

Ohio Library Council  
Reference and Information Services Division  
2010 Annual Report

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**Educational Efforts:**

Professional Development Events:

Event Title: [The 'Net, Nonfiction, and Novels...Oh, My!: Online Readers' Advisory Sources to Help Locate Your Customers Next Favorite Book](#)

Location: [online webinar](#)

Date: [July 15, 2010](#) Attendance: [~40](#)

Brief overview (keynote speaker, session, etc.):

[Presented by Astrid Olfenbutt and Sara Trepanier \(Worthington Libraries\). Received very positive feedback from participants. This webinar was also co-sponsored by Adult Services Division.](#)

**OLC Connects:**

[It was decided to not staff a table at this year's Expo; however, RISD will be staffing a table in the OLC Connects at the 2011 Convention & Expo.](#)

**Newsletters, Articles, or Publications:**

Title: [RISD Newsletter](#)

Date: [Spring 2010; Fall 2010; Winter 2010 \(planned\)](#) Author(s): [Spring 2010: 8 articles by Action Council members; Fall 2010: 16 articles by various authors \(including both Action Council members and staff from RISD membership including several from Medina County District Library\)](#)

Topic: [Spring 2010: Topics included Job Help Day at Worthington Libraries, review of Ohio Reference Excellence module 3 \(Lea Carrigan\), etc.; Fall 2010: Topics included successful program ideas, "back to school" pointers, partnerships at Medina County District Library, review of Ohio Reference Excellence module 4 \(Jodie Lyons\), call for Chapter Conf programs, etc.](#)

**Use of the OLC Web site:** [Posted the RISD bookmarks with cartoons by Don Boozer as PDF's to the RISD page at OLC site.](#)

**Initiatives and Partnerships:** [A collaboration between RISD and OPLIN was initiated this year. Stephen Hedges, Exec. Dir. of OPLIN, is interested in having RISD create \(or facilitate the creation of\) online tutorials for the statewide databases. This partnership is on track to continue into 2011.](#)

**Comments/Suggestions:** [Andrea Adkins \(Washington County Public Library\), our 2010 Nominations Chair, did an excellent job in persuading people to run for the two open seats this year on the Action Council. In the end, she had five candidates stand for election.](#)

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The fourth (and final) cartoon for the RISD bookmarks was submitted to OLC as part of the series in October.

Overall, this was a challenging but interesting year to coordinate the activities of RISD with changes to the educational offerings statewide as well as new leadership at OLC. With budget issues at libraries, we decided to forego face-to-face meetings in favor of doing division business over the phone or online. We put together a very well-received webinar, two practical newsletters (with several people throughout the year providing positive feedback on them), and initiated the OPLIN partnership.

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