

Oak Leaves

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Spirit Magazine

**Feature Article – In the Spirit of Enlightenment
An Interview with Cindy Kelly, Periodical Librarian**

In the latest issue of Spirit Magazine Cindy Kelly enlightens the reader as to the ups and downs of being a librarian—especially a periodicals librarian. She paints a picture of how the library is used and by who. It is an upbeat article that supports the continuance of public libraries for an abundance of reasons but mainly for service to patrons—people of every shape and form. She agrees with the aptly placed label of public libraries as the “Poor Man’s University.”

Spirit Magazine is a fairly new publication that attempts to cover a wide variety of topics unlike some magazines that focus on fashion, money or sports. They not only interview women from different walks of life but feature articles that pertain and are of interest to everyone. Cindy states in this article that Spirit Magazine has developed a niche of its own by encapsulating a good majority of what other magazines specialize in.

Terri Oliver Retires after 20 years

Terri Oliver has announced her intention to retire January 31st after 20 years of service here at the library. She spent the first four years working in Periodicals, the next two years in Youth Services and the last 14 years in the Interlibrary Loan Department. She recalls with compassion her mentor, Vada Szurgot, who trained and guided her in this, at the time, newly created position. Terri is certain that Vada’s enthuseasm was one of the biggest benefits of working at the library.



Over the years Terri has noticed that patrons have developed a greater interest in large print books and books on tape. She also commented that the volume of audio visual ILLs have grown substantially over the last year since the library altered its loaning policy. She admitted that she loves everything about her job and will work as a substitute to remain a part of the library’s family.

In addition to caring for her husband Terri wants to take some line dancing and exercise classes. She looks forward to spending some extra time with her nine grandchildren (soon to be ten!) and possibly traveling to Arizona and California to visit relatives.

THANK YOU TERRI – WE WILL MISS YOU TOO!

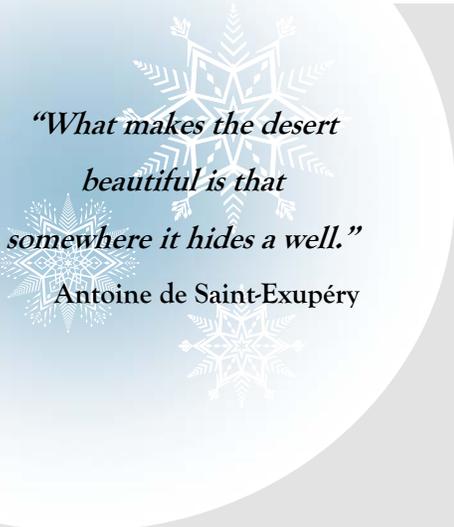
Local History

Maureen Gilligan comes to Oak Lawn Library as the Local History Coordinator, a recently added position in the Reference Department beginning this November. Maureen plans to actively pursue new collection items, organize the existing collection so it will be more accessible to the public, and open the new Local History Room. She is currently working with Linda Olsen to organize and promote the 40th anniversary of the tornado that ripped through Oak Lawn in April, 1967.



Maureen arrives well prepared to manage the local history collection and a local history program. She has a PhD in history from Emory University in Atlanta, has worked for the National Park Service as a historian, taught collegiate and high school history, and worked for years as a preservation historian both in Atlanta and Chicago. While this is a new direction for her, Maureen feels energized and challenged

Oak Leaves Editor: Janet Orzech



“What makes the desert beautiful is that somewhere it hides a well.”

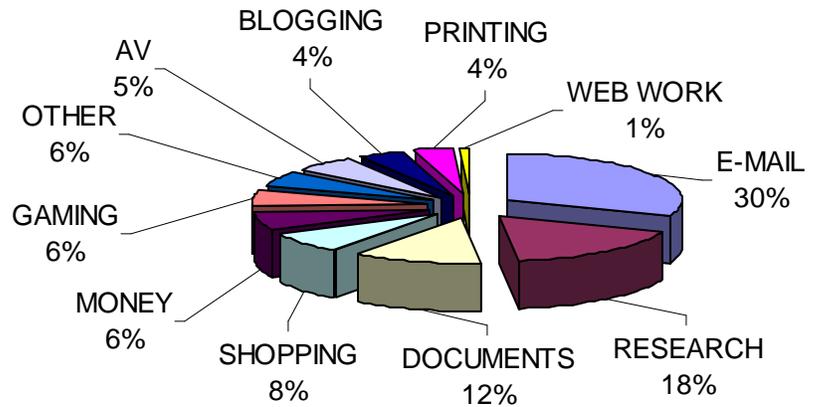
Antoine de Saint-Exupéry

Customize Your Google Page

Wouldn't it be nice to have your own content on the Google page instead of a plain white background? It is very easy to do once you register with Google. After you register you just need to add content to the page by clicking on the “Add stuff” link. This will take you to a page where you can pick from News, Tools, Communication, Fun & Games, Finance, Sports, Lifestyle, Technology and New Stuff. If you add something to the page and you find that you don't like it, you can simply click on the “X” to get rid of it.

This is all possible through the magic of RSS feeds. Every time you refresh the page, your content refreshes as well. My page includes various worldwide news services, the weather from Canada, the latest information about Rush (the band), and much, much more! So set up your own page and keep up with the information you want.

Julia Churchill, Patron Services



Of the 49 staff members that returned the survey 43 have a computer at home. Of those, 13 said that they have two computers (also, 2 have 3, 1 has 4 and 2 have 5). One person reported having 6 computers! That averages out (49 homes—75 computers) to about 1.5 computers per household. Among that number 17 people have a laptop or notebook computer.

As you can see from the chart above, nearly half of the computer work done by staff on their off time is occupied by e-mail or research. E-mail has become such an ordinary and habitual thing that few go more than a day without checking. When asked about how many e-mail addresses staff reported: 1 had none; 13 have 1; 22 have 2; 8 have 3; 3 have 4; 1 has 6 and 1 has 10. It must be very time consuming to check several addresses each day.

The majority of those with internet service have DSL (21). Eight with computers at home do not have internet access. Eleven have cable access, 7 are using dial-up and 3 use broadband. Surprisingly enough only four staff members claimed to have websites. You may want to take some time to look them over—they all have a different focus.

Megan Kowalski—Photography, Skateboard Design, etc.

csmaster.sxu.edu/mkowalski/mkdesign06

Julia Churchill—Avid Rush Fan

<http://rushfan77.googlepages.com/home>

Mat Nowak—Sword Art Education

www.insideiaido.com

Janet Orzech—Stained Glass, Jewelry, etc.

www.treasureboxsite.com



Computer Usage

When you really think about it, computers have really changed a lot over the last 25 years. Computers used to fill entire rooms and now you can do ten times as much on a PDA or telephone. Only the elite were able to afford to have a computer. We bought a computer when my son was about 2 years old—a Commodore. The model was followed by a number and if my memory serves me right it referred to the size of the hard drive—it was less than 1 mg! As Debbie mentions (below) some of the computers had to be booted up using the floppy discs.



Along with the bigger and better computers came the peripheral toys like scanners, digital cameras and DVDs. Yikes, DVDs weren't around then either. I also remember that having a color printer was quite a luxury.

If you'd like to travel even further back in time, I remember that my high school typing class only had two electric typewriters, the rest were manual. We used carbon paper and pieces of paper "white-out" to correct mistakes—no auto-correct ribbons. Typewriters were advanced if you could change the font using a different wheel or ball. The law office I worked at bought a new fangled IBM typewriter that had a "memory card" and a small display to make corrections.



Do you remember when you had to farm out printed material to get things "type set"? I worked at a photographic lab that had a high quality photo typesetting machine. You had to manually enter the sizes, fonts, etc. using special codes and then run the paper through just like a photo. Talk about time consuming.

Janet Orzech

A Genealogy on the Web Story

This past year I have tried to put the family tree in order and make good use of the library's genealogy resources. When I reached the point of needing to make a trip to Germany, I posted a message on Ancestry to see if anyone out there doing the same work. A researcher from California responded saying he was making a trip to the Landesbergen area where my family is from and offered his services. In correspondence, we found that we're related by marriage and that his cousin was one of my high school teachers in Iowa. *It is a small world!* He spent a day in a German archive center for me, copied documents, and straightened out some of the Biere branches.

Verlyn Biere, Reference Services

I'm old enough to know DOS and how to use a computer that does not have a hard drive or that uses floppy disks (the original floppies— not those little plastic things!). It was good to start at the very beginning of the technological revolution!

Debbie Cocanig, Reference Services

*"The miserable have
no other medicine
but hope."*

Friedrich Wilhelm Nietzsche

A Great Trip --



This year my husband and I had a personal goal – to bicycle

across the state of Illinois and back. A year ago I did not think we would be able to do it, especially when I saw the hills around Galena. But we did accomplish it! We made the trip in small increments over many week-



ends and a few vacation days. It took us 585 miles through

the canal tow paths of the I&M and Hennipen Canals, along the Mississippi, up and down hills, through rural towns and farmlands.

It was challenging and energizing. We got to see parts of our beautiful state that we would not have otherwise seen and we spent lots of time together. Larry created a website to share our journey with story and pictures.

customized-applications.com/recycle/bicycle_trips21.htm

Mary Lynn Mysz, Patron Services

STAFF ASSOCIATION OFFICER ELECTIONS

BALLOTS FOR THE 2007 ELECTION FOR OFFICERS WILL BE DISEMINATED DECEMBER 26TH.

BE SURE TO SUBMIT YOUR COMPLETED BALLOT BY JANUARY 2ND.

STAFF ASSOCIATION

"Sixty something" people attended the Staff Association Christmas Party at the Garden Chalet on December 8th. The room was very nice, the food was delicious and the Sweets Table was great! The pictures are on the Staff Association Board in the Staff Lounge by the Vending Machines. Happy Shopping to those who won the \$25.00 Target Gift Cards!

Happy New Year and thank you for all of your help and cooperation during the year.

Identity Theft Protection-

www.lifelock.com

Upon becoming a client, they will set alerts on all of your credit reports (there are more than just the "big three"). These alerts will usually be set within an hour. You will then receive credit reports from Equifax, Experian, TransUnion and ChexSystems showing that your alerts are in place. You should start receiving mail from the bureaus in about 7 days after enrolling. Most importantly, the guarantee is in full force from the moment you become a client.

Your initial locks will be set within about an hour of your enrollment. They will maintain them. Many times alerts will fall off of your reports and need to be reset. They take care of this for you automatically. You will stop receiving pre-approved credit offers in the mail and your junk mail load will be reduced dramatically. Many people say that if nothing else, that alone is worth the fee.

WELCOME

Bridgett Mitchell started 11/10 as a Substitute Library Assistant in Reference Services, Computer Center. She is an art education student at Moraine Valley Community College. She enjoys drawing, photography, music, film, history and reading.



Maureen Gilligan started 11/1 as Local History Coordinator, Reference Services. She is currently a student at Chicago State University earning a teacher certification in History. Maureen is a mother of two, 8 and 5 years old, married for 10 years, a southside Chicago native, and currently living in a really old house in Morgan Park. She regularly practices yoga, walks and bikes in good weather, sleds and ice skates with the kids, and loves to go out to local nature trails with her

Staffing News

Rita Schumm started 10/12 as a Substitute Library Assistant for Patron Services, Circ./AV Unit. She likes to exercise and does line-dancing too.

ON THE MOVE

Melissa Apple started 10/18 as Public Information Supervisor, Administration. She said: "Well, it's actually been a few years since I've worked here. I applied for this position because I wanted the chance to be a part of the library again. I will enjoy designing publications that will help the patrons find the information they need."



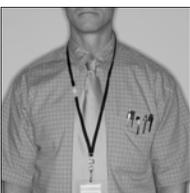
New Year's Resolutions that you won't be able to keep if

I will stop checking my e-mail at 3:30 in the morning.....4:30 is much more practical.

I will answer my snail mail with the same enthusiasm I answer my e-mail.

I will try to figure out why I *really* need 9 e-mail addresses.

When I subscribe to a newsgroup or mailing list, I will read all the mail I get from it.



I will stop sending e-mail to my roommate.

I will read the manual..... just as soon as I can find it!



New Year's Resolutions for Pets—

- ♦ I will not eat other animals' poop.
- ♦ I will not lick my human's face after eating animal poop.
- ♦ I do not need to suddenly stand straight up when I'm lying under the coffee table.
- ♦ I will not demand to get out the minute I come in — and vice versa.
- ♦ I will no longer be beholden to the sound of the can opener.
- ♦ I will not sleep more than 23 hours a day.





Head Count Survey

If you are not familiar with the Head Count Survey you will find a copy in the Staff Lounge. The purpose of the survey is to gather information that will help us to understand just how busy the library is. We can tell at a glance what areas are being occupied by day and by hour. This is not an exact science but it does serve as a fair comparison to past years. Things such as the weather or the Bear's playoffs can throw the numbers off and make it seem as though drastic changes have taken place. What it does best is indicate trends that may be developing over the years that we want to confirm or might have missed.

Each public service desk is asked to arduously record numbers on the half hour. This is not only time consuming but can prove difficult when we are indeed busy. If you are one of these tally takers you know first hand how much work is involved. The numbers are then entered into an Excel program to crunch them into useable statistics.

Thank you for your efforts and participation in this year's survey. Give yourself a pat on the back for a job well done!



Employee Suggestion Box

The Employee Communication Committee has developed an Employee Suggestion Box that will be available in the Staff Lounge beginning in March. Employees are encouraged to submit ideas and suggestions that may help our Library to enhance service, reduce costs, save time and/or improve working conditions. HR Coordinator Peg Butcher shall be checking the box on a regular basis and referring contents to the Director for review. The Director intends to bring such contributions to the attention of the relevant department heads and supervisors. The Employee Suggestion Box is not intended as a means for conveying complaints about individual staff persons and supervisors. Methods for addressing this type of complaint are covered in Section 702 "Concerns, Complaints and Grievances" in our Personnel Policy.

Jim Casey, Director

Staff Longevity Awards



30 Years

Nancy Rendek

20 Years

Carol Arndt

15 Years

Linda Olsen

Anne Curran

Mary Dunneback

Louise Pfeiffer

Al Fournier

Janet Goetz

10 Years

Peggy Butcher

Harriet O'Malley

Jennifer Lechert

Cindy Kelly

5 Years

Dawn Koegel

Sarah Schroeder

Thomas Kochinski

Reliable Substitute Awards

Fiona Lindenbusch

Miles Nowak

Mary O'Mara

Susan Ainley

Brett Butcher

Jenny DeVivo

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"Reality is merely an illusion, albeit a very persistent one."

Albert Einstein

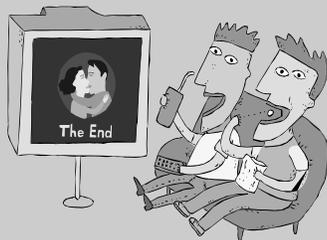
Revive It ...

6 Feet Under
 Airline
 All in the Family
 Andy Griffith
 As Time Goes By
 Boy Meets World (2)
 Buffy
 Candid Camera
 Dharma & Greg
 Everwood
 Everybody Loves Raymond (2)
 Frasier
 Friends (2)
 Golden Girls
 Guardian
 Happy Days
 Homefront
 I Love Lucy
 Invader Zim
 Invasion (2)
 Judging Amy
 LA Law
 MASH
 Murphy Brown
 Queer Eye for the Straight Guy
 Surface
 The Office (BBC)
 Twin Peaks
 West Wing



Bought It ...

24
 Andy Griffith
 Angel
 Friends
 Grey's Anatomy
 Home Improvement
 House MD
 Into the West
 Lost
 MacGyver
 Monty Python
 Sex in the City
 Smallville
 South Park
 Stargate SG-1
 Supernatural
 That 70's Show
 The Avengers
 West Wing



Once again I have been surprised by the outcome of the survey. I did expect that some shows would excel and others would be on the "hate it" list. What I did not expect was to see someone who had my favorites listed on both sides of the page. Does that mean that I have diverse taste or no taste at all? The number in parenthesis refers to how many people chose that item. Eleven entries were what I would consider news or current events shows. Nobody put that category on the "hate it" list.

The top five "love it" shows are: Grey's Anatomy (7), Lost (7), Gilmore Girls (6), 24 (6), and Oprah (4). The shows that topped the "hate it" list are: Reality Shows (8 if you include Survivor!), CSI (6 total), Jerry Springer (4), Deal or No Deal (4), Beauty and the Geek (3) and Soaps (3). Not everyone listed their dislikes.

On average, the forty staff members who responded watch 11 hours of TV a week. 16 watch less than 5 hours a week, 13 watch about 6-19 hours, 9 watch about 20 hours and 4 admitted to watching over 20 hours a week. 13 said that they tape or TiVo shows to watch later. One staffer said that TiVo is not a luxury but a necessity!

Movies were included on the survey to include the purists who will not do TV. Ten people said that they typically watch no movies. 28 responded that they watch 1 or 2 a week. Only 3 people said that they watch 3 or more on average.

As it turns out, the employees that responded were on opposite sides of the fence for 21+ TV shows. As a group we loved AND hated these shows:

24	Dr. Phil	My Name is Earl
American Idol	ER	Soap Operas
America's Next Top Model	Friday Night Lights	Sopranos
Boston Legal	How I Met Your Mother	Survivor
CSI (all)	Law & Order	The OC
Deal or No Deal	Lost	Veronica Mars
	Medium	

Janet Orzech, Administration

St. Elsewhere helped me answer a reference question identifying a condition known as mitral valve prolapse. A character's story was ongoing for several episodes. She (Eve Leighton) suffered from the disorder and was a transplant candidate. The reference question came in sometime during these episodes.

Mary Dunneback, Reference Services

My girlfriends and I have a Grey's Anatomy season premiere and finale party. We dress in scrubs and have Seattle cuisine and drink Grey Goose martini's.

Tina Ward, Reference Services

Survey

Favorites

24 (6)
 Amazing Race
 American Idol (2)
 America's Next Top Model
 Animal Planet (2)
 Antiques Roadshow
 Arthur
 Bad Girls Club
 Bill O'Reilly - News
 Blow Out
 Body of Evidence
 Bones
 Boston Legal (3)
 Brothers and Sisters (3)
 Buy Me
 Campus Ladies
 Channel 7 News (2)
 Chicago Tonight
 Chicago Week in Review
 CNN
 Cold Case
 Cops
 Craig Ferguson
 Criminal Minds
 CSI - all (3)
 CSI - New York
 CSI - Vegas
 Dancing with the Stars
 Dateline
 David Letterman
 Deal or No Deal
 Degrassi
 Dirty Jobs
 Dog the Bounty Hunter
 Dr. Phil
 ER (2)
 Everybody Loves Raymond (2)
 Extreme Makeover Home Edition
 Flip This House
 Forensic Files
 Friday Night Lights
 Frontline
 George Stephanopoulos Sun.
 Ghost Whisperer
 Gilmore Girls (6)
 Good Morning America
 Grease: You're the One I Want
 Grey's Anatomy (7)
 History's Mysteries
 Home Improvement
 House Hunters (2)
 House MD (3)
 How I Met Your Mother
 Iron Chef America
 Jeopardy
 Jericho (3)
 King of Queens
 Law & Order (3)
 Local News (2)
 Lost (7)
 Masterpiece Theatre
 Me TV
 Medical Miracles
 Medium
 Meet the Press
 Men in Trees (2)
 Monk (2)
 Montel
 My Name is Earl
 NCIS
 Nova (2)
 Numbers (2)
 One Tree Hill
 Oprah (4)
 PBS
 Prison Break
 Psych
 Soap Operas
 Sopranos (2)
 Stargate - Atlantis
 Studio 60
 Super Nanny
 Supernatural (3)
 Survivor
 That 70's Show
 The Apprentice
 The Hills
 The OC
 The Office (3)
 The Office (BBC)
 The Real World
 The View
 Two and a Half Men (2)
 Tyra Banks Show
 Ugly Betty (2)
 Unit
 Vegas (2)
 Veronica Mars
 West Wing
 What I Like About You
 What Not to Wear (2)
 Wheel of Fortune
 Will & Grace
 Without a Trace
 WWE Raw

*"You cannot depend on
 your eyes when your
 imagination is
 out of focus."*

Mark Twain

Least Favorites

24
 American Chopper
 American Idol (2)
 America's Next Top Model
 Beauty and the Geek (3)
 Bernie Mac
 Biggest Losers
 Boston Legal
 Christine
 Comedies/sitcoms (2)
 Crocodile Hunter
 CSI (3)
 CSI Miami (2)
 CSI New York
 Deal or No Deal (3)
 Dirt
 Dr. Phil
 ER
 Friday Night Lights
 Funniest Home Videos
 Gilmore Girls
 Golf Channel
 How I Met Your Mother
 I Love New York
 Jerry Springer (4)
 Jimmy Kimmel
 Junk Brothers
 King of the Hill (2)
 Laguna Beach
 Law & Order
 Leave it to Beaver



Little House on the Prairie
 Lost
 Makeover shows
 Malcolm in the Middle
 MASH
 Maury Povich (2)
 Medium
 Miami Ink
 Monk
 MTV
 My Name is Earl (2)
 My Super Sweet 16
 Mythbusters
 Rachael Ray
 Reality Shows (6)
 Reba
 Saturday Night Live
 Scrubs
 Seinfeld
 Sex and the City
 Simple Life
 Simpsons (2)
 Smallville
 Soaps (3)
 Sopranos
 Spin City
 Survivor (2)
 The OC
 Trading Spaces
 Veronica Mars
 WWE Smackdown



Junk Mail

The wikiHow website is a collaborative writing project to build the world's largest how-to manual. Using contributions, they create a free resource that helps people by offering clear, concise solutions to the problems of everyday life. wikiHow currently contains 16,193 articles written, edited, and maintained primarily by volunteers.

Do you want to rid your mailbox of the endless stream of junk mail? wikiHow offers several outstanding suggestions:

www.wikihow.com/Get-Rid-of-Junk-Mail

What is Geocaching?

(pronounced "geocashing")

Geocaching is an entertaining adventure game for GPS users. The basic idea is to have individuals and organizations set up caches all over the world and share the locations of these caches on the internet. GPS users can then use the location coordinates to find the caches. Once found, a cache may provide the visitor with a wide variety of rewards. All the visitor is asked to do is if they get something they should try to leave something for the cache.

www.geocaching.com

STAFF ASSOCIATION

2007 Staff Association Officers—
President - **Janet Goetz** (Tech Services)
Vice President - **Louise Pfeiffer** (Periodicals)
Treasurer - **Kathy O' Leary** (Reference)

We are open to suggestions and questions if you have any! We are still looking for "vending machine help" (shopping and filling).

We will be having a meeting of Officers and Representatives in the near future to discuss upcoming events (Picnic, Ice Cream Social, Christmas Party etc). We hope to have a Representative from every Department this year!

If a member is having surgery, is sick or is leaving from your department please inform us in plenty of time to get the cards and gifts for that member. Thank you!

Janet Goetz, President

Staffing News

On the Move

Welcome

Linda Pliska started on 12/4 as a Substitute Library Assistant in Reference Services, Periodicals.

Emily Masek started on 2/1 as a Page in Youth Services.

Christine England started on 2/1 as a Page in Youth Services.

Jody Harkabas started 2/19 as a Page in Reference Services.

Effective 1/25 Ramona Garcia has taken a Library Assistant position in Patron Services, ILL Unit. She wanted to learn more about the other departments and wanted to work additional hours. She enjoys working at the library and is considering going back to school to become a librarian.

Allison Arnold has taken a Library Assistant position in Reference, Computer Center effective 1/22. She wanted more hours and a change of scenery. She enjoys working here, the hours fit into her schedule and the people are great.

Susan Ainley has taken a PT Librarian position in Youth Services effective 1/1. I enjoy scouting, hiking, camping, birding and geocaching. I dig the gig. "Juvie" RULES!



Energizer Bunny arrested; charged with battery.

A pessimist's blood type is always b-negative.

Corduroy pillows are making headlines.

Is a book on voyeurism a peeping tome?

Reading whilst sunbathing makes you well-red.



Does the name Pavlov ring a bell?

Without geometry, life is pointless.

What do you get when you cross a snowman with a vampire?
Frostbite

What did the horse say when he fell?
I've fallen and I can't giddy-up.



What do frogs eat with their hamburgers?
French flies.

What goes tick tick woof woof?
A watch dog.

What do you call a monster with no neck?
The Lost Neck Monster.

What do you get when you cross a pig and a centipede?
Bacon and legs.





Marlene Gamboney Retires



After nine years of service, Marlene Gamboney will be retiring. She was hired in the summer of 1997 as a full-time Library Assistant. In 2002 she was promoted to Circulation Services Coordinator, a newly added position.

Marlene will miss the camaraderie among the circulation staff and meeting new people. She feels that her life was enriched by the people around her sharing life's ups and downs. One of the toughest challenges was the combination of the AV service desk with the Circulation Desk. The cross training

of staff and re-training of patrons was not easy. She does admit that scheduling was not her favorite task and will not miss that a bit.

With her new found spare time she plans to start gardening this summer. She will try her hand growing both flowers and vegetables. She may take some time out to go to Lake Lawn Lodge in Wisconsin too. Marlene also hopes to spend some quality time with her daughter and sister now that her schedule has opened up.

Best Wishes Marlene – We'll miss you.

Trustee Elections

Two seats on the Library Board were on the April 17th ballot. Candidates included: Erik J. Wiatr, Patricia Roberts, Frank March and John J. Gonczy. Patricia Roberts has retained her seat on the Board and newly elected John Gonczy will be sworn in at the May 15th Board Meeting. Frank March was the most recent President and served one six year term. Officer elections will take place at the annual Reorganization Meeting prior to the Regular Board Meeting on May 15. The next opportunity for Trustee Elections will be in April of 2009.



Patricia Roberts



John J. Gonczy

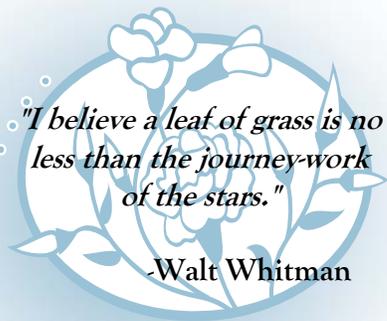
40th Anniversary Oak Lawn Tornado

This weekend's events remembering the 40th Anniversary of the 1967 Tornado could not have been done—and as successfully as it was—without the willing and capable assistance of many, many people. Since January I've been leaning on quite a few folks to get the help I needed and everyone always responded generously. Linda Olsen coordinated events and refreshments, the maintenance staff worked hard at getting the Local History Room ready for visitors, and others too numerous to mention.

This weekend nearly 400 people attended the events at the Library and another estimated 250 people attended the events at the Oak Lawn Community High School.

It could not have been done alone and I thank you all.

*Maureen Gilligan,
Local History Coordinator*



"I believe a leaf of grass is no less than the journey-work of the stars."

-Walt Whitman

Gardening Notes—

I bought a purple mum plant in a pot 4 years ago. My friend, who lives on a farm, told me to cut it back and put it in the garage for the winter when it was finished blooming. Every so often I throw a little water in it, then bring it outside in the spring. So far it has bloomed 4 years in a row — the best \$5 I ever spent! I got a yellow one too.

Donna Buckley, Administration

I don't own a single plant. However, my mother has a beautiful garden with 50 varieties of plants. She can tell you the name of every one. Obviously, I did not inherit her green thumb. I have pulled lots of weeds to keep her garden beautiful.

Kathy O'Leary, Reference Services

I am not a plant person. In fact, if I walk down a plant aisle in a store—the plants seem to die as I walk past!

Debbie Cocanig, Reference Services

My own knowledge of gardening is negligible. I pretty much do what my wife asks me to do.

Jim Casey, Director

I haul soil and plants for my wife, who does all the gardening and houseplant care.

Tom Kochinski, Youth Services

What I enjoy most is just being outside!

Pat Pollard, Reference Services



I especially enjoy growing . . .

...flowers because I enjoy looking at the changes in my garden. I also grow tomatoes, peppers and all kinds of spices.

Dawn Koegel, Patron Services

...pansies in the spring because it gives me a great deal of pleasure to look at them — and tend to them. I enjoy caring for my plants very much. I think I got into enjoying nurturing my plants as my kids grew older.

Jean Day, Youth Services

...perennials because they keep coming back! I also enjoy annuals that are many different colors.

Janet Goetz, Technical Services

...bulbs because they don't require much attention.

Mary Lynn Mysz, Patron Services

...day lilies because they are perennials and require little maintenance.

Mary Clare Sabio, Reference Services

...perennials because they return every year. I'm also proud of my hosta collection and indoor ferns.

Fiona Lindenbusch, Patron Services

...sunflowers because they grow big and tall, look wonderful and squirrels eat the seeds in the Fall. This picture was



taken early last summer. I have grown cucumbers but this year's adventure will be onions.

Sylvia Skucha, Reference Services

...perennials because (no fuss) they just keep popping up each year.

Peggy Butcher, Administration

Keeping

...iris, peonies and roses because the blooms are so lush and colorful. I planted three silver maples (and one red maple) to replace Chinese Elms that were diseased.

Harriet O'Malley, Patron Services



...African violets because they are easy to tend and when they decline can be purchased for \$2 at Jewel. They thrive for about 2 years.

Mary O'Mara, Patron Services

...tomatoes because I love the taste of home-grown. I also work hard at keeping the yard free from weeds.

Louise Pfeiffer, Reference Services

...herbs because I use them in cooking to flavor foods. I like perennials too.

Linda Pliska, Reference Services

...flowers because I love them and it's therapy for me. I also enjoy landscaping.

Jamy Akin, Building Services

...herbs because they are so useful. I also have lots of cacti.

Judith Sandberg, Administration

...flowers because they are pretty and smell good too. I like growing them and giving them to friends. I plant veggies too — free food and they are good for you too! No pesticides.

Christina Johaneck, Patron Services

...flowers because I love the way they look in the summer. I also enjoy growing vegetables to eat in the summer.

Jennifer Lechert, Reference Services

...my garden but I don't have enough time to spend on it.

Maritza Ruiz, Reference Services

It Green



...low maintenance houseplants because I like greenery that is hard to kill.

Linda Olsen, Administration

...tomatoes because you cannot get the same flavor from grocery store tomatoes.

Rita Schumm, Patron Services

...indoor plants because they need less weeding and can be tended to day or night, rain or cold. I love to plant early spring bulbs (hyacinths) in my lawn, The spray of delicate flowers bloom long before the grass greens and offers a welcome sign of warmer days to come.

Andrea Melant, Administration

...vegetables and flowers because I enjoy bringing freshly picked salad and fresh cooked vegetables to my dinner table. I also enjoy picking a flower bouquet for the table.

Joanne Neff, Administration



...star gazer lilies because they are so bold and colorful.

Janet Orzech, Administration

Among those who responded (36) to the survey 17 have plenty of plants. Nine people admitted to a lack of plants with 8 having a few. 17 said that their plants are lush and healthy, 11 not as healthy and 2 struggling to keep them alive.

22 of us have an outside garden, 5 said sometimes and 4 do not. Nine of us spend a considerable amount of time in the garden, 12 are not so committed and 8 can't keep up. 15 love to have lots of flowers in their garden, 9 have flowers some of the time and 5 do without. Eight people spend their time growing vegetables, 7 dabble in the edible and 13 hit the grocery store for their summer produce.

Six individuals claim to have a picture perfect lawn. 10 people don't have a lawn to tend to. 14 admit to having an average lawn and 8 lawns could pass for the "before" picture. 17 struggle to keep the lawn going without professional help, 2 have used a service and 5 depend on the pros to keep their lawn beautiful.

Several years ago we had a small spider plant that was struggling just to stay green. We moved it around our condo from window to window hoping to revive its growth. It finally made its way out to our small balcony. The great outdoors did nothing to improve its condition.

One night my husband laughingly offered to give the plant a great send-off before it died. He poured the last gulp of his can of beer into the pot. Much to our surprise the plant began to grow at an amazing rate. I am guessing that the soil may have had some imbalance that the beer was able to correct.

Five years later the plant is in the same pot (I am afraid to transplant it) and it grows like a weed. It sprouts several arms at a time with babies on each. Once a year I trim it down 3 or 4 feet from the bottom to make room for our Christmas decorations.

Janet Orzech, Administration

"I go to nature to be soothed and healed, and to have my senses put in order."

-John Burroughs

New Addition

Andrea Melant, Administration, is the proud mother of Holly Trinity born April 6. She weighed in at 7 lbs. 7 oz. and is 20" long.

Congratulations!



Happy Mother's Day

*To all
the Moms
on our Staff!*



Suggestion Box



"How about new furniture in the staff lounge? Our's is old and stained. Sometimes people don't want to sit in the chairs."

Unsigned

Good idea!

It may have been 10 years or more since the Library acquired the Staff Lounge furniture. It was in our old lounge - before the remodeling - and that furniture was brought over in 2004 for our present lounge facility. It may be about time to consider either cleaning or replacing the staff lounge furniture.

Those chairs that are stained could be cleaned. However, if the chairs are also uncomfortable, we might want to consider replacing them altogether and/or using the old chairs in our public meeting rooms.

Would anyone like to volunteer for a staff committee to evaluate our Staff Lounge Furniture? Contact me ASAP.

Jim Casey, Director

STAFF ASSOCIATION

We plan to host an event every month this year. To keep with tradition we also promise to have taffy apples in October for members.

The Staff Association is looking for dependable volunteers who are willing to do the grocery shopping for our vending machines. Please contact Jan Goetz, Louise Pfeiffer or Kathy O'Leary if you are interested.

If anyone has a request for a particular vending machine "munchie," you can make a suggestion to one of the Staff Association officers. It's impossible to please everyone but we are open to new ideas.

Janet Goetz, President

Staffing News

Welcome

Earieka Delaney started 3/19 as a Page in Patron Services. She is a student at Eisenhower High School and plans to study Dentistry.



On the Move

Mat Nowak has left the Reference Services Department to work in Patron Services as Library Assistant I, Grade III effective 2/28.

Rosemarie Lozanski, Patron Services, has taken the Circulation Services Coordinator position in that same department effective 4/1.

Maureen Wade will be serving as a Substitute Librarian in Reference Services in addition to Youth Services.

Marlene Gilbert, Patron Services, has taken the Senior Library Assistant position, in that same department effective 5/1.



Why does a round pizza come in a square box?



Why do toasters always have a setting that burns the toast to a horrible crisp, which no decent human being would eat?



How important does a person have to be before they are considered assassinated instead of just murdered?



How is it that we put a man on the moon before we figured out it would be a good idea to put wheels on luggage?



If the professor on Gilligan's island can make a radio out of a coconut, why can't he fix a hole in a boat?

If Wiley E. Coyote had enough money to buy all that ACME stuff, why didn't he just buy dinner?

If corn oil is made from corn, and vegetable oil is made from vegetables, what is baby oil made from?

Why are you IN a movie, but you're ON TV?



Why do the Alphabet song and Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star have the same tune? (Did you just try singing that?)



What disease did cured ham actually have?

Can a hearse carrying a corpse drive in the carpool lane?

If electricity comes from electrons, does morality come from morons?



Staff Longevity Awards

Three staff members were taken by surprise recently when they received recognition for their many years of service. On May 30th Dorothy Zmich (Reference Services) arrived at work to find a cake and gift honoring her for 30 years of service. Kathy Szott (Administration) was also surprised on May 31st to find staff waiting to congratulate her for 25 years of dedication. Later that afternoon Pat Skau (Youth Services) received the same treatment for her 25 years. Dr. Casey presented a gift to each and thanked them for giving so much to the library over the years.

Jean Day, Pat Skau, James Casey

Dorothy Zmich

Kathy Szott



Peg Butcher wanted to plan something a little different this year. She went behind the scenes and organized each of these events without the recipient's knowledge. With the assistance of each department she was able to bring in the cake, gift and decorations without alerting the intended honoree. Staff members had no difficulty making the cakes disappear!

Changes at the Circulation Desk



Rosemarie Lozanski has recruited Marlene Gilbert to be her assistant at the Circulation Desk. Rosemarie was recently promoted to Circulation Services Coordinator leaving the assistant job open. With a staff of 14 (plus substitutes) Rose and Marlene work hard to keep the circulation desk operating smoothly and without delay. Now that the Summer Reading Program is in full swing this is no simple task. We are fortunate to have such a dedicated front line for our library. Thank you!



*"We learn from history
that we do not
learn from history."*

Georg Wilhelm F. Hegel

Graduation News

I would like to brag a bit about my two nephews and my niece.

My nephew, Patrick O'Leary, just received his Master's Degree in Mathematics from Chicago State University. He is teaching part-time at three different colleges.

My niece, Sarah O'Leary, just got her Master's Degree in Biology from Northern Illinois University. She will be teaching at the Illinois Math and Science Academy in the fall.



My nephew, Connor Dempsey, just graduated from Queen of Martyrs grade school. He will be attending Marist High School and received a scholarship from Founders Bank for academic achievement. He also gave one of the closing speeches about his school and what it meant to him and his fellow students.

I am especially proud of their determination to receive a higher education. All four of my grandparents attended school only through the fourth grade.

Kathy O'Leary, Reference Services

Parks

Adventureland
 Boblo Island (Ontario)
 Busch Gardens
 Cedar Point (4)
 Disneyland (6)
 Disney - MGM
 Disneyworld - Epcot (8)
 Enchanted Forest
 Fairyland Park
 Indiana Beach (3)
 Kiddieland - Melrose Park (5)
 Kiddieland - Oak Lawn (3)
 Kiddieland - Schererville
 King's Island
 Knott's Berry Farm (2)
 Magic Mountain
 Michigan's Adventure
 Old Chicago (2)
 Playland
 Riverview (7)
 Santa's Village (3)
 Sea World (2)
 Silver Dollar City
 Six Flags - Gurnee (15)
 Six Flags - Georgia
 Six Flags - St. Louis
 Six Flags -Texas (2)
 Universal Studios
 White City

Favorite

Rides

American Eagle
 Bobs (2)
 Bumper Cars (2)
 Caterpillar
 Disney rides
 Giant Drop
 Lazy River
 Merry-Go-Round (2)
 Parachute Drop
 Pirate Ship
 Pirates of the
 Caribbean
 All Roller Coasters
 Skyride
 Spinning Rides
 Tilt-a-whirl (4)
 Trains

Favorite Parks

Cedar Point (3)
 Disney World (3)
 Indiana Beach
 Riverview (5)
 Six Flags—Gurnee (6)
 Six Flags—Texas

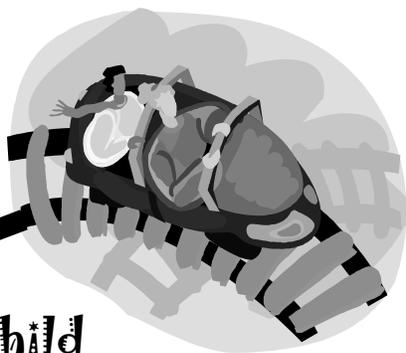
Rides I refuse to go on...

- Anything that turns me upside down or the floor drops away—probably most of the newer ones!! Never like the Ferris Wheel either.
- Water rides where they just dump you under 7 or 8 waterfalls (squishy shoes and creeping underwear).
- Anything that spins—I get ill.
- Presently, I am afraid of any that have a high altitude.
- All roller coasters and the Ferris Wheel—anything high off the ground.
- American Eagle—I almost fell out because the bar wasn't closed all the way!
- Rides that go around in a circle—fast.
- Can't ride the Scrambler anymore; as I get older my equilibrium can't take tight repetitive circles. I won't drop from a high tower either—don't trust my heart to keep tickin'.
- Roller coasters—It is unnatural for humans to be thrown about that way (I am a chicken).
- Just about everything but the Roundabout.
- Upside down rides—I would get sick.
- Déjà vu—because it's always broken down.
- Merry-Go-Round—motion sickness; Ferris Wheel—fear of heights.
- Nothing—the scarier the better!
- Too scary—I am more wimpy as I grow older.
- Roller coasters, Tower of Terror—I guess I am a "chicken"!
- The one where the floor falls out—too scary.
- Roller Coasters, because being afraid isn't fun for me.
- Roller Coasters—too scary.

Love Roller Coasters...

As a youth—17 yes, 9 no

Now—11 yes, 15 no



As a child my favorite ride was...

- Tilt-a-Whirl because we always tried to see if we could get it to spin around more and faster.
- Cars on rails that you could drive around a winding path because it gave me the thrill of driving.
- Kiddy Cars because of all the blinking lights, steering wheel and working horn.
- Roller coasters because of the thrill.
- Teacups because I like spinning as fast as I could.
- Teacups because it was a child size version of the tilt-a-whirl.
- Carousel because it was fun!
- Flying turns because it was fun!
- Tilt-a-whirl because it tickled my tummy.
- Teacups at Disney because it did not scare me.
- Pirates of the Caribbean because I have always had a strange attraction to the pirate lifestyle.
- Roundabout because I like riding the animals and the various carvings.
- Hand pumped rail cars because I had control!
- Tilt-a-whirl because me and my mom used to go on it together and I loved the spinning.
- Gravitron because they put you in a circular room and the floor dropped out and you stuck to the wall. (Many people got sick afterwards.)
- Ferris Wheel because I like heights (I used to beg my Dad to take me and I hoped it would stop on the top.).
- Hay Bailer because it went around and around really fast!
- Tilt-a whirl because it was fun going around in circles real fast.
- Whip ride because it was exciting.
- Merry-go-round because I'd have fun selecting the prettiest horse to ride.
- Boomerang because you sat in a round "cart" that spun you around very fast then let the cart go into a dark tunnel where the cart bounced off the walls! (No wonder my Dad hated to go on the ride with us!)

Our third date was at Riverview Park. I did my best to convince Carol to go on the Parachute Ride. All was fine until we got near the top. The release got stuck about 10-15 feet from the top and we were hanging for about 15 minutes (it felt like an eternity). She got a "little" upset when they told her not to worry—they would get us down. They finally got a crew man to come up and release the snag so that we could drop down. The whole time I was thinking that this would be my last date with this girl! But, after she beat me with her purse, gave me a few choice words, and the silent ride home — she calmed down...

We are still together— no more parachute rides!

Al Krueger, Building Services

Favorite Roller Coasters

- American Eagle (3)
- Batman
- Bobs (3)
- Demon (3)
- Fireball
- Magnum XL-200
- Raging Bull (2)
- Space Mountain

*"An investment in
knowledge pays
the best interest."*

—Benjamin Franklin

More Graduation News . .

My son, Brett Butcher, just earned his Associate's Degree from Moraine Valley Community College. Brett also works here as a computer technician part-time. He is contemplating whether or not to continue his education.

Go Brett !

Peg Butcher, Administration



Two of our Pages in Reference Services recently graduated from Oak Lawn Community High School. Payal Rana will be attending the University of Illinois and Angie Nalepa will be going to Moraine Valley Community College.

Congratulations!

Verlyn Biere, Reference Services



Matthew Nowak graduated from the University of Illinois on May 13th. He majored in criminal justice.

We are all very proud of Matt!

Rosemarie Lozanski, Patron Services

Engagement Announcement



On May 4, Linda Olsen, Public Relations Officer, became engaged to Scott Atkins, biology teacher and head basketball coach at Oak Lawn Community High School. The couple is now in the process of planning a spring wedding for 2008.

Congratulations Linda!

More Announcements...

Mary Dunneback, Reference Services, has been ushered into the realms of grandparenthood with the birth of twin boys on June 13th.

Brian and Kate Dunneback are the proud parents of Kyle (6 lbs. 4 oz.) and Connor (6 lbs. 14 oz.)



Mary's son Patrick just received his Master's degree from Northwestern University in Communications Studies. In addition, her husband Jim was sworn in to the Supreme Court bar in Washington, DC on June 4th!

Wow, congratulations to all!

STAFF ASSOCIATION

HAPPY SUMMER !

Some of our upcoming events are:

Ice Cream Social in July

Picnic in August

We need some "helpers" for the picnic – for games, prizes and new ideas. We usually have an egg toss and water balloons and/or squirt guns. If you are interested in helping please see me!

If you are already a member THANKS for supporting us and if you aren't – maybe you would like to join!

Janet Goetz,
Staff Association President

Welcome

Andrew Biondi started 6/12 as a Substitute Page in Reference Services.

Gerry Cepek started 6/19 as a Substitute Library Assistant in Patron Services.

Kathleen Harigan started 6/19 as a Substitute Library Assistant in Patron Services.

Staffing News

On the Move

Janet Orzech will be leaving the Administration Department to take the Web Services Coordinator position in the Reference Department effective 8/1.

Sun Exposure Tips

Summer brings with it hot sunny days. Avoid the sun between 11 and 3; use a sunscreen appropriate to your skin type; take extra care with children and infants; re-apply sun screen according to product directions; be mindful of photo-sensitive medications; if you blister, seek medical attention; and remember, most self tanning products DO NOT contain sun blockers.



Why doesn't glue stick to the inside of its bottle?



What do you plant to grow a seedless watermelon?



If nothing ever sticks to TEFLON, how do they make TEFLON stick to the pan?

If you're in a vehicle going the speed of light, what happens when you turn on the headlights?

You know how most packages say "Open here"? What is the protocol if the package says, "Open somewhere else"?

If it's zero degrees outside today and it's supposed to be twice as cold tomorrow, how cold is it going to be?



Why are there flotation devices under plane seats instead of parachutes?

Why are cigarettes sold in gas stations when smoking is prohibited there?

Why is lemon juice mostly artificial ingredients but dishwashing liquid contains real lemons?



If a store is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, why are there locks on the doors?



Staff get into the 'spirit' of

Several staff members showed their Halloween spirit this year by wearing costumes that ranged from fun to frightful! Displaying a flair for creativity, employees came dressed as Resurrection Mary, Peter Pan, and a granny ghoul, just to name a few! Here are some of our fellow co-workers in their festive wear...



From left to right: Jeff Lein tries out his newfound flying abilities as Peter Pan, cowgirl Linda Olsen gets held up by desperado Andrea Melant, and Julia Churchill shows off her true colors as a candy kid.

Matt Szott featured in Daily Southtown



Kathy Szott's son Matt was recently featured in the Daily Southtown for his experiences as a Boy Scout. In the article, Matt credits scouting for the great opportunities he has enjoyed, such as backpacking in the mountains of New Mexico. Matt, a student at Stagg High School, is well on his way to earning the highest scouting achievement—the Eagle Scout rank!

Great job, Matt!

Costume Contest



First place:
Verlyn Biere
as Resurrection Mary

Second place:

Janet Orzech as



Third place:
Linda Dudlicek
as a **Lame**

Oak Leaves Editor: Melissa Apple



Board

"Happiness often sneaks in through a door you didn't know you left open."

-John Barrymore

Memories...

In high school my group of friends would gather at my house on Fridays to play Cranium. Every time, someone's incorrect answers caused us to laugh wildly. The simplest things can be indecipherable when they are drawn with closed eyes and minimal drawing skills. Clearly, Dave had drawn a man juggling, but Jen shouted, "It's peas!" Once in awhile one of our funny misconceptions comes up. Let's just say acting out "hormone" was complicated.

Angeline Nalepa, Reference Services

I have three wonderful kids. BUT since they were little (they're all grown up now) we have tried every board game possible. My son is great at reading instructions and we all have to FOLLOW the instructions. It sounds like it would be a nice family evening, but NO! One wants to bend the rules because they are losing, one gets bored and wants to hurry the game along, and one insists we follow the rules. Over the years, we have found that if we all don't play at the same time it might work. When it does work, it is a great time.



Anonymous

I play literati almost every night on the Internet—it is the Yahoo! Version of Scrabble.

Iris Dykstra, Patron Services

Growing up, one of the things that made my Christmas wish list every year was a new board game. I think I asked for everything from Candyland to Monopoly over the years. Then my cousins and I would get together and have board game marathons. However, no matter what novel game we received, we somehow always found our way back to Monopoly. Oh, the hours we spent playing that game!

Childhood Favorites

Candyland (8)

Monopoly (6)

Chutes & Ladders (4)

Clue (4)

Scrabble (3)

Checkers (3)

Parcheesi (2)

Hi ho! Cherry-o

Barbie (2)

Stop Thief

Stratego

Hungry Hungry Hippos

Life

Masterpiece

Mad Magazine

Current Favorites

Scrabble (9)

Monopoly (8)

Sorry (3)

Checkers (2)

Clue (2)

Trivial Pursuit (2)

Parcheesi (2)

Cranium

Dominos

Upwords

Backgammon

Boggle

Chess

Pretty Pretty Princess

The Game of Real Life

Memory

Mr. Mouth

Chinese Checkers

games



Nowadays, I still enjoy board games, and it looks like I'm not the only one! I hope you all enjoyed sharing your favorite games, especially those from childhood. Some of them I had forgotten about, like Hungry Hungry Hippos and Hi ho! Cherry-o! What great games! Now, let's check out the other games that you have loved and hated over the years...

Least Favorites

- Trivial Pursuit—too hard/too many obscure topics
- Scrabble
- Life—I get stuck with too many kids!
- Mouse Trap—always falls apart
- Monopoly—takes too long
- Chess—no patience for it/too much thinking
- Twister
- Games that rely too much on chance
- Stratego and Risk—because I stink at them!
- Sorry—I don't like sending other players backwards and having that done to me
- None—I like them all!

I used to love playing Scrabble because I'd often win. Now I am humbled by the fact that my 8-year-old son always beats me at Monopoly!

Mary Clare Sabio, Reference Services

*"To live a creative life,
we must lose our fear
of being wrong."*

-Joseph Chilton Pearce

More memories...

My grandmother who lived with us did not like board games, but she was a puzzle person—I mean 1,000 plus piece puzzles. She would set up a large table and start a puzzle in October and worked 5 minutes here and there on it until the puzzle was finished. All of us kids would pass by the table finding a piece



to fit in here and there, but it helped us to feel like we were part of the finished product. Grandmothers are pretty smart cookies!

Joanne Neff, Administration

When I was a child we had relatives in Vermont we would visit every year. One of my great delights was playing Parcheesi with the adults. The board was a big piece of wood that my dad had painted, and every few years he would repaint it. My dad is an amateur artist so this board was a work of art! We played with my great aunt and uncle. My great uncle lost his hearing working in the Ethan Allen factory, but not his sense of humor. Both my great aunt and uncle took great delight in knocking us off the board, as we did also. This is one of my favorite childhood memories.

Julia Churchill, Patron Services

STAFF ASSOCIATION

4th Annual Cookie Exchange - December 13th

Would you like to have an awesome assortment of cookies for the holidays without all the fuss? The idea behind a "Cookie Exchange" is to bake a batch or two of your favorite cookies and share them with others who do the same. We will set the cookies out and you will have an opportunity to take a few cookies from each plate. You will have a great variety of cookies without having to go through all the hassle of making each recipe your-



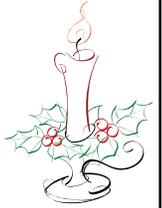
self.

In order for this to go smoothly we need to know how many people would like to participate. For each cookie you bake, you will get a

Staff Association will be electing officers for the 2008 term at the beginning of the year. We need a President, Vice President, Treasurer and a Social Chair. If you are interested in running you will be able to "sign up" on a sheet in the breakroom.



Our Christmas Party will be on Friday December 14 at Stony Creek Clubhouse here in Oak Lawn. We will have the whole room to ourselves this time and they always decorate it so nicely! Members (as always) will be "free" and guests will have to pay a small fee.



Staffing News

Welcome

Trish Ryan, PT Library Assistant, Patron Services, started on 7/2. Her hobbies include movies, TV, reading, and board games. Trish also works as a child care giver and as an elder-care giver.



Robert Dee, PT Page, Reference Services, started on 8/16.

Brittany DuVall, PT Page, Reference and Youth Services, started on 8/15.



Daniel Powers, PT Librarian, Reference Services, started on 8/15. He enjoys baseball, travel, history, classic literature, and motorcycles.

Robert Gronski, PT Page, Patron Services, started on 9/24.

Shannon Kazmierczak, Substitute Librarian, Reference Services, started on 10/1.

On the Move

Joanne Neff, Administration, has taken the Administrative Assistant position in that same department effective 7/16. She said she applied for the position because the opportunity presented itself and provided her a chance to learn more skills.

Janet Orzech left the Administration department to take the Web Services Coordinator position in Reference Services. Janet said, "The computer center is a great place to help patrons and staff members learn more about computers. I also enjoy working with web-sites."



Brett Butcher has changed from Sub Status in the Reference Department—Computer Center, to PT Library Assistant, Grade III in the same department effective 8/1.

Todd Suhs has moved from the Reference department to a position in Youth Services as PT Library Assistant, Grade IV effective 7/19.

Gi^gg^gle

A little Thanksgiving humor...

What key has legs and can't open any doors?
A turkey!

Which side of the turkey has the most feathers?
The outside.

Why does a pilgrim's pants always fall down?
Because they wear their belt buckle on their hat.



What's the best thing to put into a pumpkin pie?
Your teeth!

What always comes at the end of Thanksgiving?
The letter "g"

When the pilgrims landed, where did they stand?
On their feet!

