

#### STAFF NEWSLETTER OF THE METROPOLITAN LIBRARY SYSTEM

# Northwest Library on the Starting Line



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• Birthdays & Hire Dates When you've got a horse in the race, those laps around the track can seem to take forever. That's how it can sometimes feel when you're waiting for a construction project to complete—especially one that's been in some stage or other for a dozen years.

But the Patience S. Latting Northwest Library is set to open its doors on May 22 for a full week of celebration. We'll have some pix for you next month. But for now, here's a photo that captured a great moment in the history of NW Library—here's Maintenance Tech Jon Vodka wheeling the first batch of books into our newest facility. A sweet



moment for MLS and the citizens of northwest Oklahoma City and County.



South east corner of the Northwest Library. Bookdrop is on the very corner.

May 2012

Drive through to the bookdrop on the south side of the building.



## SHELFLIFE GRADUATION HONORS



Cue "Pomp and Circumstance March #1"

We are reminded at this time every year that the MLS family is more than just the folks who work here. We share the joys, and sometimes the sorrows, of each other—and May is a month of happiness as some of our colleagues and their families go through the rite of passage known as GRADUATION.

Here are the graduations we've heard about. If you haven't sent an important one from your life or work place, please do and we'll recognize the graduate(s) next month.

From last December, SO wants to tip the hat to library aide **Emily Green** who graduated from UCO with a degree in Elementary Education; library aide **Steven Glover**, with a degree in Business Administration from Mid-America Christian University, and library aide **Stacey O'Neil**, with a degree in Early Childhood Education from OU. And we can't forget associate librarian **Cheryll Jones** who completed her Master's in Library and Information Studies at OU.

For May, **Lisa Heinrich** (CAT) and her husband Ron congratulate their daughter Stefanie on graduating from the University of Oklahoma with Bachelor of Arts & Science degrees in Letters and Religious Studies. Stefanie will be interning with the Oklahoma State Fair and she plans to get her masters in publishing.

From DN, associate librarian **Cheryl Pernell** sends her best wishes to daughter Kamisha Busby who graduates from SNU with her MBA. In addition, Kamisha was recently promoted to the position of Office Manager of Nursing at the Oklahoma Indian Clinic for Women. Cheryl is also proud of the success of her daughter-in-law Shareena Eckbah-Pernell, who is graduating from Texas Tech with a Masters in International Studies. Shareena is interning with Channel 4 and plans to work in mass media.

**Pam Buchanan** in IT sends a proud shout-out to her daughter Taryn Buchanan, who is graduating from Carl Albert High School and will soon be attending OU.

And from MC, assistant manager **Tracey Thompson** is pleased to announce the graduation of her daughter Jordan Thompson from high school, and her intention to enroll in Bowling Green State University as a Music major.

Also from MC, associate librarian **Kristin Williamson** is graduating from OU with her MLIS.

It ain't easy, folks, so we send our best wishes for continued success to all our MLS graduates.

## Capitol Hill's Creative Kids



Capitol Hill Library Manager Jana Hausburg wrote:

These two kids came to the Capitol Hill library on Sat., April 14th and spent the whole morning working on their school project building this castle. Trinidad (little girl) and Domingo said they were completing a social studies project on the Medieval society. Awesome!

Thanks Jana - for the great Photo!

## New Delivery Schedule

Just in case you haven't seen it already, here is a copy of the new, revised and improved Delivery Schedule. Effective April 23.

	R	Route 1		Route 2		Route 3		Sat. Route	
	ED	8:30 AM	BI	8:30 AM	DN	9:30 AM	ED	9:30 AM	
3	LU	9:30 AM	WA	9:15 AM	DC	10:15 AM	BI	10:15 AM	
	JN	10:30 AM	BE	10:15 AM	RE	11:00 AM	NW	11:15 AM	
	VI	12:30 PM	MC	12:15 PM	SO	12:45 PM	MC	1:15 PM	
	NW	1:15 PM	NP	1:00 PM	СН	1:30 PM	SO	2:00 PM	
	ED	2:15 PM	СТ	1:30 PM	WR	2:15 PM	DN	3:00 PM	
	-		HR	2:15 PM	DN	2:30 PM			

## The ShelfLife Quiz:

### You Don't Have To Be an Idiot to Pass This One (But It Helps)

I was going to introduce this month's quiz with the rhetorical question, "Who doesn't love The Three Stooges?" but I was afraid that readers would ignore the "rhetorical" part and crash our email system. If you're one of the many who never succumbed to the anarchy of Larry, Moe and Curly (and sometimes Shemp), you may want to skip this quiz. For the rest of you, try to match the priceless gem of Stooge dialogue with the film from which it was drawn.

- 1. "What is this you're doing?' "The elevator dance." "Elevator dance?" "Yeah, there's no steps to it."
- 2. "You know I'm tempermental."
  - "Yeah, 95% temper, 5% mental."
- 3. "What comes after 75?" "76." "That's the spirit!"
- 4. "Good morning, sir. I'm the census taker. Are you married or happy?"
- 5. "Let's play post office." "That's a kid's game." "Not the way way I play it."

- 6. "You'll like me after we get better acquainted. I grow on people." "So do warts."
- 7. "She was bred in old Kentucky, but she's just a crumb up here."
- 8. "Do you rumba?" "Only when I take bicarbonate."
- 9. "Meet me later in the gymnasium, next to the dumbbells. You'll know me, I got a hat."
- 10. "Calling Dr. Howard, Dr. Fine, Dr. Howard."

#### Choices:

- a. Soup to Nuts (1930)
- b. Saved by the Belle (1939)
- c. Three Smart Saps (1942)
- d. Disorder in the Court (1936)
- e. Three Little Pigskins (1934)
- f. False Alarms (1936)
- g. Men in Black (1934)
- h. Violent is the Word for Curly (1938)
- i. No Census, No Feeling (1940)
- j. Loco Boy Makes Good (1942)

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## **Getting Help From Maintenance**

This is a reminder on how to receive service from the Maintenance department.

#### This is the emergency process

When you have an emergency or an urgent request you can call Maintenance's 3536 internal phone or 606-3536 external phone number. This number will work for everyone 24 hours a day. You will speak with someone immediately, receive voice mail instructions, or you will hear a pager tone.

At Pager Tone: Enter the number you wish to be reached at.

If you have the new Cisco phone system, enter your extension number only.

Please do not enter library main numbers without entering an extension.

If you have the old phone system, enter your main number and the extension number you can be reached at.

You should receive a return call within five

or ten minutes. Please never rely on one try with a pager. If you feel that you should have received a response, call the 3536 number several times.

It is very important to turn in a work order even if it is an emergency and you have successfully reached someone in Maintenance!

#### Routine work orders/Maintenance

#### <u>requests</u>

Turn in a work order for all repairs or request by clicking on the Maintenance Request link on the Intranet.

#### No verbal request if at all possible.

No matter what the issue's are, a work order is always necessary.

Once a work order is received, the Maintenance tech will look into the matter and make the necessary repairs.

If you have lock problems of any type call 3536 and turn in a work order.

If you need door access please have your supervisor fill out a Library Access Authorization Form (located on the Intranet) and send it to Maintenance. This form must be signed by your Supervisor. Please return unused access cards to Maintenance.

If you have any questions or need feedback please call me at 606-3535 or 3536. Everyone is urged to test this system to become familiar with it.

The Maintenance department is working on being more reliable; therefore, following this procedure will help us to help you.

### REMEMBER: FOR EMERGENCIES CALL 606-3536



Here are the clues to this month's mystery person.

#### Fave Music:

Fave Writer: Fave Sports: Fave Food: Fave TV Show: Fave Season Fave? PC or MAC Fave Smart Phone App: Current Repeat on iPod: Beethoven's Piano Sonata No. 14 in C# minor e. e. cummings Soccer Pizza Community Spring **MAC** Apple Remote Shuffle, always

Do you hav a 'Bucket List" and what's at the top of it? Tour Europe

Answer on page 5



Shren Sylvester, a two-year employee with MLS, works in the Directors Office, at the reception desk. She has a banking/customer service background.

"In my spare time, I mostly spend it with friends and family. Whether we're going out to eat, to a movie, hanging out, or shopping. Being around them is truly a blessing."

Also in her spare time, Shren is a movie watcher, "Two of my favorite movies are *The Help*, and *Crash*. They opened my eyes in such a way. I have plenty more favorites."

During weekends she sings in the choir at the Prospect Baptist Church and enjoys watching and playing basketball.



### Lending Library: Defusing Angry People: Practical Tools for Handling Bullying, Threats, and Violence

by Kevin Fauteux

According to author Kevin Fauteux, the program and clinical director for Catholic Charities in the San Francisco Bay area, one in every five adults has an anger management problem. If you work in a library or office with four other people, you know what he's talking about.

We could all use a little help in preventing our fuses from burning too shortly when confronted by aggressive customers, colleagues and family members. This book is a handy guide to behavior designed to ease the tension and lessen the possibility of painful conflict.

One reviewer wrote: "Throughout my life, angry people have always scared me; with this book, I can now handle them without becoming one of them." If it can deliver that kind of help, the book is well worth your time.

One of her favorite apps is Picsin, "You can change photos and do fun things like captions, add color, distort the photo, etc. I'm my own photo editor with this app!"

Perhaps she can use it on a future vacation. "I visited London and Paris a few years ago, and it was a wonderful experience. I plan on returning some day."

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But until then she's happy working at the library where she's glad to "Have the chance to meet new people, and have so many opportunities."



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### **HELLO TO**

Bob Flores Andrea Gaither Alexandra McLellan Mary Schaefer Savannah Mitchell Jarod Atkins Judi Bates-Newberry Kassie Eisten	Library Aide, NW Library Aide, NW Library Aide, NW Proj. Spc., OUT Library Aide, NW Library Aide, NW
•	Library Aide, NW
Casey Pattilo Vonetta Richardson	

### PROMOTION

Dana Beach.....

From Planning Svcs. Spc., PLA, to Librarian, CT

### GOODBYE

Jagtar Sanghera	Library Aide, ED
Sandra Booker	Library Aide, ED
Vinci Barron	Library Aide, Bl
Penny Bird	Library Aide, MC
Daniel Martin	Library Aide, BE

### CONGRATULATIONS

To administrative specialist Nita Normore proudly announces the graduation of her granddaughter into the world on April 19. The new born graduate is Harmon'e Syncere Robinson, and Nita's son Bryan Robinson and his fiancée Oshina Boarders are the proud parents. No decisions have been made at this time as to Harmon'e's eventual college major.

### SYMPATHY

To Darlene Browers, DN, whose granddaughter passed away recently.

To Kim Edwards, DN, whose Father died April 3.

To Alma Brown, WA, whose Father died April 5.

To Steve Jenkins, OUT, whose Mother died April 14.







Alexandra McLellan







Jarod Atkins



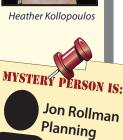




Judi Bates-Newberry

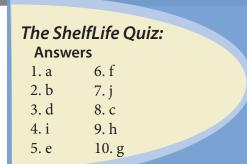






Casey Pattilo

Vonetta Richardson



# May Bulletin Board

## May Birthdays

NANCY SLUSAR	5/1
SUSAN RYAN	5/1
CHRIS SANZ	5/1
SHARON YOUNG	5/3
MACKENZIE STEPHENS	5/3
DEBBIE ROBERTUS	5/6
ROSEMARY STAFFORD	5/6
DONNA ADAMEK	5/6
JESSICA MORRIS	5/7
CAT HAGAR	5/7
PAIGE WARREN	5/7
ANNE FISCHER	5/9
CHERYL MANN	5/12
DAVID RUSHING	5/12
MELANIE LEVICK	5/14
MARY JOHNSON	5/15
STEPHANIE GERLING	5/15
SHARON BISH	5/16
KEVIN COLWELL	5/16
SUSAN HUTCHINS	5/18
LISA WOOD	5/18
DIANNE WILLIAMS	5/19
REGINA FIELDS	5/19
DENNIS DELANO	5/20
TRACY STONE	5/21
LINDSAY EGLE	5/21
JACSON MELVIN	5/23
TIM DAUBENSPECK	5/24
LIZ KICKHAM	5/27
JON ROLLMAN	5/31

### Employee's May Date-of-Hire

MARILYN BACKUS 5/21/1987 **REGINA WOLFINGER** 5/29/1990 HFIDI PORT 5/12/1997 **TINDLE ARNOLD** 5/27/1997 JOSH WELLS 5/15/1999 LISA MYERS 5/5/2000 **TERESA GOGGINS** 5/7/2001 **CHRIS LARWIG** 5/28/2002 **DIANNA RUPP** 5/28/2002 MARY SHOLLY 5/18/2003 MARYL BAIRD 5/22/2003 **RENA GIBSON** 5/16/2005 5/26/2005 DANA BEACH **KENDRA WILLIAMS** 5/2/2006 FELICIA HAYES 5/8/2006 JERRY NANCE 5/27/2006 TIM DAUBENSPECK 5/22/2007 LAURA WINTERS 5/23/2007 JERRY O'HARE 5/5/2008 SUZETTE FELTON 5/12/2008 JOYCE JACKSON 5/13/2009 **KIMBERLY NELSON** 5/6/2010 5/17/2010 ASHLEY MEYER MENDI SUMTER 5/3/2011 **DIANNE WILLIAMS** 5/9/2011 **DEVIN DAWSON** 5/16/2011 JEFFERY MULLINS 5/16/2011 **TERA MCAMIS** 5/31/2011 LAURA VANWINKLE 5/31/2011 **MEGHAN ATTALLA** 5/31/2011

# June Bulletin Board

### Employee's June Date-of-Hire

CONRAD DOTY 6/1/1968 DONNA MORRIS 6/1/1969 CHERYL MANN 6/21/1973 LAURIE MACK-CLARK 6/9/1975 SELMA ZUHDI 6/17/1977 SUSAN STINSON 6/25/1980 ABE EJTEHADI 6/24/1982 SHEILA FIXEL 6/7/1983 DEB MONTGOMERY 6/2/1986 LANNY MYERS 6/8/1987 RANDY KNUTSON 6/25/1990 **IULIE SCHOFIELD** 6/24/1991 ALAN SIAVASHI 6/27/1994 PHYLLIS A. DAVIDSON 6/27/1995 JEAN JOHNSON 6/10/1996 CHARLEEN MILLER 6/23/1997 KIMBERLY EDWARDS 6/14/1999 STACY SCHRANK 6/7/2004 DANIELLE WALKER 6/8/2004 TERI WOOLEY 6/10/2004 CRYSTAL EASLEY 6/28/2004 ANGELA SANDERS 6/15/2005 KIMBERLY TERRY 6/20/2005 6/26/2006 CANDACE MCDANIEL SHANELLE JACKSON 6/5/2007 DESTAVIE ELLIS 6/5/2007 ANNE MOTLEY 6/18/2007 WARREN ANDERSON 6/6/2008 ION VODKA 6/1/2009 JESSICA CARTER 6/3/2009 MOLLY ALLEN 6/9/2009 CARL TIBBETS 6/16/2009 CHRIS SANZ 6/17/2009 DIANE SARANTAKOS 6/29/2009 RACHEL ALLEN 6/4/2010 KATHERINE CASEY 6/14/2010 CATHY WEBB 6/14/2010 AMY CHANEY 6/14/2010 TRACEY THOMPSON 6/29/2010 REGINA COBERLEY 6/2/2011 KARA FRIED 6/13/2011 BRANDON JOHNSTON 6/17/2011 JORGE MASCORRO 6/28/2011 NEIL PRUTHI 6/29/2011

### June Birthdays

RAMINA GOLSHANI 6/2JENNIFER ENGLAND 6/3 **RISA WHITE** 6/3 ELLINGTON WOODY 6/4SALLY GRAY 6/6 PHILLIP BELT 6/6 **TERRIE THOMAS** 6/10MAEGYN DOYLE 6/10 JEAN JOHNSON 6/11 GALEN KURTH 6/11CLYDE HERROD 6/11 CINDY REVELS-NIGG 6/11 JAROD ATKINS 6/12 KIMBERLY CLARK 6/13KATHRYN TRATTNER 6/13 MATTHEW COTTER 6/16 MARILYN BACKUS 6/17 CONRAD DOTY 6/19 DANA MORROW 6/20 SARA NORIEGA 6/21 GLORIA DELEON 6/22 KRISTEN GADLIN 6/22 PATRICIA WIDHALM 6/23 KELLY MIXON 6/23 CHRISTINE BASSETT 6/25PAULA HANNAPEL 6/25 DARCUS SMITH 6/25 KARIN DAUGHERTY 6/25 DAVID CALHOUN 6/25JIMMY WELCH 6/28 DIANE SHARP 6/28 **TAMERAT ATLABACHEW6/28** GALAXIA-DAWN SUBA 6/28