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## WHITFIELD SCHOOL'S INFORMATION HIGHWAY

by Sue Gill

In the Fall of 1993 Whitfield School dedicated a new classroom and library wing. The Resource Center, located in this wing, is networked using twisted pair wire, Token-ring, Novell, and I-Class. This networking enables students to access from their classrooms the Resource Center's on-line catalog (CALICO), SIRS, InfoTrac, Grolier's Encyclopedia and PC-Globe. There are plans to purchase more network versions of CD-ROM software in the fall of '94. The Resource Center houses a laser printer to handle the printouts from the Center and one wing of the building.

Of the nine computers located in the Resource Center, one computer has a dedicated modem for accessing Internet, County Library and Washington University's catalogs. In the evening, students and faculty can dial into this computer from home to access the Resource Center's catalog, the CD-ROMs and their own files.

The school has recently purchased five multi-media computers, one of which is housed in the Resource Center. With these computers, students can create reports utilizing text, sound, graphics and video. This computer will soon be connected to an EROM drive so that students can create their own CDs.

Visitors are welcome to tour Whitfield's facilities for a "hands on" demonstration. For more information, contact Sue Gill, 434-5141, ext. 260.

## JOBLINE

### Ralston Purina

Ralston Purina Company's Library and Information Services Department has an opening for a Coordinator, Search Services.

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### St. Louis University High Library

The library at St. Louis University High School has a secretarial position open for the 1994-1995 school year. Library experience is preferred, secretarial and computer skills are necessary. Please send resume to: Ms. E. Moore, Library Director; St. Louis University High School; 4970 Oakland Ave.; St. Louis, MO 63110.

### Nicholas Burckel Appointed to Missouri

#### Historical Records Advisory Board

Nicholas Burckel, Ph.D., Associate Dean for Collections and Services for the Washington University Libraries, has been appointed by Governor Mel Carnahan to the Missouri Historical Records Advisory Board. He will serve a three-year term, ending in 1997.

The twelve member board is chaired by the Secretary of State. The law establishing the board designates it as "the central advisory body for historical records planning and for projects relating to historic records developed and carried out within the state..." In 1988 Burckel served as a consultant to the state under the auspices of the National Historical Publications and Records Commission.

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Libraries are being sought to participate in a pilot program involving a new publication, *Fiction Digest*. The digest is the initiative of a group of writers concerned by the number of novels sitting unread on shelves because no one knows of them. Only a quarter of fiction published is reviewed in the general press.

Twice a month, participating libraries will be sent a list of 100 novels: title, author and a 75-word summary written for easy scanning by the human eye. The idea is to make copies of the list available to patrons. The trial will last three months, is free, and there is no obligation on the part of a library to continue when it is over.

If you are interested in participating in this pilot program, please contact: Jim Jagninski, 31 Beach Street, Apt. 1005, Boston, MA 02111-1618. Phone: (617) 451-2845.

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