

Reflections on Carnegie echoes 2004-2010

I have just been reading through the Carnegie Echoes back issues that Kimberly Bridges put up on our website for me today, and found some unexpected echoes arising in my thoughts.

In March of 2004 I expressed a wish to have all of the Precision Indexing census indexes. This is an ongoing goal for the Carnegie's collections!

In October of 2007 I mentioned people remembering using the Carnegie and attending story time here. We still need people to identify the young people in the photograph we have on the first floor. We also need people to volunteer for oral history taping of local history memories. Does anyone remember where the kitchenette was located in the Carnegie? It shows up on none of the plans!

Does anyone have any family stories or pictures that name particular buildings in the downtown area? We are still looking for Lorea building, the Allen Smith building and many others!

Is anyone else confounded by the 1925 Eagle weather statement about a "blizzard accompanied by light snow"?

A new venture among some genealogy libraries is opening a "virtual copy" of their library in Second Life. Some librarians are even taking reference questions through the Facebook and Second Life spaces. What do you think about that idea? Is anyone willing to work with the Carnegie, the Library System and the Cities of Bryan and College Station to set up such a venture? I am certainly not among the knowledgeable on this topic!

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