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Message from the NMLA President

Submitted by Sharon Jenkins NMLA Vice President

Please join me in welcoming our new administrative assistant, Linda O’Connell. I think we have a wonderful resource in Linda and I look forward to working with her and benefiting from her past experience working with NMLA!

She’s started meeting with the annual conference committee to find her footing.

Welcome Linda.

NMLA Annual Conference 2016

Submitted by Lynette Schurdevin, NMLA Vice President/Elect

The New Mexico Library Association proudly announces the 2016 Annual Conference to be held on November 2-4, 2016 at the Marriott Pyramid Hotel. The annual conference theme “Ideas, Insights, Transform, Innovation” ensures you will have the opportunity to learn about new library trends; network with colleagues; and bring back exciting and innovative ideas to your library.

We will begin our conference opening session with Julie Todaro, ALA President, who will share with us her ideas, insights, and innovation in transforming libraries. Sessions for each library type will give librarians an opportunity to network and learn new ideas to assist in transforming their libraries!

Our annual banquet will feature a prior “Librarian of the Year” speaker along with our annual awards to recognize community achievement; legislator of the year; Library Leadership Award, and the Library Amigo award.

So please “Save the Date” for the Annual NMLA Conference on November 2-4, 2016 in Albuquerque’s Marriott Pyramid. More information available at http://nmla.org/annual-conference/
“Every Child Ready to Read at Your Library/Todos los niños listos para leer”

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Octavia Fellin Public Library has been busy this summer hosting the Summer Reading Program and the Pulitzer Prize Reading Challenge. The Library kicked off the Summer Reading Program with our annual Summer Family Carnival. There were lots of activities for the kids including games, a bounce house, a tote bag walk, and a visit from our firefighters and their “smoke house” for teaching fire escape plans. Over 900 people attended the carnival. The Library have many events planned for the remainder of the summer. We just finished two Saturday programs, Luke Renner yo-yos and magic and Exploral Science and learning. There are still many more special events ahead this summer including a storyteller, a magician, puppets, and more! Main library visitors have more book discussions ahead with the Pulitzer Prize Reading Challenge to look forward to. It’s a summer of excitement at Octavia Fellin Public Library.
Candidates for NMLA Board

Submitted by Nominations and Elections Committee: Janice Kowemy, Paulita Aguilar, Kathleen Dull, Julie Kelso, and Carmella Lee.

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Members who would like to nominate themselves or a colleague for an office may submit two forms, Petition for Candidacy for NMLA Office and twenty (20) signatures of NMLA members, that are available at http://nmla.org/committees-sigs/nominations-elections-committee/. Please submit to Janice Kowemy, Chair of Nominations and Elections postmarked by July 20, 2016. Mail to NMLA, Nominations and Elections Committee, PO Box 26074, Albuquerque, NM 87125.

Ballots will be sent out to the membership the first week of August. Ballots will be due September 1st.
Go Bond B 2016

By Olivia Baca, Bonds for Libraries SIG and Omar Durant, Chair, Bonds for Libraries SIG

This November 8th, New Mexico residents will vote on General Obligation Bond Issue B, which if passed, will provide publically funded New Mexico libraries with a total of $10,167,000. Thanks to funding from the New Mexico Library Association, the Native American Libraries SIG, the New Mexico Consortium of Academic Libraries and the Friends for the Public Library organization, the Bonds for Libraries SIG is working on several ways to promote public awareness for the 2016 GO Bond Issue B.

SIG Projects
Banners – The SIG currently has two banners, to help visibility of the library bond. Contact Olivia Baca or Omar Durant if you would like to request a banner for use at a public function in your area.
Window Clings – The bumper sticker of the 21st century, window clings can be placed on windows of vehicles, work places and more, and are easily removable. We have window clings available for you.
Brochures and Bookmarks – Access this year’s brochure and bookmark designs online at bondsforlibraries.org. Updated resources will be available soon.
New Suggestions: If you have an idea for a resource that would help you “sell” the GO Bond B in your area please let us know by writing to omardurant@yahoo.com and we will try to help.

What Can You Do?
Local Projects - Librarians, library staff and supporters are encouraged to develop local projects.
Join the SIG, or a Subcommittee – The Bonds for Libraries SIG welcomes new members. Attend general meetings, create flyers, or propose another area in which you would like to contribute. This could provide a great professional development opportunity for graduate students and new professionals.
Creative Local Marketing – Assist the SIG by educating your library patrons in creative ways. New Mexico libraries have deployed book displays, identified bond-funded computers and other technology, and used book plates to bring attention to the resources made available through Bond B.
Share your Library Photos – Photos of your libraries, resources, services, staff and patrons are always welcome. They help the SIG promote the Bond via marketing collateral, the website, and on social media.

Libraries Transform New Mexico Statewide Conference on Libraries

Submitted by Gale Hannigan, Conference Program Co-Chair

This year, the New Mexico Library Foundation funded an assessment of the current state of libraries in New Mexico. Data and analysis resulting from the assessment will be used to inform a statewide conference, to be held on November 1, 2016 in Albuquerque. As we have sent “save the date” notices to community leaders and policy makers, we’ve discovered that some are passing on the announcements to librarians. Among the task force for the assessment and the conference planning committee, we already have good representation from librarians. Our goal is to have the majority of attendees be non-librarian stakeholders. So, if you receive invitations via administrators or other contacts, please let them know that the invitation is specifically for them and encourage them to attend. It is important that we hear from a wide spectrum of members of the community who can influence change.

Thank you for your assistance and support for this important event!
Juan Tabo Library Renovation Celebration

Submitted by Joe Sabatini

June 29, 2016, Mayor Berry, City Councilor Trudy Jones, and the many other legislators who made the beautiful improvements at the Juan Tabo Library possible celebrated the grand opening of the Juan Tabo Public Library in Albuquerque with a ribbon cutting ceremony.
Families with young children love coming to Toddler Time (for ages 0-3) at Carlsbad Public Library. Because this program is very popular and meets a community need for a free infant/toddler activity, the library offers it weekly not only during the school year, but also as part of the summer reading program.

To begin each session, the library staff incorporates high-quality children's music (by Raffi, Hap Palmer, The Learning Station, Putamayo, and others) with creative movement during a 15 to 20 minute group time. Parents assist their children as needed with motions for familiar favorites such as "The Wheels on the Bus," "The Hokey Pokey," or "Five Little Monkeys." Once or twice a month, the program includes a fun extra activity using such things as rhythm instruments, a parachute, or even no-spill bottles of bubbles.

After group time, library staff bring out lots of age-appropriate toys and activities, including soft climbing structures, a tunnel, baskets of board books, blocks, wooden puzzles, pull-toys, etc. Cheerful music plays in the background as children enjoy social time and explore all the activities. Adults often make connections with others whose children are of similar age, too.

One special activity the families enjoy each year is a special Toddler Time dress-up day near Halloween, called "Costumes and Cookies." The program is the same, but parents are invited to bring their children in costume and the staff serves holiday treats after group time. This is a great photo op for the local paper, too!

The photo here shows some of the toddlers enjoying the ball pit made from an inflatable swimming pool.
In Memorium: Norma McCallan, 1933 - 2016

Norma McCallan, a librarian with the New Mexico State Library from 1975 to 1999, died June 27, 2016. Employed by the State Library, first in charge of the bookmobile and books-by-mail programs, Norma ended her career as a reference librarian serving the needs of patrons in the State Library and, in support of other libraries, throughout the State.

Norma was a long-time environmentalist; active in the Sierra Club locally, statewide, and nationally; and a 2014 Santa Fe Living Treasure. She was much admired for her dedicated activism and will be sorely missed.
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UNM University Libraries News

SLA Ranks University Libraries 9th Nationally
From 2011-2015, librarians from 261 US universities published 1,667 papers of research or professional commentary. Every 5 years at the Special Libraries Association's annual convention there is an event with an audience of about 200 university affiliated subject specialists. At the event there is a countdown of the top universities in the US in terms of the number of papers their subject specialists published over the previous 5 years in a standardized assortment of 14 library journals. UNM University Libraries ranked 9th! Congratulations to all our hard-working, creative librarians who publish!

OCLC Member Forum Scheduled at Zimmerman Library
Mark your calendar for the OCLC Member Forum on October 13th in Zimmerman Library. Take part in a day of community, robust conversation and discussion with your colleagues and use the power of your membership in the OCLC cooperative. Find out more and register online at http://www.oclc.org/events/2016/MemberForums_Albuquerque_NewMexico_Oct13.en.html

NMSU Library News

Casad Reunion
On the weekend before 4th of July, well over one hundred descendants of Mesilla Valley pioneers Thomas and Sarah Casad gathered at Hotel Encanto, the NMSU Library, and La Posta, to celebrate the 200th anniversary of Thomas Casad’s birth. The Casads, who arrived by wagon train from California in 1874, had their horses and mules stolen as they stopped in Las Cruces. Instead of going on to the original destination of San Antonio, Texas, the Casads were persuaded by the town fathers to stay in Mesilla. The rest, as they say, is history.

Dr. Rick Hendricks, New Mexico State Historian, summarized his book, “The Casads: A Pioneer Family” for the family on Saturday morning at a private event at the NMSU Library, where the Casad family archives are kept. The Casad history can be accessed at the NMSU Library’s Archives and Special Collections Department on the fourth floor of Branson Library.
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NMLA Petition for Candidacy due July 20, 2016

20th Anniversary of Dia Celebration: July 27, 2016

NMLA Nominations Ballots due September 1, 2016

OCLC Member Forum: October 13, 2016

Joint MPLA CAL CON: October 20-22, 2016 at the Embassy Suites in Loveland, CO

NMLA Annual Conference: November 2-4, 2016 at the Marriot Pyramid North, Albuquerque, NM

Library Bond B Vote in General Election: November 8, 2016