



# From Dewey to BISAC and Back Again

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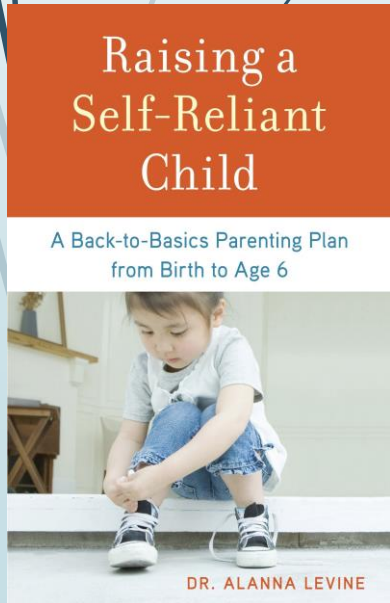
# Why did we try BISAC?

- ▶ Expansion of Library District in 2009 gave us the option to try something new
- ▶ Goal of creating a “Friendly” library that was easy for people to intuitively find things

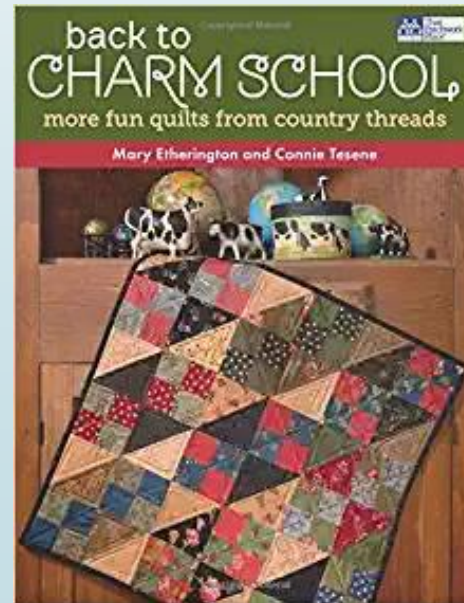


# Basics of BISAC

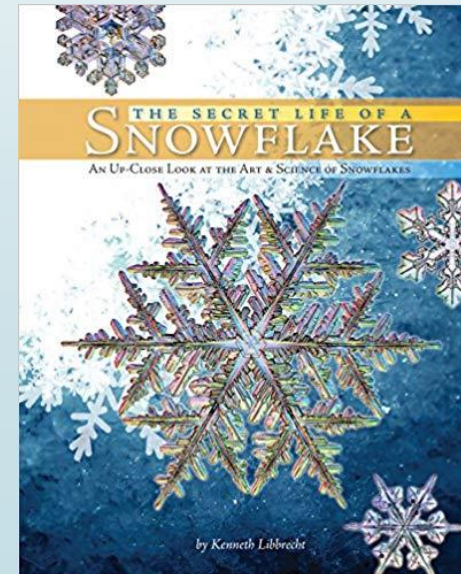
- ▶ Industry approved list of subject descriptors
- ▶ BISAC headings consist of major headings and subheadings for more specificity
- ▶ Developed to standardize subject information



RELATION  
FAMILY  
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CRAFTS  
QUILTS  
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# The Upside to BISAC



- ▶ Truly a browsing collection
- ▶ Gives a “Bookstore” like feel



# Downsides to BISAC

- ▶ The order breaks down in large collections.
- ▶ No structure to the headings
- ▶ Material type headings such as graphic novels are treated the same as topical headings
- ▶ Like books tend to get separated.
- ▶ History section not in chronological order

# Why did we stop using BISAC?

## ► System Consistency

- PCLS is a 20 branch library system where all technical services are done centrally.
- Rather than 20 individual collections, we have one large system collection.
- BISAC was used for one branch, the Fife Library, and it was difficult to share collections with system.
- Dewey was used for the other 19 branches.
- Resource intensive to maintain two classification systems.
- Cost.



# Options we explored

- ▶ Use BISAC for more of the libraries or none of the libraries.
- ▶ More consistent customer experience.



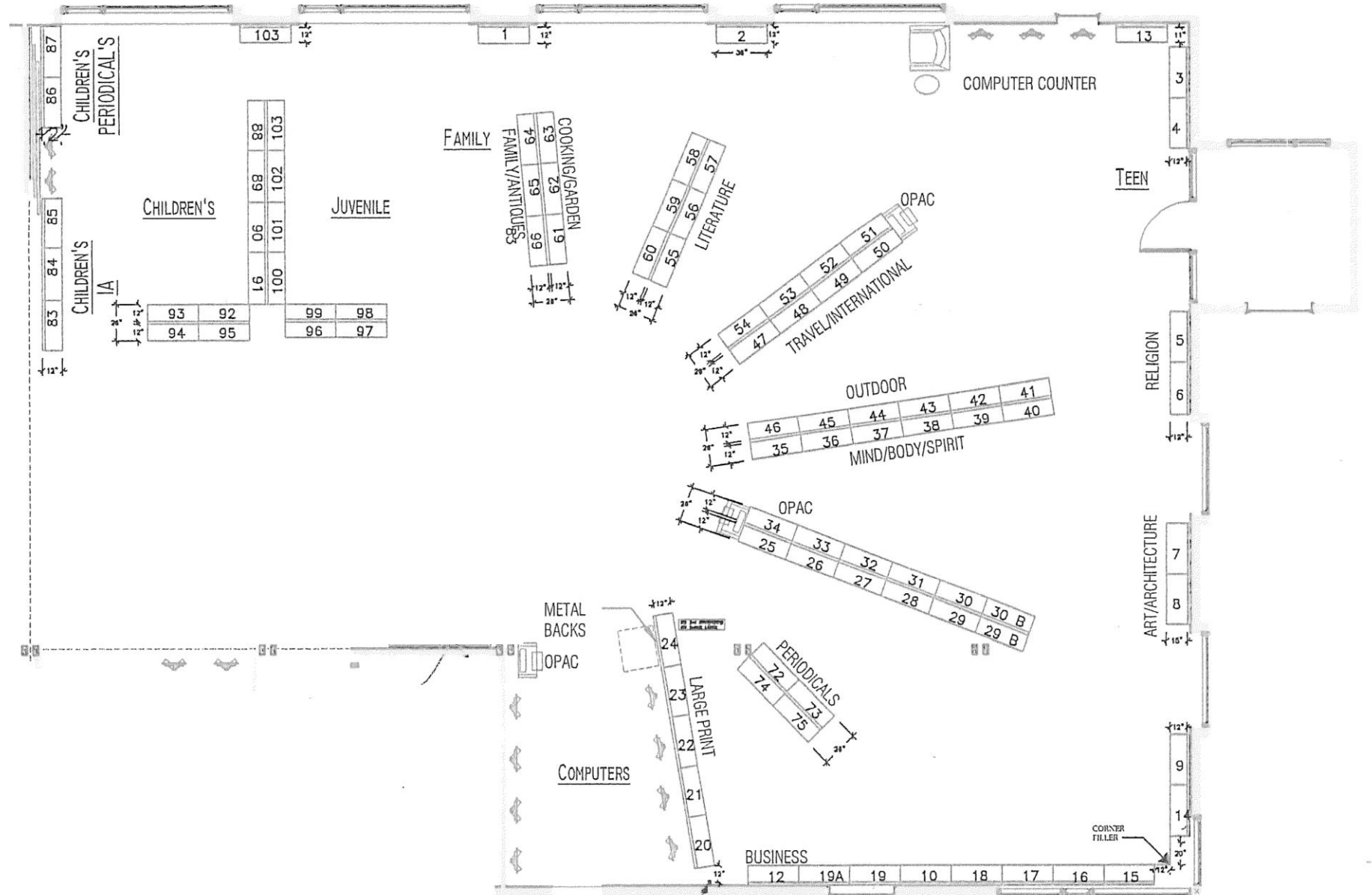


# We're Discontinuing BISAC...

Now What?



# Floor Plan 2011-2018



# Issues: ADA



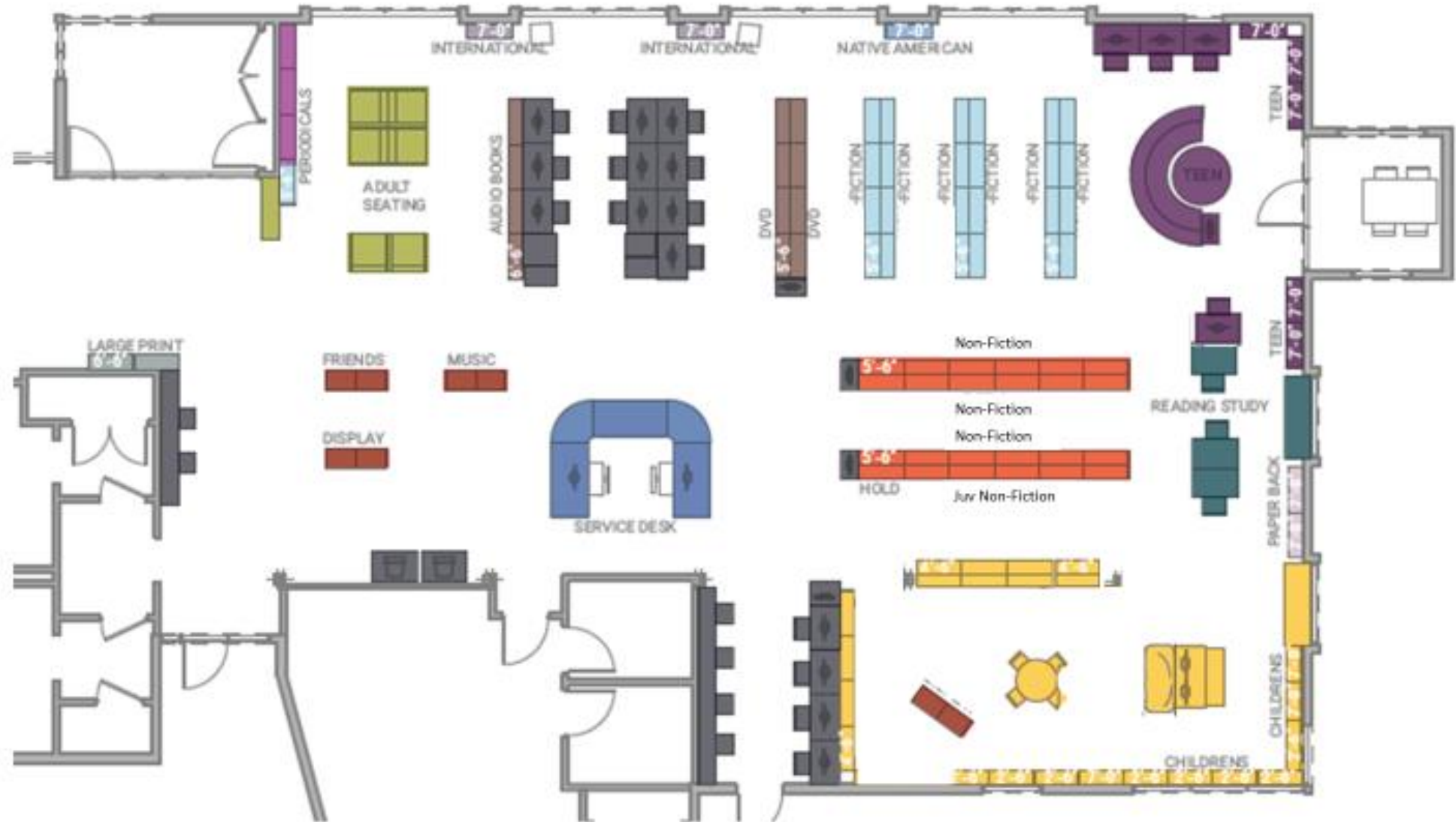
# Issues: Crowded Entry



# Issues: Poor Sight Lines



# Fife Floorplan Present Day



# 2019 – Service Desk



# 2019 – Service Desk



# 2019 – Periodical Area





# 2019 – Front Entry



# 2019 – DVD and Fiction



# 2019 - Computers





# Conversion Process

- ▶ Started with Deep Weed of the Nonfiction sections of the collection
- ▶ After weeding the Two part conversion process kicked in
  - ▶ Part 1 – Convert call numbers remotely
  - ▶ Part 2 – Relabel collection

# Part 1 – Change Call Number Remotely

ItemRecordID	RecordSetID	Record_Set_Name	BibRecordID	Current_CallNu	Current_CallNum	Current_Classific	Current_CutterNu	Current_CallNur	Proposed_CallNumber	Proposed_CallNumber	Proposed_ClassificationN	Proposed_CutterNu	Proposed_CallNumber
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# Part 2 – Physical Conversion

- ▶ Team of 3 from Acquisitions and Cataloging were on site for 2 days
- ▶ Items had been pulled from shelves and put on carts.
- ▶ Worked with records sets to check conversion work and print labels

The screenshot displays the Polaris library system interface. The main window is titled "Record Set 70684 - Polaris" and contains a table of records. A "Scan Barcode" dialog box is overlaid on the table, prompting for a barcode. The dialog box has a "Barcode:" input field, a "Close" button, and a "Help" button. The table below shows the following data:

Title	Assigne...	Collection	Materi...	Shelf ...	Call Number	Vol...	Status	Barcode	Last Activity D...	R...	Control...
Rae : my true story of...	Fife Libr...	YA BIO...	Book		YA BIOGRAP SWIGGET		In	39093072071707	1/17/2019	Fi...	4240012
Knit or crochet - have ...	Fife Libr...	NONFI...	Book		746.432 HUBERT 2009		In	39093072045933	1/17/2019	Fi...	4287835
Minecraft : guide to e...	Fife Libr...	J NON...	Book		J793.932 MILTON 2017		In	39093083641282	1/17/2019	Fi...	5570742
Modding Minecraft : [b...	Fife Libr...	J NON...	Book		J793.932 GUTHALS 2015		In	39093081556912	1/17/2019	Fi...	5422874
The night before Chris...	Fife Libr...	EASY ...	Book	HOLI...	E811.2 MOORE 2015		In	39093079206447	1/15/2019	Fi...	5170135
Washington at Valley ...	Administ...	J BIOG...	Book		J973.3341 FREEDMA 2008		Bindery	39093072154321	1/14/2019	Fi...	4329496
What a wonderful world	Fife Libr...	EASY (E)	Book		E782.42 THIELE 2015		In	39093083070615	1/22/2019	Fi...	5545461



# When to Use BISAC

- ▶ Recommend if you already have consistent quality assurance practices in place
  - ▶ Need a clear taxonomy with clear, repeatable rules for how to categorize items
  - ▶ Very small library
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