

Chatham College outsources library services

Chatham College has awarded an 18-month contract to Library Systems & Services (LSSI) to manage its library. LSSI is working with the women's college to implement a new organizational structure that will bring librarians and information technology professionals together in a newly created Information Services Department. Bob Smith, former director of the Medina (Ohio) County Library, is LSSI's interim director at Chatham.

"Our strategy is to create a library environment that is more responsive to the needs of the faculty and students by providing resources that best reflect their needs," said Esther L. Barazzone, president of Chatham. "We are committed to making the Jennie King Mellon Library both the academic and technology epicenter of Chatham College."

HighWire Press develops archiving plan

Stanford University Libraries' (SUL) HighWire Press has devised a comprehensive plan for preserving and assuring access to the more than 170 scholarly journals it hosts on the Web.

"Preserving and protecting information is one of the core functions of libraries," said Michael A. Keller, Stanford university librarian and publisher of HighWire Press. "We are just as concerned with the preservation of online journals as we are with preserving rare books and manuscripts. The techniques are different, but the goal is the same: to make sure the information remains available and accessible, now and in the future. Once a publisher instructs HighWire to enable access to a given article or piece, the community should be confident it will be at least as freely available in a decade or a generation as it is today." For this reason, migration of formats, standards, and media is a fundamen-

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