In the midst of the busy library conference season, the LOEX 2007 conference in San Diego is in its final stages of preparation. It has been my pleasure to work with SCIL on the conference and I think an excellent event has been put together. For more information, please see: http://public.csusm.edu/acarr/loex/index.html

For those of you who can not attend the conference, LOEX not only will continue to make PowerPoints and other notes available online, but also will make the 2007 proceedings available for purchase by the end of 2007 (a new process has been put in place to speed production and lower the cost) and available for free online to LOEX members one year after publication.

In this issue of the Quarterly you will notice “Book Review”, a new column. While book reviews already exist in many different library publications (e.g., Booklist, Journal of Academic Librarianship), the focus of this particular column will hopefully be a bit different. Instead of reviewing books that are explicitly directed at librarians (e.g., “The One Person Librarian Sourcebook”) or discussing whether a book should selected for your English Lit collection, this column will focus on non-library books whose discussion of trends, technologies, or ideas might be useful for library instructors to consider. Please let me know any comments, positive or otherwise, on this new feature. Also, I am always looking for reviewers, so if you would like to review a book for a future Quarterly, please let me know.

Have a great rest of the school year,
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