President’s Message

Debbie Jacobs

The Nevada Library Association needs you and personally invites you to attend this year’s annual conference in Carson City on October 4-6, 2007. The program is varied, interesting and provides something for everyone—look for preliminary information in this edition and visit www.nevadalibraries.org to receive up-to-date information. The Conference Committee, chaired by Dana Hines, is doing an excellent job of preparing a superb event.

Show your support for libraries by ordering an NLA shirt. Order forms are in this issue on page 9.

Library Day at the Legislature

A thank you to everyone who took time away from their busy schedules to participate on Library Day, March 22, 2007. All library staff, trustees and friends were invited to participate in the “2007 Library Day at the Legislature.” Were you one of them? If not, why not? This was your opportunity to sit with her/him and explain the needs of Nevada’s libraries, particularly your own. If we all work together we can market all types of libraries for their common good.

A special thank you to Dan Walters, Government Relations Chairperson and his committee which included Ian Campbell, Nancy Cummings, Felton Thomas, Sara Jones, Mary Lohnes, Pat Marve, Andrea Moore, Sally Zola, and more who made this very successful event possible.

Nevada Library Supporters Visit Congress

I would like to thank Art Cabrales as our American Library Association Representative. Art did a great job in organizing NLA’s part in National Legislative Day in Washington D.C.

This group above, representing all types of libraries, met with members of the Nevada Congressional delegation to seek support for library legislation now pending in Congress. They were able to meet and speak with Senator Reid, Senator Ensign, Congresswoman Berkley, Congressman Heller, Congressman Porter and their staff.
President’s Message (cont’d)

Pictured here with Congressman Jon Porter (center) are Karen Starr, Dan Walters, Verlia Hoggard-Davis, Denise Gerdes, Arthur Cabrales, Nicole Winslow, and Debbie Jacobs. They were among those urging Capitol Hill legislators to support libraries as part of National Library Legislative Day held May 3 and May 4 in Washington, D.C.

The event is sponsored by the American Library Association, the District of Columbia Library Association, the Special Libraries Association and other concerned organizations to raise awareness about the importance to local communities of federal funding and programs such as the E-rate discounts on telecommunications services for libraries, LSTA (Library Services and Technology Act), improving literacy through school libraries and much more.

Our Libraries need federal support for increased growth and changing technology. Although our libraries receive most of its support from state and local funds, federal assistance stimulates local dollars and helps stretch them further.

The American Library Association members include more than 64,000 librarians, trustees, friends of libraries, and others interested in improving library service.

Upcoming Events 2007

**Summer**: Step Up to the Plate @ your library
**June 30**: Award Nominations Due
**August 20-24**: Library Leadership Institute
**September**: Library Card Sign-up Month
**September 29 - October 6**: Banned Books Week
**October 4-6**: NLA’s 62nd Annual Conference
**October 14-20**: Teen Read Week
**October 25-28**: AASL National Conference in Reno
**November 15**: Nevada Young Readers’ Award Recommendation Forms Due
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NLA wants and needs you!
Now is the time to renew your membership or join us again! Membership for the Nevada Library Association runs from January through December. You can fill out your membership form on-line at www.nevadalibraries.org and click on memberclicks or you can fill out the membership form you will find on page 18.
Window into Basque Culture

Tucked away in Getchell Library at the University of Nevada Reno, below a sign greeting visitors with a welcoming Ongi Etori, is an enclave of Basque culture that begs to be discovered. If the bumpy topographical maps, curious tree carvings, bronze sculptures, and views of the colorful flags outside of the USAC building weren’t enough to signal the cultural feel of the place, one would only have to crack open a couple books to enter a window to Basque culture itself. Or, if you prefer, sign onto the many computers for patron use and find a series of online journals, archives, and portholes to other interesting links. The path you choose will shape the dimensions of your frame. Despite the topographical maps on wall, there are no other coordinates outside the dictates of your imagination.

The University of Nevada Reno’s Basque Library uniquely holds the most comprehensive set of monographs, serials, audio visual materials, photographs and historic archives found outside of the Basque Country itself. Depending on your mood or research interests, you may decide to browse the large selection of wine, cheese, and culinary books in search of the perfect Basque recipe, search through Spanish Civil War era classified communications from the republican front, or watch the latest surrealist DVD from Basque directors like Julio Medem and Imanol Uribe.

Basque Studies is a field of inquiry that offers the researcher a number of points of departure: it includes topics such as Basque emigration from Euskal Herria, immigration to the USA and the traditional customary laws called foruak in Euskara, the Basque language. This language is pre-Indo-European, and its origins remain a mystery. Some intellectuals argue that it has been spoken for over 25,000 years and certainly many words derive from the Neolithic Stone Age. The many words for tools, including the root haitz or stone, are a testament to this linguistic longevity. Basque traditional homeland culture was driven by the family, the family farmstead, a sense of collective nobility, an eclectic mix of superstitious belief and Catholic doctrines, sport, music and dance.

In case you haven’t yet heard the latest news of its 60,000 year old trajectory, the Basque Country is comprised of six historic territories and once was its own Kingdom of Navarre. Although the Basque lands and people have remained in their original place, nowadays they find themselves situated on either side of the Spanish-French international border.

In commemoration of the 40th anniversary of Basque Studies at the University of Nevada, Reno, the Basque Library, with the collaboration of the Center for Basque Studies, has organized the exhibit "Building Basque Studies since 1967". Starting April 2, 2007 and lasting for a two month run, the exhibit will engage visitors with a variety of topics that have shaped the US Basque community. 8 panels describe and illustrate important facets of US Basque experience, which include traditional culture, Basque emigration from Euskal Herria, the foundations of academic research in Basque Studies and research centers like the Basque Library. Additionally, two panels will commemorate the 70th anniversary of the bombing of Gernika on April 16, 1937. In its entirety, the series shows how Basque research incorporates not only the wonders of 20th century technologies, such as innovative transportation that has enabled many Basques to immigrate to the USA, but also the devastation of the world’s first air attack on civilians at Gernika.

The Basque Library invites students, researchers, and library patrons to visit the exhibit and to open up their own inquiry into Basque culture, politics, and society at the University of Nevada Reno. -Veronica Riglick
Researchers come to the UNR Basque Library to study the vibrant Basque Culture.
Above picture is from *The Center for Basque Studies*
Searching Patents: Getting Started / Related Services in Nevada Libraries

Patrick Ragains, Patent and Trademark Depository Librarian, University of Nevada, Reno

Anyone with access to the World Wide Web can conduct a preliminary patent search. This type of search will allow one to identify United States patents and published patent applications related to a field of technology or design. U.S. Patent & Trademark Office databases on the Web include the full-text of patents from 1976 to the current week and images (searchable only by class or number) from 1790 to the current week, plus published applications from 2001 to present.

By conducting a preliminary search, an inventor or other researcher may find his/her invention & decide not to file a patent application. A preliminary patent search does not include non-U.S. patents or other literature that may be pertinent to one’s interest, such as journal articles and product catalogs. As such, it cannot reveal all existing inventions (or prior art) necessary to determine if one’s invention is truly new. For further suggestions on searching U.S. patents and other sources, users can check a desired class and subclass at USPTO Patents Search Templates at www.uspto.gov/web/patents/searchtemplates.

Following is a seven-step strategy for searching U.S. patents on the Web. To view scanned images, you will need a free Web browser plug-in, which is available at www.uspto.gov/patft/help/images.htm.

1. **Search the Index to the U.S. Patent Classification** ([www.uspto.gov/web/patents/classification/uspcindex/indexoustusp.htm](http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/classification/uspcindex/indexoustusp.htm)). Begin with this alphabetical subject index. Look for common terms describing the invention and its function, effect, end-product, structure, and use. Note the class and subclass numbers associated with the terms you select.

2. **Search the Manual of Classification** ([www.uspto.gov/web/patents/classification](http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/classification)). Locate class and subclass numbers in the Manual. Note where the terms fall within the U.S. Patent Classification System. Scan the entire class schedule, paying attention to the dot indents. Revise your search strategy as needed.

3. **Search the Classification Definitions** ([www.uspto.gov/web/patents/classification](http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/classification)). Read the definitions to establish the scope of classes and subclasses relevant to your search.

4. **Browse Titles and Abstracts of patents and applications.** Retrieve and browse through titles of patents and published applications in the given class and subclass. Or, if the patents you find do not reflect your own invention or idea, redirect your search: search on new keywords, retrieve lists of patents and published applications; note their class and subclass numbers and go back to Step 2.

5. **Retrieve all patents and applications with your desired subclasses.** Once you have identified the relevant classes and subclasses, obtain a list of all patent numbers granted from 1790 to the present and all published applications from 2001 to the present for every class and subclass to be searched.

6. **Read the front page of each patent and application retrieved.** Check the patents and applications for exemplary claim(s) and a representative drawing for all patents on the list(s) to eliminate patents unrelated to your invention.

7. **Retrieve complete patent documents.** After you have eliminated patents and applications unrelated to your invention, read the complete text and examine drawing(s) of the most closely related documents to determine how different they are from your invention.

*To be continued in the fall issue: Researching the copyright status of a work*

— ragains@unr.edu (775) 813-6496
Indian Census Rolls for Nevada

Joyce Cox, Mona Reno, Susan Searcy, NSLA

The Nevada State Library and Archives is receiving many visits, phone calls and emails from Western Shoshone people these days because, with the resolution of the Treaty of Ruby Valley, tribal members must prove their blood percentage to receive payments. The citation to the final rule is in the Federal Register: 72 FR 9836 “Preparation of Rolls of Indians” Monday March 5, 2007.

The State Library purchased “all” the Indian Census Rolls for tribal persons in Nevada and the surrounding states where Nevada Indians might have migrated. The finding aid to our microfilm is online at: http://dmla.clan.lib.nv.us/docs/nsla/fedpubs/IndianCensusRolls.htm

The microfilm in question is officially “National Archives and Records Series M 595: Indian Census Rolls 1885-1940.” The description from the National Archives states:

“These census rolls were usually submitted each year by agents or superintendents in charge of Indian reservations, as required by an act of July 4, 1884 (23 Stat.98). The data on the rolls vary to some extent, but usually given are the English and/or Indian name of the person, roll number, age or date of birth, sex, and relationship to head of family. Beginning in 1930, the rolls also show the degree of Indian blood, marital status, ward status, place of residence, and sometimes other information. For certain years—including 1935, 1936, 1938, and 1939—only supplemental rolls of additions and deletions were compiled. Most of the 1940 rolls have been retained by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and are not included in this series. There is not a census for every reservation or group of Indians for every year. Only persons who maintained a formal affiliation with a tribe under federal supervision are listed on these census rolls.”

The NSLA reference staff does not review these rolls for people because family and individual names change and you really need to have personal information to make this work. The searchers are very welcome to come to the Nevada State Library and Archives; 100 N. Stewart Street; Carson City, NV 89701; 8-5 M-F. We do not Interlibrary Loan these reels. We have excellent reader-printers and will help people get oriented. We charge 10¢ per copy for the copies that work, we recycle the lousy copies.

There are three microfilm rolls of Western Shoshone Censuses at the Elko County Library in Elko in their Nevada Reference Section: 317.3 UNI. A photocopy of the Census for 1937 is available at Austin, Battle Mountain, Beowawe, Carlin, Crescent Valley, Eureka, Jackpot, Wells, and West Wendover Libraries. The 1940 rolls are only available at the Bureau of Indian Affairs offices.

The Nevada State Archives only has records of Nevada state agencies and elected officials; Indian census rolls are federal records. Those records are available on microfilm at the National Archives branches in northern and southern California. I believe the northern branch has records of northern Nevada Indian agencies but I think the census rolls are also available in southern California. For more information see the National Archives web pages:

The University of Nevada, Las Vegas Library also has copies of the Indian Census rolls, 1885-1940. They are cataloged as E99.P2 U55x—Microfilm Reel. They also have rolls for “certain tribes in Oregon and Washington.”

The catalog for the University of Nevada, Reno does not indicate that they own these microfilm rolls.
Step Up to the Plate @ your Library

Baseball and libraries team up for end-of-the-school-year program. Did you ever notice that as the weather gets warmer, attention spans get shorter? If you're looking for a way to keep your students engaged through the end of the school year, join AASL, ALA and the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Step Up to the Plate @ your library.

The program brings together two of America's favorite pastimes -baseball and libraries -to encourage reading. Children and young adults between the ages of 9 to 18 years of age are invited to go to their library, check out a book about baseball and describe how their favorite character inspired them. One grand prize winner will receive a trip to the Hall of Fame in October 2007. The program Web site at www.ala.org/baseball offers free promotional tools to help libraries sponsor the program locally. Tools include program logos in both English and Spanish and a toolkit that includes sample press materials and programming ideas.

Kids are not the only winners in Step Up to the Plate. The library that brings in the most entries will win a $100 bookstore gift certificate, and three runners up will be awarded a $50 ALA Graphics gift certificate. All four will also receive a copy of Lawrence Hogan's Shades of Glory: The Negro Leagues and the Story of African-American Baseball (published by National Geographic Society).

The Step Up to the Plate @ your library program was officially launched during National Library Week in Peoria, Ill. with program spokespeople and Hall of Famers Ryne Sandberg and Ozzie Smith. Sandberg is the manager of the Minor League team the Peoria Chiefs and helped kick off the program at Morton Junior High School in Morton, Ill. The program concludes September 1, 2007. First-place prize packages also will be awarded (five in each of four age categories: age 9-11; 12-14; 15-16 and 17-18) and include a commemorative hardbound copy of the Hall of Fame Yearbook; Hall of Fame t-shirt; commemorative set of 20 Hall of Fame baseball cards; DVD copy of the classic baseball movie, "The Sandlot;" miniature souvenir Akadema Pro baseball glove; and a Jackie Robinson History Lives poster from ALA Graphics. Step Up to the Plate is part of The Campaign for America's Libraries, ALA's public awareness and advocacy campaign about the value of libraries and librarians in the 21st century. The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum is a Campaign Founding Partner. Supporters of the Step Up to the Plate program include the American Association of School Librarians (AASL); the Association of Library Services to Children (ALSC); the Public Library Association (PLA); the Black Caucus of the American Library Association; and REFORMA, the Association to Promote Library and Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish Speaking, an affiliate of the ALA. Contact: Megan McFarlane 312-280-2148 mmcfarlane@ala.org
**NLA Shirt Order Form**

Please show your support for NLA by ordering one of these shirts. Shirt orders will be placed frequently. Final deadline is October 31, 2007. **Please send your order forms to:**

Debbie Jacobs, NLA  
10580 N. McCarran Blvd. #115-111  
Reno, NV 89503

Both shirts will have the NLA logo embroidered above the pocket in dark green. For an extra $5.00, you may have up to 3 lines embroidered, 4 inches across on the opposite side. For example, you could choose to have your name on line 1, your job title on line 2 and your school or library on line 3.

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HENDERSON LIBRARIES SHIFT INTO OVERDRIVE
Downloadable audio books and videos available at your public library

Henderson, NV - In addition to their already varied services, Henderson Libraries will begin offering downloadable audio books and videos through a contract with OverDrive Inc. The materials are available for download at http://mypubliclibrary.lib.overdrive.com, and include popular and classic book titles for adults and children as well as documentaries and other educational videos.

At a time when technology and convenience are key, Henderson Libraries is stepping up to meet the needs of its community. “OverDrive allows Henderson Libraries to offer downloadable audio books and videos to our patrons 24/7 from home, office, or anywhere in the world as long as they have their library card and PIN,” states Thomas Fay, Henderson Libraries Director.

Henderson Libraries Shift Into OverDrive, ADD 1 -
The downloadable audio books and videos are easy to use. A library patron can download the materials on their computer, and enjoy videos and audio books from the comfort of home. The digital titles can also be transferred to hundreds of supported portable devices (not currently compatible with iPod) and some audio books can be burned to a CD to listen to in the car or on any standard CD player.

Henderson Libraries will also be offering Creative MuVo V100 MP3 players for checkout. Patrons can checkout the MP3 player and load the audio books onto it themselves, or they can request the MP3 player with a specific title pre-loaded onto it.

“By offering downloadable audio books and videos through OverDrive, we continue to meet our goal of bringing library materials to our residents in a convenient, on time, on demand manner” said Fay. This new service is funded, in part, with a federal Library Services and Technology Act subgrant, administered by the Nevada State Library and Archives.

With four library locations, plus their Mobile Extension Library, Henderson Libraries offers services to patrons throughout Henderson. For more information about Henderson Libraries, visit their homepage at www.mypubliclibrary.com.
Contact: Mae Giaimo Phone: 702-564-9261 mgiaimo@hdpl.org

NLAList

NLAList is an important communication tool that we use to keep everyone informed as to what is happening in Nevada and provide a forum for discussion. I would like to encourage all librarians and/or library users to sign-up so you can receive up-to-date information quickly!

NLALIST is an electronic list designed to provide information and a forum for discussion among individuals interested in libraries and librarianship in the state of Nevada. It is an open list with no moderator, which welcomes anyone with an interest in library and library services.

NLALIST will provide a place where topics of interest to librarians in Nevada can be discussed in a timely fashion. Announcements of meetings, conferences and continuing education courses are welcome, as well as job postings, roommate searches for conferences, reference questions or any other library-related subjects.

To subscribe to NLALIST, send an email to listserv@nevada.edu please leave the subject line blank, and type the following within the body/ message portion of the e-mail.

subscribe nlalist [first name last name]

Messages that you want to go to the list (and consequently to all subscribers) should be sent to the address: nlalist@nevada.edu.

After you have subscribed, please provide a brief introduction to the list, including your name, library affiliation and position (if any) and any other pertinent data you wish so that we might get to know each other better.

You will receive an email with additional commands and options for your subscription.
Library Science Courses Offered Through Extended Studies at the University of Nevada, Reno

Extended Studies at the University of Nevada, Reno has been offering library science classes since 1994. The classes are intended to satisfy requirements for public librarian certification through the Nevada State Library and Archives and for the school library/media services endorsement through the Nevada Department of Education. The classes are offered on a one-course-per-semester cycle. The courses include: administration of libraries, book selection for children, technology in libraries, cataloging and organization of library materials, reference and bibliography, selection and acquisition of library materials, history and organization of libraries, and school library practicum.

The courses are generally offered in Carson City on four weekends. The EDS 476/676 Administration of School Libraries class just concluded in May. The current schedule of offerings are:

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The EDS 475/675 course has an orientation at 4:00 p.m. on June 12 on the UNR campus (those interested must call Reed Scull at Extended Studies to pre-register). The EDS 491/607 class is available completely online through Extended Studies’ Independent Learning program (registration without late fees for that course closes on May 18 and registration with late fees closes on May 22- call 1-800-233-8928 or 775-784-4652 for more information). For more information on the program, please call Reed Scull or Gay Neuberger in Extended Studies’ University Credit Across Nevada (UCAN) program at 1 (800) 233-8928 x 4652 or (775) 784-4046.

Library Practitioner Certification Program

Seattle WA – February 23, 2007. The Western Council of State Libraries, a professional association of 22 state libraries, announced the start of its Library Practitioner Certification program. The certificate provides recognition for library directors and managers located anywhere in the U.S. without a master’s degree in library science.

Developed with support from an Institute of Museum and Library (IMLS) grant in response to calls for improved training opportunities, the Western Council identified a set of competencies that define the skills and knowledge needed for success as a library practitioner. The Certification program is based on these competencies: Library practitioners completing 240 contact hours of training in competency areas and with 2000 hours of library experiences will be awarded Western Council certification.

“Developing a certification program for this level of library worker represents an important step in Western Council’s efforts to advance the improvement of library services in communities not yet able to support a professional librarian,” said Jan Walsh, President of Western Council and Washington State Librarian. “By offering standardized certification to library practitioners, Western Council provides employers with a benchmark for selecting highly qualified individuals, while offering individuals a recognized, portable credential that enables them to demonstrate their skills and knowledge. Western Council hopes that applicants look at this certificate as the first step in library science education.”

To insure the quality of courses for applicants, Western Council will require that applicants select from courses offered by Western Council Approved Providers. Institutions and individuals can become Approved Providers by completing an application and submitting a fee based on the type of institution. Upon certification, Approved Providers will be entitled to use an official certification logo as an indication of their status and will be listed in the directory maintained by Western Council. Information about the program, including how to be certified and how to become an Approved Provider, go to http://certificate.westernco.org/.
Government Information Training Day

Where: University of Nevada, Reno in the Getchell Library, Cord Training Lab
When: June 15, 2007 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Agenda

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Who should attend: Any library public service personnel who provide government information service to their users.
Registration is free – just reply to Pat Ragains at ragains@unr.edu.

Travel support: The Nevada State Library and Archives will provide travel support for public library staff and staff from other types of libraries also providing service to the public to attend training events that are more than 50 miles from their library and in Nevada. Check out this link for more information and application forms:
http://dmla.clan.lib.nv.us/docs/nsla/lpd/progserv.htm
This training opportunity is jointly sponsored by the Nevada State Library and Archives, Henderson Public Library District, University of Nevada, Las Vegas and University of Nevada, Reno.

Nevada Legislative Hotline

The Legislative Hotline provides up-to-the-minute information on the 2007 Nevada State Legislature and includes: agendas and hearing schedules, contact information, and identification of bills by subject. The Legislative Hotline will mail copies of bills and informational handouts and will help you with the Nevada State Legislature’s Internet site (www.leg.state.nv.us).

The Hotline service is available from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. The public may reach the Hotline by calling 775-684-3300 or 1-800-995-9080 (in-state use only).
BCR Training

BCR staff is presenting a series of cataloging and MARC workshops in September at the Henderson District Public Library: See http://www.bcr.org/training/workshops/States/nevada.html

In addition, we are offering several types of online workshops. Both the Free Friday Forums (http://www.bcr.org/training/online/fff/) and the Products and Services Showcase (http://www.bcr.org/training/online/pss/) are presented at no cost to participants.

These WebLive sessions are fee-based: see http://www.bcr.org/training/online/weblive/

Viva Group (NCNMLG) and The Medical Library Group of Southern California & Arizona (MLGSCA) will be held Feb 6-9, 2008 at The Flamingo in Las Vegas. While the website is under construction (http://www.med.unr.edu/ncnmlg2/) volunteers & sponsors are always welcome! Please email the Tri-Chairs for more information: Florence B. Jakus, Head, Health Science Library Department, West Charleston Library, jakusf@lvccld.org; Jim Curtis, Director, UNR Savitt Medical Library, jacurtis@medicine.nevada.edu; or Terry Henner, Head of Information & Education Services Savitt Medical Library, UNR School of Medicine, thenner@medicine.nevada.edu

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Saint Mary's Regional Medical Center's Library in Reno has a fantastic webpage called The Cybrary. It was designed to meet our communities' need for healthcare information and patient/family education. You can search the Library's catalog or any of the 20+ links that include MedlinePlus, Mayo Clinic, Nevada HealthNet & The Patient Channel from GE Healthcare. Please visit http://www.saintmarysreno.com/staywell/med_lib.php?d_pageID=201 or email Donna Alexander, MLS at donna.alexander@saintmarysreno.com
Continuing Education Survey
Holly Van Valkenburgh, NSLA

Nevada Library Continuing Education workshop topics are determined by the expressed interests of the Nevada Library Community. The Web Publishing course series offered in Henderson and Carson City this spring was the result of participant requests after the Technology Conference in August of 2006.

Additional topics addressed in the last several years - besides the Web Publishing series, have included Book Repair series, Gale and EBSCO database trainings, BiblioStat Connect workshops, CIPA and Filtering, Trustee Training, Outcome Based Evaluation and LSTA Grant Writing and workshops at the Nevada Library Association conferences. The College of DuPage Teleconferences have addressed several topics, including the Best of the Web, Library Transformation, the Next Generation of Librarianship, Library Education and the Relevance of Libraries in a Digital Age.

Other topics which have not yet been addressed include Collection Development, Time Management, Customer Service, Grant Writing (other than LSTA), Consumer Attitude Surveys and Working with Architects. Are these topics still pertinent to our Nevada Library Community? Are there others of possibly more immediate importance?

Let your voice be heard! Participate in the online Nevada Continuing Education Survey. The link is on the NSLA Continuing Education website at http://dmla.clan.lib.nv.us/docs/nsla/lpd/TrainingHome.htm Help plan Continuing Education activities for the future of libraries in Nevada.

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2006 Nevada Library Association’s Pre-Conference Report
by Nancy Hutchinson, Pre-Conference Chair

The 2006 NLA Pre-Conference was presented on August 15 and 16th at the Texas Station Casino in North Las Vegas. It was planned especially for everyone who works with children- School Librarians; Public Library Children’s Librarians, Teachers, and of course Parents.

A wide variety of programs were presented including “Books Too Good to Miss: Strategies To Motivate More Independent Reading,” “Blog All About It! Using Blogs in Your Library,” “Digital Storytelling,” “Resource Alignment: Providing Curriculum Support in The School Library Media Center,” “Kim Russell Portrays Sojourner Truth,” “Internet Safety,” and “Springs in the Desert: A Kid’s History of Las Vegas.” Attendance was high and participants learned many new, exciting and practical ideas!
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Reason for nomination: ____________________________________________________

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These were the 2006 recipients of the NLA Awards:

**LIBRARIAN OF THE YEAR:**
Arnie Maurins, Washoe County Public Library

**TRUSTEE OF THE YEAR:**
Tim Wong, Las Vegas-Clark County Library District

**DOROTHY McALINDEN AWARD:**
Jason Adams

**PRESIDENT’S AWARD:**
Ian Campbell

**SPECIAL CITATIONS:**
Henderson District Public Libraries
Kim Russell
Shari Buck
Tina Frolund
NSLA Database Team*
LVCCLD ILS Implementation Team*
Hispanic Outreach Team*

* Special NLA Recognition certificates were given to each member of these teams.

### 2006 Intellectual Freedom Report

As Chair for Intellectual Freedom for Nevada I was invited by the Office of Intellectual Freedom of the American Library Association to attend the "Law for Librarians" workshop in Chicago in April 2006. Kim Clanton-Green and I both attended and participated in training and discussion about intellectual freedom issues facing libraries today. We agreed to offer two sessions on intellectual freedom over the next two years here in Nevada. For resources from ALA’s Office of Intellectual Freedom check out their web site at [http://www.ala.org/template.cfm?Section=oif](http://www.ala.org/template.cfm?Section=oif).

Eva Stowers, Medical Librarian, University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

### National Conference of the American Association of School Librarians

With all of the excitement Nevada is stirring up about the Nevada Library Conference, I wanted to remind you that in addition, from October 25th through October 28th, the American Association of School Librarians will be holding the 13th National Conference and Exhibition in Reno. This conference promises to provide you with thought-provoking sessions, discussions with colleagues and friends, time to peruse new materials and resources in the vendor hall, and the opportunity to get a good dose of energy that will reinvigorate you. The opening keynote speaker will be Dan Pink (previous chief speech writer for Vice President Al Gore) whose latest book, *A Whole New Mind*, charts the rise of right-brain thinking in modern economies and explains the six abilities individuals and organizations must master in an outsourced and automated world. In just four short days there will be multiple opportunities including: pre-conferences, school and educational tours, general session speakers, the Exploratorium, author events, concurrent sessions, vendor hall, and much more. For more information see: [http://www.ala.org/ala/aasl/conferencesandevents/national/reno2007.htm](http://www.ala.org/ala/aasl/conferencesandevents/national/reno2007.htm).

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WELCOME

NLA President Debbie Jacobs and the 2007 Conference Committee welcome you to the City of Carson City! The committee is excited to present you with a week-end filled with events, educational programs and functions to enhance and further your career development.

Mark your calendar for NLA’s 62nd Annual Conference on October 4-6, 2007 in Carson City at the Nevada State Legislative Building.

“Lighter Side of Libraries”

NLA’s 62nd annual conference promises to be an exciting, fun-filled, informative event. Rumors abound about exciting programs in the works and the Thursday evening gala. Opening remarks and awards presentations by “Governor Sparks” (portrayed by Michael Fisher, Director, Department of Cultural Affairs) will open the conference on Thursday. Ten Tech Trends for Librarians 2007 will be presented by Michael Stephens of “Tame the Web” on Friday. Come join us.

For more information on the conference, and to keep up with the latest updates check out http://www.nevadalibraries.org/conference07/index.html
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NYRA Interest group held their annual teleconference on March 31 to select the finalists for the 2008 reading list. The committee chose 26 books from 92 nominations. Readers in the Intermediate category read over 12,700 pages! Beth Heggeness, NYRA chairperson, thanks the committee and appreciates all the work done by all the readers.

The first Nevada Young Readers’ Award was given in 1988 and ever since, the program has steadily grown to include more than 42,000 Nevada Young Readers’ votes in 2006.

Participation of more readers also brings more nominations for the NYRA committee to read and consider. Dedicated librarians, teachers, and others read books, meet together, and decide upon the best of the best for the final list every year.

The year 2007 marks the 12th year that Perma-Bound Books is a major sponsor of the Nevada Young Readers award. With Perma-Bound’s help, NLA hosts the award winning authors and students at a gala event during the NLA conference, to be held this year on October 6th in Carson City.

The NYRA breakfast, held at the end of the NLA Conference, is an exciting event because students get to meet and talk with the authors. The authors speak about their writing and answer student questions. Best of all, the students write the presentation speeches and give the awards to the authors themselves.

Current state NYRA chair, Beth Heggeness, hopes that everyone will add the NYRA breakfast to their NLA conference schedule and try to bring as many students as possible to the annual event. Please visit the NYRA webpage http://www.nevadalibraries.org/Divisions/NYRA/index.html for more information about NYRA.

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