

In the

news

Last year, ACRL's Research Committee, at the request of the ACRL Board, devoted itself to determining ten assumptions about the future that would have a significant impact on academic libraries and librarians. The committee mined for data by conducting a literature review and surveying other ACRL committees and sections. The article "Top ten assumptions for the future of academic libraries and librarians" (p. 240) provides a ranked listing of assumptions as determined by the committee. The Research Committee seeks feedback and invites you to provide it at <https://marvin.foresightint.com/surveys/Tier1Survey/ACRL/156>.

We're hearing more and more about libraries putting new technologies to use to improve the way their staffs communicate with each other and with their users. The library at East Tennessee State University has begun using a wiki as a knowledge sharing tool to support its information literacy program. The

project, described in "Using a wiki to manage a library instruction program" (p. 242), can be adapted for many uses and reduce the silo effect throughout the library.

"On being a new librarian" (245) provides some useful tips to keep in mind that will make the transition to a professional library career a positive and rewarding one. A must-read for the early-career librarian.

If you're interested in becoming more involved with ACRL, running for a section office might be just what you're looking for. Information on the nomination process is on page 252.

Congratulations to Betsy Wilson (University of Washington), ACRL's 2007 Academic/Research Librarian of the Year, and all of the ACRL award winners. A profile of Wilson, as well as information on other award winners, can be found on page 230.

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