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Gossip fit to print:

In case there was anyone who did not hear... Belinda was involved in a car accident this past week. I understand she was not seriously injured and is, understandably, very shaken up. I know we all hope she is back to her cheerful, healthy self again real soon.

There is an interesting review of the book "Silicon Snake Oil" by Clifford Stoll in Business Week, April 3, 1995, p.19. Stoll also authored "The Cuckoo’s Egg" which we have in the library. It is about the Internet and use of the Internet and somewhat of a reality check about what expectations. May be interesting reading for those of us who work in libraries as one of his warnings is directed towards libraries.

Although this is internet related, the editor wanted to make sure everyone knows of the efforts Jerry and David have made to get our Poynter Home Page up and going. Make sure you pay a visit to http://bayflash.stpt.usf.edu/~notato/ and see the great stuff going on. Get your comments and suggestions to them. Big Thanks!!

Kathy passed along this info: The April 1995 (Vol.38, No.5) issue of the Communications of the ACM centers on "digital libraries". This issue contains five articles on the topic of digital libraries, as well as eight reports on current digital library initiatives at institutions such as Stanford, Berkeley, Illinois, Michigan, the British Library, and the Library of Congress.

If you haven't read it yet...read "The tale of the terribly high-tech library building." It appears in April 1995, American Libraries, p. 306. It is both funny & scary, we can all relate to this story.

Administrative News:

From Barb: Many thanks to Renee, Jim, David, JJ, Kathy, and all the others who lent a helping hand at Friday's reception. We had a good turnout for Lanny's long-overdue "welcome." Everyone seemed to be having a good time, and a lot of very nice things were said about the Library.
AV News:

New videos

Alex Haley
August Wilson
Acid Rain (Earth at Risk Series)
The Beatles: A Hard Day's Night
Charles Johnson
Clash of the Titans
Clean Air (Earth at Risk Series)
Clean Water (Earth at Risk Series)
Color Adjustment
Color Purple (The)
Come Back, Little Sheba
Davy Crockett and the River Pirates
Davy Crockett King of the Wild Frontier
Degradation of the Land (Earth at Risk Series)
Emperor Jones (The)
Extinction (Earth at Risk Series)
A Farewell to Arms
Foxfire
Global Warming (Earth at Risk Series)

Homeward Bound
John Wideman
Last of the Mohicans
Les Misérables
Little Dorrit: Little Dorrit's Story
Little Dorrit: Nobody's Fault
Major Barbara
Marian Anderson
Migrants (The)
Miracle in Rome
Nuclear Energy/Nuclear Waste
O Pioneers!
Ozone Layer (The) (Earth at Risk Series)
Rainforest (The) (Earth at Risk Series)
Recycling (Earth at Risk Series)
Triumph of Memory
2001: A Space Odyssey
The Waltons: The Children's Carol

Public Services News:

Reference

Kathy tells us the January 1995 issue of Journal of Academic Librarianship has an interesting series of articles on "the future of reference." "Either we're becoming obsolete or more important than ever--you decide!"

We received word from Susan Beldad that the problems encountered when users attempted remote login to Firstsearch have been solved. It appears to have been a software problem which has been corrected. Kathy Arsenault is going to announce availability of the full-text options offered through Firstsearch. Access to Firstsearch has not been a problem through Library's LUIS terminals.

Technical Services News:

Renee announces new recreation reading for us:

Breaking the Surface Greg Louganis
Internet & other techie stuff:

Web version of Library-Oriented Lists and Electronic Serials

This document offers access to information about electronic discussion lists, distribution lists and electronic serials which are of interest to library professionals and staff. Included are alphabetical and subject indexes, subscription instructions, advanced list commands, lists with Usenet gateways, troubleshooting tips, updated and new lists, and more. Check out the WWW edition at:

http://info.lib.uh.edu/liblists/home.htm

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USF Factbook Online

The Office of Resource Analysis and Planning is pleased to announce that the 1994-95 USF Fact Book is available online. You can go to the USF home page http://www.usf.edu, click on Administrative Offices and Services, then click on Resource Analysis and Planning (RAP) & scroll down to the USF Fact Book 1994-95, or go directly to:
http://cfrvm.cfr.usf.edu/~rapgophraphome.htm

From Steve Johnson, Computer Center:
1. The St. Petersburg campus now has its very own listserv. This listserv can be used to post any messages regarding upcoming events, news, etc. on this campus, or related community activities. To those of you who wish to subscribe to the list, send an e-mail message to listserv@cfrvm.cfr, leave the subject field blank, and place the following line in the body:

Subscribe pete-I "YOUR FIRST NAME" "YOUR LAST NAME"

This listserv will replace the "everybody" alias effective immediately. Additionally, a list of all listservs available at USF is enclosed with this message.

2. Most of the commonly-used unix/internet commands have on-line help files available. To see what is available, simply type "info" at the bayflash% prompt. There is info on:
   address downloading languages pine
   archie gopher networks unix

use "info <filename>" for specific info. For example, for information on basic unix commands, type "info unix". Additionally, there is more information about Unix and the internet on Steve's home page (http://bayflash.stpt.usf.edu/~johnson/)

The Crawler helps find Web sites by subject.

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