On behalf of the NM Library Association Board, I hope that you are having a wonderful time this summer. In addition, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize all the youth librarians throughout the state who are in the midst of “Dig into Reading” Summer Reading Program. Bravo!

The Board recently met in Albuquerque to approve the 2013/2014 budget and discuss a number of items to secure the future of the NMLA. Increase in membership was identified as a top priority as well as fundraising. In addition, we talked about encouraging members to get involved in the association by serving on committees, running for office, submitting information concerning what you and your library are doing to the newsletter as well as maintaining a dialogue with fellow members and the Board concerning your ideas and suggestions.

I would like to stress that as President I am committed to strengthening the organization through expanding participation. The NMLA has a multitude of committees and new members are always welcome. Serving on a committee is an excellent way to get to know and work with other members to build a strong association. New energy and fresh eyes bring a great deal to the table and if you are interested in finding out more about joining a committee please contact me at mepellington@ci.gallup.nm.us

In closing, ALA has kicked off a new campaign America’s Right to Libraries and the link below is to the accompanying document a Declaration for the Rights to Libraries. For more information and a toolkit contact ALA.


Sincerely,

Mary Ellen Pellington
NMLA President

Reminder – Each time your Albertsons key tag is swiped, the NMLA receives a donation.

If you do not have a key tag, you can pick one up at Mini Conference in Los Alamos.

Pick up some for your family and friends too!
Free Life Lessons at the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library

By Elise Vidal, Library Media Technician, Thomas Branigan Memorial Library

We, here at Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, plan many displays, posts, and events to bring people into the building to get them to engage with us and our collection. We have placed suggestion boxes around the building hoping for some kind of meaningful feedback. Sadly, these efforts attracted little attention until something serendipitous happened. An empty box marked “Free” began one smart aleck staff member commenting to another smart aleck staff member, “What is free, Life Lessons?” and scribbled the words “life lessons” on the top of the box. Amazingly, patrons began to place their life lessons in the box. This plain cardboard box receives more comments than all of the suggestion boxes located in the library combined. People will stand around the box writing their bits of wisdom on scraps of paper and others will pick through and read each scrap of paper and place them back into the box for the next person. This box has been emptied three times in the last month and within a couple of days it was filled again. Yes, there are many clichés, quotes and song lyrics, but people are stopping to take the time to impart these bits of wisdom. What does it mean? I cannot venture to guess, but below is a sample of some of the life lessons left by the patrons of Thomas Branigan Memorial Library.

- Every action has a Consequence.
- To thine own self be true.
- Las Moscas no entran en boca cerrada. (Flies do not enter a closed mouth).
- A grain of rice can be the difference between defeat and victory! Mulan
- Treat others the way you want to be treated.
- Shoot for the moon if you miss you’ll land amongst the stars.
- Why follow your dreams. When you can make it a reality.
- Obey your parents, and learn to spell.
- Do something great with your life it will pay off in time.
- A cynic is a disappointed idealist.
- Live life like there is no tomorrow.
- Reading makes you smart.
- Never say never.
- Live long and prosper.
- It’s ok to cry. Just make sure that when you’re done you never cry for the same reason; you are stronger than you know.
- Can’t believe how strange it is to be anything at all.
- Shine at your house 1st then shine outside.
- The essence and value of life is found in the small and great daily moments we all live.
- An elephant never forgets where she left her trunk.
- Never underestimate your enemy!
Game Day at the Carlsbad Public Library

By Beth Nieman, Youth Services Librarian, Carlsbad Public Library

In addition to story time and craft programs for kids, we have Game Day on Wednesdays. It's a 2-hour long come-and-go event from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon. It's very well attended and one of the most popular activities we offer. The program's success is based on a simple idea: every kid likes to go to a friends' house and play with some new toys!

The basic format is to set out board games, puzzles, building toys— even leftover craft supplies— around our program room. Kids and parents can sit down and enjoy whatever activities they wish. We play some pleasant background music too.

The most popular games are ones that are easy and/or familiar. "Hungry, Hungry Hippos," "Don't Break the Ice," "Candyland," "Twister," and similar games are the most popular. "Monopoly" and other games which have a steep learning curve or take a long time to play are not as popular. It's also fun to have things like Lincoln Logs, a small wooden train set, and floor puzzles with large pieces.

Because this is a weekly program, it could start to feel stale if we set out the exact same stuff every week, so we rotate the various games. We also change it up by adding a fun activity. One week this summer we offered "picture day," encouraging kids to dress as pirates. We had some props and a pirate background so kids could pose for photos. Their parents enjoyed snapping pictures, and we printed 4 x 6 prints to display in the children's department. We still had all our games out that day, too.

Another fun variation is Cupcake Day. In addition to our other games, kids could participate in a cake walk (with cupcakes instead of full-size cakes). Basically, it's just a way to make the kids work a little for a free cupcake! Our staff was willing to donate one or two dozen cupcakes each, so there was no extra expense.

Other ideas are water games (wear a swimsuit, play in the hose and do other water activities). Remind kids they might want to bring dry clothes! We offered our indoor games too, because of the summer heat. Video game day is popular, too.

This year, we've been asking the community for donations of unwanted LEGO bricks, and have accumulated enough to have LEGO-themed Game Day. We hope to start a LEGO club that meets regularly at the library during the school year, so this will also be a way to generate some interest for that.

The financial outlay for this program might seem large at first, but you can keep using games from previous summers. Each year we accumulate several new things. Some games don't survive the summer, but most do.

Our library also uses Game Day to distribute reading prizes. We do not distribute prizes on other days. We set up our "store" and kids can shop for their prizes using the reading tickets they've earned as "money." This arrangement is so much easier for the staff, as the children no longer come in all week and want to get their prizes—they know to save up their tickets for Game Day. (We make the occasional exception for families who are not able to attend that day.)

To end our summer program on a high note, we turn the final Game Day session into a Last Day Party. We serve snow cones or other treats, use up the last of our reading prizes with a fishing game or similar game. It's a nice way to wrap things up!

The kids and parents like Game Day because it's fun and relaxing. The library staff likes Game Day because the set-up is easy and we don't have to put thought into creating a story program with a craft. Once we open the doors, we mainly just need to supervise the kids. It's a nice mid-week break.
Bylaws Revision for Membership Approval

By Cassandra Arnold, NMLA Bylaws Committee Chair, caarnold@cityofcarlsbadnm.com

It has been five years since the NMLA Bylaws were revised, and some updates are needed to reflect recent changes to the Association and to the way it operates. The NMLA Board has approved the following revisions for the general membership to consider. In August, links to an online ballot will allow members in good standing to submit their votes, while paper ballots will be mailed to those without email addresses on file. Members will have one month to submit their ballots. Instructions will be provided when the ballots are distributed.

The proposed revisions address five areas within the bylaws:

1. Changing the phrase “Interest Group” to “Special Interest Group” throughout the document. This change will update the bylaws to reflect correct and current terminology.

2. Changing the term “mailed” to “distributed,” eliminating the word “postmarked,” and adding the phrase “and/or electronic” throughout the document wherever ballots, newsletters, and other association communications are mentioned. This change will update the bylaws to include email and other forms of electronic communication.

3. Eliminating the bylaws section requiring the NMLA President to serve as a member of the New Mexico Library Foundation board.

4. Changing the NMLA officers section to require that all voting members of the board attend and vote, either in person or by electronic means, a minimum of three board meetings annually. This will ensure a quorum of officers so association business may be conducted in a timely manner.

5. Change all dates referencing the annual conference throughout the document to reflect the recent meeting date shift from spring to fall. This will affect when officer elections will be held, when ballots for the election will be distributed and returned, and when new board members will take office, adding six months to the current dates. We are switching to a fall date to avoid certain conflicts with other organizations.

Questions concerning the proposed bylaws revisions may be directed to the Bylaws Committee: Cassandra Arnold (caarnold@cityofcarlsbadnm.com); Joe Sabatini (jsabatini423@gmail.com); Cassandra Osterloh (cassandra.osterloh@yahoo.com) or any NMLA board member (http://nmla.org/board/)

NALSIG Honors Ben Wakashige

By Tamara Sandia, NALSIG Chair, Tamara.Sandia@jemezpueblo.org

The Native American Libraries Special Interest Group (NALSIG) is proud to honor a dear colleague, Mr. Benjamin T. Wakashige, for his dedication and support of Tribal Libraries. In the 1970’s, Ben and his colleagues help establish Tribal Libraries throughout New Mexico. He has had a long history of advocating for all types of libraries and has been inspirational in providing support and guidance. His career in Librarianship has taken him throughout the nation and he has impacted many lives with his vast knowledge and caring nature. So it is with great pleasure that we will honor him at our next NALSIG meeting Friday, August 16, 2013, at the Acoma Learning Center, Acoma Pueblo. We will have a potluck style lunch and all are invited to share this special day. Should you have any questions, please feel free to call at (575) 834-9171.
Two European trained New York artists, Ernest Blumenscherin and Bert Phillips originally discovered the beauty of Taos and Northern New Mexico back in September of 1898 and exclaimed, “For heaven’s sake; tell people what we have found! Send some artists out here. There’s a lifetime of work for 20 men” (The Course Foundation, 2013) thus starting a long tradition of world-renown artist to the region. The rugged beauty of the region, and its welcoming friendly people, enamored all who ventured, and continue to venture, into the region. Some artist of note who have called Taos home are Georgia O’Keeffe, D. H. Lawrence, Victor Higgins, Herbert Dunton, Ansel Adams, and E. Martin Hennings. But it was through the persistence of Mabel Dodge Luhan, a New York Socialite, arts patron, and Heiress, that the Taos art colony expanded (Taos Pre-1940, 2013). Originally moving to Taos during the Christmas season of 1917, she used her influence and reputation to increase the size of the art colony by inviting “American and European artists, writers, and luminaires to Taos (Taos Artist Colony, 2013)”. Today, in honor of her dedication to the Taos artists and the city itself, the Mabel Dodge Luhan house is a museum and stands on the National Register of Historic Places (Koshare Indian Museum, 2013).

Today, some 100 plus years later, Taos continues the tradition of supporting their own through the public library. The first library was opened by Mrs. Lucy Case Harwood and her husband, Bert, in 1923 when they opened their own private library to the public (Taos City Government, 2013). The library continued to flourish and a new building was opened in 1996 consisting of some 15,000 square feet and housing over 72,000 volumes. They serve a really interesting yet extremely diverse population ranging from Native Americans (from the nearby Pueblo), the poor, the elderly, Hispanics, to the highly educated and successful. They have already outgrown their current location and a fundraising campaign is currently underway to almost double the size.

I spoke with Cheryl Nixson, a librarian who describes her day as “performing any type of duty necessary to aid her patrons” (C. Nixson, personal communication, February 1, 2013). Some of the programs she and the other five librarians successfully have implemented are Poetry Slams, Summer Reading Giveaways, Weekly Story Times, Holiday Programs, Summer Lecture Series, Computer classes, an extensive Southwest (New Mexico) collection, Indigenous Peoples Collection, and a Fine Arts Collection. One program that Cheryl and I discussed in detail is their Teen Art Contest started three years ago and coordinated by Ms. Jeanelle Romo. This program promotes the local teens and maintains a tie to the history of Taos as a great art colony. It’s open to any interested students in Grades 9 through 12 and has been held in October. This year, the program is being moved back to November to better fit the student’s schedule and to encourage more teens to enter. The program is promoted through advertisements at both the school and library, TV, and the local radio stations. In order to better showcase the...
Legislation Committee Updates and Plans

By Joe Sabatini, Co-Chair NMLA Legislation Committee

The Committee met at the State Library on May 17th to discuss planning for a 2014 Library General Obligation Bond Issue and its relation to continued work on the proposal by Senator Howie Morales for earmarked general fund appropriations (2013 Senate Bill 541).

School libraries continue to advocate the restoration of funding for the School Libraries Materials Fund. In many of the 847 public school units, GO Bond funding is the only media funding available for school library collections. The lack of distribution regulations or oversight staffing in the Public Education Department creates the potential for school library bond funding to be applied to other activities in individual schools and districts.

Academic libraries face a similar situation with the Higher Education Department; lack of distribution regulations or oversight staffing. NMCAL is providing the Department with recommendations for the cooperative database purchases specified in the 2012 G.O. Bond legislation. There is a need for a memorial to request a study of the funding model for academic libraries at all levels. This would emphasize the needs for long-term support for library technology resources as an essential utility in statewide higher education.

The State Library continues to have an important role in providing access to online resources for libraries and their patron through the E Portal databases.

Tribal libraries are beginning to utilize bond funding for urgent planning and construction activities.

Public libraries will utilize the New Mexico Municipal League to inform municipal officials about the importance of local libraries, and seek the League’s endorsement of the 2014 Library G.O. Bond act.

The amounts we will request in the bond issue have not been determined. We are in contact with the staff of the Legislative Finance Committee about the state’s bonding capacity in the 2014 bond cycle. Funding amounts have ranges from $7 million to $16 million over the last decade. We will make a presentation to the Legislative Finance Committee about Library G.O. Bond funding and other issues this fall.

We have set a date for Library Legislative Day; Thursday, January 30th, 2014

MPLA Professional Forum Call for Papers

Mountain Plains Library Association (MPLA) announces a call for papers for the MPLA Professional Forum, an event of the MPLA/SDL/NDLA Tri-Conference in Rapid City, South Dakota, September 25-27, 2013. The Professional Forum is designed to present new ideas, innovations, and case studies in librarianship that would benefit the profession. Librarians from all types of libraries are encouraged to participate.

Papers of 2-6 pages should be sent electronically to the committee to be peer reviewed. Three papers will be selected for presentation at the conference. All presenters will receive a one-year MPLA membership. In addition, a cash prize of $100.00 will be awarded to the winning paper/presentation.

The presentations will be given on Friday September 27, from 8:30-9:20 am. Each presenter will have 10 minutes to present and 5 minutes to field questions from the audience. For more information see: http://www.mpla.us/events/mpla2013prof.pdf
MPLA 2014 Leadership Institute

May 4-9, 2014; Estes Park, Colorado
Apply now!

DEADLINE: Friday, November 1, 2013

Where will your library career be in another five years? If you see yourself as a leader on the job or within your library association, then this institute will help you to hone the necessary set of skills and increase your insight into leadership aspects from any level.

The 9th MPLA Leadership Institute will again be facilitated by nationally known organizational development consultant Maureen Sullivan. Ms. Sullivan has over 25 years of experience in leadership development and is the immediate Past President of the American Library Association. She helped establish the ACRL/Harvard Leadership Institute and is a faculty member for its annual program.

Criteria for applicants:
◆ Employed in a library organization in MPLA’s 12-state region
◆ Current member of one of MPLA’s 12 affiliated state library associations
◆ Minimum of 5 years in a library-related job with progressive experience
◆ Record of experience that demonstrates leadership potential
◆ Expected continued contribution to the profession
◆ A thoughtfully completed application
◆ Two letters of recommendation

Registration:
◆ MPLA members = $550; Non-MPLA members = $650
◆ Includes lodging (based on double-occupancy) and all meals

Attendees pay for their own transportation costs. Individual libraries, state libraries, and state associations have assisted attendees with registration and/or transportation costs in the past. It is up to the individual attendees to pursue these or other sources of financial assistance.

Selection and notification:
30 participants will be selected through a process involving states and the MPLA Leadership Institute Committee. Notifications will be sent by December 15, 2013.


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**Happenings at the Esther Bone Memorial Library**

*By Rob Nankin, Rio Rancho Public Library, 505-891-5225*

**Gene Grant**, host and commentator from New Mexico in Focus, will appear at the Esther Bone Memorial Library on Tuesday evening, August 6th at 6:30 p.m. His talk is called “The Governor’s Race: A Discussion on the Money, the Issues, and the Stakes for New Mexico.” The PBS show, New Mexico in Focus, is now in its ninth season and airs every Friday night. In addition to being the host of the show, Mr. Grant is also a columnist for the Weekly Alibi, opinion page writer for the Albuquerque Journal and has appeared on PBS News Hour. If you have never been to one of Gene’s talks at the library this is your opportunity. As in the past, a lively discussion will ensue.

**Norio Hayakawa** will perform a concert of country music at the Esther Bone Memorial Library on Tuesday, August 13th at 6:30 p.m. What makes this a unique concert is Mr. Hayakawa includes Latin standards, Japanese lyrics and even ambient sounds in his country music shows. His unique performances have been enjoyed by many throughout New Mexico. In addition to being a musician Norio is a long-time UFO researcher who has for many years investigated Area 51 in Nevada as well as the alleged Dulce underground base in New Mexico. His love for New Mexico is clearly seen from his music. As a keyboardist he dedicates himself to bringing wholesome live music entertainment to his audiences. This is a free concert and no tickets or prior registration is required.

The library is located at 950 Pinetree Rd. SE in Rio Rancho. For more information you may call 891-5012 and select option 3.
Teen Art Contest at the Taos Public Library (continued from page 5)

artist, the general public is allowed to vote on the Best of Show and Ms. Romo is the one who tallies the votes. Also, a different local artist is chosen each year to judge the works and give art related advice to the students. Results are printed at both the library and in the local newspaper and the prizes awarded are: Best of Show $100, 1st Place $75, 2nd Place $50 and 3rd Place $30.

The New Mexico State Library certifies all of the librarians in the library, and their Director, Mr. George Jaramillo, has over 40-years experience in library services. Some might purely look at the small physical nature of the building, or the quantity of volumes, and judge this a undersized library but I can promise you this- that to only look at those factors would mean you are missing a great library who understands its community and loves helping others. The town, county, and region are better because of services offered by this library.

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2013 NMLA Mini Conference Call for Program Proposals

We welcome your interest in presenting a program at the 2013 Mini Conference to be held October 17-18 in Los Alamos, NM. The conference will be held at the Mesa Public Library with featured programming and entertainment at the historic Fuller Lodge. The conference theme is Libraries Grow…

Libraries are the roots of a community. They are an organic place where seeds of interest and knowledge are planted. Where the branches explore cultures and nurture individual freedoms. Libraries are a center for learning new skills, new worlds and languages. Librarians cultivate the roots of our people by providing foundations for learning and access to information technologies. Through libraries, people are empowered to grow and flourish.

The 2013 New Mexico Library Association Mini Conference will focus on how information professionals are growing a more literate New Mexico. We will explore how librarians in NM are helping our patrons to navigate the various media, interfaces, technologies, and to access and interpret the information they discover. Some amazing literacy programs exist in New Mexico. Across the state, Librarians are working hard to lessen the divide between patrons and information through innovative resources to help raise information fluency skills in every environment. This conference is an opportunity to showcase initiatives, software, programs, services - all of the creative ways in which we have met the challenge of growing a more literate New Mexico.

All submissions must be postmarked or date-stamped by August 15, 2013 for consideration.

Please visit our website for more information and to download a copy of the proposal form:

https://nmla.org/2013-mini-conference/

Please complete and return (via mail or email) to:

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No honorarium or expenses are paid.
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