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LIBRARY FORUM:

On Tuesday, December 12, Library Services Committee is sponsoring another forum (part of the trend spotting series). This one will be presented by Barbara Brand on the topic TeachAct. To familiarize yourself with this new idea refer to the three web addresses that follow. **Choose at least one and read it in advance of attending.** Barbara will give us background information, there will be discussion of the site information to be followed by staff sharing of ways this affects the teaching of Stony Brook faculty. Hope to see you at noon in the large conference room.

For thorough discussions of TEACH and educational institution obligations, see the following:

University of North Carolina, *TEACH Toolkit*
<http://www.lib.ncsu.edu/scc/legislative/teachkit/>

University of Texas System, *The TEACH Act Finally Becomes Law*
<http://www.utsystem.edu/ogc/intellectualproperty/teachact.htm>

ALA Washington Office, *Distance Education and TEACH*
<http://www.ala.org/washoff/teach.html>



HOLIDAY PARTY:

Last Friday the Javits Room was transformed into a winter wonderland. Snow was falling and the best part was that it wasn't cold and no shovels were needed. At the rate we are going with our actual weather these may be the only snowflakes we'll see for awhile! Hurray!

Thank you to the SET for the office-made centerpieces (which many of us are displaying) and for ordering plenty of food. We enjoyed the intoxication of beverages thanks to staff for donating a diverse selection of wine. The coffee service was a nice accompaniment to all the desserts.

SET did it again and we appreciate it.

LIBRARY CLUB:

Most likely, you did not know that The Library Club is selling a range of products from mouse pads to doggie shirts. So just for the fun of it, take a look and remember that every time you buy something the Library Club receives a percentage of the sale price. (submitted by Victor)

The merchandise in Store 3 is the ONLY one which is favored for advertising.

Store 3 <http://www.cafepress.com/thelibraryclub3>

NEW WORD: (SOURCE - word@m-w.com)

cybrarian \sye-BRAIR-ee-un\ *noun*

: a person whose job is to find, collect, and manage information that is available on the World Wide Web

Example sentence:

The library provided an e-mail address to submit inquiries to the cybrarian.

Did you know?

We've been using "librarian" for the people who manage libraries since at least the beginning of the 18th century, and the word was used for scribes and copyists even earlier than that. "Cybrarian," on the other hand, is much newer; its earliest documented use is from 1992. "Librarian" combines "library" (itself from "liber," the Latin word for book) and the noun suffix "-an," meaning "one specializing in." When people wanted a word for a person who performed duties similar to those of a librarian by using information from the Internet, they went a step further and combined "cyber-," meaning "of, relating to, or involving computers or a computer network," with "librarian" to produce the new "cybrarian."

*Indicates the sense illustrated in the example sentence.