In the news

ACRL President Camila Alire has made a point of promoting the sister libraries concept as part of her term, and, at the 2005 ALA Annual Conference, the ACRL Board endorsed a declaration encouraging institutions to explore sister library partnerships and to build relationships with libraries in other cultures. The article "Not just icing on the cake: International strategy and resources at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign" (p. 10) highlights the direction an institution can take to expand beyond sister libraries and into a full-blown international strategy for the library.

Nobody needs to tell librarians about the continually expanding nature of online information, but some of you working in the field may appreciate learning more about current awareness services that can help librarians and their patrons track the information that is most relevant to them. In "Staying alert: The wild new world of information services" (p. 14), types of services available are discussed, including the pros and cons of feeds and approaches specific to certain disciplines.

To help you make an informed decision in the election this spring, background on the ACRL candidates for vice-president/president-elect, Cynthia Steinhoff and Julie Todaro, is provided on page 28, along with the complete slate of candidates for ACRL section officers.

Need to find an article from the 2005 volume of *C&RL News*, but can't remember what issue it was published in? The complete index for volume 66 (2005) is provided in this issue. If you're hoping to appear in a future index, take note of the guidelines for submitting articles to the magazine on page 27.

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