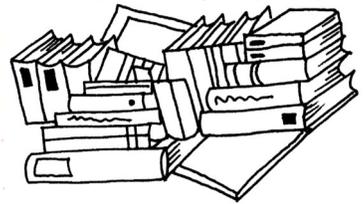




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## Cheers to 29 Years!

## A Reluctant Farewell



After 29 years of service to the Richmond community at the Lois Wagner Memorial Library, longtime Library Technician Colleen Kelley is embarking on a new adventure-retirement!

Colleen joined the library in 1991, and worked with Lois Wagner for many years before Lois passed in April 1998. Colleen welcomed patrons in to the library each day from her spot behind the Circulation Desk, and was one of the library's most familiar and friendly faces. Patrons would look for her on their visits and would often update her on their lives; Colleen always provided a warm smile and a listening ear.



Her friendly greeting  
So warm and sincere  
Says 'Come on in  
You're welcome here'

Need a good read?  
Her knowledge is vast  
She'll find what you need  
And she's pretty darn fast!

Always ready to help  
She never tired of this  
Went the extra mile  
For the patrons she'll miss



Years of experience  
So much she has learned  
But it's time to move on  
To a retirement well earned



She spent her time well  
Dedicated and dependable  
It didn't go unnoticed  
And is truly commendable

A big thank you from all  
Patrons, board and staff  
Come back and visit  
Cause we'll miss your great laugh



A big piece of her heart  
Will always be here  
She's a real pro  
She loved her career

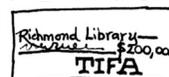
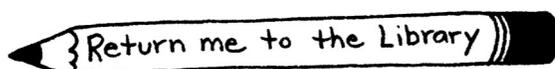


And now it's time  
For a well deserved rest  
She will always be  
The Best of the Best

Signs of Colleen's creativity and artistry run throughout the library; every year, she would hand draw the Town Clock Coloring Contest picture, and **all of the clip art found in this newsletter was hand drawn by Colleen.** She poured her creativity into the monthly newsletters, and her distinct handwriting was synonymous with the library. She also had a passion for genealogy, loving to work with patrons to access the many resources she knew so well.

While Colleen flourished with the public and was an expert at smoothing patron's ruffled feathers, she was an even better employee and colleague. Her many years of experience made her an incredible resource and expert problem solver, and she wouldn't hesitate to help another staff member in need. No one could bring a laugh faster than Colleen!

Colleen would often muse that sometimes patrons felt so comfortable here, leaving their things strewn about, that it was just like home to them. Though we know it is time for her to enjoy the years of retirement that she has earned, we hope she will always feel like the Lois Wagner Memorial Library is home to her as well. She will be dearly missed. ~LWM Staff

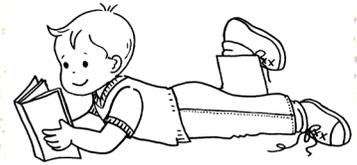


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Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
<b>Happy National Library Week! ~ April 4th-10th</b> <i>Did you know?</i> There are more public libraries than Starbucks in the United States...a total of 17,566 including branches.				1 April Fools Day!	2 Good Friday- Library Closed	3 
4 Happy Easter! 	5	6 National Library Workers Day!	7	8	9	10 National Siblings Day 
<b>“Welcome to Your Library!” Celebrate National Library Week - April 4 - 10th</b>						
11 Library Hours M-F 9 am-5 pm	12 Library Board Meeting 5:30 pm	13	14 	15 3:30 pm Richmond Readers	16	17
18 Library Hours M-F 9 am-5 pm	19 	20	21	22 Earth Day 	23 World Book Day 	24
25 Library Hours M-F 9 am-5 pm	26	27 	28	29	30 National Arbor Day 	

## Memorials & Donations

### In Memory of Al Busch

David & Susan Foster  
Richmond Area Good Old Days  
Festival Committee

### In Memory of Fran Plagens

Winifred Doane

### In Honor of Colleen Kelley

Darlene Pinsky & Family  
LWML Staff, Board & Friends

### In Honor of LWML

Susan Kiel



### In Memory of Vera Ernst

Kirk & Kourtney Ptach  
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Ken & Debbie Schweiger  
Roy & Brenda Schweiger  
Sam & Carol Aldis

Employees of Wartrom Machine Systems

Jim & Carolyn Prior  
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### In Memory of Colette Scheuer

Matt & Alicia Rix & Family  
Tim & Lorie Rix  
Jim & Bev Kammer  
Julianne Kammer

### In Memory of Annie Waddell

Peggy Ruby

### In Honor of Marion Turgeon

Betty Hebel

### In Memory of Ward Wagner

Lyn, Ian & Ellie Price

