

# Susan's Top 10 'I Didn't Know That' List

By Susan Craig, Library Director

"But I didn't know!" is a common exclamation I get whenever I am out giving a talk about the Library. Some times when I'm working on the Information or Circulation Desks I receive the same comment. Getting the word out about what the library provides is a never-ending process. See how many things below you knew about.

10. The Second Floor—that's where all the adult nonfiction is—if you're missing the second floor, you're missing a lot.
9. Homebound Service—if you cannot visit the library due a physical limitation we will mail you materials free of charge. Call 356-5200 to sign up.
8. The Library Channel— watch Channel 10 on your local cable TV service. Programming for children and adults alike.
7. Telephone Reference— call, its easy and saves you a trip.
6. Internet Access— available at 13 computers in the Information Department and two in the Children's Room.
5. Children's Videos— largest (and best) collection I have seen anywhere. Makes you want to find a kid just so you can watch them!
4. Remote Book Returns— located at the 1<sup>st</sup> Ave Hy-Vee and Mormon Trek office of the University of Iowa Community Credit Union.
3. 24/7 Renewals by phone— call 356-5200. (That's all day, everyday!)
2. Free Parking— one hour on Tues/Thurs/Sun when you check out materials or attend a program and have your parking ticket from a ramp or the lot across from the Library. (or a bus pass if you prefer)
1. Web Page ([www.icpl.org](http://www.icpl.org)) – check out the online catalog and place your own holds from home. Great online reference sources included as well.

The hardest part is personalizing this list for the specific needs of each user. The easiest way to find out is to ask. And of course word-of-mouth is the best advertising of all. If you utilize a great collection or service don't assume that your friends and co-workers know about it. There are more people out there that don't know about the Library's second floor than you think! Help us get the word out.

## Foundation's Shelf-Fulfillment Campaign Nears \$100,000 Goal

With two months remaining in fiscal year 2000, friends of and contributors to the Iowa City Public Library who have not yet made a gift to the Annual Fund 2000 "Shelf-Fulfillment" campaign are encouraged to do so.

Funds raised through this year's Annual Fund campaign will be used to replace about half of the 10,000 items in the Library collection that have been damaged or worn-out because of high circulation. The campaign's goal is to raise \$100,000 and just over \$75,000 of that figure has been raised so far.

For more information about the Shelf-Fulfillment campaign or other ways to support the Library, contact the ICPL Development Office at 356-5200, Ext. 149.

## Iowa Author to Lead Book Discussion at Coralville

The Towns Reading Book Discussion Series concludes on Tuesday, May 16 at 7 p.m. at the Coralville Public Library. Iowa mystery author Don Harstad will lead the discussion of his book *Eleven Days*.

Town Reading Book Discussion is an ongoing series sponsored by the Friends Committee of the Iowa City Public Library Friends Foundation and the Friends of the Coralville Public Library. Discussions rotate between ICPL and the Coralville Public Library. Tentative plans for the next series of discussions include inviting writers from the Iowa Writers' Workshop. Watch The Window this fall for more details.

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