“Name Our Newsletter” Contest Wrap-Up

I’d like to give a big ole stinking thanks to all who participated in the Name Our Bathroom Newsletter Contest TM. We had 335 entries! The choice, I think, came down to not grossing out the masses (yes, them) and choosing both a library and bathroom-themed title.


Congratulations go out to two winners who submitted “The Stall Street Journal”: Charity Vander Wall (pictured, $50 richer) and Romane Shaw. We look forward to issues to come with our new snazzy title.

It’s True! Library Workers Make Great Mixed Tapes

So, you may wonder: what do librarians do, anyway? Well. If you’ve been in love or if you’ve been broken-hearted, you may know something called The Art of the Mixed Tape. You may know it as the Mixed CD, MP3, etc. But, for purity’s sake, we’re calling it the Mixed Tape.

Now. What do you do? You take all the songs you ever heard while together in couple bliss-dom-- or you take the heart-wrenching obscure ones that he or she won’t know but positively needs to hear—and you set about organizing them on the tape for maximum effect. You write the list complete with artist names on the cover. You label it. You get it to the intended audience (hopefully without violating a restraining order).

This is a big part of what library folks do. We organize the information (books, web, articles, DVDs); we label it virtually or on the spine; and we get it out to you. Our goal is to not have you wondering why we’d place OutKast next to Johnny Cash (because, really, why wouldn’t you?). But, sometimes, it may not make perfect sense to everybody. And, good information—like Flannery O’Connor’s good man— is often hard to find. But since we’d like you to keep coming back and adoring us, we don’t just drop it on your doorstep. We stick around to help you find it. That’s our job.

John C. Pace Library
Summer Hours
MON-THURS: 8am - 9pm
FRIDAY: 8am - 5pm
SATURDAY: CLOSED
SUNDAY: 1pm - 9pm