

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESKTOP

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Welcome to the summer 2008 issue of *Indiana Libraries*. This issue, with articles featuring an assortment of topics about a variety of library types, once again shows the wide breadth of librarianship in Indiana. From the libraries of ancient Alexandria to the statewide digital library of the 21st century; from adult cultural programming to working with teenage patrons; from communication in the workplace to using the Nintendo Wii as an outreach tool; from MERLOT to WorldCat; from dental library support to strategic planning for school libraries; from a discussion with a library school student to researchers using French dissertations – this issue contains all of these subjects and more. As I have worked with the talented authors of this issue, I have paused to reflect on my time as the editor of *Indiana Libraries*. I can hardly believe that it has been three years since I began my editorship. Over the past three years I have met the contributing authors through e-mail, phone, and in person. It has been a pleasure to work with this talented group - I would like to thank them for their contributions to *Indiana Libraries*. I would also like to offer thanks to my administrative assistant, Beverly Grubb, and to my assistant editors, Emily Okada, Marissa Priddis, and Julie Moline, for their help and support. Crissy Gallion,



managing editor, has been a great person with whom to work and deserves great praise for her dedication to the project—thanks, Crissy, for your patience with the “new” editor. I would like to thank the folks at Cunningham Memorial Library and Indiana State University for their encouragement and support. My husband has been wonderful, never complaining when I spent part of every Thanksgiving vacation editing the upcoming issue – thanks, John! I would also like to thank all of you, the readers - I have appreciated your suggestions, kind notes, and words of encouragement. It has been a pleasure and an honor serving as the editor of *Indiana Libraries*.

I hope you enjoy reading this issue. Stay in touch.

P.S. I would like to welcome the next *Indiana Libraries* editor: Karen Evans, reference librarian, subject liaison, bibliographic instructor, and a valued colleague at Indiana State University library. I will miss all of you, authors and readers, but I leave you in most capable hands, Welcome Karen!