

Director's Report
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The University of Wisconsin has committed to remain at 5 days a week delivery service in 2012. This means the reduction in force at Delivery will be 3 part time drivers and 1 full time driver. Attrition has eliminated the need for more than 4 layoffs. The majority of library systems will change to 4 days a week service in 2012. The new Support Services Manager, Kerrie Goeden, will begin work at SCLS on September 6th.

I attended the SRLAAW meeting in Wausau. The agenda included submitting legislation for the formation of library districts, the creation of the WPLC digital media purchasing pool and a LSTA grant for training new library directors. Afterwards I toured the main library of the Marathon County Public Library. Their technology staff shared information and did demonstrations on RFID and their automated materials handling system. In the past month, I also visited the member libraries in Arpin, Cambria, Marshfield, Mazomanie, Poynette, Prairie du Sac, Sauk City and Vesper. As I visit members, I am taking photos of the visits and posting them on the SCLS Facebook page.

An upgrade to Koha occurred on August 5. It fixed problems with holds including the queue report; hold authorization process, and eliminated unnecessary hold alerts for staff. It addressed many fine/overdue issues. Search speed was increased in the PAC and staff modules. It also caused some functions to break including adding catalog records. This has been fixed. A circulation glitch occurred which has been fixed. One problem involving the *suspend all* holds button used by customers has gotten worse. It has been reported to Liblime as an urgent problem to be fixed. A re-indexing of the public catalog is scheduled for the Labor Day weekend. It will eliminate duplicate search results for customers by eliminating duplicated bibliographic records.

The SCLS Foundation had a planning meeting to work on the Cornerstone event. One change is that instead of donating or bringing food to the event, board members will be asked to give money to pay for the refreshments. Checks should be made out to Janet Pugh who will purchase the refreshments and organize the menu for the event.

Respectfully submitted by Martha Van Pelt