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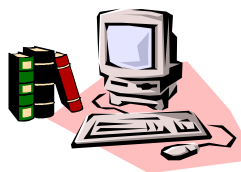
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Conference 2000**



**Nevada Libraries -- Launching into the New Millennium**



# Nevada Libraries

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## President's Message

Dear Nevada Library Association Members,

The summer flies by with incredible speed and by the time this newsletter reaches you we will be very close to our fall conference in Reno October 5-7. The theme of the conference is *Nevada Libraries Launching Into the New Millennium*. I chose this theme because it does indeed seem like libraries and librarians must do everything at rocket speeds.

Information technology creates higher and higher expectations of how quickly information can be delivered, and we face many challenges keeping up with the pace set by our technology driven world. There are many challenges created for us by the swift advances in information technology, but I'm sure most of us agree the advances our profession has seen have been truly phenomenal.

The conference this year will give you an opportunity to learn more about advances in libraries and information technology; new and better ways to use the Internet, and I also hope you will be re-energized and motivated to meet all the challenges we all face in our everyday life.

The keynote speaker is truly a motivational speaker. Dr. Zonnya and her speech promise to inspire you to make this the best conference ever.

I am also happy to tell you that Richard Lee will return to Nevada to host the President's award dinner. This should be a very entertaining and fun evening at our beautiful conference hotel, the Atlantis. There are far too many events and workshops scheduled to mention here, but rest assured there should be something appealing to everyone. Please make certain your calendar is marked for the conference and your reservations are made.

Additionally, I challenge you to find someone who might never have been to a Nevada Library Association conference, or who hasn't been coming for awhile, and convince them to attend.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone in Reno!



**Sara Jones,**  
NLA President

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### **REFORMA Infonet**

by Nancy French

Are you headed to NLA? If so, be sure and mark your calendar for Saturday, October 7th at 10:30 am. That's when you will want to attend the outstanding program Poetry of the African Diaspora: In Search of Common Ground Between Anglo- and Latin- America, sponsored by REFORMA and NCRL.

Presenters Professor Sonia Ramirez Wohlmuth and Henrietta Smith, professor emerita, School of Library and Information Science, U. of South Florida received a standing ovation at the Library Services to Youth of Hispanic Heritage Conference for this multimedia presentation exploring the African influence in the Americas.

After enjoying the program, be sure to pick up your copy of the REFORMA calendar celebrating Hispanic holidays with the artwork of Nevada school children. You are sure to be amazed at the incredible talents of these young people. The 16 month calendar is very reasonably priced at \$10.00. Great for holiday giving, as well as for your office at work.

## **2000 CALENDAR**

- Sept 15 Storytime Friends**, Presented by Dr. Jean Feldman, Sahara West Library, 9:30am-5:00pm (NLA-SD)
- Sep 30 Deadline for NLA Scholarship Applications.** Contact Steve Fitt, [fitt@nevada.edu](mailto:fitt@nevada.edu)
- Oct 5 Managing Your Time and Paper in a Changing E-conomy**, Presented by Meggin McIntosh, NLA in Reno, TBA 4:00pm-6:00pm (NLA-SD)
- Oct 5-7 NLA Conference**, Reno. Millie Syring, Chair. [mlyring@unr.edu](mailto:mlyring@unr.edu)
- Nov 17 Building Libraries for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century** Presented by Jason Vaughan and Tom Fay, Location TBA, 9:30am-12:00pm (NLA-SD)

## **2001 Calendar**

- Spring** LSC 303, Bibliography & General Reference Carson City, Conrad Waibel. Contact Reed Scull, [wrs@unr.edu](mailto:wrs@unr.edu).
- Summer** CI 486/686 Computers in the Library, Reno, Karen Deadmond. Contact Reed Scull, [wrs@unr.edu](mailto:wrs@unr.edu)
- Oct** NLA Conference, Las Vegas

### **The Library Bill of Rights: One New Interpretation Four Amended Interpretations**

On July 12, 2000, the ALA Council adopted a new Interpretation to the Library Bill of Rights:

Intellectual Freedom Principles for Academic Libraries.

<http://www.ala.org/alaorg/oif/ifprinciplesacademiclibraries.html>

On July 12, 2000, the ALA Council amended four Interpretations to the Library Bill of Rights:

Access to Library Resources and Services Regardless of Gender or Sexual Orientation  
[http://www.ala.org/alaorg/oif/acc\\_gend.html](http://www.ala.org/alaorg/oif/acc_gend.html)

Access to Resources and Services in the School Library Media Program  
<http://www.ala.org/alaorg/oif/accmedia.html>

Library-Initiated Programs as a Resource  
[http://www.ala.org/alaorg/oif/lib\\_res.html](http://www.ala.org/alaorg/oif/lib_res.html)

Restricted Access to Library Materials  
[http://www.ala.org/alaorg/oif/rest\\_mat.html](http://www.ala.org/alaorg/oif/rest_mat.html)

**The Southern Division of the Nevada  
Library Association invites you to  
attend the following Fall 2000  
programs.**



**DR. FELDMAN**



**Storytime Friends \***

Presented by

**Dr. Jean Feldman**

- Time:** Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am-5:00pm  
**Location:** Sahara West Library, Multipurpose Room  
**Topics:** Storytime friends, songs, and ideas to make storytimes come alive!

Dr. Jean is also offering 2 free family concerts on Thursday, September 14, 2000 in the Summerlin Library at 10am and in the Whitney Library at 7pm.

**"Managing Your Time and Paper in a Changing E-conomy"**

Presented by

**Meggin McIntosh**

- Time:** Thursday, October 5, 4:00pm-6:00pm  
**Location:** NLA in Reno, TBA  
**Topics:** In this session, expect practical ideas presented in a humorous way! You will leave knowing ways to get yourself, your office, and your life in better-and more productive-order. Meggin McIntosh is known for her enthusiastic and relevant presentations.

**Building Libraries for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**

Presented by

**Jason Vaughan and Tom Fay**

- Time:** Friday, November 17, 9:30am-12:00pm  
**Location:** TBA  
**Topics:** Various technology considerations for building planning and construction in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

\* This program has been funded by an LSTA grant through the Nevada State Library and Archives.

Contact Debbie McGuire, 382-3493 for further information on these events.

## NLA Officer Candidates

Elaine Wing, Nominating Committee

The following candidates, NLA members of good standing, have been selected as nominees by the NLA Nominating Committee for this next year's elections of officers:

**Cindy Delanty**, NLA, MPLA and ALA member, for MPLA Delegate,

**Michelle Mazzanti**, NLA and ALA member, for Treasurer, and last but certainly not least.

**Tom Fay**, NLA and ALA member, for President.

Since **Cindy DeLanty** received her MSLS, she has had experience working in academic, medical and public libraries. Cindy worked as a Reference Librarian for Montana State University, as an Interim Library Manager for St. Vincent Hospital Library in Billings, Montana. She set up and trained the staff of the Yemeni/American Language Institute Library in Sana'a, Yemen, and is currently the Assistant Administrator of Whitney Library in Las Vegas.



Cindy joined ALA as a student member while in Library School and was selected to attend ALA as student/staff person to Mary Jo Lynch in 1992. She is currently a member of ALA, MPLA and NLA.

Cindy DeLanty states that "as MPLA Delegate for NLA, it would be my goal to serve as two-way liaison between the MPLA Executive Board and the NLA Executive Board, transmit publicity (both NLA to MPLA and vice versa) and promote membership in MPLA and NLA."



**Michelle Mazzanti** has an MLS from the University of California Los Angeles Graduate School of Library and Information Science. While attending, she also worked as a Government Documents/Reference Assistant at the University of California Riverside.

Subsequent to graduation, Michelle relocated and served two years as a Government Documents/Reference/Archival Librarian for Indiana University at Kokomo. She then moved back to warmer climes, becoming the Assistant Manager of Technical Services for the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District. She is currently Head of Technical Services for the Henderson District Public Libraries. Michelle

is an NLA member of good standing and is highly regarded by her peers and associates.

Michelle states; "I am proud to be nominated as Treasurer. I will responsibly perform my duties in good conscience and in a timely manner."

**Tom Fay:** "I began my library career in the rural branch of Overton, Nevada in 1983. Through the mid-80's, I worked at the Clark County Library. My primary job was circulation. I have experience in almost every public service department that a library has to offer. I even had a short stint in the Talking Books department.



In the late 80's and early 90's I worked with the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District as an automation technician. While at LV-CCLD I held the position of assistant manager for the Automation Department and later as Network manager of the PC and Networking Division.

In 1998, I left LV-CCLD after 15 years, to work for the Cooperative Libraries Automated Network, which is comprised of 50 locations statewide. I had a wonderful opportunity to see how other areas of Nevada offer library services and I had an opportunity to see the difficulties that these organizations had to face in their communities.

Currently I am the Information Technology Manager at the Henderson District Public Libraries. I am currently working toward attaining an MLIS degree from the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee.

**GOALS:** In the last 17 years, I have seen libraries all over the state make huge leaps forward in technology. Many years ago, we had an analog statewide network. This network dissolved as we all worked desperately to implement the digital networks and the Internet separately. We had a vision of a huge network of shared resources. The Internet provided this network; unfortunately, in our struggle to keep ahead of the technology curve; we lost the

heart of the vision, communication and shared resources... We need to communicate more frequently with our colleagues across the state.”

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Nevada Library Association Conference 2000

“Nevada Libraries – Launching into the New Millennium”

Reno-Sparks Convention Center

October 5 – 7, 2000

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(As it will appear on your badge)

Institution \_\_\_\_\_

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(Street)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State) (Zip)

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**2000 Membership Status:** NLA Member \_\_\_\_\_ Non-NLA Member \_\_\_\_\_  
ALA Member \_\_\_\_\_ MPLA Member \_\_\_\_\_

**2000 Conference Status:** NLA Officer \_\_\_\_\_ NLA Committee Member \_\_\_\_\_  
Speaker \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibitor \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Library Board Member or Trustee? \_\_\_\_\_

**Conference Registration Fees**

Mail-in registration must be postmarked by September 15<sup>th</sup>. After September 15<sup>th</sup>, please register at the conference where on-site rates will apply.

<u>Registration Fees</u>	<u>Mail-In By September 15<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>At Conference</u>
Current NLA Members [7345]	\$65.00	\$85.00
Non-Members of NLA [7350]	\$95.00	\$115.00
Trustee/Friend/Student [7357]	\$40.00	\$45.00
Daily Registration (one day only) [7355]	\$30.00	\$40.00
<b>(Circle Day: Thurs., Fri., Sat.)</b>		
Exhibits ONLY Pass (10/5 & 10/6 only) [7358]	\$15.00	\$15.00

**Conference Registration Amount** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**Registration Form – Page Two  
NLA Conference, 2000  
Pre-Conference, Meals & Events**

Conference Registration is not required to attend the pre-conference, meals or events.

	Price	Number In Party	Total Cost
Wednesday, October 4, 1:00 – 4:00pm <b>Pre-Conference</b> at UNR Library [7342] <b>“What’s New in Internet Reference”</b>	\$25.00	X_____	_____
Wednesday, October 4, 6:00 – 10:00pm [7305] Meeting 6 - 7:30, Dinner 7:30 at the Atlantis <b>Executive Board Meeting and Dinner</b> ___Roasted Strip Loin of Beef ___Vegetarian	\$25.00	X_____	_____
Thursday, October 5, 6:00 – 7:30pm <b>Exhibitor’s Reception</b> Exhibits Hall. Hors d’Oeuvres and No Host Cocktails	FREE	X_____	<u>FREE</u>
Friday, October 6, 6:00pm – 10:00pm <b>President’s Awards Dinner</b> at the Atlantis [7300] No Host Cocktails 6:00, Dinner 7:00 ___ Southwestern Chicken ___Icelandic Halibut ___Vegetarian	\$28.00	X_____	_____
Saturday, October 7, 12:00 – 2:00pm <b>Nevada Young Readers Award Luncheon</b> at the Atlantis [7325] ___Baked Lasagna Select type: ___Chicken Florentine or ___Vegetable ___Roast Pork Loin	\$18.00	X_____	_____
<b>Saturday, October 7, 6:30 – 9:00pm</b> <b>Open House at the Northwest Library</b> [7322] Includes Two Drinks and Hors d’Oeuvres	<b>\$10.00</b>	<b>X_____</b>	_____
		Total	_____
		<b>Total From Page One</b>	_____
		2000 NLA Membership [7000] Enclose membership form	_____
		<b>Grand Total Amount Enclosed</b>	_____

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Mail Check and This Form to: Susan Antipa  
NLA Registration  
Carson City Library  
900 North Roop Street  
Carson City, NV 89701

No refunds for registration fees will be available after September 15<sup>th</sup>. The Nevada Library Association regrets that refunds for the Pre-Conference, Meals or Events are not available.

**Do you need special arrangements because of a disability?** Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_



If yes, Conference Planners will contact you.

**Would you like a receipt for registration fees?**

Yes\_\_\_\_\_

No\_\_\_\_\_

# Nevada Library Association Conference 2000

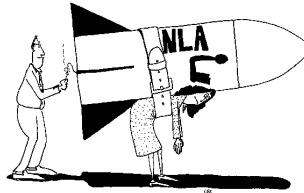
Nevada Libraries -- Launching into the New Millennium

October 5 – 7, 2000 Reno, Nevada

<http://www2.library.unr.edu/NLA>

## Preliminary Program of Events and Meetings

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### Wednesday, October 4

1 – 4 p.m. **Pre-Conference**, University of Nevada, Reno Library

**What's New in Internet Reference** – Ellen Fox, BCR

Participants will receive a hands-on overview of using the Internet for reference work with emphasis on the latest tools and resources.

#### **The Instructor:**

Ellen Fox, Project Manager for BCR's Research and Development Division, is responsible for testing and implementing new technologies of benefit to BCR member libraries. She helps to maintain BCR's UNIX web servers and ERL servers.

Ellen started at BCR as the Internet Trainer and still teaches classes on technology-related topics. Ellen received her MLS from the University of California, Berkeley, and her Ph.D. in philosophy at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Before coming to BCR she served as Research Librarian at the Illinois Institute of Technology and Assistant Professor of Philosophy at California State University, Chico.

6 – 7:30 p.m. **NLA Board Meeting**, Atlantis Hotel

7:30 – 10 p.m. **NLA Board Dinner**

All interested may attend with reservation and payment. See the registration form.

### Thursday, October 5

8 – 9 a.m. Section Meetings

9 – 10 a.m. Interest Group Meetings

Specifics to be announced later

10 a.m. – noon **Opening General Session**

Dr. Zonnya, Keynote Speaker **Motivation Systems for the New Millennium**

12:15 - 1:30 p.m. **Exhibits Opening Session**

No conflict time for visiting exhibits - come see the exhibitors who make the conference possible.

1:30 – 3 p.m. **BCR Network Update** - Ellen Fox, BCR

1:30 – 3 p.m. **Area 51 Teens** - Jana Fine, YALSA President.

Learn how to speak out for teens in the library and the community.

2 – 3 p.m. **Web-Based Computing in the Library** - Gregg Stefanelli, UNR Library Systems Office

Learn the possibilities for networking applications and databases onto the Web using exciting new technology.

2 – 4 p.m. **Child Pornography & The Internet: Issues and Answers** – Kathie Brinkerhoff, UNR and Roger Young, FBI

3 – 4:30 p.m. **Taking Off with Electronic Journals**

Donnie Curtis, Virginia Scheschy, Adolfo Tarango, University of Nevada, Reno

3 – 4:30 p.m. **Cyberspace and the First Amendment: An Unorganized Approach to Chaos** - Nevada Supreme Court Justice Deborah Agosti

4 – 6 p.m. **Killing the Paper Tiger** - Meggin McIntosh, University Of Nevada, Reno  
Proven techniques to manage time and paperwork more effectively.

4:30 – 6 p.m. **Motivation Systems for the New Millennium Workshop Part I** - Dr. Zonnya

The first half of Dr. Zonnya's motivational workshop.

4:30 – 6 p.m. **Stretching Minds with Books** - Nancy Polette

A fun look at four unique thinking processes essential for reading with strategies for helping the reluctant reader and challenging the competent reader.

6 – 7:30 p.m. Exhibitor's Reception

## **Friday, October 6**

8 – 9:30 a.m. **What's New at EBSCO** – Tammy Storm, EBSCO

Learn more about the statewide databases and new products from EBSCO.

8:30 – 10 a.m. **Motivation Systems for the New Millennium Workshop Part II**

The final segment in Dr. Zonnya's motivational workshop

8 – 9 a.m. Sagebrush User Group  
For users of Winnebago and Athena.

9 – 10 a.m. **Book Repair Techniques** – Pat Hennessey

Learn basic, low-tech methods for book repair on a small budget with hands-on experience.

9 – 10:30 a.m. **Internet II** - Steven Zink, Associate Vice President for Information Resources, UNR

Dr. Zink, the statewide coordinator for Internet II implementation, will explain what's coming.

10 – noon **The 2000 Census** - Joyce Cox, Nevada State Library & Archives, Jerry O'Donnell, U.S. Census Bureau

This program will explain the whys and hows of the U.S. Census.

10:30 – noon **Promotional Materials Using Everyday Technology** - Jan Johnson

10:30 – noon **The Family Storyteller: Evaluation of a Collaborative Program** - Sally Martin, Dan Weigel, and Pat Behal, UNR Cooperative Extension

10:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Baker and Taylor Facilities Tour. Sign up at the Registration Booth.

1 – 2 p.m. **No-Conflict Exhibits Time**  
Raffle for *fabulous* prizes. Refreshments available for purchase. Come and support our vendors!

2 – 3:45 p.m. Desert Research Institute Library Tour  
Sign up at the Registration Booth

2 – 4 p.m. **Nevada Children's Advocacy in a Box**  
Marlys Morton, Nevada KIDS COUNT & Kay Long, Nevada Institute for Children

2 – 3 p.m. **Themes and an Elementary School Library** – Carol Sneddon, Drake Elementary School (WCSD)

2 – 3 p.m. Introduction to the UNR Oral History Department

2:30 – 4 p.m. **Digital Reference** – Joe Janes, University of Washington School of Library and Information Science

3 – 4 p.m. **NYRA 2001**

4 – 5 p.m. **An Overview of the Pilot Mentoring Program** - Reed Scull

4 – 5:30 p.m. **Connecting Literature, and the Real World with the Internet** - Nancy Polette  
Both picture books and junior novels can be great motivators for Internet research to connect literature with the real world.

4 – 6 p.m. **Summer Reading Program 2001**  
Planning for next year.

4 – 6 p.m. **Celebrating Cultural Diversity**  
Felton Thomas & Salvador Avila, LVCCLD

6 – 10 p.m. **President's Awards Dinner**  
**Atlantis Hotel**

6 – 7 p.m. No-host Cocktails

7 – 10 p.m. Dinner

See registration form.

## **Saturday, October 7**

8 – 8:30 a.m. **District Meetings**

8:30 – 9:30 a.m. **Research without Copying** - Nancy Polette

Using literature as a springboard, Nancy will demonstrate strategies for involving students in research with **NO MORE COPYING** guaranteed!

8:30 – 9:30 a.m. **The Post-PC Era** - Lorin Lindsay and John Fitzimmons, Truckee Meadows Community College

8:30 - 9:30 a.m. **Reforma Board Meeting**

All REFORMA members are encouraged to attend.

9:30 – 11 a.m. **Virtual School of Library & Information Science – Myth or Reality?** – Kenneth Dowlin, SJSU School of Library and Information Science

9:30 – 11:30 a.m. **NSCLS Business Meeting**

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. **Internet Travel and Tourism Resources** – Susan Kendall, San Jose State University Library

10:30 – 11:30 a.m. **Meet the NYRA Authors**

10 – 11:30 a.m. **Poetry of the African Diaspora: In Search of Common Ground Between Anglo- and Latina America** - Henrietta Smith & Sonia Ramirez Wohlmuth, University of South Florida

11 – noon **Demystifying Health Reference Questions** - Jewel Guy, LVCCLD & Pam Zender

As the public takes an active role in its own healthcare, library reference services must respond to greater number and variety of health reference questions.

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **GPO Access** - Duncan Aldrich, UNR

12:30 – 2 p.m. **GODIG Meeting**

Noon – 2 p.m. Nevada Young Reader Awards  
Advance Reservations required. See the registration form.

- **Dan Gutman, author of Virtually Perfect**

1 – 3 p.m. **Budgeting Issues for Libraries** - Professor Christopher Simon, UNR Political Science Department (PLATO program.)

2 – 6 p.m. **Novel Thoughts on Information Literacy** - Ellen Jay, current past president of the American Association for School Librarians

This workshop focuses on analyzing instructional interaction in terms of Information Power Standards.

3 – 4 p.m. **PLATO Business Meeting**

3:30 – 5 p.m. Closing General Session

6 – 8 p.m. **Cocktail Party and Open House  
at New Northwest Library, Reno**  
See registration form.

**Featured conference speakers include:**

**Dr. Zonnya, keynote speaker, "Motivation Systems for the New Millennium"**



Dr. Zonnya has been a social worker, real estate salesperson, corporate consultant, writer, teacher, and minister. Known as the First Lady of Motivation, she has appeared on numerous television programs including: Donahue, The Oprah Winfrey Show and The Sally Jessy Raphael Show.

**Dr. Ellen Fox, Pre-conference, "What's New in Internet Reference"**



Ellen Fox received her MLS from the University of California, Berkeley and her Ph.D. in philosophy from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Currently she is Project Manager for BCR's Research and Development Division where she is responsible for testing and implementing new technologies of benefit to BCR member libraries.



**Nevada Supreme Court Justice Deborah Agosti, "Cyberspace and the First Amendment: An Unorganized Approach"**

Prior to her election to the Supreme Court of Nevada, Justice Agosti served fourteen years as a judge in the Second Judicial District Court in Reno. Her colleagues in the Nevada District Judges Association named her District Court Judge of the Year in 1997. In 1983 and 1984 she served as chief judge of the Reno Justice Court. She is past president of the Nevada District Judges Association. In 1993 the Northern Nevada Women Lawyers Association named her Outstanding Woman Lawyer. She served on the Washoe County Law Library's Board of Trustees. Currently she is a board member of the Reno Cancer

Foundation, a member-at-large of Soroptomist International of Truckee Meadows and a member of Sons of Italy.

**Ellen Jay, "Novel Thoughts on Information Literacy"**



Dr. M. Ellen Jay is an elementary building level media specialist with 30 years experience in the Montgomery County public schools in Maryland. She is the author of a dozen books and a frequent conference presenter where she shares strategies to help others replicate her creative instructional programs. Dr. Jay is current past president of the American Association of School Librarians.



**Nancy Polette, "Stretching Minds with Books," "Connecting Literature and the Real World with the Internet" and "Research without Copying"**

Nancy Polette has written many professional books and picture books. She is a professor at Lindenwood University and St. Charles Community College, regularly presents workshops at national and state conferences and writes more books. School Library Journal describes her as "an educator with imagination, creativity and an appreciation for the intelligence of children."



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**First Annual Nevada Summer Library Institute:**  
*Public Library Responses to Growing Ethnic Populations in Nevada*  
by participant  
Carolyn Light Cameron, West Charleston Library, Las Vegas

Among the myriad of ideas we conceive during a workday, how many involve staff training. Lots!! But how many are actually realized? State Librarian Monteria Hightower has the thanks of 35 staff members that her vision for summer staff training seminars



has been successfully launched. The First Annual Nevada Summer Library Institute was held July 24 through 28 at Sierra Nevada College, Incline Village, Nevada. This year's theme of "Diversity" began the moment we arrived, when rural and urban librarians, certified assistants, and paraprofessionals were paired in college dorm rooms to learn our commonalities and differences.

Professional development seminars focusing on "Public Library Responses to Growing Ethnic Populations in Nevada" were facilitated under the guidance of library consultant and acclaimed professional storyteller Binnie Tate Wilkin, from Los Angeles, California. Emphasis included the need for new materials, collections, personnel and training to accommodate changes in Nevada's school curricula and to welcome as new library patrons the varied language and cultural groups arriving daily throughout the state.

Las Vegas-Clark County Library District (LVCCLD) personnel lead seminars this year,

as one of the districts most affected by demographic change. Michelle Black conducted the Diversity Training Seminar and the week concluded with specific ideas from LVCCLD staff on the programming/outreach

presentations conducted over the past two years for the four cultural groups specified in ALA's *Celebrate America's Diversity* (1993): African American, Asian Pacific, Hispanic and Native American. In between, attendees were given generous bibliographies (see the large red binders we brought back) by speakers Wilkin and Marie Kaneko, of the City of Commerce, California, Public Library.

Gregory Reese, East Cleveland, Ohio, Public Library, spoke on ALA's Spectrum Scholarship Initiative to diversify the library workforce. Michelle Trusty-Murphy, Ph.D., of Western Nevada Community College, and Marlin Thompson, of the Yerington Paiute Tribe, challenged us to think in different ways about the power of written, oral, and material objects within cultures.

With storyteller Wilkin leading, there were storytimes for us adult children. Ours reads: *"Once upon a time they met in the woods by the lake . . . and they worked together differently ever after."*

#### **Internet Use Survey**

A survey just released by the Library Research Center of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign for the American Library Association (ALA) found that 95 percent of public libraries have a formal policy in place to regulate public use of the Internet and that most others are developing such policies.

The survey also addressed a number of other issues relating to management of the Internet in public libraries, including: location of computers, classes/workshops, parental permission, pre-selection of sites and complaints regarding Internet use. To ensure that people are using the Internet responsibly, 80 percent of respondents say they purposely locate computer terminals in open spaces and often near a staff person's desk. Slightly more than 46 percent offer Internet education classes, primarily for adults.

The survey's results on children's access to the Internet showed that nearly 64 percent of respondents require permission from parents before children can use the Internet. In these libraries, 66 percent maintain this restriction until a child reaches the age of 18. Almost 50 percent have received informal complaints about Internet access, but only 7 percent were about content. Most were about faulty equipment or a slow response time.



A full report on this survey is available from the University of Illinois Graduate School of Library and Information Science at <http://www.lis.uiuc.edu/gslis/research/internet.pdf>.

## NSCLS Awards

“Reminder”

Lyn Wren, NSCLS Chair

**Award for Excellence:** Awarded to an individual who has given continuous support to the professional library organizations at the local, state, and/or national levels OR an individual in a school or public library who over a period of time has made an outstanding contribution to librarianship for youth.

**Special Recognition Award:** Awarded to the member of the community who endeavors to promote libraries, contribute financial support, or volunteer time: this may be an administrator, public office holder, volunteer, etc.

**Silver Achievement Award:** Awarded to a librarian who has a program that exemplifies excellence in services for youth.

**Winnebago Progressive Library Service Award:** Awarded to a librarian/library assistant serving youth in a school or public library, who has developed or adapted an innovative program enhancing the lifelong learning skills of young people. A \$400.00 cash award to spend on any type or brand of library technology and a plaque for display in the media center or library will be awarded at the annual conference in Reno.

With the exception of the NSCLS *Special Recognition Award*, all nominees must be members of the Nevada School & Children’s Section of Nevada Library Association.

To nominate someone, or to submit an application for the *Winnebago Award*, submit your Name, Address, Telephone, and email (if applicable). List your nominee, their library and position, and a work history of the nominee or other pertinent information (25-50 words) and qualifications of the nominee (50-75 words). For the *Winnebago Award*, list name, address, telephone, library and position, name of program, event or activity that promotes lifelong learning in an innovative way. If you have not done so already, there still is a little time left to submit nominations for these special awards. Please send your nominations to Jeanette Moore, Elko County Public Library, 720 Court St., Elko, NV 89801 and/or email her at [jmmoore@clan.lib.nv.us](mailto:jmmoore@clan.lib.nv.us) ASAP. Your nominations will be appreciated.

**NSCLS Needs Assessment Survey:** There were an impressive number of surveys returned from the school librarians across the state. If you have not taken the opportunity to return the survey, please take a few minutes to fill it out and send it on. If you need another copy, please email me at [lynw@lvccld.lib.nv.us](mailto:lynw@lvccld.lib.nv.us) for another copy. To those of you who took the time, thank you so very much.

Surveys for the public librarians who serve children and youth will be mailed out within the next two weeks. Please look for them and return. These surveys will provide valuable information from those who serve on the “front lines” of Nevada library services to children and youth. It takes a critical look at our collections, our technology, and our ability to effectively serve our young patrons.

**Cooperative Summer Library Program 2001** meeting will be Friday, Oct 6, 3:00 – 5:00 at the NLA Conference. Manuals will be distributed and procedures discussed.

### Oprah Featured Children's Reading

The August 3rd edition of the Oprah Winfrey Show featured great books for children. Oprah recommended "hot titles," including fantasy books like the Harry Potter series. Recommendations for the program came from the Quicklists Consulting Committee of the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC), a division of the American Library Association. (<http://www.ala.org/alsc/>) Staff from the show contacted ALSC in June. They wanted to showcase summer reading for children as part of Oprah's Book Club.

According to Linda Plevak, chair of the committee, "We were delighted Oprah asked for our recommendations. As librarians, we have firsthand knowledge of what children are reading. The best part of the popularity of Harry Potter is that children are getting excited about reading."

Stephanie Anton, acting director of ALSC agrees, " We are pleased Oprah is promoting reading for children." The Quicklists Consulting Committee is composed of eight children's librarians who promote reading by recommending booklists for media and through institutions working with children.

## *And the 2000 Nevada Young Readers' Award Winners Are....*

### Picture Books Category

*John Willy and Freddy Mc Gee By Holly Meade*

### Young Reader's Category

*Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone By J.K. Rowling*

### Intermediate Category

*Virtually Perfect By Dan Gutman*

### Young Adult Category

*Gallows Hill By Lois Duncan*

The above list represents the winners chosen by our students of Nevada as the best literature to read in 2000. For the past year, Nevada students have been reading good books, developing their love of reading, and building our community of readers. Nevada's young readers nominated the books read. Participation was the highest ever with 41,096 student votes in 92 school and public libraries. The Nevada Young Reader's Award was established in the fall of 1987 with 4,106 student votes in 14 schools.

Librarians and teachers reported that reading the NYRA books lead to further exploration of authors, sequels, and curriculum topics. Students even recognized a certain style of the author/artist and brought it to the attention of other students. Connections to other books, which had been in the library collection for years, were made. The NYRA program is keeping students hooked on reading.

These awards will be presented by students during the 2000 Nevada Library Association Conference in Reno on October 7, 2000 at the Atlantis Casino. As of July, Dan Gutman will be in Reno to accept the award. He responded, "It's impossible to tell you how excited I was to hear that you had voted my book *Virtually Perfect* as the winner of the Nevada Young Readers Award." For more information on Dan Gutman, visit his web site: [www.dangutman.com](http://www.dangutman.com).

Lois Duncan will be in China during our conference but she has already written an acceptance speech to be read by a student during the award presentation. Duncan states, "I can't tell you how thrilled I am by the exciting news that you have selected my novel *Gallows Hill* as winner of the Nevada Young Reader's Award for the year 2000. This book was a mile stone for me." Lois Duncan's personal web page is at <http://beam.to/lois.duncan>.

We are still corresponding with the other two authors, Holly Meade and J.K. Rowling.

Jackie Heid and PermaBound Books are also helping us sponsor authors for the presentation.

With the 2000 NYRA program almost completed, the steering committee selected the 2001 nomination list on March 13, 2000, and is already reading nominations for 2002. The complete 2001 list can be found at:

<http://www.washoe.lib.us.nyrawrd.html> or <http://dmla.clan.lib.nv.us/docs/nla/publications>. The committee's enthusiasm, cooperation, and extensive reading have been the backbone for the success of the program. Many thanks to Debbie Jacobs, Beth Heggness, Carol Atkinson, Karen Deadmond, Susan Day, Linda Mitchell, and Diane Johnson for the extra time they spent helping with the author letters, statistics, clerical and promotional projects. Your dedication and support are greatly appreciated.

New to the program this year is making the NYRA booklet accessible on the web. We are still in the process but it should be in place in the next few weeks. Librarians and teachers can print whatever materials needed for their individual program. Several authors have still not responded to their books being selected for 2001, so as we receive these letters we will update the web. A special thanks to Karen Deadmond of Hug High School for putting the booklet together and getting all the information on disk in preparation for web access and to Holly Van Valkenburgh and her staff for putting it on the State Library web page. You can access the booklet at <http://dmla.clan.lib.nv.us/docs/nla/publications>.

I would also like to thank the school and public librarians, teachers, parents, students, and other supporters who helped in one way or another with our 2000 Nevada Young Readers' Award Program. I commend both your dedications to reading and your continuing goal to choose good books for our students to read and become active members of our growing community of readers.

...**Barbara Talbot, NYRA 2000 Chair**