

MONTHLY REPORT

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- Fourteen new computers have been received and are in the process of being installed and configured. The systems are being installed with a dual boot configuration so that both Windows XP and Windows 7 operating systems are available. This will allow us to train staff in the use of Windows 7 prior to making it available on public access as well as staff workstations. We could also consider offering it as an option to offer patrons who would prefer Windows 7 over Windows XP. Roll out of the new systems is expected to be completed by mid-July.
- The SirsiDynix ILS software was upgraded on WLS' catalog server on the night of 25 June. Such an upgrade always necessitates a corresponding upgrade to the WorkFlows client software. Unlike the other member libraries in the County who are part of the WLS wide area network—and who have the update pushed to them by WLS IT—it is dependent upon us to update our staff computers with the new WorkFlows software. As had been our practice before, we were able to connect to WLS' test catalog server in order to receive the upgrade in advance and therefore avoid any downtime in processing transactions.
- In preparation for the rollout of our Freading eBook download service, we have tested our eBook readers for use with the service. We discovered that it was necessary to modify our wireless network firewall in order to allow use of the service within the Library. We are also in the midst of developing an informational *Downloads* landing page to facilitate use of this and other eBook services we offer.
- Software upgrades are in the process of being applied to the CyberPool computers. At the same time, they are being optimized to provide better performance; however, it is also recommended to upgrade the amount of memory from the current 512MB to 2GB (at an estimated total cost of less than \$400).
- Upon request, Ryan Jackson and I were glad to have met with Andrew Farber and Karen Herouart of the Greenburgh Public Library to provide them with an overview of what was entailed in developing our new website. In addition to gathering some technical details, they were trying to ascertain whether they could meet a rather ambitious rollout schedule for a new website.