

Version 5.1 is now Available

Eloquent software utilizes the latest Web technology for public access and powerful advanced Web forms for streamlining the capture of both data and digital objects. It also takes full advantage of 64-bit technology for added performance and security.

Vancouver, BC – July 15, 2011 – Eloquent Systems is pleased to announce the official release of **WebGENCAT™ v5.1** & **Eloquent WebSuite™ v5.1**. Customers using software as a service (SaaS) are automatically updated with the runtime platform of WebGENCAT v5.1. Customers that have purchased Eloquent software and have it installed on their own server should contact the [Help Desk](#) for assistance. All WebSuite applications – **Eloquent Archives™**, **Eloquent Librarian™**, **Eloquent Museum™**, and **Eloquent Records™** – automatically enjoy some of the new features by simply having the new WebGENCAT platform installed, while others require custom tailoring to be activated.

Version 5.1 contains new features in the following areas:

1. **Public Access** – it is easier to find precise information and share it with others. Features apply to databases used internally as well as those being promoted to a world-wide audience.
2. **iPad Support** – tested for Public Access.
3. **Report Generator** – enhanced features for printed reports and other output.
4. **Data Capture** – features that improve the speed of building the database.
5. **Content Capture** – streamlined capture of all types of digital content from local and shared drives as well as from SharePoint and MS Office applications – Outlook, Word, Excel.
6. **Performance & Security** – the ability to take full advantage of 64bit hardware technology.
7. **Application-Specific** – some features apply to only one or two applications.

Public Access

Most Eloquent customers serve an audience of new users that benefit from the new enhancements: 1) they learn to search for information with little or no training, 2) they get precise results and are not given an overwhelming amount of irrelevant material, and 3) they can interact directly with the database for reference services – improving services while reducing workload.

Specific features include:

- a. **Popular Button** – is the fastest way for new users to get results and become familiar with the database. The results delivered can vary from the top levels of a hierarchical database, to new arrivals, to current interests. The word on the button can be custom tailored.
- b. **Social Media** – is supported with the familiar icons such as LinkedIn, Twitter, and Facebook on every detail display page, making it easy to share findings with friends.
- c. **Public Contributions** – are supported by integration to either Google or Facebook, making it easy for researchers to leave comments on the detail display pages.
- d. **Google Translate** – enables researchers to translate any page into the language of their choice.
- e. **Google Analytics** – integration has been enhanced and is now an option with the public access of any application.

- f. **Member Services** – has been enhanced to give members more power and give the administrator more control.
- g. **Cached Images** – provide rapid display of a thumbnail browse when many images are attached to a single metadata record.
- h. **Other Enhancements** – searching workflow is more intuitive and efficient.

iPad Support

All Public Access functions are supported for the iPad. Most other function also work, but may require modifications for greater convenience. We encourage customers to apply the portability of iPad and other tablets to streamline office and back-room functions. The Eloquent R&D department will respond quickly on any requests for new features.

Output Generator

Several enhancements have been made to the creation and delivery of various reports and other output formats. These include:

- Deliver selected output directly to the user's **MS Excel** for viewing and further processing.
- Ability to configure a PDF report so that it opens in the default PDF reader rather than in the browser.
- Ability to configure a PDF for landscape.
- Ability to force a page break based on the data in a PDF.
- Ability to include data from the selected records in the headers and footers of a PDF report.
- Ability to apply a sort to the records selected for a PDF report.

Google Maps

The Google Maps module has been streamlined for use with any table in any of the applications. The GPS coordinates can be added to any name that has a geographic representation, such as geographic names for archives and artifacts, or the addresses of people. The new public search is very intuitive. A search for any group of places results in the list of places names on the left and a map with all the places on the right of the screen. A click on any name in the browse list presents the detailed text and imbedded picture of the person or place, replacing the map.

A utility that searches on postal/zip code and finds the GPS coordinates streamlines the preparation of the database.

Data Capture

Several enhancements have been made to the process of dealing with batches of records. The **spreadsheet-style** Web form with rows and columns as well as a common area at the top is very powerful for the initial entry of batches or records as well as for editing them later. The fields in common area act as search parameters as well as data entry prompts. In this version a new **cloning feature** is introduced. It automates the process of duplicating sets of records that are very similar.

The batch Web form can be used for **global changes**. You bring a batch of records into the form, enter the desired data for the common area, and save the batch with the new data.

The batch entry has also been enhanced for two types of prompts: 1) a text field can be activated for a text-box prompt and 2) a date field can be activated for a calendar prompt.

All data entry forms, including those used by the Translator Module, now have been enhanced to interface with **Google Translate** so that selected text can be easily converted from English to another language. This streamlines the process of making the software as well as the data **multi-lingual**.

Content Capture

All Eloquent applications support **digital content** of various types. The digital objects are linked to metadata records as either 1-1 or many-to-one. Any digital objects found on the users local or shared drives can be linked to metadata in the process of filling out the WebGENCAT Web forms. When the Web form is saved the attached digital objects are sent to the server along with their related records.

The Web form for creating a single record can be linked to multiple digital objects for a one-to-many relationship. A spreadsheet-style Web form supports a single digital object per row for a one-to-one relationship. It is an easy way to quickly catalog and file large numbers of digital records.

Version 5.1 supports a number of special routines:

- a. **Eloquent Add-in for MS Outlook** supports the tagging of many e-mails and bringing them into a spreadsheet-style batch entry form. It will quickly file many e-mails on a 1-1 basis. If the e-mail has attachments they will be ignored.
- b. **Eloquent Add-in for MS Outlook with Attachments** is used with a single entry form to attach a single e-mail along with all of its attachments.
- c. **Eloquent Add-in for MS Word** is used to file and attach a Word document either as a Rich Text (RTF) or a PDF. The process of Word documents can capture all the text to support “full text” searching and convert the document to a PDF for attaching and storing.
- d. **Eloquent Add-in for MS Excel** is used to file and attach an Excel spreadsheet.
- e. **SharePoint** is used by some customers for document generation and collaboration. At some point the final version is cataloged and filed into the Eloquent database. Anyone in the organization can be given the ability to select and file their own documents using the Eloquent File Explorer described below.
- f. **Eloquent File Explorer** is an Eloquent utility that works like Windows Explorers in its ability to find and tag many digital objects at one time and automatically bring them into the Eloquent Web form where they are cataloged and saved in the database. It supports tagging a batch of varying types of files and linking them all to a single metadata record, or using the spreadsheet-style Web form to create a new record for each digital object.

All of the above utilities are free for installation on any number of user workstation and interface with **Active Directory** to validate the user and restrict access to his/her portion of the shared drives as well as local drive. They are custom tailored for each user, ensuring proper filing of the digital objects along with their respective metadata to the database. All modified and new records are stamped with his or her name so they can be easily audited by an administrator.

The **delete routines** for records have been enhanced to ensure that when a metadata record is flagged as deleted all attached digital content is also deleted from the database. This is a very important feature for managing electronic records with a retention schedule.

Performance & Security

All applications in the Eloquent WebSuite run on the WebGENCAT platform, which is now available in either a 64-bit or 32-bit version. The 64-bit version takes full advantage of the extra power in the latest server technology. Eloquent applications can run on either. The end-user will enjoy faster response time and greater data security with 64-bit. Otherwise, they look and function the same. All Eloquent SaaS customers now enjoy 64-bit. More details are available in an earlier [news release](#).

Application-Specific Features

While most new features and enhancements apply to all the WebSuite applications, the following are application-specific:

- **MARC Import Module** for Eloquent Archives.
- **Metric-Imperial** measurement conversions feature for Eloquent Museum.
- **Journal Cataloging** Module for Eloquent Librarian for when the subscriptions portion of the Serials Module is not required.
- New Web form in Eloquent Librarian to streamline the cataloging and attaching of **scanned journal articles**.
- Link to **author's website** in Eloquent Librarian.
- Eloquent is licensed to deliver an electronic copy of Nomenclature 3.0 for Museum Cataloging: Third edition of **Robert G. Chenhall's System for Classifying Man-Made Objects** as an integrated component of the Eloquent Museum application.
- A function can be applied to any column to transfer its contents into the adjacent column, leaving the column empty. This is utilized in the Eloquent Records application when batches of boxes are removed from shelves and destroyed. The new column identifies the **history of box storage**. The box of data is destroyed, but the electronic metadata is maintained for historical purposes.

"Looking Good" Campaign

Eloquent is offering free consulting services to update all public databases with the latest features now available with the **WebGENCAT 5.1 Search Engine**. We are particularly interested in those customers that want to increase public visibility by promoting their rich cultural heritage and their valuable educational resources.

“Backlog” Campaign

Many customers have a backlog of material, including digital content, to enter into the database. Eloquent is offering **free Webinars** to any customer that wants to learn more about the enhanced **spreadsheet-style form** for streamlining batch operations to capture and file digital objects. They can capitalize on student and volunteer help for data entry and scanning. The work can be done from any number of locations on the Internet while a central authority reviews and approves the material for public display. Records are available for public access as soon as they are flagged.