CoOL web server created at Stanford

Conservation OnLine, more familiarly known as CoOL, is a collection of full-text databases which contain information about the preservation of library, archives, and museum materials. CoOL is the latest creation of Walter Henry at Stanford University, who began the electronic "newsletter" Conservation DistList eight years ago. In addition to the backfile and directory for Cons DistList, CoOL contains documents contributed by a number of individuals and organizations.

CoOL is accessible by World Wide Web (WWW), gopher, or WAIS, although not all documents are accessible by all three methods. For WWW, the URL is http://palimpsest.stanford.edu/. For Gopher, point your Gopher at palimpsest.stanford.edu. For WAIS, retrieve the src files from cool-directory-of-servers on palimpsest.stanford.edu, port 210 (search for the word source and you get src files for all CoOL databases).

To contribute electronic documents (which are in the public domain or for which you hold the copyright), contact Walter Henry, Conservation Lab, Stanford University Libraries, Stanford, CA 94550; e-mail: whenry@lindy.stanford.edu. To subscribe to the Conservation DistList, send a request to consdist-request@lindy.stanford.edu.

Permanent paper list published

Ellen McCrady of Abbey Publications has compiled and published a list of 387 permanent papers produced in the United States and Canada which, according to their manufacturers, meet the requirements of ANSI/NISO Z39.49-1992. The list also contains purchasing information and notes the amount of recycled fiber and post-consumer waste in each paper.

Copies are available for $7.00 from Abbey Publications, 7105 Geneva Drive, Austin, TX 78723; (512) 929-3992; Abbeypub@aol.com.

BookLab opens training center

BookLab, a company specializing in fine press edition binding and library preservation services located in Austin, Texas, has opened a training center for book arts and library conservation. The fall schedule includes six weekend workshops and four eight-session courses. Each workshop or course focuses on a particular topic (e.g., Historical Structures for Bookbinding) and some are intended for a specific audience (e.g., Conservation Technician Book Repair).

For more information, contact BookLab, Inc., 1606 Headway Circle, #100, Austin, TX 78752; (512) 837-0479.

AMIGOS distributes PARS and AIC meeting reports

The AMIGOS Preservation Service is distributing summary reports of the preservation-related activities at two recent conferences. One report covers committee meetings and programs held by the Preservation and Reformatting Section (PARS) of the Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) at ALA's Annual Conference. The other covers sessions held at the American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works' (AIC) Annual Meeting in June.

Free copies are available from Tom Clareson, AMIGOS Preservation Service, AMIGOS Bibliographic Council, Inc., 12200 Park Central Dr., Suite 500, Dallas, TX 75251; (800) 843-8482.

Submissions for this column may be made to: Jane Hedberg, Wellesley College Library, 106 Central St., Wellesley, MA 02181-8275; (617) 283-2103; JHEDBERG@LUCY.WELLESLEY.EDU. Submission deadline is the 15th of the month and precedes publication by approximately six weeks.