Message from the President

Dr. John Sandstrom, NMLA President, president@nmla.org

We survived the holidays!

For me that is always a question, whether it is from digging out from the mail after being closed for a few days, the influx of kids who come to the library all day while their parents work, or from juggling schedules so people can have time off.

We have several things coming up in the next few months. ALA Midwinter (1/24 – 1/29) is around the corner in Seattle, Washington. It is quickly followed by NMLA Legislative Day (2/8) in Santa Fe. March sees the mini-conference (3/21 – 3/22) at NM Tech in Socorro. It is looking to be a busy spring.

On my plate as President is to finalize committee appointments. I hope to have that out before the end of January. However, we are still looking for someone to chair the Awards Committee. Recognizing our own is an important activity of our Association. I hope that someone will step up for this committee.

We are also in the process of finalizing contracts from the Mini-conference and with MPLA, who is joining us for our Annual Meeting. This is already shaping up to be a great conference, so I hope you will all get it on your calendars now for 10/30 – 11/1. Note that we are working to make sure that we won’t be having conference on Feast Days in the future.

We are working on a strategic plan. As part of this we may be contacting everyone for some input on how well we are doing and future directions for our Association. I hope that when we ask, we can count on everyone to answer. Without your input, we cannot make sure we are serving your needs.

Remember, if you have any questions, comments, or complaints, you can always email me at president@nmla.org.

Kudos! Best Storytime in Albuquerque

Submitted by Kathleen Dull, Membership Committee Chair, membership@nmla.org

Congratulations to Mercedes Encinias and Laura Leon the Cherry Hills Branch of the Public Library of Albuquerque-Bernalillo County! They recently won the Best Storytime in the annual Best of the City Awards from Albuquerque The Magazine. This category is open for nominations from all businesses and organizations that do storytimes, and it’s great to see two library systems in the top five.

We would love to share more kudos about the great work libraries and librarians are doing around the state. Send stories and photos to: newsletter@nmla.org
University Libraries Spring 2019 Ashton Speaker Series scheduled for Wednesday, March 20th

Troy Swanson will present a morning lecture "The Mechanics of Skepticism: What Climate Change can Teach Us About Belief and Reason" and afternoon workshop "Library as Podcast Platform: Creating a Podcast Infrastructure" on Wed. March 20 in Zimmerman Library on the UNM main campus. Workshop registration is free and open to anyone in the academic and library community.

Troy Swanson is Library Department Chair at Moraine Valley Community College where he teaches information literacy and coordinates the library's online presence. He has published on social media, website usability, and information literacy. Troy co-edited the book, Not Just Where to Click: Teaching Students How to Think About Information, which received the Ilene F. Rockman Publication of the Year Award from ARCL’s Instruction Section.

Lecture Schedule and Registration

The Mechanics of Skepticism: What Climate Change can Teach Us About Belief and Reason

9:30-10am refreshments
10-11am lecture
Willard Room, Zimmerman Library

To some, climate change is a simple scientific question to be answered with data while to others climate change is a misguided hoax that could cost our country jobs and hurt our economy. The decisions we make around climate change can help us understand the mechanics of skepticism and reason. This talk will seek to recognize the interconnections between the affective and cognitive aspects of decision-making. It will consider how educators can better reveal the personal nature of information to our students.

Registration for the Mechanics of Skepticism

Workshop: Library as Podcast Platform: Creating a Podcast Infrastructure

12pm-1pm Lunch
1:00-2:30 Workshop – Part 1
3:00-5:00 Workshop – Part 2

In this workshop, we will discuss the podcast infrastructure at Moraine Valley Community College including conceptual approaches, hardware, software, and staff training. We will discuss the practical challenges of working with students and faculty in creating podcasts while also incorporating this into an information literacy program. Participants will emerge from this...
2019 Library Legislative Day

By Joe Sabatini, NMLA Legislation Committee Co-Chair

The New Mexico Library Association will hold its annual Library Legislative Day on Friday, February 8, 2019, to show appreciation for past library funding and to support a wide range of library initiatives. Library supporters will be in the House and Senate galleries when the sessions begin (usually at 10 am), and delegations of librarians will be introduced. All library supporters are urged to attend. Participants should be prepared to provide information to their legislators about the importance of state-level funding to public, academic, public school and tribal libraries in their communities. Library Legislative Day is a great opportunity to promote the Libraries Transform agenda and raise awareness amongst the legislators. NMLA will have a presence in the Capitol Rotunda with pamphlets, buttons and guidance.

Among the library issues that the Legislation Committee anticipates being presented are:

- Funding expanded broadband for public and tribal libraries
- Increasing funding for the state grants-in-aid program
- Restoration of staff positions lost by the State Library during the last decade
- Restored appropriation for the School Library Materials Fund
- A survey of the status of school libraries and librarians
- A public school "Media Literacy" curriculum initiative
- The proposed Rural Libraries Endowment Fund
- Tribal library construction funding

The 2019 Legislature begins its session on Tuesday, January 15th and ends on Saturday, March 16th. The Legislature and Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham have prepared state budget proposals based on very favorable revenue projections. Much work needs to be done to restore what was lost during the past decade, including filling and restoring positions at the New Mexico State Library. The state's ability to fund local capital improvement projects is substantially improved, so there are opportunities to ask legislators to put in requests for local library projects. Emphasize that libraries are essential to community educational and economic development, which New Mexico citizens endorsed when they voted 68.8% yes on the 2018 Library Bond Issue.

Public parking is available at the Capitol parking garage on the corner of West Manhattan Avenue & Galisteo Street. The garage is west of the state Capitol, with the entrance off Galisteo.

During the session, the Legislation Committee will once again be sending periodic Legislative Bulletins to the NMLA e-list. These will summarize library-related bills, track their status and provide information about key issues. See you on February 8th.
New Mexico State University Library celebrates Giving Tuesday

Giving Tuesday, a day of philanthropy the Tuesday after Thanksgiving, mobilizes people across the country to invest in the organizations they care about most. The NMSU Library had a great presence at this year’s NMSU Giving Tuesday celebration. Dean Elizabeth Titus took the opportunity to recognize and appreciate Frances Williams at the event for creating the second-ever scholarship for student employees. She also introduced Frances to her first scholarship recipient, a filmmaking student working at our Branson Library. Overall, NMSU Library supporters generously gave $2,855 to our scholarships and programs in one day!

New Employees at NMSU Library

The New Mexico State University Library has added two new faculty members in the department of Archives and Special Collections. Jennifer Chavez began work January 2 as archivist for the department’s Rio Grande Historical Collections. Jennifer received her MLIS from the University of North Texas in 2018. She has worked as a library specialist at the NMSU Library Archives and Special Collections since 2010. A native of southern New Mexico, Jennifer is excited to work with collections that highlight the unique cultural heritage of the U.S./Mexico border region.

Dylan McDonald has been hired as archivist for department’s political papers collections. Dylan comes to New Mexico from Sacramento, California, where he has been deputy city historian and archivist at the Center for Sacramento History for the past 14 years. He holds an MA in history from Boise State University. For the last five years he has taught the Archives & Manuscripts course in the graduate public history program at California State University, Sacramento and has been an active member of the Society of American Archivists since 2001. Dylan is a Certified Archivist and has served on the California Historical Records Advisory Board and the board of the California Council for the Promotion of History. Dylan brings with him a passion for making archival records accessible and relevant to the communities where they reside through outreach, education, events and partnerships. Dylan starts with the NMSU Library on February 2 and looks forward to exploring the region’s many opportunities for outdoor activities.

Patent and Trademark Outreach Extends Beyond New Mexico

NMSU Library we are connecting with inventors on and off campus through our Patent and Trademark Resource Center (PTRC), an office affiliated with the US Patent and Trademark Office. A recent patron interaction shows how outreach efforts sometimes pay off in unexpected ways.

In September I was asked to present about patent research to an NMSU student group called SEPh (Society of Engineering Physics students). I was invited to speak by one of the members, a student who had visited the PTRC several times in the previous year as she developed a patent application for her medical device. I agreed to help the group design fliers to post around the Engineering complex to attract new students.

Indeed, a stranger walked into the room that night, dutifully taking notes on his computer, but speaking to no one. The next week he came to the Zuhl Library and asked for me by name. It turns out he was a visiting research faculty member from Portland State University who happened to see the fliers. He told me he is developing patents in semantic learning and artificial intelligence and he wanted to book a time in the PTRC.

The next day we worked together for more than an hour developing a classification search strategy and
implementing it on the USPTO software. Additionally, I was able to connect him with other librarians in the PTRC network in San Francisco, where he travels. Sometimes a library outreach effort succeeds in a way you can’t predict.

By the way, remember that the student who invited me to speak at SEPh? Two weeks later she was awarded $10,000 of seed money from the Hunt Family Foundation at “Aggie Shark Tank”. Her invention caught the eye of a local investor who believes it can make money. She does too.

NMSU Library joins HathiTrust

NMSU Library has become the newest member of HathiTrust. HathiTrust is a growing global partnership of major research institutions and libraries working towards its mission to ensure that the cultural record is preserved and accessible long into the future. Today, ten years after its founding, HathiTrust holds the largest set of digitized books managed by the academic, research, and library community, which offers an unprecedented opportunity to steward the cultural record through increasingly interdependent work that develops capacity and sparks innovation.

NMSU Library New Digital Collection

NMSU Library wants to share exciting news that NMSU News Releases have been published as a Digital Collections. This digital collection features a selection of print news releases distributed by the university information service to local and worldwide media agencies from 1958 to 1974. New items are added on a weekly basis. In the mid-nineties the service changed the name to University Communications. Presently, they are called NMSU Marketing and Communications which includes the News Center. The news reports run the gamut from students, faculty, staff to daily campus events, curricula, programs, research, lectures, initiatives, public service activities, celebrations, and everything else that could be of interest to the public at large. This collection provides a unique view into a colorful history of this Southwestern pioneering educational institution. Enjoy the Aggie experience!
Kudos Corner

Submitted by Kathleen Dull, NMLA Membership Committee Chair, membership@nmla.org

Sisters in Crime Grant Celebration at Loma Colorado

Congratulations and Kudos to Tracie Antonuk, Adult Services Librarian at the Loma Colorado Main Library in Rio Rancho.

An avid mystery reader, Tracie planned and executed a very successful mystery author panel event featuring members of Croak and Dagger, who talked about interesting and creative ways to kill fictional characters. This event, and its accompanying photos, won a RRPL $1,000 We Love Libraries grant. Congratulations Tracie!

Croak and Dagger is the New Mexico chapter of Sisters in Crime, a national organization that supports women who write mysteries. Sisters in Crime sponsors the grant and winners are from libraries around the US. Entry rules are on their website (https://www.sistersincrime.org/page/WeLoveLibraries). Hosting an event is not a requirement to be eligible for the grant, but is a fun way to connect with local mystery writers. Croak and Dagger is based in Albuquerque, but has members throughout the state. Contact information is on their website (http://www.croak-and-dagger.com/membership.html#).

If you know of someone whose great work should be highlighted, submit a brief nomination and a photo to newsletter@nmla.org
Land of Enchantment Book Award

Submitted by Diane Guiett, Land of Enchantment Book Award Committee, dguiett@me.com

Greetings from the Land of Enchantment (LOE) Book Award. We want to thank NMLA for their continued support of this opportunity to encourage students across New Mexico to read. Each year students vote on the book that they feel should be selected as the best book for their age category. We have seen an increase in voting in the last few years, which means that librarians and teachers are taking the time to promote these books in their schools. We would like to see more high school participation, as this age has not been as active in the voting process. Each member will be promoting LOE in their area.

We recently sent out five Pueblo storytellers as awards to the authors of the winning books. It was nice to see Mara Rockliff (Gingerbread Liberty: How a German Baker Helped Win the American Revolution) post on Twitter regarding her award.

We had our first meeting of the new year and welcomed ten new members to the committee, including two gentlemen. We are beginning to read books for the 2020-2021 list and are excited to find new gems for our students to read. We are committed to provide books that our readers will see themselves in as well as books that have been written by local authors.

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Look who traveled all the way to Pennsylvania to visit the gingerbread baker! Thanks, students of New Mexico and @LOEBookAward!
workshop a basic understanding of podcasting, potential applications to the college classroom, and the role of libraries in facilitating this content creation. Participants in Part Two of the workshop will record and publish a podcast about information literacy.

Registration for workshops:
Part 1: Overview of Podcasting and MVCC program (approx. 1.5 hours)
Part 2: Recording an “Information Literacy” Focused Podcast (approx. 2 hours)

Personnel News

Lea Briggs has accepted a position as the Director of Library Services and Operations in the B.D. Owens Library at Northwest Missouri State University. Her last day at UNM will be in mid-February. Her leadership at the College of University Libraries and Learning Sciences has been instrumental on numerous projects including the migration to WMS, leading the LIBROS Consortium, RFP writing & evaluating, strategic planning, and the South Campus Repository planning to name a few. She has been active in many library activities in the state including serving as the chair of both the NMLA 2017 Annual Conference Program Committee and 2016 Annual Conference Local Arrangements Committee. Best wishes to Lea in her new role!

Activities

University Libraries hosts many activities throughout the year. Spring 2019 events include:

- The Center for Southwest Research and Special Collections People and Places lecture series which features a monthly talk given by a visiting scholar.

- The exhibit “Toh-mez & Tohmz = Tomes” in the Frank Waters Room in Zimmerman Library is on view through early April.

- “Love in Archives” scheduled for February 14th will showcase a range of materials from special collections – physical and digital.
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When:
March 21-22, 2019

Where:
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More information coming soon!

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When:
October 30 - November 1, 2019

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More information coming soon!
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