

## NEWS



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### **Mattoon Public Library Featured by Lincoln Trail Libraries System**

**Champaign** – Mattoon Public Library is Lincoln Trail Libraries System’s Library of the Week for September 2, 2009. Each week Lincoln Trail Libraries System features a member library to promote awareness about the variety of libraries and the services that are offered. Each Library a Week includes an interview with the librarian and a series of photographs of the library. One of the questions asked of each librarian is “what is unique about the library?” A new library is introduced every Wednesday in the “About our Members Blog” --

[http://lincolntrail.typepad.com/about\\_ltls\\_members/2009/09/li.html](http://lincolntrail.typepad.com/about_ltls_members/2009/09/li.html)

Mattoon Public Library joined Lincoln Trail Libraries System in 1980. The library’s membership in the system allows shared access to the resources of 117 multi-type libraries throughout central Illinois. When the library’s addition was built in the nineties the same quarry that was originally used for the building provided stone for the addition. Close attention to detail was used to match the woodwork of the original building with the trim in the new addition. The library has a very historic presence in the community.

According to LTLS Executive Director Jan Ison, “Library A Week increases public knowledge about the member libraries of the system and promotes collaboration between the system member libraries. By learning more about each other, we hope to help increase the understanding of what each library contributes to information seekers in the Lincoln Trail area.”

Founded in 1966, Lincoln Trail Libraries System has headquarters in Champaign and is one of 9 multitype library systems in the State of Illinois. The System serves 7 academic, 52 public, 42 school and 16 special libraries in Champaign, Coles, Clark, Douglas, Edgar, Ford, Iroquois, Piatt and Vermillion Counties.

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