Online directories are certainly convenient to users needing quick and accurate results. However, a lack of print directories poses a loss to researchers across the spectrum, from historians to business and other professionals. In the article, “Subscribe to an online directory today, frustrate a researcher tomorrow” (p. 222), the authors make an argument for maintaining a basic print directory collection and provide some guidelines for acquisition and retention.

This month’s installment of the Charting our Futures series highlights ACRL President Camila Alire’s strategic focus of “Advocacy to advance academic libraries.” ACRL members are encouraged to attend the 2006 ALA Annual Conference program, “The Power of Personal Persuasion: Advocating for the Academic Library Agenda from the Frontlines,” cosponsored by ACRL’s Grassroots Library Advocacy Presidential Task Force and University Libraries Section. The program will be held on Saturday, June 24, from 8:00 a.m. to noon, and includes a presentation by Robert Cialdini to be followed by a workshop during which librarians can apply the training to their own situations.

The revised “Guidelines for media resources in academic libraries,” which was approved by the ACRL Board at the 2006 ALA Midwinter Meeting, is printed here on page 246. This document supersedes the 1999 version of the guidelines.

If you’re interested in becoming more involved with ACRL, running for a section office might be just what you’re looking for. Information on how to get involved can be found on page 245. Don’t miss the final installment of ACRL 2006 award winners. The article on page 234 recognizes the achievements of members from across ACRL. Congratulations to all of the award winners!

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