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FACULTY AUTHOR PROGRAM IN JAVITS ROOM:

Professor Bob Crease will be giving a presentation on his book, *The Great Equations*. It should be fascinating! You don't have to be left brain logical to enjoy this. Hope you can set aside time on Sept. 30, 12:45 - 2:00 pm, for this program.

LIBRARY STAFF PHOTO:

Come as you are - no dress suggestions - but please come! This photo will be added to the gallery in the Director's Office. Plan to meet at the steps to the terraces between the Library and the Fine Arts Building.

Date: Friday, Oct. 2, 2009 (Rain date, Oct. 5)

Time: 10:00 am



OFFICE PLANTS:

The Director's Office is having some large peace lilies (spathiphyllums) repotted by the greenhouse in Life Sciences Building. These plants, which were given to the office by Barbara Brand, have become pot bound. If you'd like to add a beautiful plant to your office reply to Marianne .

The peace lily likes low light conditions; it thrives in the understory of lush rain forests. The spathiphyllum can help to improve indoor air pollution that can occur in closed or poorly ventilated offices. NASA research on indoor plants found that living plants are so efficient at absorbing contaminants in the air that some will be launched into space as part of the biological life support system aboard future orbiting space stations.

<http://www.plant-care.com/indoor-plants-clean-air-1.html>

[In his book, **How to Grow Fresh Air: 50 Houseplants to Purify Your Home or Office**, Wolverton suggests adding activated carbon to soil. The roots of the plant grow right in the carbon and slowly degrade the chemicals absorbed there.]

