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We're back!!! Did you miss us?

In this issue of the ISU Library Newsletter we have tried to catch up on the events and happenings of the last few months. The editorial board welcomes your story ideas and information about activities and events that relate to the people who work at CML.

We are planning to limit the number of paper copies made by posting each issue on the web. Please notify Cynthia Starks if you would like to keep receiving a paper copy.

The editorial board includes Penny Kyker, Cynthia Starks, Robin Bradford and Lora AmsberryAugier.



The Haunting of Cunningham Memorial Library

by Robin Bradford and Tina Tapy

There was an Ancient Librarian
Who shelved so steadily
the carts and carts of books
that were loaded so heavily

From top to bottom she would go
Shelving books from left to right
Up and down she'd reach and bend
From early morn to near midnight

She'd wheel the cart from floor to floor
Settling books into their place
From her very first day until she died

None, save the books, looked on her face.

When she was gone the books went mad
Switching spots from here to there
Some suspected, others guessed
Without her they went who knows where

"We can't find it!" "It's not there!"
Big and little kids did cry
"Can we put a trace on that?"
Search forms nearly reached the sky

Plaintive meows, paws a-tapping
The Library Cat, white orange and black
Can it be? Who would think it?
The Librarian's spirit has come back.

Don't Miss This !!!

You are all invited to come over to the Library, Friday, Oct 31 aka **HALLOWEEN** and sing pumpkin carols to the passing crowd whilst standing on the cement bench outside the front entrance, from

11:45-noon, or until we can't stand it any longer!

Yes, come in costume or wear a mask (some will be available) and regale the throngs with such seasonal favorites as:

- 1 Deck the Patch
- 2 Shivery Yells
- 3 Great Pumpking is Coming to Town
- 4 Pumpkin Wonderland

LIFE INSTRUCTIONS

As we think about all the good things in our life during the Thanksgiving holiday we should resolve to carry this happiness with us as we live our every day lives. The following list may offer a little help to all of us.

1. Give people more than they expect and do it cheerfully.
2. Memorize your favorite poem.
3. Don't believe all you hear, spend all you have or sleep all you want.
4. When you say, "I love you", mean it.
5. When you say, "I'm sorry", look the person in the eye.
6. Be engaged at least six months before you get married.
7. Believe in love at first sight.
8. Never laugh at anyone's dreams.
9. Love deeply and passionately. You might get hurt but it's the only way to live life completely.
10. In disagreements, fight fairly. No name calling.
11. Don't judge people by their relatives.
12. Talk slow but think quick.
13. When someone asks you a question you don't want to answer, smile and ask, "Why do you want to know?"
14. Remember that great love and great achievements involve great risk.
15. Call your mom.
16. Say "bless you" when you hear someone sneeze.
17. When you lose, don't lose the lesson.
18. Remember the three R's: Respect for self; Respect for others; Responsibility for all your actions.
19. Don't let a little dispute injure a great friendship.
20. When you realize you've made a mistake, take immediate steps to correct it.
21. Smile when picking up the phone. The caller will hear it in your voice.

22. Marry a man/woman you love to talk to. As you get older, his/her conversational skills will be as important as any other.
23. Spend some time alone.
24. Open your arms to change, but don't let go of your values.
25. Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.
26. Read more books and watch less TV.
27. Live a good, honorable life. Then when you get older and think back, you'll get to enjoy it a second time.
28. Trust in God but lock your car.
29. A loving atmosphere in your home is so important. Do all you can to create a tranquil harmonious home.
30. In disagreements with loved ones, deal with the current situation. Don't bring up the past.
31. Read between the lines.
32. Share your knowledge. It's a way to achieve immortality.
33. Be gentle with the earth.
34. Pray, there's immeasurable power in it.
35. Never interrupt when you are being flattered.
36. Mind your own business.
37. Don't trust a man who doesn't close his eyes when you kiss him.
38. Once a year, go someplace you've never been before.
39. If you make a lot of money, put it to use helping others while you are living. That is wealth's greatest satisfaction.
40. Remember that not getting what you want is sometimes a stroke of luck.
41. Learn the rules then break some.
42. Remember that the best relationship is one where your love for each other is greater than your need for each other.
43. Judge your success by what you had to give up in order to get it.
44. Remember that your character is your destiny.
45. Approach love and cooking with reckless abandon.

- Unknown

Courtesy of

Lorraine N. Day

Submitted by: Ann Cockerham

Avoiding Computer-Related Injuries

by Debbie Considine

The most common health related problem related to computers is _____.

If you guessed carpal tunnel syndrome, you're incorrect. According to Rosemarie Atencio, an expert in repetitive strain prevention, the answer is eyestrain.

In her article in September's *Computers in Libraries*, Atencio mentions several symptoms of the problem. The more obvious symptoms are blurred vision, headaches, gritty eye sensation, color perception change, and decreased visual efficiency. A couple of less obvious ones are neck and shoulder pain, more frequent errors, and reduced efficiency.

The causes Atencio mentions break down into three categories. Those categories are lighting problems, inappropriate computer equipment or setup, and inadequate eye care.

Atencio also said one needs to take a break a computer every two hours. During the break, Atencio suggest doing one of the following exercises:

*Follow the lines of a tree or cloud or scan a distant horizon.

*Wash your eyes of dust particles with an eyecup and distilled water.

*Rub your hands together until they are warm and tingling. Close your eyes and cup the palms over your eyes and rest the heels of the hands on your cheekbones. Breathe deeply and visualize black.

*With closed eyes, move your eyes slowly to the right, to the left, up, and down. Repeat three times.

*Apply steady finger pressure to each of the following three points and take deep breaths at each point.

1. Press your index finger on both sides of the root of the bridge of your nose.
2. Press the indentation just at the outside corner of each eye.
3. Press at the cheek ridge just below the middle of each eye.

If carpal tunnel syndrome, tendonitis, or some other related work problem also bothers you, there are exercises for those as well.

Wrist curls: Keeping fingers relaxed, make circles with your hand to stretch the wrist. Do 10 circles with each wrist.

Finger stretch: Spread the fingers as wide as possible. Hold for five seconds and relax. Repeat three times with each hand.

Thumb stretch: With one hand palm up, pull the thumb gently downward. Hold for five seconds. Repeat three times with each hand.

The hand and wrist exercises came from the April 1992 issue of *ISU Libraries News*. Atencio's comments are from the Sept. 1996 issue of *Computers In Libraries*.

Welcome New Staff Members

New faces have been appearing in the library since the beginning of the school year. Please introduce yourself to our new staff members when you see them in the halls.



LIS/LI&O

Elizabeth Blakesley Lindsay started at ISU Library on September 3, 1997. She is works in LI&O and has been very busy this semester giving bibliographic instruction classes. Beth received her MLS in 1993 and completed her MA in comparative literature and African Studies in 1995 at Indiana University, Bloomington.

Beth is a native Hoosier, she is originally from Kokomo, IN and comes to Terre Haute by way of Bloomington. She is married to Shawn Lindsay and they have one cat named Abby.

When asked about her hobbies and interests, she replied that she enjoys quilting. Her leisure reading habits tend toward Mystery Novels with an emphasis on women writers such as Sue Grafton and Marcia Muller. She is part of the Terre Haute Sinfionetta in which she plays the bassoon. She doesn't have any solos in their upcoming performance, but she says she does have a few places in the concert where she gets to shine.

THMEF

Timothy Tollefson is the newest member in the TH Medical Education Foundation Information Center Department. He started this past Monday October 27, 1997 as a Library Assistant II. Tim and his wife Melissa have been living in Terre Haute for a little over a year. His wife, Melissa, works as a Teaching Assistant at Sugar Grove Elementary School.

Tim is musically inclined, he received a BA in Music Composition in 1993 from Luther College in Decorah, IA.. His plans include working for an MA in Music Composition. Tim plays the piano with the Terre Haute Sinfionetta. He said that he doesn't have any true solos, but he does get a few stand out moments.

Tim's favorite type of leisure reading is the Science Fiction novel. C.S. Lewis is one of his top choices. He just completed reading Out of the Silent Planet and says that he would recommend it to others.

Career Center Library

Martha Oprisko has been working in the Career Center Library since the beginning of this school year. Unfortunately, we didn't have the opportunity to interview Martha for the Newsletter, but we want to welcome her to the ISU Library and to wish her well in her new position.

SCCM

Larry Lynch has accepted the position as Library Assistant I in our SCCM Department. Larry is currently a graduate student in the History Department here at ISU. He and his wife have a precious little dog named Rosie. She was named after President Franklin D. Roosevelt because she was born on his birthday.

Larry's feels that the experience working here in the library will help with his graduate studies.

Nothing in life is certain—Larry's motto is to take "One day at a time". Welcome aboard Larry!

LIS

Lora AmsberyAugier completed her MLS degree at Indiana University, Bloomington, in August of this year, and immediately came up to ISU to start in Library Information Services. She will be here through June 12. She brings an international flavor to us in the person of her husband, Denis, who is from France, and whom she met when he was an exchange student in her home state of Nebraska (Nebraska is not the international part). Denis defended his thesis last Monday, and holds a brand-new Ph.D. in French Literature – Congratulations! Lora likes to keep her hands busy with needlework, especially knitting and crocheting. Let her know if you are a knitter and would like to swap patterns. For reading, she likes horror, and, surprise, surprise, Stephen King is her favorite. She is reading *Rose Madder* right now – don't tell her how it ends! She has been working on the LIS home page and has taken pictures of almost all of us in the department to scan in for our own professional home pages. She helps students at the desk and teaches library instruction classes. Oh, yes, she is a dog person, but that's okay. Library dog people (the one or two) will rally around her, until she joins the majority and gets a cat as well.

Library Wide

A special welcome to the new and returning Student Assistants that work in all the departments in the ISU Library. We're glad you are here and hope that you understand how important you are to us.

Happenings

Rare Books and Special Collections is making information in various formats available on the Web. Most recently, the department added and Friends of the Cunningham Memorial Library website at

<http://cml.indstate.edu/friends/>. It is noteworthy that the department is the first in the library to begin using Novell as a webserver.

Visiting <http://cml.indstate.edu/rare/> will provide access to various files, including a departmental guide, a quick links page to databases and lists, and information about the department. Data is being added on a regular basis.

Steve Hardin was just named to the Executive Committee of ASIS (American Society for Information Science), for one year starting November 6. Steve has served on the Board of Directors for two years already, and will finish his three-year term this coming year. We think Steve is pretty illustrious himself, but he will be in some top-notch company on the Executive Committee with the ASIS President, Past President, President-Elect and Treasurer. ASIS has 4,000 members and chapters on six continents. Way to go, Steve!

ISU Support Staff Council continues to have a strong library presence: **Jean Flak** has been elected and **Nancy Watkins** has been re-elected for this academic year.

Astonishing view of the new carpet! **Marsha Miller** announces that, although the new carpet has been in place for three whole months, you can still see the floor of her office! Stop by and see for yourself.

Community "Notes" include musical news from **Nancy Watkins**. Nancy will complete her term as Vice-President of the American Federation of Musicians Local 25 on January 1, and will continue to serve as a Board member. Never say "nobody asked me" because Nancy is hereby inviting any suggestions for Terre Haute Symphony Orchestra programs.

She is on the Music Selection Committee and wants to hear your ideas.

Betsy Hine was elected Vice-chair/Chair elect of the Indiana Academic Library Association for the coming year. Congratulations, Betsy!

To see a listing of the professional activities that other faculty are involved in, pull up the file, Library Faculty Activities, on Netscape. The URL for this file is:

file:///F:/LIBGRPS/TRAINING/Lib-act.htm

Birthday Wishes



A belated Birthday wish goes out to all May through October Birthday and Happy Birthday to all who have their Birthday in November....

May Birthdays

Joan Evans
Teresa Herrington

June Birthdays

Jean Flak
Sheila Gregg
Mebby Griffy
Esther Hedges
Tim Linkeman
Ron Martin
Carol Vanatti
Susan Thompson

July Birthdays

Kathy Gaul
Tsokan Huang
Marsha Lindsey
Rolland McGiverin
Wilma Turetzky
Sherrie Koma

August Birthdays

Paul Asay
Ann Cockerham
Dallas Hart
Marsha Miller
Shirley Risley

September Birthdays

Betty Alcorn
Janet Henderson
Elizabeth Lorenzen
Debbie Considine
Tina Tapy

October Birthdays

Sally Baker
Tricia Holsapple
Carol Jimbo
Allen Keathley
Mary Ann Phillips
Judy Tribble
Joyce Wallace
Dennis Vetrovec

Service Anniversaries

During the Newsletter's absence we have missed a few Anniversaries also. We appreciate the work a dedication you have shown to the ISU Library.

July Anniversaries

Jack Lyle
35 years of service
Started 07/01/62

Barbara Keller
30 years of service
Started 07/01/67

August Anniversaries

Betsy Hine
10 years of Service
Started 08/10/87

September Anniversaries

Tsokan Huang
25 years of Service
09/15/72

Sheila Gregg
10 years of Service
09/28/87

October Anniversaries

Kathy Gaul
20 years of Service
10/10/77

Retirement

Farewell, Farewell to Susan Thompson
by Elizabeth Lorenzen

The ISU Library Newsletter bids a fond farewell to Susan Thompson. She retired on July 1, 1997. Susan began working at the ISU Library in 1980. She was asked about

how things were 17 years ago and what accomplishments she was most proud of.

"Back in 1980, we had no Dean, the acting person was ready to retire, and we had no Director of Public Services, nor of Technical Services...it was interesting. And there was no signage on campus—I missed the library twice thinking it was the hospital!"

As far as accomplishments go, I think our Science Reference collection is head and shoulders above most for a school this size. And, although we had been responding to reference questions sent to our web page from around the world, I am pleased that we now have an official Online Reference Service."

When asked what plans she had for retirement, Susan was quick to show me the picture of the new RV she purchased when she traded in her old VW camper. She also plans to continue her family genealogy research and "finally get efficient with the photographic equipment and computer graphics program I bought back when I thought work meant an eight hour day." As far as hobbies go, she'll be busy enough with the old ones such as her birding expeditions, but she'd like to take up scuba diving in warmer waters.

I personally will have good memories of Susan as being one of those "senior" faculty members who was so open and helpful to this "junior" faculty member when she started seven years ago—what a surprise to find another horse person in our ranks, albeit a former horse owner, but once a horse person, always a horse person? Susan's stories of the palomino named "Banana" gave me a good laugh when I needed it!

Best wishes, Susan, for a happy and healthy retirement. Enjoy your traveling adventures in your new transportation, and feel free to keep us updated on your adventures!

Congratulations!

Congratulations are due to **Valentine Muyumba!** She received her Master of Library Science degree from the Indiana University School of Library and Information Science on May 10, 1997.

Tina has worked at the ISU Library for 19 years. She is currently in Serials Cataloging and Catalog Management (SCCM).

Dara Middleton has accepted the position as Computer Specialist I in our Systems Department.

Dara has worked at the ISU Library for 16 years in four different departments. She began work here as a Student Assistant in Reference, from there she moved to Government Documents and before this latest job change she had been working in Inter-Library Loan.

Dara is looking forward to challenges that will refresh skills she has not used in a long time! Good Luck Dara!

ISU Homecoming Parade !

ISU HOMECOMING PARADE !

by Cynthia Starks

Grouchy, tired, sleepy, I pressed my way to the ISU HOMECOMING PARADE! Surprisingly, after being there for at only 10 minutes, I found myself joining in with the laughter. I even had my face painted with blue ink like a kitty cat. The Parade started and also the fun, fun, fun.

The kids were anxious and excited and READY FOR THE CANDYYYYY!!! The smiles from the kids when you gave out the goodies and the joy of walking and joking around with fellow employees made this grouchy, tired, sleepy Library Asst. I, become a kid all over again. Thanks Guys!

Teresa Kirkpatrick, who coordinated the participation of Information Services in the Homecoming Parade, said, "A lot of planning and work went into our walking unit, and I want to thank everyone who was involved, especially Joyce Wallace, Deb Robinson, and Janet Henderson." She shared what she thought was the most exciting part of coordinating the parade: "Even after the hard work getting everything ready for the parade and some grumbling about how early we had to line up, people kept coming up to me as we neared the end of the parade to share the ideas that they had for our unit in next year's Homecoming Parade!"

Food Critic's Corner



The Tumbleweed Reviewed

by Debbie Considine

For both Marsha Lindsey and myself, going to the Tumbleweed Restaurant was at first a negative experience that now has become a positive one.

Marsha went to the restaurant shortly after it opened. She had to wait an hour to get a seat. The saying "Good things come to those who wait," however, didn't apply to Marsha's first visit. While the server was bringing salads to her table, one ended up on the floor by the table, and salad dressing went all over the place. If that wasn't

enough, her steak was very burnt. She came to the conclusion she probably never would return.

My negative experience was far less traumatic. My father and mother had raved about Texas Roadhouse ever since they had eaten at one in Gainesville, Fla. When one finally came here, my daughter and I were really eager to go.

One evening my father decided to take us to Texas Roadhouse. The wait was too long, so we went to Tumbleweed. The first thing I noticed when I came in was the metal ceilings. I wished I had some in my home. After we got to sit down, I enjoyed looking at the Southwestern yet understated decor.

My father had the pork chop, my daughter had steak, and I had the grilled tuna salad. All three of us enjoyed our meals.

Since we had a positive experience there, my father wanted to take my mother there. He made the mistake, however, of telling her it was just like Texas Roadhouse, which it isn't. She doesn't like Mexican food, and that type of cuisine is the bulk of what is offered. I suggested she try the grilled chicken salad. She liked that, but she prefers the offerings at Texas Roadhouse much more.

My daughter, her boy friend and I have been back to Tumbleweed several times since then. My daughter and her boy friend usually get nachos. They always have enough to take home and eat another time. I've ordered a variety of different things. My favorite is the chimichanga dinner. I prefer the queso sauce for my chimichanga. If you're looking for an inexpensive yet filling meal, I would suggest the small buffalo wing platter. The buffalo wings come with a serving of country fries, some celery sticks, a small tomato, and ranch sauce. I had more than enough to eat, and it cost only \$4.95.

Despite her initial bad experience, Marsha decided to give Tumbleweed one more try. Her waiting time was only five minutes, and she said the service was great. She again ordered the steak and chicken, and it was much better the second time. The second experience made her want to return again.

In case you couldn't tell by my previous comments, Tumbleweed is one of my favorite restaurants. If you're a Mexican food fan, you'll probably like it. Tricia Holsapple said she liked the Mexican food she had there. Additionally, I like the food much better than that at Chi-Chis.

However, the menu for non-Mexican food lovers is limited. Additionally, if you go in there and expect it to be like Texas Roadhouse, you'll be disappointed.

Notes

We have worked hard to catch up with all the library news that we missed during our summer and early fall hiatus. Please let us know if we have overlooked someone who deserves a pat on the back or if there is something going on in your department that you would like the rest of us to know about!

Have a safe and fun Halloween !!!