

Listen to RFB&D's greatest hits at the Listening Station

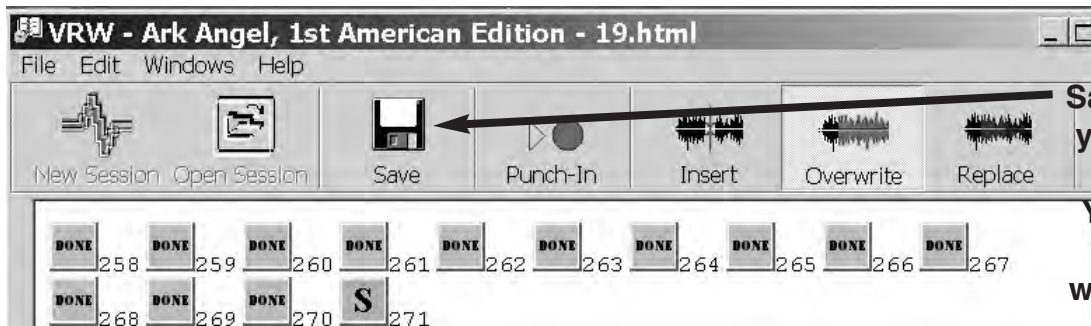
Louis Armstrong? The Beatles? Bach? Sinatra? Crosscheck? Hank Williams? James Brown? Ashlee Simpson? Nope, we don't have them, but we do have *Chemistry: The Molecular Nature of Matter and Change, the Fourth Edition* for your listening pleasure at our new Listening Station across from the lavatories and post production suite. You can take a guided tour of the RFB&D experience through our members ears with a book recorded by the New Jersey studio played on Victor Reader Classic+.

You can gain hands-on experience on how RFB&D members can navigate, speed up, slow down and bookmark RFB&D's AudioPlus discs. It's a great way to understand how students access the materials you record and understand the reasons for some of the changes we've made in the marking and recording process.

Be sure to consult the instruction binder which will shed light on the RFB&D experience. (No, that's not the reconstituted Jimi Hendrix Experience.)

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When you stop to make a correction while recording, please SAVE. Should the computer crash for any reason, it will hold onto the last version saved. Saving often may keep you from losing the fruits of your labor.



Save every time you stop while recording. You shouldn't have to save while checking.

November/December Studio Closings

The studio will be closed the **evening of Wednesday, November 22** as well as **Thursday, November 23 thru Sunday, November 26.**

The studio will also be closed **Saturday December 23 thru Monday, January 1.**

An old favorite returns!

Until a few years ago national headquarters supplied the units with pocket planners for their volunteers. Since they've stopped, there have been lots of long volunteer faces.

This year Secret Agent Double-O-Volunteer has footed the bill for new handsome RFB&D pocket planners. Pick one up in the lounge while they last!

And thanks to our anonymous volunteer for the return of an old favorite!



Dear Aunt Bea...

Aunt Bea is our new columnist. She follows in the venerable tradition of Ann Landers, Miss Manners and Click and Clack to answer the questions challenging the modern New Jersey Unit volunteer. (And yes, that really is a likeness of her.)

Dear Aunt Bea,
I've been checking some files read by self-directors that have no correction marks in the book. As I'm checking for page announcements and spot checking for volume, etc., I come across things which have clearly been corrected...and not cleanly. Shouldn't self-directors be marking where they make corrections?
Befuddled in Checking Station B

Dear Befuddled,
Thanks for pointing this out. Even in this new-fangled age, self-directed readers should be marking every time and place they make a correction. The reader in question is not unlike the person on the 7:02 Trenton Local not realizing that what was meant to be an intimate phone conversation is being shared with the entire train. New technologies don't change time-honored etiquette. Self-directed readers should ALWAYS mark their corrections in the book.

Dear Aunt Bea,
How do the books we record get here? A bookmarker told me there's no such thing as the Book Fairy?
Virginia

Dear Virginia,
I guess you're not buying the Book Fairy dropping bundles of books to expectant studios anymore. OK, I hope you're ready for this...Some of the books come from RFB&D national headquarters. They have librarians who get complimentary copies of the latest editions of text books. After they get them they send the books to the studio that has the capacity to record that type of book. They know that if the fourth edition of *Discrete-Time Signal Processing for Poets and Other Dummies* was a popular title, the fifth edition should get into the hands of a studio as soon as possible. Other books come directly from members and are distributed to a studio which with open capacity. The New Jersey Unit's educational outreach center also supplies the studio with curricula from the member schools it serves.

To mention bold...or not to mention bold... that is the question

RFB&D conventions require us to announce words in bold type when the terms are part of a glossary, key terms or marginal glossaries listed in the margin material.

If bold should be mentioned, say "bold" before the bolded word or words. Do not say "two words bold."

Paragraph headings are not to be indicated as bold. Sometimes when the book's type-setter uses bold for both glossary words and for emphasis of a sentence, we won't mention bold to avoid confusion.

Check the Special Instructions to the Reader on the book's orange navigation guide to determine whether bold should be mentioned. If the orange sheet says nothing about bold, please DON'T MENTION IT.

WANTED

Volunteers to assist in the Educational Outreach Center!

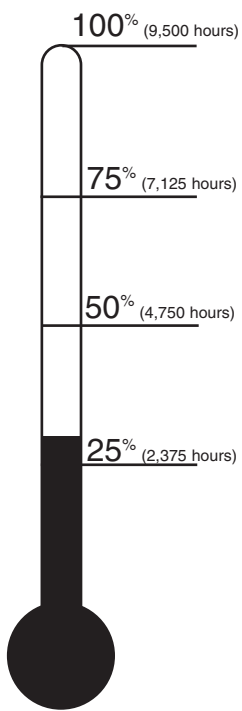
Help outreach help New Jersey schools get the RFB&D materials they need to ensure their students' success!

- Have Excel, Access & Word skills?
- Enjoy research?
- Not opposed to general office work?

For more info, talk to Chris Ranaghan or Debbie Passafiume.

Congratulations!

Rev. Thomas Breidenthal, Dean of Religious Life at Princeton University...and husband of our own **Margaret Breidenthal**... was elected bishop of the Episcopalian Diocese of Southern Ohio! His consecration will take place in April.



9,500 hours for 2007?

Only with your help!

Push the hour-o-meter over the top! We exceeded our 2006 fiscal year goal of 9,200 recorded hours with an organization record 9,324. Proving that no good deed can go unpunished, our goal for the 2007 fiscal year (July 2006-June 2007) is 9,500 hours of recording. After four months of the new fiscal year we've recorded 2,996 hours, which puts us slightly behind last year's pace. With a lot of caffeine and a few throat lozenges, 9,500 should be no problem.

WANTED

Think you're ready to read & haven't started to study for the reading test?

Then see Michelle during the day, Tony or Judy in the evening or Judy or Cathy on Saturday.

New readers, particularly in Economics, Math, Engineering, Computers, & Medicine, are always needed.

Did I mention Economics?



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Have you seen RFB&D in the newspaper?

If you see an article mentioning RFB&D in the newspaper, please clip it out and bring it in or make a copy for us.

The New Jersey Unit does send out press releases to daily, weekly and monthly papers in New Jersey and Bucks County. The studio receives only *Town Topics* and *The Montgomery News*. Your editor receives the Middlesex County edition of *The Star Ledger*, *The Sentinel* and the *New York Times* (Jerry Freedman nods knowingly, "It figures.") at home. You are our eyes and ears for *The Trenton Times*, *Princeton Packet*, *The Home News Tribune* and all the other publications.

IN MEMORY

Bette Bloom, who volunteered from 1997-2003, passed away on September 21. Bette was a valuable director, bookmarker and advocate for RFB&D. After a long illness she had recently stopped by the studio and had planned to resume volunteering.

You know, you are a creative bunch.

It could have been scary. Ask a bunch of folks to rename something like a newsletter and you could end up with, oh, *Jessie Falcone's Flying Circus* or *The 'This Newsletter Isn't So Dreadful It Will Make You Want To Poke Your Eyes Out Like The Book I Just Read Did Gazette.'*

What y'all did was come up with some clever, thought provoking, heart touching and smart ideas including; *Garden State Eyes and Ears, Voice Mail, The Jersey Mic, Sound Byte, The N-JUN, Learning Through Reading, Eyes for Ears, The Voice, The Clarion, RAGS (Readers 'Round The Garden State), The Sultry Voice* and *Recorder's Record.*

The bipartisan committee of former legislators, diplomats, Survivor cast members and out-of-work 80s teen idols decided that **Mindy Langer's** suggestion of *Reader's Note* was the winner. It is one of those phrases unique to RFB&D volunteers and members.

Anyway, thank you to all who participated and congratulations to Mindy for coming up with the winning entry.

Coming Soon!

The new Volunteer Handbook is coming...

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Finally!...We promise!

Welcome our new Educational Outreach Regional Providers

Stacey Muschette, the new educational outreach provider for the New Jersey Unit's northern region has worked in schools for more than four years. She has worked for the Cerebral Palsy League of New Jersey and for a charter school in Plainfield. Stacey enjoys, "working with the developmentally disabled population," and hopes to continue doing so on week-ends.

Stacey enjoys participating in her church and spending time with her boyfriend Scott and six-year-old daughter Sariyah. She will receive her Bachelor's in English in May.

She adds, "I am so blessed and excited to be on this career path where I can still be instrumental in children's lives through working for RFB&D."

Trish Jones works with schools in the unit's southern region. She has taught first grade and substituted in grades K through 12 as well as working in the medical business.

Trish grew up in northeast Philadelphia and moved to New Jersey in 1986 after marrying her Prince Charming. They have three children, two still at home, and a loveable dog named Roxy.

A graduate of Rowan University with a degree in Elementary Education and English, Trish also enjoys jogging, gardening and, for her husband's sake, is giving fishing "the old college try."

Volunteer happenings

Susan Kaplan recently became a grandma. Her son and daughter-in-law presented her with a girl named Lucy Mae.

Vic Auerbach spent a couple of weeks touring Thailand. **Priscilla Cunza-Marin** and **David Wang-Iverson** each spent time in New Zealand (separately). **Ginny Mayer** spent some time in her birthplace Uruguay, as well as Brazil. **Pattie Lamb** vacationed in Greece and Italy for two weeks. **Kenn Clark** was off visiting relatives in Michigan and Indiana. **Barbara Greene** made her first venture across the pond to London.

Two former interns from the Princeton Theological Seminary have begun ministries. **Nadia Van Dorn** worked in the studio during her years at the seminary and is now director of ministries for children, youth and families at Fairmont Presbyterian Church in

Kettering, Ohio. **Tiffany Triplett** helped Chris Ranaghan establish New Jersey's Educational Outreach Center and is now associate pastor at Metro Baptist Church in Hell's Kitchen in Manhattan.

Bill Kastan was October's Artist of the Month in Highland Park. His work was exhibited in the borough's Department of Community Service.

Carol Critchlow has collaborated on an installation called "Cosmology of Cosmetology" at the infinitely cool Quark Park behind Palmer Square in Princeton.

Olivian Boon is director of the GrandPals program at the Princeton Senior Resource Center.

If there's any news you'd like to share with your fellow volunteers, please tell Tony Gruenewald or send him an email at tgruenewald@rfd.org.

End Reader's Note.