President’s Message
Jeanette Hammons

“Responding to the Challenge: Beyond all limits”

LIBRARY LEGISLATIVE DAY

Nevada Library Legislative Day was April 14, 2009, which was also National Library Workers Day! Our very own Lucy Bouldin was recognized in the Virginia City Labor Day parade as the Grand Marshal. She provided a wonderful photo that was included in the flyer provided in the packets to the Legislatures.

Even in these busy times, members were able to carve out some time to make contact with their representatives and have serious discussions about the issues facing Nevada’s libraries.

I would like to thank Sara Jones, NLA Government Relations Chair and her entourage of helpers who assisted in making this day a huge success. It is not an easy task when you have your day-to-day tasks that cannot be pushed to the back burner! Thank you!

Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act

Attendees had the opportunity to visit with Mike Castellano, Counsel and Senior Policy Advisor from the Office of Majority Leader Harry Reid. Mr. Castellano apprised us of their efforts regarding the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act. Senator Rockefeller is the new Chair of the Commission. At this point in time it is a wait and see game. I did ask Mr. Castellano how we could be proactive. Mr. Castellano stated that it would be great to get the statistics for each library/district on the percentage of children’s books that are pre-1985. These figures would be concrete evidence of the effect of the inclusion of library books in this Act.

I had provided Mr. Castellano with figures that indicate that 37% of Elko’s children’s and juvenile books would have to go if held to the 1985 publication date. Tom Fay also pointed out that many books are reprinted but the publication date does not change. So, if you have not already provided statistics for your library/district to me please do so at your earliest convenience.

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Department of Cultural Affairs
Dr. Michael Fischer addressed the group expressing his desire to establish a better relationship with the library community. He would like to meet quarterly with a subgroup of the organization to get input from libraries regarding the issues they are dealing with and what is important to them. Please watch for further information regarding this.

ALA
Lynne Bradley, Director of the Office of Government Relations for the American Library Association-Washington Office also visited with attendees. She provided up to the minute information on ARRA and the Broadband Programs. Please be sure to check the ALA and the NSLA sites for updates on the stimulus and broadband issues.

Carson City Library
The Carson City Library hosted a presentation on Second Life the evening of April 14 in the Galaxy Theater. It was a great event!

2009 NLA Conference
Laura Oki, Conference Chair, and her committee members have been extremely busy with preparations for the Conference scheduled for October 7-10. The Red Lion Hotel & Casino is the Conference hotel. Room rates are very reasonable so book your rooms early! You must mention “Nevada Library Association Conference” and reservations must be made by September 23 to receive the special rate. Nick Arnette has been booked as the Keynote Speaker. He will also be providing a bit of entertainment with a 45 minute comedy show after the President’s Award Dinner Friday night. I look forward to hearing Mr. Arnette put a different spin on today’s issues! You can check out Mr. Arnette’s site at www.nickarnette.com.

Other News
The Treasurer’s position became available early in the year. A call for interested persons to submit their name was made. Two brave young men submitted their names. The ballot was sent out through Memberclicks to all current members. Ed Feldman from Henderson was the successful candidate. Congratulations Ed! If you did not receive the ballot through your email, please verify your information on Memberclicks as well as your status. It is up to you to make sure that your information is kept current.

AB507 was introduced to the Assembly. It would have transferred the Department of Cultural Affairs to the Office of the Secretary of State. This bill died. NLA was asked to provide a letter of stating their stand on this issue. The Government Relations Committee unanimously agreed that NLA should remain neutral on this issue. The Committee felt that too little time had been given to thoroughly research the issue to determine the pros and cons.

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A letter stating NLA’s neutral stand was submitted for written testimony.

Hello. My name is Jeanette Hammons, President of the Nevada Library Association. I am writing this letter to make you aware of NLA’s position on AB507. As is my practice, I try to find out as much information about an issue as I can before I make a decision. When AB507 first came to my attention, I asked many different people what the pros and cons were for the suggested reorganization of the Department of Cultural Affairs. No one could provide me with any answers other than it was a BDR. A few bits of information have surfaced over the last few days. With such few facts available for the NLA Board and its members to make an informed decision one way or the other, NLA will remain neutral at this time.

History shows that other sanctioned studies leading to proposed reorganization of other state governmental departments/offices/boards/functions have been conducted prior to proposed consolidations of functions. A precedent has been set that makes this process a reasonable expectation of any future reorganization proposals.

NLA would like to acknowledge that they recognize that Nevada is facing some very difficult times that require some very difficult decisions to be made.

NLA strongly recommends that an in-depth study be conducted, after this session, by a committee comprised of representatives from all affected constituencies: Urban and rural libraries, the various cultural constituencies, Nevada State Library and Archives, and the office of the Secretary of State. The purpose of the study should be to determine the optimum state organizational alignment for efficient administration and sustainability of state library functions and critical cultural programming under the Department of Cultural Affairs not just for today but also for the future. Since funding is one of the reasons for AB507, a Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) grant could be written to fund this study. Nevada’s cultural institutions deserve a hearing and presentation of a plan by the Secretary of State regarding the reorganization of the Department of Cultural Affairs.

Until such time that this study can be conducted, NLA supports the reconsideration of the staff positions and hours currently proposed for cuts in the Department of Cultural Affairs and continued funding of the collection development formula. These cuts not only affect the DCA. These cuts will have long reaching affects across the entire state not just for the present but also in the future.

Thank you for your time and consideration of NLAs recommendations.
Legislative Days

For those of you who did not attend the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) workshop Lynne Bradley of the ALA Washington Office at the Legislative Day in Carson City, NSLA has a website for stimulus information that is located at:

http://nevadaculture.org/nsla/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=1706&Itemid=1

There were several handouts provided at the workshop.

The handout "Ten Things You Can Do...To Get Broadband Stimulus Funding for Your Library" looks slightly different from
http://www.ala.org/ala/aboutala/offices/wo/woissues/washfunding/fedfund/Broadband%20Top%20Ten.pdf that is a link on the above NSLA page. In effect it is the same document.

The handout "The American Recovery & Reinvestment Act: What Librarians Can Do Now" looks slightly different from
http://www.ala.org/ala/aboutala/offices/wo/woissues/washfunding/fedfund/ARRA%20Academic%20Librar.pdf that is a link on the above NSLA page. In effect it is the same document though it is "targeted" to academic librarians.

The third handout "Libraries and the Stimulus: Putting America's Money Where the People Are" is posted at

"Job-seeking in U.S. Public Libraries" is located at

The "Potential Building Blocks of ARRA Applications" is in draft form and not posted on the 'Net. Without permission I won't be posting it to the NSLA website. ALA will probably post it when they take it out of draft mode and at that point I'll link it to the NSLA webpage. Meanwhile if you are interested, please send me an email and I'll send you a copy.
At Home in the Mathewson-IGT Knowledge Center

Submitted by Carolyn Adams and Ann Medaille

In August 2008, the Mathewson-IGT Knowledge Center opened on the University of Nevada, Reno campus. Since its grand opening, UNR’s new library facility has been a busy center for activities of all kinds. Receiving its name from a combined $10 million gift from Charles Mathewson and International Game Technology, this brand new building has generated much excitement on campus and throughout the community. Greater numbers of students and faculty members are now spending time in the library, and more professors have brought their classes into the Knowledge Center to learn how to do library research. Endless streams of community and school groups have also been coming to tour the library and see what all the excitement is about. So far, it’s been an exhilarating and busy year.

The Knowledge Center is a physical manifestation of a merged library/IT organization that supports the teaching, learning, and research missions of the university. Various entities that were once spread across campus have now been incorporated into this new facility, including the former Life and Health Sciences Library, selected services in Teaching and Learning Technologies, Instructional Design, and many Information Technology staff. This combined library/technology presence allows the Knowledge Center staff to offer better services to the academic community. At some of the new integrated services desks, users can come to receive research, computing, and production assistance all in the same location.

Why Is It Called a Knowledge Center?

The nearly 300,000 square-foot Mathewson-IGT Knowledge Center was designed to support the rapidly changing information and learning environment of the twenty-first century knowledge economy. With hundreds of computers located throughout the building and technology available for writing papers, (continued)
creating posters, making videos, constructing data visualizations, and creating other kinds of products, the Knowledge Center represents more than a traditional library. At a single location, Knowledge Center users can go from finding information to processing and producing it, with expert assistance available from start to finish.

The Knowledge Center’s flexible spaces can be used by students, faculty, and the community in a variety of ways: Users can study quietly, listen to headphones while at a computer stations, collaborate on group projects, work with faculty on assignments, or just relax and hang out with friends.

@One: A High-Tech, Production-Oriented Space

The @One area of the Knowledge Center, which is located on the first floor, has been an instant success with students. @One is a high-tech, production-oriented space that provides a place for students to study, play, and work with others. @One has over one hundred fifty computers, as well as group work spaces, comfortable chairs, rolling whiteboards, and large-screen video monitors. At the @One service desk, students can receive research and technology assistance, or they can print out a poster on the 42-inch or 60-inch poster printers. Both @One and the second floor have Microsoft Surface tables that allow students to use their hands to manipulate on-screen content.

@One also contains several specialty areas. In the Sierra Pacific Dynamic Media Lab, students and faculty learn how to create and edit videos and graphics presentations, and they can also use the lab’s recording and editing booths. In the DataWorks Lab, students and faculty use scientific, statistical, and digital mapping software for data analysis and visualization projects. @One is also home to the Marshall R. Matley Foundation Multimedia Center, which has over 15,000 videos available for checkout, as well as cameras, recording equipment, and laptops.

While students enjoy the high-tech, multimedia capabilities of @One, they also like the flexibility to use it for whatever they need: writing papers, doing research, playing games, working on group projects, surfing the web, and watching videos, among other activities.

Serving Our Community

The Information Kiosk, located just inside the main entrance in the
second floor lobby, is a first point of contact for directions, maps, and event information. The Bretzlaff Foundation Research and Computing Help Desk is staffed by librarians and IT specialists providing one-stop convenience and highly skilled assistance for library reference questions and computing help. The Marshall R. Matley Foundation

**Blast off to MARS!**

The Mathewson Automated Retrieval System, MARS, is the Knowledge Center’s automated book storage system. MARS spans three stories with six storage and retrieval cranes and 25,338 bins. It is the largest library automated storage system built to date, capable of housing approximately two million volumes. Bins range from 8” to 18” deep with flexible configurations that allow staff to efficiently store items of myriad shapes and sizes.

Library Services desk combines traditional circulation services, document delivery services, paper and electronic reserve processing, and more. Bytes Café carries Peet’s coffee and tea and a variety of snacks and beverages ranging from donuts to sushi, and the Sierra Pacific Book Nook sells used books, tapes, magazines, and other materials covering a wide range of interests.

Materials stored in MARS include books published before 1995 that have been checked out seven or fewer times in the last 20 years, bound volumes of journals excluding the current and previous full year (housed in the open stacks), most of the government documents collection, microfilm, ERIC microfiche, and more. Special Collections and University Archives store the majority of their collections in MARS as well. The rest of the library’s collection is located on traditional book stacks throughout the Knowledge Center.

It took nine months to move all of the books, journals, Special Collections materials, and government documents from the old Getchell Library to the Knowledge Center. There are 590,181 items loaded into MARS so far, filling 9,638 bins. Each item was individually scanned into the MARS inventory database and stored by hand. To access MARS materials, users simply click the Request from MARS button in the library catalog and pick up their items at the Library Services desk.

**Special Collections and Basque Library**

The Clarence and Martha Jones Special Collections and University Archives are located on the third floor of the Knowledge Center. Visitors to Special Collections can see its unique and historically valuable books, manuscripts,
photographs, and more. Through the month of May, Special Collections is featuring an exhibit called “Will James and the West: Life and Art of a ‘Lone Cowboy,’” which contains writings, sketches, and other artifacts about this cowboy author and legend. In addition, the book arts collection, on display in the Special Collections reading room and in the first floor Leslie Harvey and Robert George Whittemore Gallery, shows handmade and limited edition works, artists’ books, and examples of book design and printing techniques.

The Basque Library and the Center for Basque Studies are located on the third floor and accessible from the north side of the building. Considered to be one of the foremost libraries for Basque studies located outside of the Basque country, the Basque Library contains books, journals, photos, audio-video materials, and archival materials related to the Basque culture.

A Center for Events

UNR President Milton Glick held several tailgate parties in the second floor lobby and Frank and Joan Randall Rotunda during Wolf Pack football season. Alumni and friends of the University gathered for pre-game food, festivities, and even performances by the Nevada marching band. The celebration echoed through the atrium, filling the Knowledge Center with sounds of school spirit, while the fifth floor quiet study area remained conducive to scholarly pursuits.

The Marilyn R. Melton Nevada Writers Hall of Fame, located in the first floor lobby, provided a poignant backdrop for the Silver Pen award ceremony honoring Don Waters and Hall of Fame inductee Sally Denton last November. The Brushfire Literary Arts Journal 61st volume release party was held in the Paul and Gwen Leonard Faculty and Graduate Reading Room, commemorating 50 years of publishing works of art produced by UNR students.

The Spring Film Series, held in the Wells Fargo Auditorium, showcased 25 Hispanic and International films portraying the society, cultures and people of different countries. With book signings, lectures, meetings, films, classes, tours and special art exhibits, it is clear that the Knowledge Center is a hub of campus and community activity.

Time Flies

It’s been a busy nine months since the Knowledge Center first opened its doors, but this has been a rewarding time for both Knowledge Center staff and the community of users. The Mathewson- IGT Knowledge will continue to make an important contribution to the academic community of Nevada as it promotes its theme:

Connect – Explore – Create.

For floor plans, video clips, photo galleries, and more, visit

http://www.knowledgecenter.unr.edu/about.
In Memory of Kenna Payne, Head of Youth Services  
James I Gibson Library  
Henderson District Public Libraries

Kenna Kay Payne, Head of Youth Services for the James I. Gibson Branch of the Henderson District Public Libraries, died on February 17, 2009. Although Kenna only lived and worked in Henderson a relatively short time, she made lasting impacts on our libraries and in our hearts.

Kenna got her Master’s Degree in Library and Information Science from UCLA, and began her career as a children’s librarian at the National City Public Library, in National City, California. In 2006, she was hired as the Head of the Youth Services Department at the Gibson Library. Her positive impact on us began immediately.

Kenna was one of the most artistic, creative people anyone can hope to meet. She literally left her legacy on the walls of the 20-year-old Gibson Library by painting the walls of the Youth Services Department in bold, bright colors and contrasting geometric designs. After the library received a donation of twenty-six illustrations of the letters of the alphabet, she hung them on the walls of the Story Room and painted those walls, too, including painted “picture frames” for the prints. Her creativity brightened the walls and the atmosphere of the Youth Services Department, and made it a welcoming place for families and children to spend time together.

In the fall of 2007, Kenna designed an award-winning rug that can be purchased through the Demco catalog. Its bright, cheerful design is truly a reflection of how Kenna regarded children’s services, and also a reflection of Kenna herself. All Youth Services departments of the Henderson Libraries will have the rug with an embroidered label “In Memory of Kenna Payne.” Demco also donated a rug to Kenna’s parents, Jack and Betty.

Kenna was quietly passionate about her work with children, and lived her life with dignity. However, she was certainly willing to participate fully in an impromptu water-gun fight or two as the need called for it. She made many close, lasting friends in Henderson who miss her a great deal. Most of all, we remember Kenna as one of those special people who left the world a more beautiful place than she found it, and who bravely shared her spirit and strength with her friends, colleagues, and community.
Nevada Statewide Digital Initiative

Nevada is rich in historical resources housed in its archives, libraries, historical repositories, museums, special collections, and state and local government agencies. During FY 2008/2009 with LSTA funding, the collaborative nature of Nevada's statewide digitization projects was formalized with a series of advisory committee meetings and community forums that developed a shared vision and identified long term goals allowing for the wise and effective use of available resources in Nevada to support the state's digital resources.

The Nevada State Library & Archives is coordinating the project and contracted with BCR's Digital and Preservation Services to implement the digital planning process and conduct a survey working with a Statewide Digital Advisory Committee and NSLA staff. The consultants working on the project include Liz Bishoff, Director, BCR Digital and Preservation Services, and Tom Clareson, Director, PALINET New Initiatives.

Information about the Nevada Statewide Digital Initiative has been published on the NSLA website at http://nevadaculture.org/nsla/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=1702&Itemid=1. Information on the site includes:

- links to current digital projects implemented in Nevada
- the Nevada Statewide Digital Planning Survey, March 2009, and
- project documents, among other items.

The sample for the Statewide Digital Planning Survey was 110 libraries, archives, museums, historical societies and other cultural heritage institutions. A total of 61 completed surveys were received for a response rate of 55%. The largest number of respondents came from public libraries, museums and academic libraries. Of the 24 identified archives in the state, many are housed with libraries or museums. Twenty of those institutions responded to the survey.

The planning document is currently in process and will be linked on the site when it is finalized. The Statewide Digital Advisory Committee has identified a number of ongoing activities for this coming fiscal year which are identified on the website.

If you have questions, Daphne DeLeon, NSLA Administrator, can be contacted at 775-684-3315 or ddeleon@nevadaculture.org.
Building Public Partnerships Workshops

In an economic downturn such as we are experiencing, it is imperative that librarians serving in all types of libraries re-envision their role in the larger community. We will survive only if we build public and private partnerships with other agencies and community-based organizations. This workshop will assist librarians in all types of libraries to identify the entities and stakeholders with whom they need to create strategic partnerships. They will learn to use networking, interviewing, negotiation and other tools to create relationships with other agencies and community-based organizations. Librarians will learn to understand what motivates their key stakeholders in these agencies and organizations and how they can help them advance their agendas while also advancing the agenda of the library.

With workshop instructor Christine Hamilton-Pennell, participants will learn to think strategically about creating partnerships utilizing hands-on exercises that relate to real-world situations and case studies and examples of best practices in other libraries and communities.

June 9 - UNR Redfield Campus, Reno
June 11 - Paseo Verde Library, Henderson
June 25 - Great Basin College Library, Elko

Christine Hamilton-Pennell is founder and president of Growing Local Economies, Inc., http://growinglocaleconomies.com/. An accomplished speaker and trainer, Christine has a background in both economic development and library research services. Christine has also provided consulting services to large and small communities to assist them in implementing an entrepreneurship support program.

Previously, she served as the Economic Intelligence Specialist for the City of Littleton, Colorado, where she provided strategic consulting, competitive intelligence, and marketing support to city leaders and small businesses as part of the city's Economic Gardening project. She has also worked for the Colorado State Library as the director of the professional resource center for the Colorado Department of Education, where she also served as Chair of the Department’s Policy Implementation Council.

She holds a master’s degree in Library and Information Science from UCLA as well as a master’s degree in religion and ethics from The Iliff School of Theology. She co-founded
the Colorado Library Marketing Council and has created and facilitated several online and in-person courses on marketing and developing internal locus of control.

Building Public Partnerships is 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.

Register on the Nevada Continuing Education calendar at

For further details, Contact Holly Van Valkenburgh 800-922-2880, 775-684-3322, or hvanvalkenburgh@nevadaculture.org

DIGITAL BOOKMOBILE VISITS
WASHOE COUNTY LIBRARY

Washoe County Library System hosted the Digital Bookmobile, an engaging download experience inside a 74-foot, high-tech tractor-trailer, on Saturday, April 11, at Sierra View Library. More than 106 patrons took advantage of the opportunity to learn about digital downloading through interactive demonstrations and experience the library system’s audiobook download service at this free event. Audiobook checkouts increased immediately after the bookmobile visit.

The Digital Bookmobile is housed inside an 18-wheel tractor-trailer. This
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community outreach vehicle is a high-tech update of the traditional bookmobile that has served communities for decades. The vehicle is equipped with broadband Internet-connected PCs, high definition monitors, premium sound systems, and a variety of portable media players, all of which help visitors explore Washoe County Library System’s download service. Interactive learning stations give visitors an opportunity to search the library’s digital media collection, use supported mobile devices, and sample eBooks, audiobooks, music and video.

Patrons can take advantage of the download service 24/7 when they visit the library’s website http://washoecounty.lib.overdrive.com.

From there, they can browse the growing collection of best-selling, new release, and classic titles, and check out a digital title with a valid library card. Once downloaded, digital titles can be enjoyed on a computer or transferred to supported mobile devices. Many audio titles can also be burned to audio CD. At the end of the seven-day lending period, titles will automatically expire and are returned to the digital collection. There are never late fees or damaged items.

The Digital Bookmobile is operated by OverDrive, Inc., and there was no cost to the library system or the county. For more information about the bookmobile, see www.digitalbookmobile.com.

Pictured L-R, WCLS staff members Maggie Spicher, Nancy Keener, Stephanie Church outside the Digital Bookmobile.
2009 Nevada Library Association Awards

Everyone knows a person or persons who are key in making our libraries and the library services we offer top notch. Every year, you have the opportunity to nominate one of your colleagues for one of the following NLA Awards. It’s time again to start thinking about nominating someone!

These are the awards that are given each year and the criteria for each award. The deadline for 2009 Nominations is June 15, 2009.

LIBRARIAN OF THE YEAR / TRUSTEE OF THE YEAR:

• For constructive accomplishments toward the advancement and extension of library service and the development of sound library policies; creative and effective interpretation of the library on a regional, local or national level.

• For notable activity in library legislation, recruitment, statewide planning, published writings, outstanding participation in NLA, ALA, MPLA, Friends of the Library etc.

• For broadened scope of service to the community; specialized services to children, young adults, senior citizens, the handicapped etc.

• For an outstanding contribution to library education; library techniques, library building, library management, establishment or organization of a new library or library system, or expansion or revitalization of an established library system or library.

• For a substantial financial assistance or endowment.

SPECIAL CITATION AWARD:

• For constructive accomplishments toward the advancement and extension of library service and the development of sound library policies of the creative and effective of the library on a local or state level.

• For praiseworthy activity in library legislation, recruitment, statewide planning, published writings, outstanding participation in NLA, ALA, MPLA, Friends of the Library etc.

• For a praiseworthy contribution to library education, library techniques, library building, library management, establishment of a new library or library system.

• For a substantial financial assistance or endowment.

DOROTHY McALINDEN AWARD:

• For outstanding service to, or on behalf of, the association which is rendered by a member who is not a professional library employee.
NOMINATION FORM

Person being nominated

Library of Nominee (including name of Library System)

Library Address of Nominee

Phone number of Nominee

Award Selection

Librarian of the Year Trustee of the Year

Special Citation Award Dorothy McAlinden Award

Reason for nomination

Additional text may be submitted on a separate page. Please email, fax or mail in your nominations to me at:

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Call for Proposals for Programs
Final Applications due June 7th, 2009

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Conference Program, NLA 2009

Name of Interest Group, Section or Sponsoring Individual/Group:

Program Description:  (Title and two sentence description)

Program Length:

Name of Speaker or speakers who will present the program:

Anticipated Audience:  □ Academic  □ Public School  □ Special  □ Public  □ All

Estimated attendance:_____

Equipment Needed (check all that apply):

□ Internet connection  □ Flip chart(s) (quantity)____

□ Overhead projector   □ DVD player

□ Screen   □ Microphone

Other (please specify):_____________________________________________________

Proposed Budget:

If you have submitted a budget to NLA for this program, YOU are responsible to make all arrangements for your speakers as well as submit costs to NLA Treasurer for payment!
Speaker Honorarium (Only paid toward speakers attending from out of state)
$_________

Miscellaneous expenses (Please describe expenses below)
$_________

Total Amount for this proposed program
$_________

**Speaker’s contact information:**
Name: ___________________________________  E-mail________________________
Address: __________________________ City:_____________ State_____ Zip________

**Person submitting this proposal:**
Name: ___________________________________ E-mail________________________

Library:____________________________________
Phone_____________________________

Address: _________________________ City:_____________ State_____ Zip ________

**Program Abstract:** 50 words or less for use in Conference Schedule
(Please use extra sheets if necessary)
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Please submit your program proposal no later than June 7th, 2009 to:
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Proposals received after June 7th, 2009 will be accepted on a space available basis.
NEVADA CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR NEVADA LIBRARY STAFF

Information about upcoming Continuing Education events sponsored by NSLA and Nevada’s libraries which are open to all library staff are available on the website: http://nevadaculture.org/nsla/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=545&Itemid=1

If you prefer not to attempt to enter this URL, please use these steps:
  Got to nevadaculture.org (you have this bookmarked?)
  Underneath the heading Department of Cultural Affairs, click on Library and Archives
  On the Nevada State Library and Archives page, click on Development Services
  On the Development Services page, click on Continuing Education
  On the Continuing Education & Training Programs page, click on CE Opportunities

The link for the CE Calendar is on the Continuing Education & Training Programs web page.
Here you will find monthly calendars with entries for continuing education, both online and in person, typically free of charge.

On the Continuing Education and Training Programs web page you will also find:
Continuing Education:
  College of DuPage Teleconferences
  Continuing Education Workshops
  Nevada Library Institute
  Records Management Training Classes
  Rural Libraries Workshops
  Summer Reading Program Workshop
  Trustee Training Series
Training Programs & Planning:
  Certification Program
  Nevada State Continuing Education Plan
Funding:
  Travel to Training
  Rural Libraries Workshops
  CE Registration Fee Program
Nevada Library Association Opportunities (NLA):
Other Continuing Education Opportunities
E-Training: Online Workshops, Tutorials, and Graduate Courses
Distance MLS degree programs

To provide or obtain CE information contact hvanvalkenburgh@nevadaculture.org
The People's Information:  
A Government Information Training Day

Thursday, June 4, 2009  
10:00am – 3:30pm  
Washoe County Library  
Downtown Reno  
301 S. Center Street  
Reno, NV 89501  
775-327-8316

9:30-10:00  Meet and Greet
10:00-10:35  Pat Ragains, GPO Access update; The Regional depository’s role and services
10:40-11:15  Darragh Huggins, DETR, Nevada Career Information System
11:20-12:00  Aurora Partridge & Lisa Printz, Nevada Legislative Bill Tracking
12:00-1:30  Lunch
2:15-2:55  Stephen Platt, GPO’s Federal Depository Library Communication Board
3:00-3:30  Pat Ragains, U.S. Congressional Serial Set online

This training is free and open to library service personnel who provide government information to their users.

RSVP Pat Ragains at ragains@unr.edu.

Travel support is available through The Nevada State Library and Archives. Go to http://nevadaculture.org/nsla/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=543&Itemid=1 for details.

Parking details to follow.

This training opportunity is jointly sponsored by the Washoe County Library System, Nevada State Library and Archives and University of Nevada, Reno.
Healthfinder.gov Site Includes Tutorial for Librarians

Librarians looking for a credible and easy-to-use health promotion and wellness online resource for their customers should visit [www.healthfinder.gov](http://www.healthfinder.gov). healthfinder.gov is a Government Web site full of personalized, actionable health information and tools presented in an easy-to-read format with simple navigation. The site has been recognized as a key consumer resource for finding the best Government and nonprofit health information on the Internet.

Healthfinder.gov is coordinated by the Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (ODPHP) and its National Health Information Center. ODPHP Director Rear Admiral Penelope Slade-Sawyer, P.T., M.S.W., has this message for librarians:

“To serve their communities, librarians need a credible site that uses everyday language and examples to link their patrons to important wellness information. healthfinder.gov gives librarians this resource and presents their visitors with the chance to participate actively in their own health and well-being,” Slade-Sawyer said.

English- and Spanish-speaking patrons can use healthfinder.gov to answer their most probing health questions and concerns.

Features of the award-winning site include:

- The Quick Guide to Healthy Living, a plain-language resource designed especially for users with limited literacy skills and/or limited time
- myhealthfinder tool, providing personalized health recommendations based on age and sex
- Interactive disease prevention and wellness tools like menu planners, calorie counters, videos, and online checkups

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Printable information on specific health topics that consumers can take with them or e-mail to a friend or family member, including lists of questions consumers can print and take to the doctor

Links to information from more than 1,600 Government and nonprofit organizations

Tools to locate health care providers, including federally funded health centers that care for patients even if they do not have health insurance

Calendar of National Health Observances that librarians can use to coordinate health promotion events at their libraries.

View the short tutorial specifically for librarians at [http://www.healthfinder.gov/tutorial/default.asp#librarian](http://www.healthfinder.gov/tutorial/default.asp#librarian) and learn how to use healthfinder.gov to easily locate the health and wellness information library patrons are looking for.

Visit [www.healthfinder.gov](http://www.healthfinder.gov) and see why it is listed as one of the Medical Library Association’s Top Ten Most Useful Web Sites.

**New Nevada Healthcare Website**

Six years ago, consumer groups proposed changes in the State Public Employees Benefits Program. Based in part upon the Pennsylvania Health Care Cost Containment Council ([http://www.phc4.org](http://www.phc4.org)), one specific measure sought to create transparency in healthcare costs in the State of Nevada. In 2007, the State Legislature approved AB146.

For more information, check out the following websites:

[http://www.nevadacomperecare.net/](http://www.nevadacomperecare.net/)
[http://www.phc4.org](http://www.phc4.org)
Scholarships For NLA Members Seeking MLIS Degree

The James S. McPhee Memorial Scholarship fund was created to provide financial support for members in good standing of the Nevada Library Association who are seeking educational opportunities in library science. Applicants are eligible for one NLA scholarship per year, with a maximum of two awards. The NLA Scholarship award grants up to $5000 in support of graduate course work in an American Library Association accredited library science school.

Scholarship monies in this round of awards must be used to pay tuition and course-related textbook expenses for course work taken in the summer 2009 and 2009-2010 academic years only. Reimbursement information and procedures will be provided to recipients with their scholarship notification letter. A reimbursement check payable to the awardees will be sent upon verification of tuition and textbook purchases.

Scholarship recipients will be notified in early fall 2009. Non-recipients will be notified simultaneously.

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http://www.nevadalibraries.org/organization/committees/scholarships.html#mcphee

Please contact Steve Dimoulas, Chair, NLA Scholarships Committee with any questions on the application process.

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