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#### AND

#### TAKING THEM OFF

Two workshops to be held this fall - mark your calendar and sign up soon.

What: PUTTING BOOKS ON THE SHELF features collection mapping and building directives, ideas and discussion by William Murray, Director of Media Service for Aurora Public Schools in Denver, Colorado.

TAKING THEM OFF concentrates on the weeding of a collection. What to keep, what to pitch, how do you decide? These topics and others will be discussed by Carol Milanesi, Elementary Level Media Specialist for Aurora Public Schools in Denver, Colorado.

When: September 21, 1991 at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Where: St. Louis County Public Library

Headquarters

1640 S. Lindbergh Blvd.

Cost: \$5.00 for members/ \$15 for nonmembers

(this cost is for both workshops - no discount for attending just one

workshop)

To register for workshops complete form inside <a href="Netnews">Netnews</a>.

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#### REGISTRATION FOR WORKSHOPS

PUTTING BOOKS ON THE SHELF / TAKING THEM OFF

Name/Names:_		i	
Library:			 
Phone:			
(Duplicate t	his form as	s necessary)	

Send form plus check to: St. Louis Regional Library Network, 9425 Big Bend Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63119. No REFUNDS after September 7, 1991.

For more information call: Fred Moore, 521-4920 or Bernyce Christiansen, 965-1305 (after August 1, 1991)

#### MLA GOLF

The MLA will hold a Golf Tournament on Tuesday September 17, 1991. This event is sponsored by the vendors and will be played at Riverside. Mark your calendar and join your friends for some exercise and fun.

#### NOTE!!

The Computer Information Network for job seekers that was offered at the St. Louis County Library and at Ferguson Public Library is no longer available. The Company pulled the service as of July 15, 1991.

#### JOBLINE

Dept. Of Physics of Washington U. has a position open this fall in its Pfeiffer Research Library. Qualifications: MLS from an ALA-certified program or a graduate degree in physical science. Prior experience in a science library and a background in a physical science recommended. Demonstrated knowledge of microcomputers, software and online systems. Strong interpersonal skills for dealing with faculty, staff and students. Full time - 37.5 hrs./wk - 8:30-5:00 - available immediately.

Send resume with letter of application and names, addresses and phone numbers of at least three references to: Ms. Juli Einspanier, Personnel Dept., Campus Box 1184, Washington U, ST. Louis, MO 63130.

### MOVING!

The Missouri Historical Society Library and Archives will be moving to a new facility. Our last day of service in the Jefferson Memorial Building will be July 3, 1991; the collections will be packed, moved and unpacked during the period July 4 - October 31, 1991. DURING THE MOVE, THE LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES WILL BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC. THE COLLECTIONS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE BY PHONE. MAIL OR IN PERSON DURING THAT TIME.



If the construction goes as scheduled, the Library and Archives will reopen in November 1991, in our new facility at 225 S. Skinker Boulevard, St. Louis, Missouri. Please do phone the library at 314/454-3130 to reconfirm our opening date before planning a visit any time in November or December of 1991.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, and look forward to serving you in our new location.

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# Literacy Hotline: New Weapon in the Fight Against Illiteracy

he problem of illiteracy is one that has captured the interest of people all across America. Here in St. Louis, an estimated 7.9% of adults in the Caurity and 17.6% in the City are considered functionally illiterate. These statistics, and those of other cities across the country, are cause for grave concern.

As public awareness of the problem has increased and community outreach programs have become more available, the need for a central clearinghouse has grown—a place where adults seeking to overcome illiteracy can call and get the help they need to win the fight.

The Literacy Hotline, sponsored by the St. Louis Public Library, is just such a place. The Hotline, as the newest weapon in the battle against illiteracy, provides St. Louis area citizens with access to agencies and organizations that are dedicated to helping people achieve the goal of literacy. With the Literacy Hotline, help is literally only a

phone call away.

A cooperative effort between the St. Louis Public Library and approximately 25 other organizations (collectively known as the Gateway to Literacy), the Literacy Hotline attempts to match callers seeking help with the agencies that will best suit their individual needs. For those people who might wish to volunteer their services to help someone overcome illiteracy, the Hotline is equally valuable. It is a lifeline that works both ways.

The odds are stacked on the side of literacy as the Hotline staff do their best to ensure a good match between callers and agencies. All personal information is kept in strictest confidence, though callers are asked permission for their names to be given to the proper literacy agency so that more specific information can be sent to them. A follow-up letter that clearly restates the information provided by phone ensures that callers will not be left

hanging. And just to be doubly sure, the Hotline contacts callers after a period of time to inquire about the quality of the services they received and perhaps provide further assistance.

Since May, 1990, more than 500 inquiries have been made to the Literacy Hotline. The St. Louis Public Library, along with the Public Relations Society of

America, is actively promoting the Hotline in hopes that even more people can be made aware and get the help they need.

For more information on how the Hotline works, or on literacy agencies in St. Louis and St. Louis

County, call the Literacy Hotline at 241-9393 (in St. Louis) or 1-800-637-1072 (outside St. Louis).

#### INFO-PASS UPDATE

#### Add:

Westminister Christian Academy

CP: Martha Peters, 997-2900

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St. Louis College of Pharmacy

OA: Stephanie Prichard

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News, reviews and comments are welcome. Send information to Bernyce Christiansen, 9425 Big Bend Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63119. You may call Bernyce at the SLRLN office, (314) 965-1305.

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