Library Trivia

The other day my assistant, Janet, asked a question that would become the basis for this article. She was filing loose-leaf pages when she asked, “What’s the oldest book in the law library?”

Hmmm…. We librarians are a nerdy bunch and gladly embrace it. I’ve been fortunate to work with some of the smartest and most creative people I’ve ever met, not to mention some of the best cooks. We all value each other’s “nerdiness.” Asking library colleagues, “If you were on a desert island and could only answer reference questions with 3 books, what titles would they be?” is pretty standard amongst public reference librarians. An unanswered reference question will plague us long after the patron is gone.

In that vein, I’ve put together some interesting library trivia that’s sure to impress at parties. The answers to this treasure trove may be found on page 2:

1) Who founded the nation’s first lending library in 1731?
2) Who is a mild-mannered librarian by day and a crime-fighting superhero by night?
3) What is librarian Mary Bruner’s claim to infamy?
4) What man, known as one of history’s great lovers, was also a librarian?
5) What is the largest library in the world, in terms of space and volume?
6) Libraries have more cardholders than Visa. (True or False?)
7) Which Broadway musical features the song, “Marian the Librarian”?
8) After the Library of Congress’ burning in the War of 1812, it was replenished by the purchase of whose private library?
9) This FBI Director supported himself as an undergrad working nights at the Library of Congress.
10) There are more McDonald’s locations than library locations. (True or False?)
11) This is the closest a librarian has come to the Presidency of the United States.
12) What is the oldest book in the Lake County Law Library?

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**Library Trivia Answers:**


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