



## Volunteer Appreciation Week

Volunteer appreciation week was April 15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>. The Jacksonville Public Library would like to say thank you to all of our fantastic volunteers for all of their hard work and dedication. The library is able to provide better services because of you! We appreciate all that you do!

On November 4th the Library will host a volunteer appreciation event at the Main Library. Volunteers will be able to bring a guest. More information about this year's event will be coming soon. Last year's event was a huge success with food, fun, and door prizes. This year will be even bigger!

## Welcome!

JPL would like to welcome everyone who has started volunteering with the library. We hope you find volunteering at the library to be exciting and rewarding.

JPL would also like to welcome our latest partners:

Compass Bank  
Gate Petroleum  
Prudential Financial  
SERVENet  
University of Phoenix  
Vystar Credit Union

## Volunteer of the Quarter

Jacob Livsey has been selected for Volunteer of the Quarter. Jacob volunteers at the South Mandarin Branch. He has made important contributions to children and teens at South Mandarin and is always willing to lend a hand for any project. Jacob has taken a leadership roll in the Teen Advisory Group (TAG). He encourages other teens to volunteer by creating new ideas for programs and encouraging the TAG members to volunteer in the summer. Jacob also has volunteered with the Boy Scouts and volunteered as relief help after the hurricane damage done to the Melbourne, Florida area.



## Thank You!!



Rachel Halpern (seated far right) has been a volunteer tutor with the Center for Adult Learning since 1999. She is committed to helping her adult students improve their English skills so they can interact confidently with others. Rachel Halpern has helped CAL staff develop a new ESL program at the Pablo Creek Branch Library; the program now serves nearly 70 adult learners each week. At times, Rachel volunteers thirty hours a month (or more) teaching classes and preparing lessons. She is an invaluable asset to the library, her students, and this community. Thank you for your hard work and dedication!

Solomon Oliver volunteers in the Talking Books Library five days a week. Mr. Oliver works at the front desk answering incoming calls and assisting customers who come in. In addition he has taken the initiative to assist with repairing inspection and recording equipment used at the Talking Books Library as well as the tape players used by the customers. Mr. Oliver's assistance has made it possible for staff to concentrate on other aspects of service the department offers to the community. The time Mr. Oliver volunteers and the talents he provides are greatly appreciated!



## Survey Says Volunteerism on the Rise

Are today's teenagers on the way to becoming the next Greatest Generation?

According to a new report on national volunteering trends, teens today volunteer more than twice as often as they did back in 1989, and nearly 40% as often as in 1974. The report based on U.S. Census results from the past three decades, has several other interesting findings:

- The so-called Baby Boomers adults aged 45 – 64, have created the highest mid-life volunteer rate in 30 years.
- Older adults, who bring a tremendous amount of life experience to their service, are now the most likely group to volunteer more than 100 hours each year.
- Over 27% of survey respondents said they volunteered for a charitable organization in 2005, nearly a third more than in 1989.

## **Accolades**

Congratulations to the following volunteers for their continued service:

### 1 Year of Service

Anne Babcock, Pablo Creek  
Virginia Campbell, Main Library/Inter-Library Loan  
Sandra Connolly, Pablo Creek  
Ralitza Geneva, Pablo Creek  
Meron Hirpa, Pablo Creek  
Akeem Jenkins, San Marco  
Carolyn Ladner, Center for Adult Learning  
John Lemchak, Main Library/Popular Library  
Caroline Louthian, Regency Square  
Jennifer Perry, South Mandarin  
Robert Schnitzer, Pablo Creek

### 500 Hours of Service

Rachel Halpern, Center for Adult Learning  
Mary Humbert, Main Library/Human Resources

### 100 Hours of Service

Elaine Aspinwall, Regency Square  
Kailee Brighthill, Beaches  
Sandra Connolly, Pablo Creek  
Jill Corbitt, South Mandarin  
Fred Cowell, Pablo Creek  
Colleen Farris, West Regional  
Benjamin Fong, West Regional  
Cheverlin Godboldt, Eastside  
John Hannon, Webb Wesconnett  
Bonnie Leece, West Regional  
Patricia McCullough, Main Library/Special Collections  
Daniel McCumbers, University Park  
Kathleen Scanlon, Main Library/Human Resources  
Solomon Oliver, Main Library/Talking Books  
Nancy Olkjer, Highlands  
Bertha Powe, Main Library/Special Collections  
Ashwini Romimath, Southeast  
Martha Wallace, Regency Square  
Wendy Warner, Beaches  
Michael Wolkowski, West Regional

## Sudoku Puzzle

Please try to fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3 x 3 box accommodates the digits 1 – 9, without repeating any.

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