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More and more of our clients are doing some amazing things online and we are excited to show them off and tell you how we helped. In this issue we'll also share with you some interesting articles that we found and the latest tips from our developers.

All the best from the Andornot team - enjoy the rest of your summer!

Latest Andornot News

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#### Interlink (BC Public Library network)

This redesign features the integration of the AudioBooks database with a new site template and various options based on user roles and logins, ie. the public can search and email, save or print their results; Interlink member libraries can request items from participating libraries; and other Canadian Libraries can purchase titles.

<http://interlink.andornot.com/audiobooks/search.aspx>

#### BC Health Libraries OneSearch - HLABC

The Health Libraries Association of BC OneSearch demo web site allows users to search selected HLABC member library catalogues that use Inmagic software in one step using Andornot's OneSearch Add-on.

<http://hlabc.andornot.com/>

#### Anglican Church of Canada

We updated the interface to their five Inmagic databases and added the ability for users to email, save or print selected records. Another neat feature is the truncation of the full text on the brief display using stylesheets. Search the databases at:

<http://www.anglican.ca/search/databases.htm>

#### Archives Online version 3

Development of an updated version of Archives Online is underway and all feedback from existing clients is welcome! We have recently added a new web form to the demo web interface that acts as a Finding Aid so that all the records in a Fonds or Collection can be sorted by hierarchy. Visit our Archives Online Starter Kit demo on our web site

(<http://demos.andornot.com/archives/> ) and click on "Finding Aid - Steveston Community Society fonds".

### Inmagic Updates

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[Imaging Software Provides Access to Critical Mission Images Across NASA](#)

@Inmagic Newsletter - June/July 2007

Here's a quick reminder to check out the latest @Inmagic newsletter. Read it [online](#) or [sign-up](#) to receive future issues.

Summer Reading

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When we come across interesting articles or websites that we want to be able to find again we add them to our Furl list (<http://www.furl.net/members/Andornot> ). The Furl site is a great example of Web 2.0 social software capabilities - check out more Furl features at <http://www.furl.net/furlFeatures.jsp> . Here are just a few interesting articles recently added to our Furl collection.

### **Do you have a specialized collection that you want to publicize?**

We recommended this article to Sylvia Stopforth at Trinity Western University and she immediately added information to the Wikipedia entries for two individuals whose private papers are held in their Archives, e.g. [Lyle Wicks](#) . Sylvia emailed us "It really is a good idea and and I thank you for bringing it to my attention, even if it did suck up an extra couple of hours I didn't really have...!".

Using Wikipedia to Extend Digital Collections, D-Lib Magazine. May/June 2007. Volume 13 Number 5/6 (<http://www.dlib.org/dlib/may07/lally/05lally.html> ). We highly recommend this article to anyone that manages publicly accessible special collections (i.e. digital images, archival records and/or library holdings). The article discusses a University of Washington Libraries Digital Initiatives unit project aiming to improve the ability to find items in the UW Libraries Digital Collections by inserting links into the online encyclopedia Wikipedia. Wikipedia is often the starting point for searching for information on a particular topic and is often one of the first references in a search engine results list. Articles in Wikipedia can include hyperlinks to external sources for additional information and this article discusses the methodology used to add links to the UW collections. Archivists for example could create or edit a Wikipedia article using the detail already existing in their fonds level descriptions and provide a link back to their own website, thus providing a much more accessible method for users to find out that their collection exists. This is a great way of driving traffic to your website!

### **Would you like a quick overview of Web 2.0 social software?**

Social Tools: More than Just a Good Time? by Jenn Horwath. Partnership: the Canadian Journal of Library and Information Practice and Research, Vol 2, No 1 (2007) (<http://journal.lib.uouelph.ca/index.php/perj/article/view/270/338> ). This article is by an Andornot client and is an easy to read introduction to the possibilities of Web 2.0 tools. Check out the mentioned BRAINLinks web site which uses Inmagic software and was designed with Andornot assistance. (<http://brainlinks.mohawkcollege.ca/> ).

### **Are you finding it hard to justify your time spent cataloging?**

The Peloponnesian War and the Future of Reference, Cataloging, and Scholarship in Research Libraries by Thomas Mann, Prepared for AFSCME 2910, June 2007 (<http://guild2910.org/Pelopponesian%20War%20June%2013%202007.pdf> ). This article uses a research request to show the need for the skills of a reference librarian versus relying on web search engines. What is interesting is the author's comments on the need for scope match subject headings as well as granular conceptual level keywords. We are often asked about the need for LC Subject Headings when everything can be keyword searched. "Full-text searching is indeed extremely valuable in many situations; but if a researcher wishes to get an overview of the important works on a topic, that kind of searching is positively counterproductive - it cannot segregate whole books from fragments of books, nor can it separate substantial treatments from trivial. It buries high and low quality sources in huge sets without the discriminations that users need." It is a lengthy article, but well written, thought provoking, and a good justification for spending time on vocabulary control.

## Latest Posts from our Developer Blog

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