

State of CLS Communications, Midwinter 2009

CLS Website:

<http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/acrl/about/sections/cls/clshomepage.cfm>

As of last summer, the main ALA website went live with its new design. People seem generally pleased with it. The ACRL site has not yet migrated to the new look. That means that those of us housed in that tree are still waiting as well.

Alice Crosetto has been doing a great job with the College Library Website of the Month. She just gave her 6-month notice: her term on the committee is up in June and we'll need a new caretaker for this popular section of the website. Let me know if you're interested.

The CLS website has languished due to a slacker webmaster (i.e., me). Our site redesign was meant to go hand-in-hand with the ACRL site migration to the new look – which hasn't happened. In addition, I was, for some weeks, unable to make edits to the site at all, due to browser incompatibility. I had to downgrade my browsers in order to make changes to the site. No excuses; it's just a pain.

CLS Newsletter:

Jennifer continues to do a fine job with our flagship publication. We had talked about changing the name to something catchier, but we will need to check with ACRL to see how easy that would actually be. Jennifer will be sending out calls for Spring Newsletter items in the near future.

COLLIB-L:

Our email list continues to be useful and well-managed, certainly one of the best of the 20 or so email lists I'm on.

Other CLS Communications Initiatives:

CLS wiki

<http://wikis.ala.org/acrl/index.php/CLS>

It doesn't get much use but much more could be done with it. When I'm feeling cranky about the ALA website, I think we should just do the whole thing on the wiki....

CLS Facebook group

<http://www.facebook.com/home.php#/group.php?gid=21563986033>

The group has 211 members as of this week. We don't get a lot of traffic, but people keep joining and that seems like a good thing.