero, scholr.ly

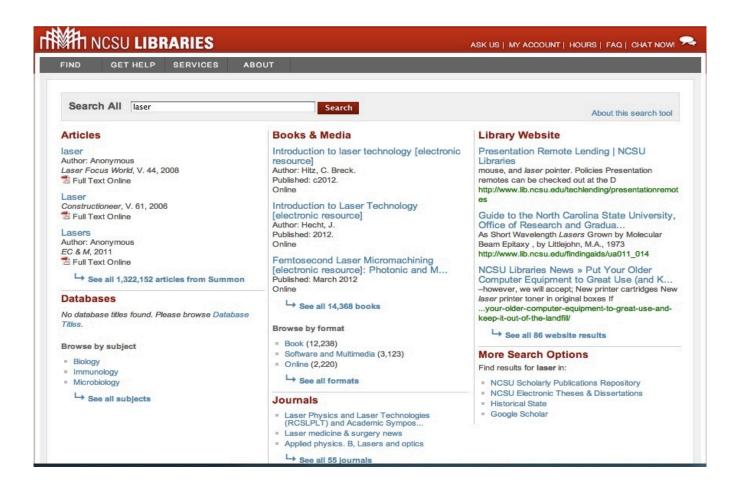
Research & Citation Management



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- University of Michigan Library Bookmarklets
 - www.lib.umich.edu/mlibrary-labs
- LibX toolbar
 - libx.org
- NCSU QuickSearch (metasearch results)
 - www.lib.ncsu.edu/search/?q=laser
 - www.lib.ncsu.edu/search/about.html

Extending Search



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Converting traditional services?

What are the new "app" opportunities?

- twitterbots, chatbots, statbots
 - Chatbot University of Nebraska Library
 - dx.doi.org/10.1108/07378831211213238
 - Statbot Florida State University Library
 - journal.code4lib.org/articles/85

(new) Ready Reference



Welcome to Pixel space

Pixel is an experimental chatbot we are testing that can answer questions about the libraries and our resources. This program was developed using AIML (Artificial Intelligence Mark-up Language). You can find more information about AIML at http://www.alicebot.org/aiml.html.

Talk to Pixel like you were talking to a person who is just learning your language. Reply to questions with yes or no, or respond using the prompts Pixel supplies. The first link in a response will appear in a preview window below the response. When you click on any link it will open in a new window. We monitor the logs so when Pixel gives the wrong answer or is unable to answer a question we add information to improve her responses.

You: how do i horrow a book?

Bot: You want to borrow from us?

You: yes

Bot: Do you have a Neard or a Community User card?

You: ncard

Bot: You can use your Noard to check-out items from the UNL Libraries. Locate the item, check the status to verify that it is available, retrieve it, and take it to the circulation desk in the library where you found the title. If you want me to search for you say **Lookup** followed by the title. You will see the location under the description of the title with the call number. If you need additional help finding the book, click on the "call number locator" button (to see a map).

SAY

(new) Ready Reference

- Gimme (Scottsdale Public Library)
 - gimme.scottsdalelibrary.org
- BookMeUp
 - www.lib.montana.edu/beta/bookme

(new) Reader's Advisory



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- Data mining social media
 - andyburkhardt.com/2010/02/12/ambientawareness-in-twitter-for-reference
 - andyburkhardt.com/2012/04/25/puppies-in-thelibrary-and-social-media

(new) Outreach

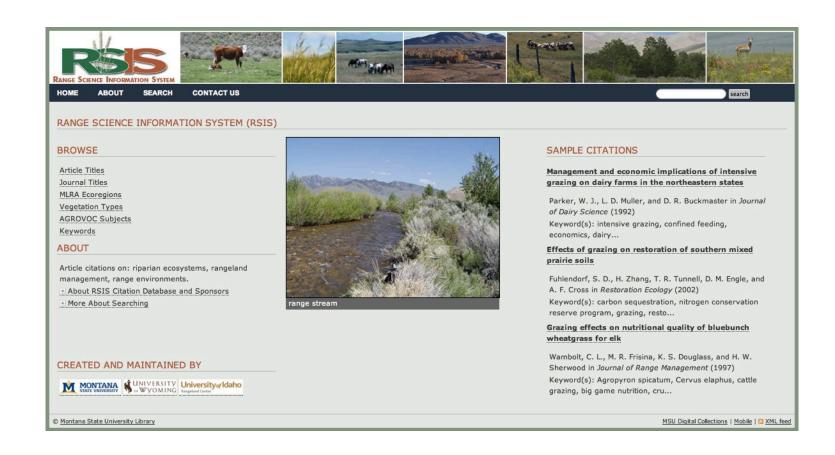


It all started with a tweet. At the start of the month a student made an off-hand comment on Twitter about renting puppies to deal with stress. Last week several of us were chatting at an event about finals coming up and I mentioned the idea of pet therapy for helping with stress. Gloria, one of our awesome circulation assistants is also a dog-sitter/walker, and she was thrilled with the idea. She knew the perfect fun and relaxed dogs to bring (Thea and Pippin).

(new) Outreach

- Range Science Information System (RSIS)
 - rangescience.info
- Experts creating a digital "bookshelf"

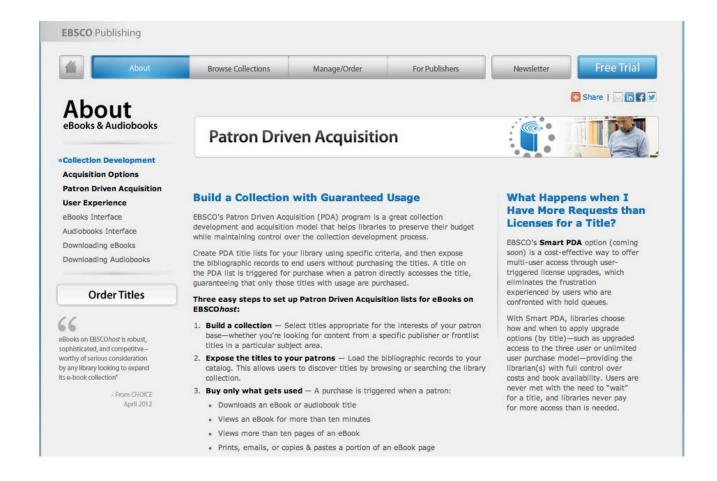
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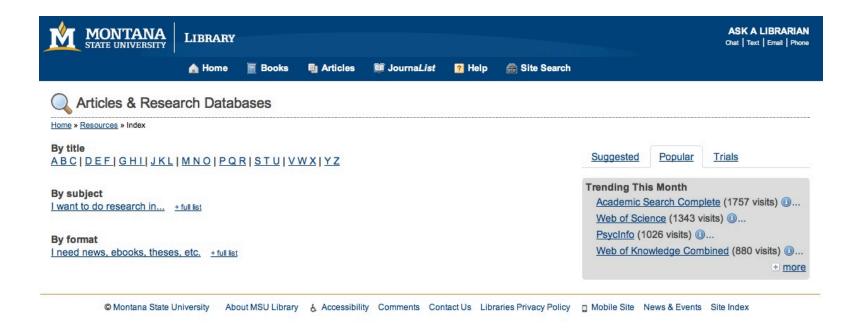
(new) Collection Development



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- Sorting databases based on popularity (clickthrough analytics)
 - www.lib.montana.edu/resources/ popular.php

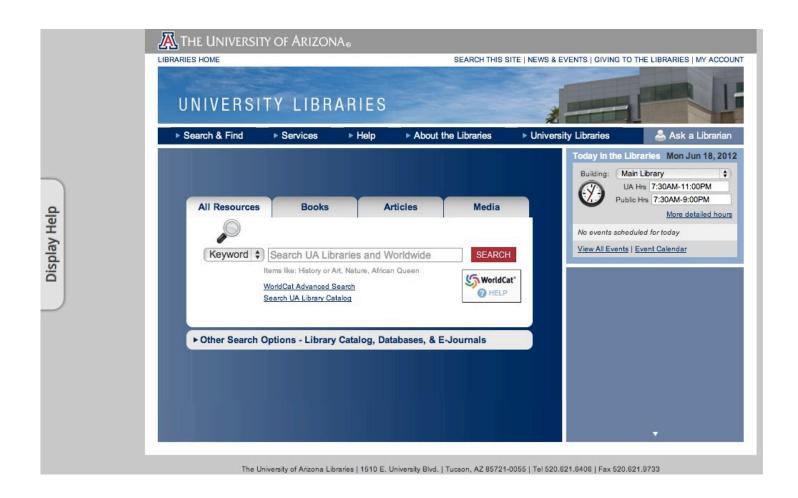
(new) Content Selection



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- Real-time Instruction
 - bit.ly/zA9DCf
 - americanlibrariesmagazine.org/columns/ practice/guide-side
- "Guide on the Side", a tutorial created for JSTOR by University of Arizona librarians

(new) Instruction



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- New job duties, New staffing models
- Realignment of personnel
- Look for public service + tech service collaborations
- This is a great opportunity!
- We all have some role to play; it just might be a new role.

Takeaways & Next Steps

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- Bookmarklets
 - www.lib.montana.edu/~jason/files/ bookmarklets
- AskREF
 - www.lib.montana.edu/~jason/files/questionpoint
- BookMeUp
 - www.lib.montana.edu/~jason/files.php

Code Samples

Twitter Hashtag

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Questions?