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Guest Editor

### Preface

This issue of the **Nebraska Library Association Quarterly**, pulled together by several members of NMRT, focuses on the Internet. For some, the Internet has a ring of magic and adventure about it. For others, it sends shivers of dread down their spine. Regardless, the "Net" is destined to become a center piece of libraries and the work done in them. Gathered together here, are several pieces about the Internet and its potential uses in libraries.

In the first article, **Karl Fattig** and **Carla Rosenquist Buhler** write about "The Internet Here and Now: How Librarians are Using the Net." The article out-

lines basic Internet services and gives anecdotes of how some librarians are using the NET in their daily work. A short bibliography of sources on the Internet is included. Next, **Bob Voelker** writes about "The Internet in the Public Library." Bob outlines the progression of the Internet into public libraries and presents a vision of the public library as a central provider of Net services to the public. **Carla Rosenquist Buhler** describes how the Internet can enhance teaching at all levels in "Using Internet to Expand the Classroom Experience." At the end of her article, Carla includes a brief list of educational sources on the Net. Finally, **Karl Fattig** describes the creation of a "listserv," a discussion group on the Net, in "How to Grow a Listserv."

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