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### **Library News and Events**

#### **The VIVO project: Origins, growth, challenges, and opportunities**

Date: September 27, 2010

Time: 6:00p

Location: Wells Library 001

Presenters: Jon Corson-Rikert , Head of Information Technology Services and Brian Lowe, Semantic Applications Team Lead for the VIVO project and a programmer/analyst in Cornell University's Mann.

Indiana University researchers Katy Börner and Ying Ding are leading visualization and ontology efforts respectively for the NIH-funded project, VIVO: Enabling National Networking of Scientists . The Indiana University Digital Library team lead by Robert McDonald is implementing the VIVO software for the project using data from IUs system of records such as the IU Address book, Human Resources, and Sponsored Research. In this talk, two of the original developers of VIVO at Cornell University will discuss the creation of VIVO at Cornell, its development as a Semantic Web application, the challenges faced expanding a tool for a single discipline to the scope of a major university and beyond, and the opportunities for VIVO as an open-source project in the increasingly exciting arena of Linked Open Data (<http://linkeddata.org>). If you would like to join the dinner on Mon evening or to meet with the speaker, please contact Mark Price .

This talk is part of the Network and Complex Systems talk series. The fall schedule is available at <http://vw.slis.indiana.edu/netscitalks>. This web site also lists Network and Complex Systems relevant courses. This talk series is sponsored by the Cyberinfrastructure for Network Science Center and the School of Library and Information Science .

Submitted by: *Jennifer Chaffin, Director of Library Human Resources, IUB*

### **Digital Library Brown Bag: RDF for Librarians**

Greetings! Please join us this coming Wednesday, September 22 for a digital library brown bag presentation by Jenn Riley. The presentation will be held at the Herman B Wells Library, room E174, from 12:00-1:00.

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RDF for Librarians

Jenn Riley, Metadata Librarian

Digital Library Program

The RDF model underlying Semantic Web technologies is frequently described as the future of structured metadata. Its adoption in libraries has been slow, however. This is due in no small part to fundamental differences in the modeling approach that RDF takes, representing a "bottom up" architecture where a description is distributed and can be made up of any features deemed necessary, whereas the record-centric approach taken by libraries tends to be more "top down" relying on prespecified feature sets that all should strive to make the best use of. This presentation will delve deeply into the differences between these two approaches to explore why the RDF approach has proven difficult for libraries, look at some RDF-based initiatives that are happening in libraries and how they are allowing different uses of this metadata than was previously possible, and pose some questions about how libraries might best make use of RDF technologies.

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Presentation slides and audio will be available via the Connect Meeting Service (formerly known as "Breeze"). Go to to view and listen to the presentation. If you are not a registered user for Connect Meeting/Breeze, select the

"Enter as a Guest" option.

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The Digital Library Brown Bag series is held most Wednesdays this fall semester. All presentations are in the Herman B Wells Library, room E174, from 12:00-1:00 pm unless otherwise noted. The complete schedule, including abstracts, is available on the Digital Library Program web site:

To receive a reminder and an abstract of each presentation, send an email to [listserv@indiana.edu](mailto:listserv@indiana.edu) with the message body:

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Submitted by: Michelle Dalmau, Digital Projects and Usability Librarian, IUB

### **HathiTrust Presentation**

Addendum to September 10 announcement of HathiTrust presentation

The September 10, 2010 issue of IUL News included an announcement of a presentation on HathiTrust, to be given by Brenda Johnson, Julie Bobay, and Gary Charbonneau, Monday September 20, 1:00 – 2:00, Wells Library E174. This particular session will be a practice run of a presentation that we are giving the following week at the Statewide IT Conference. Even though it will be geared toward a non-librarian audience, our intention was to invite librarians and library staff to this practice run if they were interested.

We know there is broad interest in this topic, and anyone interested in this session is welcome. If you miss this one, or can't find a seat in the limited space, please be assured that there will be forums, discussions and presentations that will be geared toward a library audience.

In the meantime, please follow HathiTrust's development at its website

<http://www.hathitrust.org/>

You may also view the powerpoints from the Statewide IT Conference at <http://www.statewideit.iu.edu/home.php> at the conclusion of the conference.

Submitted by: *Julie Bobay, Associate Dean for Collection Development and Scholarly Communications, IUB*

**Reminder: IU Health Engagement Program Deadlines**

No later than November 12, 2010

Online Personal Health Assessment (PHA) ([Click here to complete this now.](#) It will take about 20 minutes.)

Non-tobacco Affidavit\*

No later than February 28, 2011

Biometric Screening ([Click here to schedule an appointment](#))

\*If you use tobacco, you can still receive the premium reduction after you complete five coaching calls in the Quit For Life Program.

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