



## Partners in Education

*School Libraries*

*Media Services*



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## News 'N' Views

- ✚ 'Partners in Education' will begin a regular monthly circulation in January 2002. One of the regular features will be a spotlight on something happening at an elementary library and/or a secondary library. Please keep us in the know about your good works.
- ✚ We are looking for an Elementary School Library Programming aspect to spotlight in January. Don't be shy about sharing!
- ✚ Mary Lou Corman, Nancy Strassner, and Barby Hardy are your Library Resource Specialists. We all welcome Nancy to the Partnership team in order to meet your library program needs through services from this office.
- ✚ Karen Goocey is your secretary to help with all aspects of ordering new materials for your library.
- ✚ Heads up about magazine orders! Since magazine subscriptions expire at schools at a different time, note the expiration date on the mailing label of the magazines. Prepare your magazine order 4-6 weeks in advance of this date. This year's jobber is Black Magazines and they will need to be told on the P.O. when to begin your subscription. You can check the pricing against the flyer that Karen sent to you previously.

## Upcoming PD

### For LMS

- ✚ Wed Nov 7th. **Union Training** - Yates Library 3:30 - 4:30.
- ✚ Mon Nov 12th. **Extracting Data from your Follett system** – Find out how to extract data which track lots of information that any of the standard reports do not tell you. 3:30 - 4:30 at Glendover Lab
- ✚ Wed Nov 14th. **Elementary Librarians as Partners** – Clays Mill 3:30-4:30. We will discuss Literacy/support and services for the first 15 minutes. The remaining time will be a sharing of ideas so bring things that work for you or a problem for which you would like input.
- ✚ Mon Nov 19th. **Union Training** - JLA Library - 3:30 - 4:30
- ✚ Tues Nov 20th. **KYVL for the K-12 community** - 4:30-6:00 Ambrose Lab.
- ✚ Mon Dec 3rd. **KTLN Special topics in Librarianship.** – 4:15-5:15 – Location and Topic TBA

📅 Wed Dec 5th. **Elementary Librarians at Partners.** – Yates 3:30-4:30. . We will discuss Equity/support and services for the first 15 minutes. The remaining time will be a sharing of ideas so bring things that work for you or a problem for which you would like input.

## FOR SCHOOL STAFF

📅 **Media Services will be glad to honor your requests** for staff Web Max training, Union Catalog, Literary Book Club or other areas as you request. These can be done short and sweet in a faculty meeting or a committee meeting or a more fleshed out PD can be developed. Media Services will host a Professional Development to share available curriculum resources and provide an opportunity to book videos on site.

# School Library Spotlight



*PLD High School's Reading Extravaganza*

**They Read...They Came...They Want to  
Come Again.**

Contact Lynda Short for details about this program!

Imagine 500 students rushing into your library after school, all anxious and ready to discuss books they have read. This phenomenon occurs twice yearly at Paul Laurence Dunbar High School. What's the cause of the students' excitement? The Reading Extravaganza, a reading event that pairs students with adult readers in small groups to discuss a book they have all read, is an exciting, collaborative and ever growing event held in October and March.

The process begins with the recruitment of the adult group leaders who determine the book to be read by their group. These adults are volunteers from the faculty, staff, administration, parents, community leaders, and UK students. The PLD students then sign up to read and discuss a book of their choice that interests them, with the selections ranging from popular young adult novels to the most current best sellers. These reading groups generally consist of one adult and six students. Once the title list becomes available the majority of the groups are filled within just a few days.

The students are responsible for reading their selected book and being prepared to discuss it. For their endeavor, the students are fed by our wonderful PTSA and they receive credit in their English classes for their participation. The greatest aspect of this event, however, comes through the interaction of students and adults who love to read and who love to share their passion for this life-long skill.



# Nancy's Notes

- ✚ Just want everyone to know that I am attempting to get to your school. With over 50 schools I do have to be realistic about the time it will take to visit you. Please be patient, but if you have a real need for me to put you at the top of the list please let me know. I will not know unless you or someone notifies me. I am trying to get to you before I start visiting principals so I know what your concerns and needs are that need to be addressed. And, I will not make a surprise visit. I will contact you by email about a time that works for you. If you have not sent me your schedule, please do, so I can have a general idea about your time.
- ✚ We are developing a newsletter for administrators. If you can think of at least one thing that you wish your principal(s) or the administrators at Central Office knew please send that to me via email. We obviously will not be able to put everything in one issue, but we will do our best to find a way to include your request.

# Barby's Bits

- ✚ **All new Literary Book Club Moderators needed!!**  
<http://www.fayette.k12.ky.us/literaryclub/> This could be a good mind stretching opportunity to moderate an online discussion group for students as they discuss books. Takes about 5-10 minutes a day. I'll help you if you **please e-mail me to volunteer**.
- ✚ We need:
  - ✓ 1 Elementary AND 1 Middle school moderators for December – Realistic Fiction
  - ✓ 1 Middle school moderator for February – Biography
  - ✓ 1 Elementary AND 1 Middle school moderators for March – Adventure
  - ✓ 1 Middle school moderators for April – Fantasy
  - ✓ 1 Elementary AND 1 Middle school moderators for May – Mystery
  - ✓ Several High school moderators – negotiable time period and discussion forum choice. Can choose from Teacher's Assignments, Shakespeare, and Popular Fiction. These discussions run all school year.
- ✚ A direct link to the Union has a more user friendly url. If you are sending out the link alone, use this URL. <http://union.fcps.net/wx/s.exe>

# More From Mary Lou

- ✚ A MARC Cataloging Standards Committee has been created to help LMS understand the MARC tags. Members of Committee are: Stacie Musgrave (Stonewall), Candy Zaluski (Lansdowne), Melissa Brewer (BSTMS), Emily Damron (Winburn), and Marilyn Seiler (LHS). This committee will look at the cataloging standards that we have been using (the AV has not been updated since 1984), and update these standards to meet today's needs. We will be having our organizational meeting on Nov. 12th.

# WebMAX NEWS

Some tips on using Web/MAX <http://170.181.89.166/webmax/start.html>

- ❏ Web/MAX can be used 24 hours 7 days a week.
- ❏ If you want to check out our new titles, choose a subject and check the new items only box. This will give you media that has been purchased in the last year. As we add new media during the school year, they can be found by using this search.
- ❏ If you are looking for a specific title, type the title in keyword. It will find the title.
- ❏ Always remember that the media arrives the day before the view date on your confirmation.
- ❏ You can print a confirmation, but you will also receive a confirmation from us. If you do not receive a confirmation, within a few days, contact Media Services.
- ❏ Registration for new users for the Web/Max booking system is handled through the Media Circulation.

## Media Services Website FOCUS

- ❏ See the updated 'Standards and Policies' page <http://www.fayette.k12.ky.us/instructtech/trt11/libtechserv/standard&policies.htm>. You will find links to Kentucky, Regional, and National Standards as well as suggested circulation policies. As you need help with justifying staffing, budgeting and program issues this is a good place to look. You will find a hyperlink to [Beyond Proficiency: Achieving a Distinguished Library Media Program](#) – online version here.

## On a Personal Note

- ❏ Robin Fannin (Crawford) sends 'thank you' for the flowers sent by you at the time of her father's recent passing.
- ❏ We also send sympathy to Debbie Kiser (Southern Middle) who lost her father this fall.
- ❏ Becky Smith's (Russell) husband has been called away to the National Guard for approximately 9 months. You might recall she has a new baby and a toddler with no family in town.
- ❏ Nancy Thomas (Media Services) married Gene Strassner on Nov. 3.
- ❏ Emily Dawson (Breckinridge) will be having a baby in January.
- ❏ Welcome to Melissa Hunley as LMS at Arlington until January.

# Enclosures

- ✉ **Enclosed** is the job description of the services offered by the Library Resource Specialists
- ✉ **Enclosed** is the job description for the Media Technicians' services offered to you.
- ✉ **Enclosed** are two holiday bibliographies for items, one for New Media and the other for Holiday videos. Other bibliographies are available upon request from Media Circulation. WebMAX is the online booking tool. Feel free to please pass this information on to your teachers.
- ✉ **Enclosed** is a reproducible WebMAX information sheet.
- ✉ **Enclosed** is a reproducible flyer being sent to administrators about the Union search site. Feel free to share this with teachers and parents.
- ✉ **Enclosed** is a sample of the Search II that Cheryl Railey (Cassidy) is sharing with you. A big thanks for Cheryl's partnership with all of us.