

# RECOMMENDED REFERENCE RESOURCES

## I. GENERAL SOURCES

### A. ONLINE REFERENCE

*Credo Reference* <http://www.xreferplus.com/> subscription.

*Gale Virtual Reference Library*. <http://www.galegroup.com> subscription.

*Oxford Online* <http://www.oxfordonline.com/> subscription.

### B. DIRECTORIES OF ASSOCIATIONS

*American Society of Association Executives*.

<http://www.asecenter.org/Directories/AssociationSearch.cfm>

*Associations on the Net*. Internet Public Library. <http://www.ipl.org/div/aon>

*Chicago Area Directory of Organizations*. Chicago Public Library.

<http://www.chipublib.org/004chicago/clubs/clubsa2z.html>

*Encyclopedia of Associations*. Gale Group, annual. Vol. 1 \$780. Vol.2 \$610. Supplement (2008) \$615. Also electronic (Gale's Ready Reference Shelf). <http://www.galegroup.com> subscription.

### C. SOURCES ON WORLD RECORDS

*Guinness World Records*. Guinness, annual. \$28.95.

### D. TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES

The library should have the most recent edition of the phone book covering the community(ies) it serves. It should also have the most recent Chicago white, consumer, and business to business phone books. Phone books for nearby communities or the Chicago metropolitan area are also highly recommended.

*Anywho.com toll free numbers*. <http://www.anywho.com/tf.html>

*Infobel.com*. <http://www.infobel.com/teldir/default.asp>

*Reference USA Residential*. <http://www.referenceusa.com> subscription.

## **E. SOURCES OF ZIP CODES**

*The AIS (Address Information System) Viewer*. U.S. Postal Service. <http://www.usps.gov> subscription.

*National Five Digit Zip Code and Post Office Directory*. U. S. Postal Service, annual. 2 vols. \$31.00.

*U.S. Postal Service Zip Code Lookup*. <http://www.usps.com/zip4>

## **F. SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTORIES**

*Human Care Services Directory of Metropolitan Chicago*. United Way of Chicago, biennial. \$49.95. Distributed by United Way Crusade of Mercy, Chicago. Order from Stern's Books: 773-506-0683.

## **G. INDEXES TO GENERAL PERIODICALS**

*EBSCOHost*. EBSCO. <http://www.ebscohost.com> cooperative pricing through SLS.

*Gale Virtual Reference Library*. <http://www.galegroup.com> subscription.

*Infotrac*. Gale Group. <http://www.galegroup.com> subscription.

*OCLC FirstSearch*. OCLC. <http://firstsearch.oclc.org> free to Illinois libraries.

*Proquest*. Proquest Information and Learning Company. <http://www.umi.com> subscription.

*Readers' Guide to Periodical Literature*. H.W. Wilson, semi-monthly with an annual cumulation, regular or abridged editions. \$425. Also electronic. <http://www.hwwilson.com> subscription.

## **H. ALMANACS**

*Time Almanac*. Time Inc., annual. \$31.95.

*World Almanac and Book of Facts*. St. Martin's Press, annual. \$12.99.

## **I. DIRECTORIES FOR PERIODICALS**

*Bacon's Magazine Directory*. Bacon's Information, Inc., annual. \$350.00.  
Comes with *Bacon's Newspaper Directory*.

*Gale Directory of Publications and Broadcast Media*. 143<sup>rd</sup> ed. Gale Group, bi-annual. \$1,050.00.

*Magazines for Libraries*. Bill and Linda S. Katz, eds. 16<sup>th</sup> ed. R.R. Bowker, 2007. \$305.00.

*MLS Union List of Serials*. Metropolitan Library System.  
[http://www.mls.lib.il.us/resource\\_sharing/uls/search.asp](http://www.mls.lib.il.us/resource_sharing/uls/search.asp)

*Standard Periodical Directory*. Oxbridge Communications, annual. \$1,695.00. Also electronic.  
<http://www.mediafinder.com> subscription.

*Ulrich's International Periodicals Directory*. 46<sup>th</sup> ed. R.R. Bowker, annual. 4 vols. \$920.00.  
Also electronic. <http://www.ulrichsweb.com> subscription.

*Union Lists on OCLC FirstSearch*. OCLC. <http://newfirstsearch.oclc.org/> free to Illinois libraries.

## **J. DIRECTORIES FOR NEWSPAPERS**

*Bacon's Newspaper Directory*. Bacons Information, Inc., annual. \$350.00.  
Comes with *Bacon's Magazine Directory*.

*Bowker's News Media Directory*. R.R. Bowker, annual. 3 vols. \$635.00.

*Editor and Publisher International Year Book*. Editor and Publisher, annual. 3 vols. \$210.00.

*Gale Directory of Publications and Broadcast Media*. 144<sup>th</sup> ed. Gale Group, bi-annual. 2008.  
\$1100.00.

*Illinois Newspaper Project*. Illinois Newspaper Project. <http://www.library.uiuc.edu/inp/>  
This is a union list of Illinois newspapers.

*Newspapers in the Illinois State Historical Library*. Illinois State Library, 1998. \$10.00.  
This is a historical directory of Illinois newspapers.

## **K. MULTI-VOLUME ENCYCLOPEDIAS**

*Encyclopedia Americana*. Grolier Educational Corp., annual. 30 vols. \$699.00. Also electronic.  
<http://www.scholasticlibrary.com> subscription.

*Encyclopedia Britannica*. Encyclopedia Britannica, annual. 32 vols. 2007. \$1,395.00. Also  
electronic. <http://www.britannica.com/> subscription.

*World Book Encyclopedia*. World Book, Inc., annual. 22 vols. 2008. \$999.00. Also electronic.  
<http://www.worldbook.com> subscription.

## **L. DIRECTORIES OF LIBRARIES IN THE UNITED STATES**

*American Library Directory*. R.R. Bowker, annual. 2 vols. \$299.00.

*Every Library in Illinet* <http://www.eliillinois.org>

<http://www.illinois.org/>. Not a natural listing, but still useful for funding Illinois libraries

*Subject Directory of Special Libraries and Information Centers*. 35<sup>th</sup> ed. Gale Group, 2008. \$1,300.00.

## **M. DIRECTORIES OF DIRECTORIES**

*Directories in Print*. 28<sup>th</sup> ed. Gale Group, annual. 3 vols. \$745.00.

## **N. SOURCES FOR FINDING TITLES**

*Amazon.com*. Amazon.com. <http://www.amazon.com>

*Books in Print*. R.R. Bowker. <http://www.booksinprint.com> subscription.

*Books Out Loud: Bowker's Guide to Audiobooks 2007*. R.R. Bowker, annual. 2 vols. \$330.00.

*Bowker's Complete Video Directory*. R.R. Bowker. 4 vols. 2007. \$489.00.

*Complete Directory of Large Print Books and Serials*. R.R. Bowker, annual. \$360.00.

*Forthcoming Books*. R.R. Bowker, 4 times a year. \$299.95.

*I-Page*. Ingram. <http://ipage.ingrambook.com> subscription.

*Software Encyclopedia*. R.R. Bowker, annual. 2 vols. \$440.00.

*Subject Guide to Books in Print*. R.R. Bowker, annual. 6 vols. \$656.00.

*Title Source II*. Baker & Taylor. <http://publiclibrary.btol.com> subscription.