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2014 NMLA Conference

Inspiring Libraries Build Communities, 2014 NMLA Annual Conference, October 22 - 24, 2014

Treasurer’s Report

Submitted by Paulita Aguilar – NMLA Board Meeting – Oct. 22, 2014

NMLA has just finished its first quarter, July 1 to September 30, 2014.

Income from membership dues is $5,620. NMLA Board estimated an income of $18,000 from dues for the fiscal year, or $4,500 per quarter. David Hurley, Membership Chair, should be given credit for his work on organizing membership records which has increased membership payments to date.

NMLA continues to save money by not having an administrative assistant. Gross Profit is $31,910.76. Total Expense is $8,441.61 and a Net Income of $23,469.15. What are not included are credit card payments, such conference expense payments, made in October 2014.

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As of 09/30/14, bank account assets are:

- NMLA Checking $38,774.18
- NMLA Savings 2,602.85
- Conference Checking 3,217.09
- Conference Savings 2,602.85
- Scholarship 1,599.69
- Scholarship Savings 1,500.31
- BoB Checking 731.00
- BoB Savings* 0.00
- Total checking + savings $51,027.97
- NMLA Minus BoB $51,296.97

Battle of the Books – Savings account was closed because of zero funds. Checking account remains open, and BoB organizers have not replenished their account.

Wells Fargo Banking – WF has not been transferring funds from checking into saving automatically. This has resulted in additional service fees for NMLA. I have contacted Luther Fisher, WF representative, but he has not made the change. Recommendation – the Board should consider a credit union, like NMEFCU, because their charges are minimal and do not require keeping large amounts in savings accounts. That will involve work changing over credit card charging and getting new checks and credit cards.

My treasurer duties are as follows: pick up mail; sort mail; process checks received; process payments/returns; send out invoices; field any questions regarding payments; process orders received via NMLA Store (PayPal, Visa, MasterCard); transfer monies from PayPal; send membership information to David Hurley and Robyn Gleasner; review and reconcile all bank accounts; prepare budget for accountants (Ricci & Co.); submit all documents prepared by accountants Secretary of State Office; and process all conference payments.

Please see the Members Only Section of the website http://membersonly.nmla.org/ for the Profit and Loss Statement.

Government Information SIG Report

Submitted by Stephanie Wilson

Bruce Mergele, Chair, Government Information Special Interest Group, Bruce.Mergele@state.nm.us

This SIG has just recently re-activated, but an essential de-facto core of this group has existed continuously for many years. That core is the member libraries of the State Depository Library Program and the Federal Depository Library Program in New Mexico. These libraries number more than two dozen and maintain communications and distribution of government information materials on a regular basis.

The State Library is responsible for the receipt and distribution of all State Publications. Regional coordination of the Federal depositories rests with the Regional at UNM’s Zimmerman Library. Currently, there are 22 State depository libraries, including the Library of Congress and 11 Federal depositories. Many of these libraries function as both. The Embudo Valley Public Library is currently receiving State publications on a trial basis and it appears they will formally join the State Depository Program.

On July 18, 2014, the State Library hosted the New Mexico Government Information & Depository Libraries Annual Meeting, after a few years’ hiatus. The all-day conference was well-attended by documents librarians from all over the state. The morning session was a presentation by Pauline Nunez of the U.S. Census Bureau’s Denver Office. The session was held in the State Library’s electronic classroom and enabled attendees to get hands-on experience in using online resources such as American Fact Finder.

In the afternoon, round-table discussions were conducted covering: FDLP happenings and a Regional report by Dan Barkley, information on the then up-coming multistate virtual conference, updates on digital State documents, RDA cataloging’s impact on documents, negotiations with the Compilation Commission over Statute subscriptions and, our plans to resurrect the Government Information Special Interest Group.

The SIG has a scheduled meeting at the NMLA conference in Ruidoso. A Presentation of disaster preparedness, response and recovery will be given. This will be an update of a presentation done by Dan Barkley of UNM adding information from their most recent problems caused by flooding earlier this year. Other topics will include the State Library’s efforts to bring all State Agencies into compliance with the Depository Library Program statutes.
Education Committee Report

Education Committee Members

Scholarship Programs Status
- Marion Dorroh Scholarship Program - In FY2013-14, The Committee received six applications for the Marion Dorroh Scholarship program, and one award was given to Darren Ilett for $2,000.00 to attend San José State University. Four applicants were rejected, and one applicant was disqualified because they were not attending a library school program. All applicants have been notified of their status to date.

- College Scholarship Program - In FY2013-14, The Committee received two applications for the College Scholarship program, and one award was given to Heidi Henderson for $500.00, to attend Doña Ana Community College. One application was rejected. All applicants have been notified of their status to date, and the winner has confirmed they are attending the Annual Conference Award event.

Continuing Education Grant Program - In FY2013-14, the Education Committee approved 3 Continuing Education Grants last June using funds from fiscal year FY2013-14:

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Additionally, thus far in FY2014-15, the Committee has received three Continuing Education Grant Applications. Two applications were approved, as follows:

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Both applicants have been notified.

One additional application was just received on October 10, 2014, and has not yet been reviewed by the Education committee. Approval of this application will also depend on confirming funds availability with the NMLA Treasurer.

Education Budget Status
After the FY2014-15 Continuing Education distributions noted above, the current FY2014-15 fiscal year Education Budget balances are as follows:

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NMLA 2015 Scholarship Opportunities

The New Mexico Library Association will once again offer the Marion Dorroh and College Scholarship programs for 2015. Program descriptions and application procedures are described below. Application forms are available on the NMLA Website. If you have questions, please contact Kevin Comerford, Education Committee chair at kevco@unm.edu.

Marion Dorroh Memorial Scholarship
The Marion Dorroh Memorial Scholarship Fund is intended to promote the librarianship profession in the state of New Mexico. Scholarship awards are given to support studies toward advanced degrees in Library and Information Science at an ALA-accredited college or university. This scholarship is available to both full-time and part-time students alike.

To Apply:
- Submit your completed application by the **May 1, 2015 deadline**.
- Complete the Marion Dorroh Scholarship Application Form (The form can be obtained from [http://nmla.org/scholarships-grants/](http://nmla.org/scholarships-grants/)).
- Include the following documents with your application:
  - Your current Résumé
  - A one page statement of your professional goals
  - Transcripts from all your post-high school work (unofficial copies are acceptable)
  - Three letters of reference, at least one of which is from a librarian
  - A copy of your acceptance letter or the name and phone number of an official at the library school you will be attending who can provide confirmation of your acceptance
  - Email or send the completed application to the NMLA Education Committee Chair (address below).

College Scholarship Fund
The NMLA College Scholarship Fund supports New Mexico library workers who are pursuing an undergraduate degree in Library Technology or school library certification. It can also be used for graduate study toward a teacher-librarian endorsement.

To Apply:
- Submit your completed application by the **May 1, 2015 deadline**.
- Complete the NMLA College Scholarship Application Form (The form can be obtained from [http://nmla.org/scholarships-grants/](http://nmla.org/scholarships-grants/)).
- Include a one page statement of your professional needs, goals and intent to serve New Mexico’s libraries with your application.
- Email or send the completed application to the NMLA Education Committee Chair (address below).

For more information about any of the NMLA Grant or Scholarship Programs, contact: Kevin Comerford kevco@unm.edu

Awards Committee Report
Submitted by Mildred Walters

The Awards Committee is prepared to give out 5 awards at the NMLA Awards dinner. Sherry Aragon, artist from the Pueblo of Acoma made awards for all awardees.

Congratulations

Legislator of the year - Senator William Soules
NM Library Leadership - Paulita Aguilar
Academic Librarian of the Year - Peg Johnson
Community Achievement - Julia Clarke
NMLA Amigo - Saundra Lanning
Honorary Life Membership - Tina Glatz
ASL SIG Invitation
Submitted by Lorie Mitchell

Calling all SCHOOL LIBRARIANS! The Advocacy for School Libraries Special Interest Group (ASL-SIG) would like to invite you to Carlsbad for our Spring Workshop on January 24, 2015. We will have great presentations and vendors will also be available to work with! It’s a great time of collaboration and helping each other find ideas to share with our schools. Please join us!

On February 5, 2015, please join us for Library Legislative Day! We will be talking to our state legislature about adding funding back to the School Libraries Material Fund (SLMF), an account that is below the line in the state budget. The fund has been sitting on empty the past few years and our school libraries desperately need the additional funding to keep meeting our students’ and teachers’ needs. Join us February 5th at the State Capitol to advocate for funding! If you can’t join us, we will be sending out additional information on contacting your representatives through our Google + page and our yahoogroup.

The ASL-SIG would also like to invite you to join our special interest group. We now have a Google Plus group where we share and collaborate and we are creating a schedule of free webinars. For more information, contact Linda Keulen at keulen@aps.edu or Lorie Mitchell at lorie@cmslibraries.com

Bylaws Committee Report
Submitted by Cassandra Arnold

Updates to the Procedural Handbook were postponed until after the Summer Reading Program rush, but will be started soon. However, a complete copy of the Handbook in Word format is needed for editing purposes. The Handbook is on the website, but is not downloadable. Obtaining the Handbook in Word format is necessary for any progress to be made, and any assistance will be more than welcome.
Slate of Candidates for the NMLA 2015 Elections

Mary Ellen Pellington, Past President
Nominations/Elections Committee: Rose Diaz, Anne Lefkofsky
LeAnn Weller (Technical Advisor)

Per Section 410 of the NMLA Bylaws, the Nominations and Elections Committee has prepared the following slate of candidates for the 2015 elections.

VP – President Elect

Lynette Schurdevin, Director
Rio Rancho Public Library
Rio Rancho, NM 87144
505-891-5013

Treasurer

Jose Aranda, Instructor
Library Science
Dona Ana Community College
2800 N. Sonoma Ranch Blvd
Las Cruces, NM 88011
575-528-7261

Lisa Pate, Librarian
Albuquerque Public Library
Erna Fergusson Branch Library
3700 San Mateo NE
Albuquerque, NM 87110
(505) 888-8100

Members at Large - 2 positions

Lillian Chavez, Director
Mescalero Community Library
148 Cottonwood Drive
Mescalero, New Mexico
United States 88340
575-464-5010

Jacqueline Dean, Librarian
Mesa Middle School
7225 Jornada Road N.
Las Cruces, NM 88012
575-527-9510

Clyde Henderson, Director
Crownpoint Technical University Library
Crownpoint Road State Highway 371
Crownpoint, NM 87313
505-786-4100

Marian Frear, Director
Placitas Community Library
10 Tierra Madre Road
P.O. Box 445
Placitas, NM 87043
505-867-3355

Stephanie Wilson, Law Librarian
Supreme Court Law Library
237 Don Gaspar
Santa Fe, NM 87501
505-827-4357

We have included petition candidacy information.
January 1, 2015 is the postmark deadline for submitting petitions for added candidates. Please mail to 2015 NMLA Nomination and Elections Committee, NMLA, P.O. Box 26074, Albuquerque, NM 87125.

New Mexico Library Association Petition for
Petition for Candidacy Form

Candidacy for NMLA Office

DATE:_____________________________________________

NAME:_____________________________________________

ORGANIZATION:_____________________________________________

ADDRESS:_____________________________________________

PHONE:_____________________________________________

E-MAIL:_____________________________________________

I am a current member of the New Mexico Library Association. 

YES_____ NO_____

I wish to be considered for placement on the NMLA slate of candidates for the following office (check one):

Vice-President/President Elect _____

Secretary _____

Treasurer _____

Member-at-Large _____

ALA Councilor _____

_____________________________________________ (signature)

_____________________________________________ (printed name)

Please mail this page and the signature page (s) to the 2015 Nominations and Elections Committee, NMLA, P.O. Box 26074, Albuquerque, NM, 87125, postmarked by January 1, 2015

The Nominations and Elections Committee will validate that all signers of the petition are current members of the New Mexico Library Association.

Only petitioners with 20 signatures from current members will be added to the slate of candidates.

The following signatures are from current NMLA members who support placing my name on the slate of candidates for election to NMLA office in the next election.

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Name of Candidate: _______________________________________________

NMLA Office: ____________________________________________________

Date: ____________________________________________________________________
Breast Cancer Walk 2014

Submitted by Val Nye

15,000 people turned out early for the 2014 Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk on October 26 in Albuquerque. The Librarians Against Breast Cancer team was one of over 400 teams walking. This year the librarian team had 9 members that included librarians and librarian family members. The walk was shortened from 5 miles (last year) to 5 kilometers (this year), so long-time Making Striders thought the walk was a breezy walk-in-the-park.

Joe Sabatini said, "It was great to walk with friends for a common purpose." Kathy Barco shared, "One of my favorite parts of the walk is writing the name of the name of a very special survivor on a strip of pink ribbon and tying it to the dreamcatcher on display in the Survivor Tent."

The Librarians Against Breast Cancer team raised over $500 for the American Cancer Society. Funds collected by the walk participants are used by the American Cancer Society for education, to find cures, and to fight back against breast cancer when it does strike.

2014 team members were: Kathy Barco, Val Nye, Bob Sabatini, Joe Sabatini, Scott Sheldon, Susan Sheldon, Brenda Thrasher, Ben Wakashige, and Joel Yelich.
Holiday Book Fair at Santa Fe Public Main Library

Submitted by Wendy Hitt

The Santa Fe Public Library’s Main Library will be hosting a Holiday Book Fair on Sunday, November 23, for gift buyers or people who want new books at a great price for their own collection. The Book Fair will feature area publishers: SAR Press, AZRO Press, Bathtub Row Press, ABQ Press, New Mexico Book Association, and LPD Press/Rio Grande Books. Books for sale will be from Santa Fe, Los Alamos, Albuquerque, and other locations. There will be new books for sale at $1 and other steep discounts as well as recent releases. It is a place to go for books for the holidays and benefit the Santa Fe Library at the same time. Many of the books for sale are award-winning books.

In addition to the sale, there will be a special presentation of "How Chile Came to New Mexico" by Albuquerque author Rudolfo Anaya, illustrations by Nick Otero of Los Lunas, and translation by Nasario Garcia of Santa Fe. Books signed by all three will be available. Otero will have the original art from the book for people to see. There will also be a silent auction of signed books to benefit the Friends of the Santa Fe Library.

Main Library: Community Room, Sunday, November 23rd, 1:00 - 4:00

2014 NMLA Conference Photos

Library Science Program
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- School Library Media Specialist Endorsement
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New Mexico State University | Doña Ana Community College
Membership Committee Report

Submitted by David Hurley

The Numbers
314 Current members
41 New members since June*
85 Renewals since June
27 Members who expired since June and have not (yet) renewed.
18 Honorary Life Members (after this conference)**

*Some of these may be renewing members who were, for some reason, never added to the membership database.

** Section 312 of the procedural manual specifies that "[t]here shall be no more than fifteen Honorary Life Members at one time." That language needs to be changed or removed.

Committee Activity

Membership files and the Membership Directory
The major project of the committee has been converting the membership files into a MySQL database. Membership information had existed across Excel files and a Google Contacts file. Many individuals were in one file and not the other, and in some there was conflicting information in the different sources. These files were merged and cleaned up as best as was feasible. Errors remain, and will be corrected as found.

The next step is to build a PHP-based web interface to the database so that the up-to-date Membership Directory, SIG rosters, etc., are available dynamically on the NMLA website.

Renewals
Renewal notices have been sent out by email to expired and expiring members. Those members who do not have an email address on file with NMLA or who have requested renewal notices to be sent by mail have not been contacted.

We currently have 62 members for whom we have no email address, plus an additional 4 who have requested renewal notices be sent by mail. Fifty of these members are currently expired. At present, the Membership Committee has no budget to mail renewals to these members.

Membership Form
The online membership form has been updated to a fillable pdf form, with the up to date SIG list.

Areas of Concern

Missing Members
We know that there are people who have renewed or joined NMLA who are either not in the membership files at all, or whose renewal is not reflected in the database. We’ve found some members when they attempted to register for the conference as members, and some who showed proof of renewal after getting a reminder to renew. However, there are likely others who we don’t know about, some of whom no doubt have a very bad impression of the association since they paid dues but got nothing.

At the suggestion of board member LeAnn Weller, I reviewed the list of current members of the NMLA listserve, looking for people on the listserve that are not in the member database. Unfortunately, the listserv roster only includes email addresses, and they are not always the same as the one in the directory. For example, NMLA Member Jane Doe might have jdoe@thepubliclibrary.com in the member directory, but janed66@nmail.com on the listserv. Worse yet, the email address can have no association with a name: bookslinger@example.com. Working through this list will take a great deal of time.

Member Categories
Of our 314 members, 69 are designated student members. Many of these are library directors, longtime members, or otherwise clearly not students.

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NMLA Membership

Honorary Life Members

- Paul Agriesti
- Alison Almquist
- Thaddeus P. Bejnar
- Dr. David R Giltrow
- Charlene Greenwood
- Martha Liebert
- Betty Long
- Elinor McCloskey
- Carol Myers
- Linda O’Connell
- Elise Orell
- Calla Ann Pepmueller
- Dr. Earl H. Phillips
- Joseph Sabatini
- Ellanie Sampson
- Ben Wakashige
- Cheryl Wilson
- Tina Glatz

Sustaining Members

- Barbara VanDongen
- Bradley Carrington
- Cecilia D. Stafford
- David Caffey
- Dianna Rhine-Valdez
- Elizabeth Egelhoff
- Elizabeth Titus
- Frederick Walter
- John Sandstrom
- L. Scott Sheldon
- Lorrie Stepetic
- Mary Alice Tsosie
- Paulita Aguilar
- Susan Sheldon

New Members

- Turedia McBride
- Lucas Keppel
- Julie Klein
- Kelli Murphy
- Christy Murro
- Teri Reynoso-Boatman
- Lisa Collins
- Amanda Kernohan
- Patrick O’Neil
- Teresa Walsh
- Judy Kay Bard
- Marilyn Looney
- Pamela Denise Dallas
- Wendy Hitt

Commercial Members

- Sebco Books
- NMSU - Doña Ana Community College Library Science Program
- Mackin
- Davidson Titles, Inc.

These members give extra each year because they believe in NMLA. Thank you, sustaining members! Your confidence is contagious.

Membership Committee Report (continued from page 10)

In most cases, the member probably paid the correct amount, but was entered into the files incorrectly. However, our member categories are reported to ALA, as well as being useful in predicting revenue. This issue should mostly resolve itself in the coming year, as renewals are processed.

On The Horizon

Membership Period

Board Member Valerie Nye suggested investigating switching from a rolling calendar year membership, to a fixed one where all memberships expire at the same time. The Committee will look into the pros and cons of such a switch and report at the next meeting.

Institutional Members

Currently, the only benefit to an institutional membership, besides a stronger NMLA, is a subscription to the NMLA newsletter, which is available for free online.

I would like to reconsider the benefits of institutional membership. Specifically, I propose a more expensive institutional membership ($250, for example) that includes attendance at two NMLA events. An institution could either send two people to one conference, or send one person to both the annual and mini conference.

The committee will consider this in more depth, and if viable, present a proposal at the next board meeting.
Voters Support Bond B and other Library Bonds by Large Margins

By Joe Sabatini and Olivia Baca

Library bond issues were successful statewide in the 2014 New Mexico General Election. State General Obligation Bond B, providing $10.8 million for public, academic, public school and tribal libraries passed by an unofficial margin of 115,211 votes. With 280,177 yes votes and 164,966 no votes, Bond B won with 62.9% in favor, 0.9 percentage points higher than attained by library bond issue B in 2012. This progress was accomplished through higher margins in all but ten counties, with the greatest margin gains in Lincoln, Taos, Santa Fe, Mora, Valencia and Los Alamos Counties. Only two counties, Catron and Union, rejected the measure. Taos was once again the banner county for support at 77.2% yes, followed by Santa Fe County at 70.8% and McKinley County at 69.8%

Bond B showed the second-highest level of support among the three state bond issues; the $17 million senior citizen facilities bond (A) received 64.9%, with library bond (B) at 62.9%. Bond C, providing $141 million for higher education facilities, passed with a 59.8% yes vote. These are unofficial totals, which will be updated when the State Canvassing Board meets later this month.

In Bernalillo County, library bonds providing $1.8 million to the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Library System passed by a vote of 114,683 yes to 40,313 no, a 74% margin. This margin exceeded the 2013 City of Albuquerque library bond margin of 72% and the 66.3% margin for the 2012 County library bond. Voters in Albuquerque and Bernalillo County have now passed fifty-five consecutive library funding questions dating back to 1892, with an average margin of 68.3% favorable, and totaling $120 million in funding. The drop-off in support in Bernalillo County between the County Library Bond and State Bond B is 7%. The Bernalillo County library bond ranked second highest in voter support among the six bond issues proposed to county voters in 2014.

In Sandoval County, library bonds providing $3.25 million to 15 public and tribal libraries passed by a vote of 20,910 yes to 14,245 no, a 59.5 % margin. The drop-off in support in Sandoval County between the County Library Bond and State Bond B was only 3.4%. The county library bond also ranked second highest for Sandoval County among the four bond issues proposed in 2014. Two of the other Sandoval County bond issues were defeated.

The library community was mobilized to support Bond B through the activities of the Bonds for Libraries Special Interest Group (SIG). Under the chairmanship of Olivia Baca, the SIG met periodically to promote the legislation, raise funds, prepare and distribute campaign materials and place advertising. The SIG used a variety of media to promote passage of Bond B to both library allies and voters who may not use libraries. The SIG website, bondsforlibraries.org, provided updates on the status of the legislation and outreach projects. A radio spot ran on KMGA and KANW leading up to Election Day, in September and October 2014. Other outreach efforts included bookmarks, window clings, buttons and “shelfies”, photos of library supporters taken with a library card or library book. The photos were distributed through social media, including Facebook and Twitter. A display ad was also placed on the state’s leading political blog, “New Mexico Politics with Joe Monahan.”. Bond B was endorsed by the Albuquerque Journal and other newspapers around the state. Our increased level of support in a generally conservative and low turnout election demonstrates that New Mexico citizens understand and value what libraries do for their communities.

Branson Library Hosts Domenici Photo Exhibit

Submitted by Laura Baumgartner

New Mexico State University’s Branson Library will host the Domenici Photo Exhibit until the beginning of the fall 2015 semester. The collection features more than 30 images and is available for public viewing on the second floor of Branson Library.

The exhibit features images from Sen. Pete V. Domenici’s time in Washington, accomplishments during his 36-year career in the U.S. Senate, and some lighter, unique moments captured on film during his tenure as New Mexico’s senior senator.

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NMSU Yearbook Digital Collection Now Available

By Nathan Brown, Digital Projects Librarian, New Mexico State University

New Mexico State University, then known as the New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, published its first student yearbook in 1907. Selected through a student contest, the name *Swastika* was given – an ancient symbol of fortune and good luck, used by many cultures throughout the world, including some Native Americans in the Southwest. As the years passed, and the symbol was adopted by the Nazi Party in Germany, the meaning behind the symbol changed. Attempting to maintain a long tradition, New Mexico A&M, and later New Mexico State University, held on to the *Swastika* name until 1983, when it was renamed *The Phoenix*, again through a student contest.

This collection contains 95 volumes, published over a span of 85 years, from 1907-1992. Some years saw multiple volumes published, particularly near the time of the discontinuation of the yearbook. The format changed in the fall of 1987 to that of a magazine, and by the time the final volume was published in 1992 it hardly resembled a yearbook, rather a literary magazine. The collection can be viewed online at: [http://contentdm.nmsu.edu/cdm/landingpage/collection/Yearbooks](http://contentdm.nmsu.edu/cdm/landingpage/collection/Yearbooks).

For more information contact Nathan Brown at (575) 642-5769 or at nbrown@nmsu.edu.

NMSU Lore of the Archives and New Mexico Folklife Festival Exhibit

Submitted by Laura Baumgartner

The New Mexico State University Library is pleased to announce a selected portion of the “Lore of the Archives: Dr. Andrew Wiget and The New Mexico Folklife Festival” print collection will be available for public viewing. The exhibition in the 4th Floor of the Branson Library in the Milton Gallery will feature approximately 20-25 images from the Dr. Andrew Wiget collection, which is renowned for showcasing the colorful diversity of New Mexico Folkways and Folklife. Dr. Andrew Wiget was a former professor of English and Director of the NMSU’s New Mexico Heritage Center. He defined “Folklife” as the skills, crafts, and forms of knowledge/customs learned orally or by imitation.

The selected images highlight scenes from the 1993 New Mexico Folklife Festival, a major four-day cultural and educational event held in Las Cruces’ Young Park. The Festival attracted over 30,000 visitors, 105 artisans and presenters, and several horses. It was extensively recorded in photographs, and is now part of the NMSU University Archives. The Folklife Festival acted as a ‘living museum’ where artisans and presenters provided entertainment, education through hands-on projects and presentations, and indigenous food offerings. The prints give a sense of the lively and colorful diversity of folklife traditions alive in New Mexico.

The exhibition is in conjunction with New Mexico's celebration of Archives. New Mexico Governor Susana Martinez has proclaimed October 2014 "American Archives Month" throughout the state of New Mexico.

The selection of the Dr. Wiget collection will be displayed in the 4th Floor Milton Gallery in Branson Library until February 15, 2015.

Domenici Photo Exhibit (continued from page 12)

“The Domenici display features a selection of photographs taken during Senator Domenici’s political career. These images show him with Presidents, fellow New Mexican politicians and even more importantly, meeting with his constituents,” said Adam Heien, political papers archivist.
### NMLA Officers and Committee Chairs

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