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## President's Message

*Denise Gerdes*

Once upon a time a teenaged girl reported to her father that she had just checked out a book from the library about abortion, in order to write a research paper. The father asked who the author was, why he wrote the book, what the author's view on the topic was, and lastly, "you don't believe everything you read, do you?"

The girl didn't know the answer to these questions, so the father instructed the girl to go back to the library and ask the librarian for assistance, to request several books on the topic for a more balanced view of the topic (this from the father who routinely read the Minneapolis Star Tribune, the St. Paul Pioneer Press, the Mankato Free Press, and the Belle Plaine Herald, trying to get a glimmer).

The girl grew up to become a librarian. She loves her job! To this day, she supports the freedom to read, and fights for the right to provide a variety of titles. She champions the right to access information for all people, regardless of race, creed, religion, or economic disposition. She believes libraries are everyone's university. She is proud to be a librarian and she's on a mission to provide top-notch library collections and services.

The librarian joined NLA, ALA and PLA. She believes librarians need professional organizations, and she's not alone. In 1946, a small group of six librarians met in Reno, Nevada, to discuss the possibility of forming a state library association.



They drafted a letter to other librarians in the state giving the following reasons why the establishment of the Nevada Library Association (NLA) would be of value to the state:

1. Act as a clearing house for library information in Nevada, through meetings and a published newsletter.
  2. Act as a forum for presenting new ideas which may benefit Nevada libraries.
  3. Act as a group to protect or broaden the scope of Nevada library service, and call attention to the work of Nevada's libraries. ([nevadalibraies.org/About the NLA](http://nevadalibraies.org/About%20the%20NLA))
- Now is a great time to join NLA, ensuring a discount on the upcoming conference. We currently have a 12 month membership, much like ALA, and your membership will come due at the same time each year.

Please consider not only joining NLA, but becoming involved in the organization. We are especially looking for new librarians, to breathe life into NLA! If you have any questions, suggestions, or great ideas, please call or email me at 702-507-3960 or [nlapres2008@yahoo.com](mailto:nlapres2008@yahoo.com).

# **Bridging the Gap @ Nevada Libraries 2008 NLA Conference**

**Nikki Winslow, Conference Chairperson**

The 2008 NLA Conference Committee is in full swing preparing for this year’s annual festivities, with the theme “**Bridging the Gap @ Nevada Libraries**”. The Conference is being held this year from August 14-16<sup>th</sup> at the Santa Fe Station Hotel and Casino in Northwest Las Vegas. The Santa Fe Casino promises to be a great site, with a movie theater, bowling alley, food court, and several restaurants and lounges. Rooms are available for \$59 plus tax a night, so be sure to make your reservations early!

Make sure to take advantage of the discounts you receive towards Conference Registration by joining NLA and getting registered before the Early Bird discount ends. You will save \$30 just for joining NLA, and another \$20 for signing up before the Early Bird deadline. That savings practically pays for your membership!!

We are really excited about the some of the speakers we have lined up, including noted children’s literature consultant and speaker Judy Freeman, who will be presenting all day on Friday, August 15<sup>th</sup>. This year the Continuing Education credits will be earned during the regular conference session, enabling regular conference attendees to earn credits without attending a pre-conference.

We have some very exciting prospects for our Virtual Track, as well as a great program about how to offer video gaming tournaments in your branches. We will offer programs for everyone, from the latest technology to customer service, throughout the conference.

Here’s an overview of this year’s conference:

**Thursday, August 14, 2008**

- 8-10 am**      **Free Breakfast in the Exhibitor’s Hall**
- 10 am**        **Keynote Speaker**
- 11-4 pm**     **Breakout Programs**
- 4-6 pm**      **Exhibitor’s Reception, Complimentary**
- 6-8 pm**      **President’s Dinner, featuring Richard Lee and Killian’s Angels**

**Friday, August 15, 2008**

- 8-10 am**     **Free Breakfast in the Exhibitor’s Hall**
- 10 am**        **Keynote Speaker**
- 11-5 pm**     **Breakout Programs**

**Saturday, August 16, 2008**

- 9-12 am**     **NYRA Breakfast**
- 12-4 pm**     **Children’s Services Breakout Programs**

We really hope everyone is able to attend and guarantee some great programs and fun for all! Any questions? Contact me at [nlaconfchair@yahoo.com](mailto:nlaconfchair@yahoo.com).

# Call for Proposals for Programs

*Final Application due April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008*

## **Bridging the Gap @ Nevada Libraries**

*Conference Program, NLA 2008*

Please supply the following information for each program you would like to host or conduct.

***Return no later than April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008 to:***

Nikki Winslow, Conference Chair

Rainbow Library

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Las Vegas, NV 89128

E-mail: [nlaconfchair2008@yahoo.com](mailto:nlaconfchair2008@yahoo.com)

Phone: (702) 507-3712

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***Proposals received after April 11<sup>s</sup>, 2008 will be accepted on a space available basis.***

**Name of Interest Group, Division or Sponsoring Individual/Group:**

**Program Description:** (Title and two sentence description)

**Name of Speaker or speakers who will present the program:**

**Anticipated Audience:** Academic    Public School    Special    All Libraries

(Please circle one and estimate the number of people who might attend to help with room assignments)

**Equipment Needed:**

Internet connection    \_\_\_

Flip Charts    \_\_\_

Overhead projector    \_\_\_

Other – please identify:

**Proposed Budget:**

Speaker Honorarium \_\_\_ (Only paid toward speakers attending from out of state.)

Miscellaneous expenses \_\_\_ (Please describe expenses below)

Total Amount for this proposed program: \_\_\_\_\_

**Speakers Name and Address:**

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**Person submitting this proposal:**

Name

Email

Address

Phone

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**Program Abstract:** 50 words or less for use in Conference Schedule

(Please use extra sheet if necessary)

## NLA Membership

You're invited to join NLA, the Nevada Library Association! This will enable you to receive the *Nevada Libraries* newsletter all year long, stay abreast of current library trends and statewide issues, join some interest groups and help provide programs of interest during the year, meet library staff from around the state, and let's not forget that you receive a discount on the 2008 NLA Annual Conference registration fee! The annual conference will be held at the Santa Fe Station Casino on August 14-16, 2008, and promises to be the best conference ever! Please go to [www.nevadalibraries.org](http://www.nevadalibraries.org) to join NLA online, look up the various interest groups, and check out the latest conference information.

Also, go to <http://nevadalibraries.org/nlalist.html> to join the NLA Listserv, and receive current information about happenings and issues concerning Nevada Libraries.

Not convinced yet? Please read the following reasons, created by staff at the West Charleston Library:

### *Top 10 Reasons Why You Should Join NLA:*

**Number 10**

The lobbyist for Nevada's libraries would have nothing to do; thus the libraries might not have any money.

**Number 9**

You get to share funny library stories with other members.

**Number 8**

You get to learn the new "tricks of the trade" from members of your peer group.

**Number 7**

Four words—discount for conference registration.

**Number 6**

You will learn that other libraries actually do exist outside of Las Vegas or Reno.

**Number 5**

Free stuff! You get complimentary copies of the *Nevada Libraries* newsletter.

**Number 4**

You talk about books and libraries with people who look at you with genuine interest.

**Number 3**

It looks good on your résumé.

**Number 2**

Scholarships! Scholarships! Scholarships!

. . . and the **Number 1** reason why you should join NLA . . .

(drum roll please . . .)

**Hello! You live in Nevada; and you work in a library!**

**Questions? Please contact:**

Denise Gerdes, 2008 NLA President  
702-507-3960 [nlapres2008@yahoo.com](mailto:nlapres2008@yahoo.com)

# 2008- Nevada Library Association (NLA) Membership

Membership year: 12 Months from date of registration

For membership questions or comments, please contact:

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Institution \_\_\_\_\_ Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_ or Home \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Preference: Work \_\_\_\_\_ or Home \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred MAILING ADDRESS: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Status: New \_\_\_\_\_ Renew \_\_\_\_\_ Institution \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Membership dues are based on a twelve-month period.**

**DISTRICT:** Northeast \_\_\_\_\_ Northwest \_\_\_\_\_ Southern \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTIONS:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ NCRL (Nevada College & Research Libraries)
- \_\_\_\_\_ NSCLS (Nevada School & Childrens' Librarians)
- \_\_\_\_\_ PLATO (Public Libraries & Trustees Organization)

**INTEREST GROUPS: (Free of Charge, select groups you want to be involved in)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ ACTION (All Classifications Teamed in One Network)
- \_\_\_\_\_ CAPTAIN (Collections, Automation, Preservation, Technical Services & Acquisitions in Nevada)
- \_\_\_\_\_ GODIG (Government Documents Interest Group)
- \_\_\_\_\_ INDEXING (Nevada Newspapers)
- \_\_\_\_\_ LIBRARY INSTRUCTION
- \_\_\_\_\_ NNAG (Nevada Networking & Automation Group)
- \_\_\_\_\_ NYRA (Nevada Young Readers Award)
- \_\_\_\_\_ RAISON (Reference & Information Searchers in Nevada)
- \_\_\_\_\_ REAL (Retired Employees All Libraries)

Do you give NLA permission to release your address to vendors? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**DUES:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ First year members ONLY (\$25.00)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Friends, Retirees, Students, Trustees (\$20)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Salary Under \$20,000 (\$30)      \_\_\_\_\_ Salary \$40,001-\$50,000 (\$60)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Salary \$20,001-\$30,000 (\$40)      \_\_\_\_\_ Salary \$50,001 and up (\$70)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Salary \$30,001-\$40,000(\$50)      \_\_\_\_\_ Institution (\$70)

For online NLA membership registration and dues payment powered by memberclicks: [www.nevadalibraries.org](http://www.nevadalibraries.org)

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## NATIONAL WOMEN’S HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATED

### MARCH 2008 BY A HOST OF COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AGENCIES AND EDUCATORS IN NORTHERN NEVADA

*Series of events offered throughout the Truckee Meadows reflect on the progress women have made toward equality, peace and development.*

Reno, Nev., Feb. 27, 2008 – While March, 8, 2008, marks the day celebrated around the world as International Women’s Day, since 1987 the U.S. Congress has proclaimed the entire month of March as National Women’s History Month. In observance of National Women’s History Month, Northern Nevada organizations, agencies and educators will be offering events, activities and lectures throughout March in the Truckee Meadows. Many are free and all are open to the community.

Organizations offering events that highlight women’s history and women’s issues during March include the Reno American Association of University Women, Reno Delta Kappa Gamma, Nevada Women’s History Project, Nevada Humanities, University of Nevada, Reno, Truckee Meadows Community College and Washoe County Libraries. The community is invited to participate and learn about contributions women have made toward equality, peace and development on a global scale. As recently as the 1970s, women’s history was a relatively unknown topic in American schools. To raise awareness, the Education Task Force of the Sonoma County (California) Commission on the Status of Women initiated a "Women’s History Week" celebration during 1978, choosing the week of March 8 to make International Women’s Day the focal point of the observance. Within a few years dozens of California schools planned special programs for Women’s History Week and efforts were mounted to secure a Congressional Resolution declaring a National Women’s History Week. In 1981, Sen. Orrin Hatch (R-UT) and Rep. Barbara Mikulski (D-MD) cosponsored the first Joint Congressional Resolution.

As word spread, state departments of education encouraged celebrations of National Women’s History Week as an effective means to achieving equity goals within classrooms. Maryland, Pennsylvania, New York, Oregon, Alaska, and other states developed and distributed curriculum materials. Within a few years, thousands of schools and communities were celebrating National Women’s History Week, supported and encouraged by resolutions from governors, city councils, school boards, and the U.S. Congress.

In 1987, the National Women’s History Project petitioned Congress to expand the national celebration to the entire month of March. Since then, the National Women’s History Month Resolution has been approved with bipartisan support in both the House and Senate. The popularity of women’s history celebrations has sparked a new interest in uncovering women’s forgotten heritage. Under the guidance of the National Women’s History Project, educators, workplace program planners, parents and community organizations in thousands of American communities have turned National Women’s History Month into a major focal celebration and a springboard for celebrating women’s throughout the year.

#### **Events during National Women’s History Month in Northern Nevada include:**

**City of Reno proclamation of Women’s History Month/International Women’s Day  
Feb. 27, 10 a.m.**

Location: Reno City Hall, Council Chambers FREE

#### **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](http://www.nevadalibraries.org) and click on memberclicks

## Women’s History Month Biography Series

March 1-31

Location: Watch for the series in the *Reno Gazette Journal* and Washoe County Library exhibits. Full biographies can be read online at <http://www.nevadawomen.org/>.

### **Chautauqua presentation by Kathy Noneman of Alice H. Ramsey — first woman to drive across the U.S.**

**March 4, 3:30 p.m.**

Location: South Valleys Public Library, Reno  
FREE

### **International Women’s Panel**

**March 5, 7 p.m.**

Location: Truckee Meadows Community College, Sierra Building, Room. 108  
Discussion of women’s issues around the world.  
FREE

### **International Women’s Day Parade and Festival**

**March 6, noon**

Location: Starts and ends at Joe Crowley Student Union, University of Nevada, Reno  
International and historic speakers, lunch, films, photography exhibit. Come and join the parade. Wear your culture’s traditional dress, bring a banner or a flag and join the festival.  
FREE

### **Nevada Women’s History Project Annual State Conference: On the Move — Women in Transportation**

**March 7-8**

Location: Carson City  
For information about registration and fees, call (775) 849-2050.

### **International Women’s Day celebrated worldwide**

**March 8**

### **International Women’s Day Luncheon**

**March 8, 11 a.m.**

Location: Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Reno  
Scholarship fundraiser for University of Nevada, Reno Women’s Studies, International Students and TMCC Foundation. Catered buffet lunch with music by Erika Paul Carlson, dance by L. Martina Young, keynote address by Dr. Marcia Noeli Barreto, Police Chief of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.  
Tickets: advance \$35/ at event \$40/ students \$15.  
Contact the University’s Women’s Studies Department, (775) 784-1560 or email [consuelo@unr.edu](mailto:consuelo@unr.edu) for tickets. Donations are also welcome for sponsoring a student and/or for scholarships.

### **Women’s History Film and Discussion**

**March 13, 6 p.m.**

Location: Northwest Public Library, Reno  
Discussion of the struggle for women’s civil rights, including the film “Standing on My Sisters’ Shoulders,” lead by Univeristy of Nevada, Reno professor Rosemary Dixon.  
FREE

**Reno American Association of University Women (AAUW) Great Decisions Meeting  
March 15, 10 a.m.**

Location: Nevada Art Museum, Reno  
Guided discussion and video of foreign policy issues surrounding the world's endangered children.  
FREE

**“Hear My Voice: Win the Vote”  
March 18, 6 p.m.**

Location: Legacy Hall, Room 103, University of Nevada, Reno  
Dramatic multimedia presentation sponsored by Northern Nevada Women Lawyers and PackPAWS.  
To RSVP, call (775) 788-8679 or email [akay@lionelsawyer.com](mailto:akay@lionelsawyer.com)  
FREE

**Chautauqua presentation by Carrie Townley Porter of  
Helen J. Stewart — First Lady of Las Vegas  
March 20, 6:30 p.m.**

Location: Spanish Springs Public Library, Sparks  
FREE

**Chautauqua presentation by Anne Howard  
of Dorothy Parker — witty American writer and poet  
March 22, 2 p.m.**

Location: Sierra Arts Gallery, 17 S. Virginia St., Reno  
FREE

**Ageless Repertory Theater presents  
“Octette Bridge Club” by PJ Barry  
March 25, 1 p.m.**

Location: First United Methodist Church, First and West St., Reno  
A delightful, sentimental comedy about eight sisters who meet to play bridge, gossip and generally entertain themselves in the America of the '30s and '40s.  
FREE

**Chautauqua presentation by Anita Watson of  
Mary Oxborrow — pioneer midwife and healer  
March 26, 4 p.m.**

Location: Incline Village Public Library  
FREE

**Ageless Repertory Theater presents  
“Octette Bridge Club” by PJ Barry  
March 28, 1 p.m.**

Location: First United Methodist Church, First and West St., Reno  
A delightful, sentimental comedy about eight sisters who meet to play bridge, gossip and generally entertain themselves in the America of the '30s and '40s.  
FREE

**Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) presents  
“Genteel Disrobe,” by Carolyn Loftis  
March 31, 6:30 p.m.**

Location: OLLI, Laxalt Auditorium, Warren Nelson Bldg., 401 S. Second St., Reno  
An “edu-taining” demonstration on how Victorian women’s clothing was worn more than 100 years ago.



FREE

For more information about Women’s History Month events in Northern Nevada, call Donna Clontz, Women’s History Month coordinator, at (775) 747-5452 or email [donnanorm1@yahoo.com](mailto:donnanorm1@yahoo.com) .

For more information about National Women’s History Month, visit <http://www.nwhp.org>

For more information about Nevada Women’s History Project visit <http://www.nevadawomen.org/>

For more information about International Women’s Day visit <http://www.un.org/womenwatch/feature/iwd/history.html> or <http://www.internationalwomensday.com/>

*Major funding for International Women’s Day and Women’s History Month events in Northern Nevada comes from generous grants by the City of Reno Neighborhood Advisory Boards in Wards 1, 2 and 4, the Washoe County Sheriff’s Office, University of Nevada, Reno Office of the President, the University’s Core Curriculum and Ethnic Studies Program, Veteran’s Administration, Sierra Nevada Health Care System, Neighborhood Mediation Services, Northern Nevada International Center, U.S. State Department, and Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Northern Nevada. Additional support comes from students, staff and faculty of the University of Nevada, Reno and Truckee Meadows Community College and the many community volunteers who have served on planning committees and will serve at events throughout the month of March.*



## **Southern District Nevada Library Association Presents**

### **Best of the Best 2008 Adult Programs Showcase**

**WHEN: Thursday, Mar. 27, 2008 From 2:00-4:00 p.m.**

**WHERE: Paseo Verde Library- Conference Room**

Join us for our first adult showcase of programs and presenters. Get together and browse the latest and greatest adult programming ideas. Get information about possible presenters. You’ll find plenty of inspiration and learn what worked and what didn’t at some of the year’s best programs across the valley.

Please RSVP to Betsy Johnson by email at [bjohnson@hdpl.org](mailto:bjohnson@hdpl.org) or by phone at 492-6581.

Light refreshments will be served from 1:30-2:00 p.m.

## Las Vegas-Clark County Library District's 7th Annual Reading Las Vegas Returns April 1

The Las Vegas-Clark County Library District's popular reading program for adults, Reading Las Vegas is back for a seventh year of celebrating reading. Once again, the District will incorporate The Big Read into the program. The Big Read is a program of the National Endowment for the Arts, in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) and Arts Midwest, and was developed to encourage literary reading by asking communities to come together to read and discuss one book..

This year The Big Read selection is *The Great Gatsby*. Written in 1925, F. Scott Fitzgerald's novel of the decadence and excesses of the "Jazz Age" is considered to be his best and is a staple of American literature.

The month's activities will kick off with the Second Annual Big Read Book Festival featuring book vendors, writing workshops, Reading Las Vegas signups and *The Great Gatsby* giveaways. Other free activities during the month will include music and dance programs, an expert panel discussion, book discussions, a '20s film series and programs for youth.

**Chris Bohjalian**, whose book, *Midwives*, was an Oprah Winfrey book club selection, will speak on Saturday, April 19 at 2 p.m. at Clark County Library about his latest *New York Times* bestseller, *Double Bind*, and about the influence of *The Great Gatsby* on his work. **John O'Hurley** returns to the Clark County Library on Thursday, April 24 at 7 p.m. and will share his book, *Before Your Dog Can Eat Your Homework, First You Have to Do It*. On Sunday, April 27 at 2 p.m. also at the Clark County Library, don't miss **Alexander McCall Smith**, bestselling author of *The No.1 Ladies' Detective Agency* series. He will appear as part of a national book tour to promote book number nine in the series, *The Miracle at Speedy Motors*. Appearances are free, but tickets are required to guarantee a seat.

Sign up for the program starting April 1 and receive a Reading Las Vegas tote bag courtesy of the Friends of Southern Nevada Libraries, and a complimentary paperback copy of *The Great Gatsby* (while supplies last). Read *The Great Gatsby* or other books of your choice, listen to an audio book or eAudio book, attend any adult library-sponsored program including Reading Las Vegas events, or attend a library-sponsored book discussion group. Complete an entry form and you may be eligible to win prizes including two tickets on Southwest Airlines.

For details, look for information on the District's web site at [www.lvcclld.org](http://www.lvcclld.org) at any LVCCLD branch.



# HENDERSON DISTRICT PUBLIC LIBRARIES

## News Briefs:

The inaugural "Read & Run For Your Health 5K & 1 Mile Walk" to benefit the Henderson Libraries was held on February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Over 400 participants raced and walked through the Water Street District in downtown Henderson. Regan Frey from Provo, UT finished first in the 5K run with a time of 15:46.

### INAUGURAL READ & RUN FOR YOUR HEALTH 5K & 1 MILE WALK



Saturday February 23, 2008

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Henderson Teen Talent Show was presented at the Paseo Verde Library on February 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. A standing room only crowd enjoyed both performances. Prizes were awarded to the top three performers each evening, as judged by Sue Kohl, Greg Arnold and Rashida Jordan.



On February 21, the Henderson District Library Board was presented a check for \$19,000 by the Friends of Henderson Libraries' Library Tree Lane Committee. The check represented proceeds from the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Library Tree Lane fundraiser. The money will be used to purchase children's books for the opening day collection of the Green Valley Library. The two-week series of Library Tree Lane events were well attended, cumulating with a Gala on November 30, 2007 at the Paseo Verde Library



### Publicity Committee, NLA - Annual Report 2007

#### Overview

In 2007, the Publicity Committee, through our subscription to Nevada News Service, helped produce seven library-related news articles that aired on radio stations statewide. The articles highlight special library weeks, events, and promotions and feature information, background, and librarian quotes.

#### Detail

Article topics have included Teen Tech Week, National Library Week, Summer Reading Club, Summer Reading for Adults, Banned Books Week/The Big Read, Teen Read Week, and Children's Book Week. On average, each news article has been aired on 15 unique radio stations statewide. Articles have been picked up by stations in Reno(KBUL, KKOH, KNEV) and Las Vegas(KJUL, KMZQ, KLAV) as well as by Clear Channel which owns stations across the state.

#### Comment

Subscribing to Nevada News Service allows NLA to promote our libraries in a time and cost effective manner across the state. These news items raise visibility in the community, build strong support among constituencies, and help to initiate and strengthen relationships with new donors, members, and the general public. This article-generating format gives rural and underrepresented libraries in Nevada a voice, as we have direct input into which programs, events, and contacts are featured in an article.

#### 2008

The Publicity Committee will continue to work with Nevada News Service to increase the number of library-related news articles produced. We also plan to research and develop a brochure for NLA. This brochure will detail NLA's mission, publicize events, and promote membership.

**Submitted by:** John Crockett, Chair



Registration is now open for the joint MPLA/ULA conference to be held in Salt Lake City, April 29-May 2, 2008. Please join us!!!

We have an exciting line-up of speakers including:

- ∨ Jim Rettig, university librarian at the University of Richmond and president-elect of ALA.
- ∨ David King Lee, Digital Branch & Services Manager at the Topeka & Shawnee County Public Library in Kansas, and a frequent speaker on emerging technology trends in libraries.
- ∨ Carolyn G. Hart, an award-winning mystery writer, who will host one of the author's luncheons at the conference.

Other great programs dealing with issues relevant in today's libraries such as copyright, digital libraries, reader's advisory, and genealogy are also planned.

**See you in Salt Lake in 2008!!!**

For more information, please see <http://www.ula.org/conference/2008conf/> or contact JaNae Kinikin (<mailto:jkikin@weber.edu>; 801-626-6093), MPLA/ULA Conference Publicity Chair.

## **Registration is now open for the STARS 2008 ALA Preconference:**

**"Throw off your policies and expose your resources: Rethinking resource sharing"** Friday June 27, 2008 Anaheim CA (before ALA Annual)

Resource sharing is changing in innovative and exciting ways, and this is your chance to learn all about what the future holds. Join us for this eye-opening pre-conference, where you will:

- Hear Stephen Abram, the guru for library innovation, talk about resource sharing.
- Develop ideas to help librarians improve resource sharing
- Find ways to improve service to your users and ways to encourage new users to take advantage of your collections and services.

### **Who should attend?**

- Library managers and administrators who have the ability to make change happen.
- Front line librarians in Interlibrary Loan and Document Delivery departments who will be implementing changes.

- Resource sharing staff responsible for setting resource sharing policies, entering into agreements with other institutions, and making decisions about end-user services.
- Anyone interested in the future of and the big picture for resource sharing.

For more information including the pre-conference schedule and list of presenters:  
<http://www.ala.org/ala/rusa/rusaourassoc/rusasections/stars/starsevents/starsevents.cfm>

For more information, please contact:  
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## ALA Delegate Report:

### 2007 National Library Legislative Day

The American Library Association sponsored its 33<sup>rd</sup> National Library Legislative Day on May 1-2, 2007. The Nevada delegation consisted of: Daniel Waters, Verlia Davis-Hoggard, Debbie Jacobs, Denise Gerdes, Karen Starr, Nicole Winslow and Arthur Cabrales. On May 1<sup>st</sup>, the Washington Office of the American Library Association conducted a “Briefing Day” to prepare the state delegations for their planned congressional visits on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. The topics included the following:

**Appropriations**

- Improving Literacy Through School Libraries
- Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA)
- Proposed Amendments to the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001
- Loan Forgiveness

**Telecommunications/Internet**

- Broadband Deployment
- E-Rate and Anti-Deficiency Act
- Blocking of Interactive Web Applications
- Network Neutrality

**Government Issues**

- Open Government Legislation
- Federal Libraries

**Privacy & Surveillance**

- Real I.D. Act
- U.S. National Security Letters/U.S.A. Patriot Act

On May 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Nevada delegation attended a constituent breakfast hosted by Congressman Heller, Porter and Congresswoman Berkley. This provided the opportunity for informal conversations with all three House of Representatives members. This was followed by individual visits with legislative aides from the offices of Congressman Heller and Porter. The entire delegation was able to meet in person with Congresswoman Berkley. Finally, to finish off the day, the delegation was able to meet with legislative aides from the offices of Senator Reid and Ensign. As a bonus, Daniel Walters and Debbie Jacobs were able to attend a constituent breakfast hosted by both Senator Reid and Senator Ensign on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. This was a great opportunity for photographs as well as informal conversations with both of Nevada’s senators. As the 2008 President of the Nevada Library Association, Denise Gerdes will be participating in the 2008 National Library Legislative Day. Also participating will be the NLA President-Elect, Jeanette Hammons, NLA Government Relations Officer, Sara Jones, and the ALA Delegate, Arthur Cabrales.

# WORKSHOP

**May 9, 2008:** "Tools of Engagement: Attracting and Engaging Library Users " 9:00-10:30, PST

For program information consult the BCR webpage: <http://www.bcr.org/training/teleconferences/index.html> in March.

Sponsored by the Nevada State Library and Archives with funds from the Library Services and Technology Act from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

## AASLH Digitization Workshop Scheduled for Carson City, NV

The registration for AASLH’s Digitization and Museums workshop scheduled for March 12 - 14 in Carson City is now open at [www.aaslh.org/workshop.htm](http://www.aaslh.org/workshop.htm). Register by February 12 to guarantee a seat.

**March 12 - 14 – Digitization and Museums: Bringing Your Collections into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century** at the Nevada State Museum in Carson City, NV. This workshop, sponsored by AASLH, will be taught by Leigh Grinstead of CDP@BCR and will offer in-depth training on digitizing historic collections. Participants can register for single days of the workshop or the entire three days. Day 1 presents issues surrounding the digitization of primary source materials. Day 2 focuses on basic digital imaging techniques. Day 3 introduces creating metadata for digital objects. Topics to be covered include:

- Introduction to the issues involved in digital project management
- Why digitize?
- Defining an audience
- Legal Issues
- Tools for deciding what to digitize
- Dublin Core Metadata
- Digital Capture Best Practices
- Digital Glossary
- Funding Options
- Writing Competitive Grants
- Benefits of Collaboration

**Cost: \$70 per day members/\$85 nonmembers or \$200 for three days members/\$250 nonmember**

*Registration Deadline is February 12, 2008!! You can register today at [www.aaslh.org/workshop.htm](http://www.aaslh.org/workshop.htm).*

Please contact Bethany Hawkins, Program Associate at [hawkins@aaaslh.org](mailto:hawkins@aaaslh.org) or 615-320-3203 if you have any questions about these or other upcoming workshops.

## “Workflow” for Nevada Libraries:

### NLA Publications Chair:

- a. Receive Advertisement information
- b. Forward Advertisement to Editor
- c. Forward payment to Finance Chair
- d. Receive and process paid subscriptions from non-NLA members; forward subscription information to Membership chair
- e. Forward subscriptions to Finance Chair for deposit
- f. Receive complete issue from Editor; determine number of copies from Membership Chair information and forward to Printing Agent
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- a. Articles sent to Editor via [nlanews@yahoo.com](mailto:nlanews@yahoo.com) Issue deadlines:  
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 September issue: July 15  
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- c. Pictures are to be incorporated into text, 300-600 dpi for printing; at 72 dpi for Website
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- e. Complete issue sent to Publications Chair and Printing Agent:  
 March issue: February 10  
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- f. Complete issue sent to NLA webmaster

### Nevada Libraries Printing Agent

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