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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT: SUSAN GRAF

What is the purpose of the Nevada Library Association? I have been reflecting on this question recently because I feel it is part of my charge as president to fulfill that purpose. Simply, the NLA should be the professional resource for librarians and library staff in Nevada.

Some of you may have seen a brochure that was developed by the NLA Planning Committee last year. In 1946, six librarians met in Reno...giving the following reasons why...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 libraries.

Those still sound pretty good to me. And I feel that our organization has met these goals in a wide variety of services and support for you, library staff around the state.

Sara Jones, Past President, worked last year on developing a strategic plan for NLA. It includes a mission statement:

The Nevada Library Association's mission is to provide leadership, education, and support to enable members to grow professionally and to meet the challenges of providing quality library services.

I have been working on a brochure, which we hope to have in your hands before summer. What are the benefits of joining NLA? What are we doing to support your professional development?

First, plans for our annual conference this October are well under way. The program is varied, interesting and provides something for everyone—Look for a preliminary listing in this edition. The Conference Committee, chaired by Robb Morss, is doing an excellent job of preparing for a wonderful event.

Second, NLA continues to support the education goals of its members. Our Scholarship Committee just met and considered fourteen applications! In the next few issues of *Nevada Libraries*, we will be highlighting our scholarship recipients. Including support for professional institutes such as Snowbird Leadership, NLA has awarded over \$50,000 since 1994 to help members to reach their goals of increased library education.

Nevada Libraries, through the dedication of its volunteer editor, has been published on a quarterly basis for over four years. This was not always the case. As with all of our projects, everyone concerned with Nevada Library Association volunteers their time and efforts. *Nevada Libraries* is now available on our website, www.nevadalibraries.org, also developed and maintained by volunteers.

The NLA listserv provides that basic commodity, communication. Whether a request for an arcane bit of library knowledge, offering a discarded reference set to an under-funded sister library, posting jobs from around the state and region, or simply sharing the most current information regarding CIPA, UCITA or a hundred other issues facing library staff, the listserv links us together and provides a professional resource to us all. It is not limited to NLA members; rather, anyone who is interested in libraries in Nevada is welcome to join. Registration is easy from the website.

I hope you are taking advantage of these professional resources made available to you through Nevada Library Association. I hope you will share with staff from your library, because we are enriched by each and every one of you. Become involved. Find a committee, interest group, section or service and request to become a part of this wonderful organization. The web site lists the 2001 officers, with their e-mail address and telephone. You will find the more you become involved, the more you will enjoy the benefits of your membership.

Questions? Concerns? Need more information? Please contact me:

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Jun 14-19 ALA, San Francisco

Jun 17 Bus to ALA, Carson City & Reno

Aug 10-12 Big6 Conference 2001, San Jose, CA

Aug 16-25 IFLA in Boston

Aug 17 netlibrary, Henderson Library

Sep 10-14 Library Leadership Institute, Alamo

Se 15 "The Fantastiks", Cedar City, UT

Sepp 21 ACTION Round Table, Rainbow Library

Oct 3 NLA Pre-Conferences, Las Vegas

Oct 4-6 NLA, Las Vegas

Dec 5-7 Joint MPLA-AzLA Conference, Phoenix.

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Oct 2-5 NLA, Ely

FUNDS FOR TRAVEL TO TRAINING

Training opportunities in the state of Nevada are usually held in Washoe County or Clark County, because that is where the largest number of public library staff is located. Occasionally they are held in the rural areas.

This LSTA travel stipend for public library staff is to attend training events that are more than 100 miles from their library and in Nevada.

The training must be appropriate to the participant's work assignment. Applications must be approved at least one week in advance of the event and payment will be on a reimbursement basis. Only one vehicle per library will be considered.

An informal evaluation of the training event will be required and distributed with the application form.

For an application form or further information, access <http://dmla.clan.lib.nv.us/docs/nsia/lpd/progserve.htm> or contact Holly Van Valkenburgh, hvanvalk@clan.lib.nv.us

Librarians in Demand?

From *The Kiplinger Letter – Forecasts for Management Decisionmaking.* – vol. 78, no. 11, p.3

"Fastest-growing occupations by '08: Database administrators, computer engineers, systems analysts, teachers, **librarians**, counselors, and health care workers of all stripes to take care of aging baby boomers, who will be able to afford, and demand, top-notch care of aging baby boomers."

NLA MEMBERSHIP FORM:

<http://www.nevadalibraries.org/membership.htm>

Bus to ALA Exhibits June 17, 2001!

Are you interested in attending the American Library Association Conference Exhibits in San Francisco? The Conference will be there from June 14-20, and a bus has been chartered to provide free transportation to go to San Francisco for one day, Sunday, June 17. The bus will leave Carson City at 6:00 am and Reno at 6:45 am the morning of June 17 and return after the Exhibits close that evening at 5:00 pm.

A one-day Exhibits Pass is \$20 and you do not have to be an ALA member. Check out the Conference schedule at http://www.ala.org/events/ac2001/annual_all_pages.pdf.

Let us know **BY JUNE 11**, if you are interested, and we will reserve a seat for you or, if all seats are taken, put you on the waiting list. Please make certain you cancel by June 14 if you find you cannot go so we can assign your seat to someone who may have been placed on the waiting list.

Contact Holly Van Valkenburgh at hvanvalk@clan.lib.nv.us.

NEVADA LIBRARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

The Nevada Library Leadership Institute will be held September 10-14 at the JFDI Executive Retreat in Alamo Nevada.

Thirty-six participants from public, school, and academic libraries throughout Nevada will participate in the intensive four-day Institute.



Schreiber Shannon Associates, who have delivered the Snowbird Leadership Institute since 1990, will provide the training. It will begin with lunch on Monday, September 10 and conclude with lunch on Friday, September 14.



The Agenda moves from personal insight and leadership skill building in the beginning of the week to application in the community toward the end of the Institute. The seven step model of leadership development has guided their design:

Self Awareness,
Customer Focus,
Stands in the Future,
Embraces Change,
Collaborative Spirit and Advocacy,
Empower Self and Others, and
Bias for Action.

Participant costs will be only travel to the Institute site. An LSTA grant, Travel to Training, is available for scholarships. (see p. 2) Continuing Education credit may be available from UNR.

Information will be sent to library directors and other associated organizations the first of June. Applications will be due July 20 and successful applicant participants will be notified by July 30.

For online information: <http://dmla.clan.lib.nv.us/docs/nsli/sli/>

NLA Southern District Activities

From Joan Vaughan, Chair

The Southern District of NLA will be hosting several events this fall that are open to any interested library staff member in Nye, Esmeralda, Lincoln, or Clark Counties. Membership in NLA is not a requirement for any of these programs.

Two representatives from netlibrary will be visiting us on August 17th at the Henderson Campus of the Community College of Southern Nevada. They will be introducing us to the ways e-books can be integrated into and enhance our existing library services. Several librarians from local districts who have accounts with netlibrary will also be joining us to give some real-life pros and cons of e-books in libraries. Please contact Joan Vaughan at 702-263-7522 or jevaughan@hdpl.org for more information.

In September, SDNLA will be offering programs to stimulate you culturally and professionally. On September 15th, we will be chartering a bus to Cedar City, Utah, to see "The Fantasticks", a play being put on by the Utah Shakespeare Festival. For only \$41.00, you can reserve a ticket and a free ride to the Festival.

Space is limited, so save your seat early! The deadline to turn in your payment is July 20th. Please contact Joan Vaughan 702- 263-7522, Joanne Ross 702-368-4706, or Lynn Best 702-651-4419 for more information and to save your spot.

The following week, on September 21st, at the Rainbow Library in Las Vegas, we will be co-hosting a Roundtable for ACTION, featuring local library staff members who have made their careers in libraries without having their MLS. Join us for their perspective on which directions to take. Please contact Paddy Harrigan at 702-454-3161 or Joanne Ross 702-368-4706 for more information.

Finally, at the NLA Conference in October, we will be welcoming Karen Williams from the University of Arizona, Tucson, who will give a talk entitled "What's In a Name: From Bibliographic Instruction to Information Literacy." Karen will be speaking at the Conference on Thursday October 4, so please plan to join us there!

For information on these or any other plans of the Southern District, contact Joan Vaughan at 702-263-7522, <mailto:jevaughan@hdpl.org>.

NLA SCHOLARSHIPS AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

Two types of scholarships are available from the Nevada Library Association. The first grants up to \$2000 in support of graduate course work in an American Library Association accredited library science degree program. The second grants up to \$1000 in support of graduate course work leading to endorsement as a school librarian, or undergraduate or graduate course work, as appropriate, for individuals seeking rural public librarian certification in the state of Nevada.

Steve Fitt, UNLV Head of the Curriculum Materials Library and the Librarian Certification Program, serves as Chair of the Nevada Library Association Scholarship Committee. The members of the Nevada Libraries Continuing Education Advisory Committee (NLCEAC) serve as the Scholarship Committee. Applicants are encouraged to apply for the scholarships at any time. The granting of scholarships is ordinarily in the spring, but funds can become available at other times. Contact Steven Fitt, fitt@nevada.edu.



Funding is available from LSTA funds granted through the Nevada State Library & Archives for Continuing Education programs in Nevada. Applications are submitted to the NLCEAC at one of the three meetings – April, August or November. Programs may not include food or travel for participants, but per diem, housing, and travel for presenters are allowable expenses. The NLCEAC is advisory to the State Librarian.

Current examples of this funding are the Library Institutes, this year to be held September 10-14 in Alamo; "Reader's Advisory" programs in May in Reno and Las Vegas; the NLA pre-conference "How to Lobby Your Legislator" to be held October 4; and the Summer Reading Program workshop "Reading Road Trip USA" in Tonopah March 2 and 3.

Any library or organization is encouraged to arrange for library oriented continuing education programming and apply for funding through the NLCEAC. Contact Holly Van Valkenburgh, <mailto:hvanvalk@clan.lib.nv.us>.

MPLA Professional Development Grants Program

MPLA sponsors a professional development grants program to improve library services in the Mountain Plains region by supporting continuing education and research experiences for individuals employed in the library or related professions.

Grants are awarded to support formal course work leading to an advanced degree in library science or related to an individual's library position, attendance as a participant or a presenter at a library or scholarly event, visits to another library to receive or provide significant advanced training, or library related research projects.

MPLA sponsors two categories of grants: mini-grants and professional development grants.

To be eligible for a mini-grant or regular grant an applicant must be a resident of a state in the MPLA region, be a current member of MPLA, and must have been a member for at least one full year.

To be eligible for a professional development grant an applicant must be currently employed in a library, be a student accepted in an advanced degree program in library science or a related discipline, or hold a position or office associated with a library such as a trustee.

For complete information about the program, please visit:

MPLA Professional Development Grants Program
<http://www.usd.edu/mpla/committees/profdev/grants.html>

NSCLS Business Meeting

Mark your calendars!

Nevada School and Children's Librarians Section
Business Meeting

Day: Thursday

Date: October 4, 2001

Time: 8 a.m.

Place: Stardust Hotel, Salon 4, Las Vegas

I'm looking forward to seeing you at this year's conference.

Debbie Jacobs
NSCLS Chairperson

Big6 Conference 2001

Big6 Conference 2001. Impact on Instruction:
Teaching Information & Technology Skills.
Double Tree Hotel, San Jose, California. Learn
how to integrate information literacy into
classroom learning by using the Big6 Skills.
1 CEU credit. Conference web site:

<http://www.big6.com/conference.htm>

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NLA Handbook Revisions

Please review the NLA Handbook for any changes you think are necessary and submit those changes to Angela Lindley, Bylaws Committee Chair, Henderson District Public Library, 280 Water St., Henderson, NV, 89015
alindley@hdpl.org

FEMA Flood Insurance Maps

Public libraries are entitled to free copies of Federal Emergency Management Agency Flood Insurance maps if they are funded by public funds.

The State Library recently requested the six counties around the State Capital and learned that any state or local agency may receive free maps for public use.

If you are interested in requesting maps for your area call 1-800-358-9620. This is the FEMA customer service number.

Join the Winner's Circle @ Your Library

The introductory meeting for the 2002 Summer Reading Program. "Join the Winner's Circle @ Your Library" will be Thursday, Oct 4 at 1:00-2:00 p.m. at the NLA Conference. For further information, contact the 2002 SRP Chair Stephanie Miller (702) 293-1281, Boulder City Library.

Sparks High School/Mendive Library "Booktalking for Literacy"

Sparks High School Library and Mendive Community Library received federal funding for literacy collections. The LSTA Grant, entitled "Booktalking For Literacy," is a collaborative effort between the Washoe County Library System, Washoe County School District and the Northern Nevada Literacy Council.

The grant addresses the need for more library books for low-level readers. The intent of the project is to provide and promote a larger pool of resources for these readers.

Other goals are to raise awareness in the community toward library services and the availability of literacy courses, and to help strengthen co-operative efforts between libraries and "helping" agencies.

Although the monies were actually funded in January 2000, the library staffs, over the past year, have purchased the collections and organized the books for patron use. Bibliographies of purchased titles are available at the three collaborating agencies, as well as at the Washoe County Library, Sparks Branch.

Librarians Kristine Chubb and Mary Ann McKibben have given group "booktalks" to library patrons and also to students at the Northern Nevada Literacy Center. Information on how to obtain a Washoe County Library Card and directions to local branches are given to literacy students during the sessions.

99 Ways (sort of) to Volunteer at Your Local Library

1. Internet docents will assist library users with connecting to the Internet, basic operations of the graphical browser used by the library (often Netscape), help locate specific sites/URLs ...

(Watch future issues for the next items from <http://www.volunteerinfo.org/library.htm>)

Permission to quote granted by author Kent Taylor, Director, Bay Area Volunteer Information Center)

NEWS FROM MPLA

Linda Deacy, MPLA Delegate



Remember to put the joint MPLA-AzLA Conference on your calendars, December 5-7, 2001 in Phoenix. Here are a few details from conference planners.

The Programming Committee has received **95**

excellent program proposals; the committee members are currently contacting the speakers and/or program coordinators.

The **Conference Committee** has secured the ballroom at the Civic Plaza for all conference meal events. This means that there will **not be limits on seating** for the award functions or social events!

A tentative listing of **author programs**:

Bob Boze Bell Artist, author and radio personality. He may be the Friday luncheon speaker. His topic is yet to be determined.

Betty Reid Reporter for the Arizona Republic will talk about how she is inspired when she writes.

Gerda and Kurt Klein They relate their moving and inspiring experiences as authors writing about the Holocaust and its aftermath.

Michael McGarrity Santa Fe mystery author. Titles include *Tularosa*, *Mexican Hat*, and *Serpent Gate*.

Gregorio Luke Author of a Hemingway biography discusses Ernest Hemingway's life.

Laura Van Wormer Her rise in fame from secretary to best selling author is discussed. Her titles include *Last Lover*, *Jury Duty* and *Expose*.

Craig Childs Naturalist, backpacker, musician, who records his adventures as he treks over the beautiful Southwest. *Time Below the Rim* and *Secret Knowledge Water* are two of his titles.

Patrick Jones Author of *Connecting Young Adults and Libraries* and Young Adult Collection advocate, talks about how to energize your YA collection.

Nancy Gardon Young Adult author and winner of the 2000 Robert Downs Intellectual Freedom Award for her work with gay/lesbian/ bisexual content.

Joanne Schroeder Author of *Puppet Skits for Schools and Libraries* discusses how to bring books, poems, and stories to life with puppets. Panel of local Romance authors.

If you have never attended an MPLA joint conference, here is a great one for you to consider. Monitor the planning at <http://www.azla.org>. And don't forget, MPLA members can apply for Professional Development Grants in order to finance conference and workshop attendance.

For information about MPLA and membership, visit the MPLA website at <http://www.usd.edu/mpla>

Interest Group: ACTION

From Paddy Harrigan, Chair

ACTION needs you! The acronym means **All Classifications Teamed In One Network**. ACTION started as an interest group for library support staff and paraprofessionals in 1991. We would like to encourage you to join NLA and mark that interest group on the membership form. Staff across the state are interested in working together to share ideas and to be encouraged in the

important role we all play in our library districts. Watch for announcements about roundtables to be held in various locations. Then mark your calendar and join us at the NLA conference in October to hear Jenise Porter of Maricopa Library District in Arizona who was honored by Library Journal as one of the top paraprofessionals in 2000. Looking forward to seeing you there.

NLA PRECONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Mark your calendars: Wednesday, Oct 3, 2001, NLA is presenting four pre-conference workshops:

LOBBYING YOUR LEGISLATURE: \$30.00

Being able to effectively communicate your library's needs and contributions is essential in today's pressing financial settings. This workshop will involve you in this process, understanding the processes used by the Nevada legislature to submit a bill, support or oppose bills and, most importantly, utilize the months before the state legislative session to communicate with your representatives. This event is by invitation, through your library administrator and Board of Trustees. *If you are interested in attending, please contact Susan Graf, susangraf27@hotmail.com.*

GRANT RESOURCES: The Clark County Library Foundation Collection, LVCCLD: \$15.00

Join us for a rewarding half-day workshop featuring resources at the Reference Department, Foundation Collection. Ellen Reed, MLS, has worked with the specialized grant resources for many years. She holds regular orientations to these resources, and will be featuring sources for building grant sources for libraries at this workshop. Your \$15.00 fee purchases the updated Foundation Directory in hard copy.

INTRODUCTION TO IMAGING AND IMAGING TECHNOLOGY: \$10.00

This introductory workshop provides an overview of digital imaging, and gives a real demonstration of the technology and process of imaging. Participants in this one day pre-conference workshop will learn about:

- how to select appropriate materials;
- guidelines and benchmarks for image quality;
- file formats, headers and compression;
- storage media and devices.

There will be a hands-on introduction to digital imaging hardware and software. Attendees will also compare different technologies and workstation configurations; examine workflow and outsourcing conversion issues; and explore search and retrieval, indexing, metadata and image networking.

Instructors are Jeffrey M. Kintop and Baylen Limasa of the State Library and Archives.

AWAKENING THE LEADER WITHIN: \$15.00

Valerie Bugni will be replicating her successful marketing workshop, held in 1999, during the Conference. Her professional interest in leadership has led to this pre-conference discussion of leadership--what qualities indicate leadership? Participate in exercises to help find your personal vision, core purposes, values and mission.

Conference Information:
www.nevadalibraries.org/news.htm

NLA CONFERENCE SPECIAL EVENTS

There are three special events. The gondola ride usually has a looong wait so it IS special to have a scheduled time for our group to get right on.

1. A golf outing for spouses and slackers on Friday – North Las Vegas Municipal Course - \$8.00 for 9 holes.
2. Special time to ride the gondolas at the Venetian on Thursday - late afternoon. If the Guggenheim Museum is open then, we will include a tour also.
3. On Sunday - we will offer a Colorado River rafting trip through Black River Rafting. Plan for all day.

Anyone wanting to serve on this Special Events Committee can call Kathleen Hanselmann 702-633-1070.



NLA Conference 2001

2001 NLA Conference October 4 – 6:

[Stardust Hotel and Casino/ Convention Center](#), Las Vegas

There is certainly a diversity of quality programs being presented. Many of the professionals attending our conference would cost a small fortune to see and hear in the private sector. We have our very own professionals that are presenting wonderful seminars on material that they know and love best. We will be handling e-books, getting an overview on DVDs, and information will be presented on preparing and maintaining budgets. While we will be looking to the future of library services we will also be looking at the past, and how the past will carry us into a tomorrow that we never could have conceived.

2001 Keynote Speaker:



Michael Gorman is Dean of Library Services at the [Henry Madden Library, California State University, Fresno](#). He was formerly head of cataloguing at the British National Bibliography, a member of the British Library Planning Secretariat, and head of the Office of Bibliographic Standards in the British Library. He has taught at library schools in his native Britain and in the United States.

He is the first editor of the *Anglo-American Cataloguing Rules*, Second Edition (CLA, LA, ALA, 1978) and of the revision of that work (1988). He is the author of *The Concise AACR2* (CLA, LA, ALA, 1999); and editor of, and contributor to, *Technical Services Today and Tomorrow*, 2nd edition (Libraries Unlimited, 1988). *Future Libraries: Dreams, Madness, and Reality*, written with Walt Crawford, was honored with the 1997 Blackwell's Scholarship Award. His most recent book is *Our Enduring Values: Librarianship in the 21st Century* which won the 2001 Highsmith Library Literature Award. Gorman is the author of more than one hundred articles in professional and scholarly journals. He has given numerous presentations at international, national, and state conferences.

Michael Gorman is a fellow of the [British] Library Association, the 1979 recipient of the Margaret Mann Citation, and the 1992 recipient of the Melvil Dewey Medal.



We will be looking at myths of Nevada history with **Guy Rocha**, Nevada State Archivist. Mr. Rocha, raised in Las Vegas, believes we are drowning in a sea of misinformation that many people accept uncritically as fact. Guy has published two books, written numerous articles and book reviews, and his "Sierra Sage" newspaper column can be found posted on the Nevada State Library and Archives website. He is active in television broadcasting, and for almost 13 years hosted a live, call-in radio talk show known as the Monday "History for Lunch Brunch."



Linda Deacy will share with us a Local History Project, a collection composed of approximately two hundred eighty items dating from the period Douglas County was settled and contains diaries, photographs, letters and other fascinating historical documents.

(Editor's note: Who is the person in this picture? Definitely not Linda. Attend the program to find out.)

NLA Conference 2001

Ken Bierman, Director of Knowledge Access Management at the UNLV Libraries since August 2000, will be presenting a workshop on cost finding methodology. Come find out for yourself how easily you can calculate your average unit cost to catalog a book or answer a reference question!



Valerie Bugni of Delve Consulting Group will be presenting "Marketing Library Services - What Worked Yesterday Won't Work Tomorrow."

Tim Schneider, President of Soaring Eagle Enterprises will be presenting an upbeat and entertaining seminar on "No Longer Your Grandma's Library: Embracing Change."

Linda Newman, librarian at UNR, and friends, are presenting a seminar on "Geology and Mining Resources in Nevada." **Gary Bedunnah**, an author, will present: "Discovering Nevada: A Celebration of Nevada's Land and People." **Jeanne Harrah Johnson**, Folk Arts Program Coordinator, will present: "Folk Arts and Culture of Nevada." Grant funding available for arts programs at libraries will be discussed as well as a special focus on the Living Folk Arts Program.

"Ask A Librarian." This program will address how the various types of libraries in Nevada are providing Reference and Research Services. Presenters are: **Gary Avent**, Great Basin College, Elko, **Judith Chalmers**, Sierra Pacific Power Company, Reno, **Catherine Finnegan**, Clark County Library, of LV-CCLD, **Mary Lou Hunter**, Fish Lake Library, Esmeralda County Libraries, **Cynthia Montoya**, Green Valley High School, Henderson, and **Mona Reno**, Nevada State Library.



There are many interesting programs this year! Our very own **Martha Gould** and **Frankie Lukasko** will be presenting a seminar on "The Past Leads to the Future." They will be discussing the possible impacts of President Bush's budget on library services in Nevada, and will be including the wide range of challenges facing libraries such as FCC regulations.



Come to the open house at the new Lied Library at UNLV, and take a tour of this beautiful new library.

"I look forward to this year's conference and the prismatic perspective it offers on our multi-dimensional state. My only sorrow; I cannot be in two places (seminars) at once!"
Elaine Wing, Program Chair

In order to book a room at the Stardust and obtain conference rates, participants should call 1-800-634-6757 and ask for the convention desk. When speaking with the convention folks please mention group number NLAC104 to obtain the guaranteed rate of \$89.00 for weeknights and \$125.00 for the weekend.

For Conference costs and Registration Form: www.nevadalibraries.org/news.htm

NLA Endorses CIPA Litigation

ALA Files Suit Against Mandated Filtering

By Cindy DeLanty, ALA Delegate

*A Resolution Supporting ALA Legal Action Against CIPA, Unanimously endorsed by the
[Nevada Library Association](#) Executive Board Monday, March 26, 2001*

WHEREAS the recently enacted Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) mandates that libraries and schools install and use filtering software on public Internet computers as a prerequisite for receiving federal funds, including LSTA and E-rate funds; and

WHEREAS the recently enacted Neighborhood Children's Internet Protection Act (NCIPA) mandates the adoption of a prescriptive Internet safety policy that undermines local control for recipients of E-rate discounts; and

WHEREAS no filtering software successfully differentiates constitutionally protected speech from illegal speech on the Internet; and

WHEREAS the federal commission appointed to study child safety on the Internet concluded filters are not effective in blocking all content that some may find objectionable, but do block much useful and constitutionally protected information; and

WHEREAS libraries and librarians are partners with parents and work to help their communities become information literate by teaching them to access, evaluate and use information; and

WHEREAS the Nevada library community strongly believes that educating children to use the Internet wisely provides children their best protection, now and in the future; and

WHEREAS the Nevada Library Association strongly encourages local libraries to adopt and implement Internet use policies in the same way they develop other policies, based on the needs of their communities; and

WHEREAS the Nevada Library Association in its [Internet Filtering Statement](#) adopted by the NLA Executive Board on January 22, 1999 does not recommend the use of Internet filters in libraries and emphatically opposes attempts by federal and state governments to set local policy; and

WHEREAS the American Library Association has resolved to challenge CIPA and NCIPA in federal courts;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Nevada Library Association endorses and supports this legal action by the American Library Association.

This endorsement follows the investigation by a sub-committee appointed by the NLA Executive Board at the January Board meeting to explore the details and ramifications of the proposed litigation by ALA.

On December 15, 2000, Congress passed the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) and the Neighborhood Internet Protection Act (NCIPA) as part of a major spending bill (H.R. 4577). This bill was signed into law by President Clinton on December 21, 2000 (Public Law 106-554) and goes into effect April 20, 2001. This places restrictions on the use of funding available through LSTA, Title III of the Elementary and

Secondary Education Act, and on the Universal Service discount program known as E-rate. In essence, this mandates Internet filtering and no longer leaves the decision to local control. It also may open the door to other restrictions that could dictate what libraries have in their collections in the future.

NLA is still considering other ways to support ALA's efforts in this matter. One way is through financial support. If you would like to see this happen, please email me at delantyc@lvccld.org and I will forward your comments to Susan Graf, NLA President. For more information on this, please visit <http://www.ala.org/cipa>

LIBRARY IN THE LEGISLATURE DAY: April 2, 2001

Sixty academic, school, special and public libraries from around the state were invited to attend the biennial Libraries in the Legislature Day. The program included an orientation to legislative issues related to libraries. During the first two hours Scott Sisco, Acting Director, Department of Museums, Library and Arts, Helen Foley, an independent lobbyist, and Danny Lee, the NLA lobbyist all discussed effective methods of communicating with legislators and specific issues involving proposed bills this session. Martha Gould, former director of the Washoe County Library System and current chair of NCLIS, National Council on Libraries and Information Science, discussed current national legislative issues and concerns.

After the orientation, library staff from around the state joined their local legislators on the floor of the Senate and Assembly. During the session, each library representative was introduced and welcomed. This event provided an opportunity for library staff to meet legislators, and for the legislators to learn more about library issues and meet another constituent.



Stan Fuke, Library Coordinator for the Clark County School District, was recognized and honored for his contributions at both the Senate and Assembly legislative session. NLA hosted a luncheon at NSLA for everyone attending the event.

Several retired legislators with a long history of supporting library initiatives in Nevada also attended the luncheon. NLA provided each participant with a commemorative pin, featuring an open book and blue stone with Nevada Library Association written on the pin. These pins will be available for purchase at the NLA Conference in Las Vegas in October.

This year's legislative events, sponsored by the Nevada Library Association, were coordinated by President-Elect Tom Fay, and Government Relations Chair Joan Kerschner. Keri Putnam made the arrangements for the luncheon, which was funded by contributions of Friends of the Libraries groups from Pershing County, Douglas County, Washoe County, Elko County, Carson City, Boulder City, and Henderson District.

OLDEST AND NEWEST NEVADA LIBRARIES

From Juanita Hoffman, Tonopah Librarian

The Tonopah Library District on April 28, 2001 had the official dedication for the "newest" library in Nevada, which stands beside the "oldest functioning library" currently in existence.

The original library was constructed in 1905 as a library for the mining town. There will eventually be a covered walkway connecting the two buildings.

The 96-year-old original library will house the collection's series of old Nevada history and research books and will be used as a reference and special meeting room. With the addition of barrister cases from the old Nye County Law Library lining the walls, the roll-top desk in the middle and two oak reading tables, you "step back in time" when you enter the building.

The new Library will house the educational and entertainment collections that are available to the public every day. There are two public Internet



computers and one for general computer use.

The Children's Section has risers on one wall for Story Times and the special Children's collection with a computer for children's use. A large window on this south side of the building creates a bright, sunny area embellished with special chairs in the shapes of animals.

The library staff is currently working to complete attaching the Tonopah holdings to Polaris to join the other online libraries in the Cooperative Libraries Automated Network (CLAN).

Nevada Young Readers' Award Nominations for 2002

Nevada's Young Readers and the NYRA Steering Committee have nominated the following books for 2002. All children in the state who have read, or been read, the required number of titles in a particular category are allowed to vote for their favorite title.

Picture Books (Pre K to Grade 2)

Burleigh, Robert. *Home Run: the story of Babe Ruth*
Curtis, Gavin. *The Bat Boy and his Violin*
Feiffer, Jules. *Bark, George!*
Hendry, Dianna. *The Very Noisy Night*
Inkpen, Mick. *The Great Pet Sale*
Lester, Helen. *Hooway for Wodney Wat!*
Nolan, Lucy. *The Lizard Man of Crabtree County.*
Whybrow, Ian. *Sammy and the Dinosaurs.*



Young Reader (Grades 3 to 5)

Cox, Judy. *Weird Stores from the Lonesome Cafe*
DiCamillo, Kate. *Because of Winn-Dixie.*
Hill, Kirkpatrick. *The Year of Miss Agnes.*
Kehret, Peg. *The Volcano Disaster.*
Ryan, Pam Munoz. *Riding Freedom.*
Wallace, Carol and Wallace, Bill. *The Flying Flea, Callie, and Me*

Intermediate (Grades 6 to 8)

Avi. *Midnight Magic.*
Fletcher, Susan. *Shadow Spinner*
Jarzyna, David. *Slump.*
Nixon, Joan Lowry. *Nobody's There.*
Pierce, Tamora. *First Test (Protector of the Small)*
Roberts, Willo Davis. *Hostage.*

Young Adult (High School)

Cooney, Caroline. *Burning Up.*
Plummer, Louise. *A Dance for Three.*
Shusterman, Neal. *Downsiders.*
Whitmore, Arvella. *Trapped Between the Lash and the Gun*
Williams, Laurie. *When Kambia Elaine Flew in from Neptune.*
Wilson, Diane Lee. *I Rode a Horse of Milk White Jade.*

The NYRA Steering Committee has made their decisions for the winners of the 2001 Award. Look for these winners in the September issue of *Nevada Libraries*.

The Nevada Young Reader's Award was first established in 1987. It is sponsored by the Nevada Library Association and the State Department of Education.

The purpose of the NYRA is to encourage Nevada students to improve their reading skills by reading from the best of modern children's literature and acts as a vehicle by which to honor outstanding works in children's literature.

Nominations are submitted by the readers through their librarians or teacher, for consideration by the Nevada Young Reader's Award Steering Committee. The winning titles are determined by the total number of votes.

The awards are presented at the annual Nevada Library Association Conference.

If you have selected NYRA as your interest group and would like to join the Steering Committee, please contact Betsy Johnson at the Malcolm Library, 80 N. Pecos Rd., Henderson, Nevada 89014, bljohnson@hdpl.org.

2001 NLA AWARDS NOMINATIONS

Once again it is time for you to stop and take a few moments to consider your colleagues from around the state for the following NLA awards. We all know many people who work very hard in support of Nevada's libraries and are worthy of your consideration and nomination. Please review the criteria for each award and make your nominations using the form below.

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 and revitalization of an established library system or library;

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.

SPECIAL CITATION AWARD

For constructive accomplishments toward the advancement and extension of library service and the development of sound library policies or the creative and effective interpretation 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 broadened scope of service to the community, specialized services to children, young adults, senior citizens, the handicapped, etc.;

For a praiseworthy contribution to library education, library techniques, library building, library management, establishment of a new library or library system or expansion and revitalization of an established library or library systems;
For a substantial financial assistance or endowment.

NOMINATION FORM:

Person being Nominated: _____

Library 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.

Nominations must be submitted in writing by August 31, 2001 to one of the following persons: Pam Zehnder, Awards Chairperson; Susan Graf, NLA President; Tom Fay, President-Elect; or Sara Jones, Past President.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Pam Zehnder, Las Vegas Library, 833 Las Vegas Blvd, Las Vegas, NV 89101, 702-382-3493 x205, fax 702-382-4501, zehnderpd@lvccld.org

Ask A Librarian

Mona Reno,
2001 RAISON Chair

We, in the library field, have undoubtedly noticed some major changes in the ways and means for answering our patrons' questions. The NLA's Reference and Information Searchers of Nevada (RAISON) Interest Group invites you to attend two exciting symposia presented by Nevada Librarians, at the upcoming NLA Conference in Las Vegas.

On Saturday, Oct. 6, at 2:00-4:30, six speakers from urban public, rural public, academic, school, special, and government libraries, will share how they provide service to their clients. Then at 4:30-5:30 presentations by law librarians from UNLV will share tools and skills for legal questions.

RAISON welcomes all persons involved in libraries to attend these presentations featuring dynamic speakers and share the resources available to us in our goals for quality public service.

Gary Avent, Judith Chalmers, Catherine Finnegan, Jennifer Gross, Mary Lou Hunter, Cynthia Montoya, Mona Reno, and Kory Staheli will be ready and willing to share their knowledge and experience at reference and information searching. Please come and share your knowledge and experience with us, as we all strive to improve our skills.

RAISON's organizational goals are:

- a. To further the development and quality of reference services including computer searching.
- b. To increase communication between reference staff and other library personnel.
- c. To contribute to the development and improvement of education and training of reference librarians.

Another goal of RAISON for 2001 is to create a Reference home page on the NLA site to serve as an asset for all information providers. If you have created a Reference page on your Library's homepage that you would like to highlight and share with RAISON, please forward the URL to Mona Reno at rlreno@clan.lib.nv.us.

SUPPORT THE CIPA LEGAL FUND!

<http://www.ala.org/cipalegalfund.html>

Millennium Libraries in Nevada

Congratulations to four public libraries in Nevada for their successful first round proposals for "The Millennium Project for Public Libraries." **Beatty, Ely, North Las Vegas, and Tonopah** each will receive a 50-volume collection of American Literature valued at \$1,800 published by The Library of America. Second round winners will be announced later this year.

This Project is a partnership of the National Endowment for the Humanities, The Library of America and the American Library Association, and is funded by the Carnegie Corporation of New York as a commemoration of Andrew Carnegie's philanthropic work 100 years ago. Over \$1 million in books will be distributed to public libraries across America to enrich their core collections of American Literature.

"We are planning a great program to introduce the collection to the community," said Kathleen Hanselmann of the North Las Vegas Library. "These collections will be of great service to Nevada citizens."

NSCLS Awards

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.

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

With the exception of the NSCLS **Special Recognition Award**, all nominees must be members of the NSCLS section of Nevada Library Association.

To nominate someone for these awards submit your application(s) by **August 31, 2001**. In your application include the following information: Your name, Address, Telephone number, e-mail (if applicable), Name of nominee, Address, Telephone number, e-mail (if applicable), their library and position, work history of the nominee or other pertinent information (25-50 words) and qualifications of the nominee (50-75 words). Please send your nominations to Susan Day, NSCLS Awards Chairperson, Clayton Middle School Library, 1295 Wyoming Ave., Reno, NV 89503 and/or e-mail her at sday@washoe.k12.nv.us until June 4, 2001 and Debbie_Jacobs@msn.com after that date.

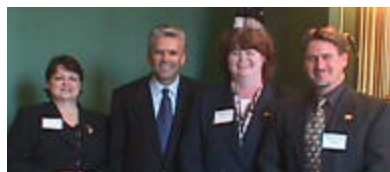
NATIONAL LIBRARY LEGISLATIVE DAY 2001: WASHINGTON, D.C.

Nevada Library Association sponsored a delegation of four to attend the annual National Library Legislative Day, May 1, 2001. Sara Jones, Past President; Susan Graf, President; Tom Fay, President Elect and Cindy DeLanty, ALA Delegate attended the ALA Washington Office orientation and training on Monday, April 30th, along with Martha Gould, NCLIS Chair. In addition to a workshop featuring a former congressional aide highlighting effective communication techniques, they were able to break up into smaller sessions focusing on current key issues (see second column).

The purpose of the workshop is to prepare library representatives to meet with their elected delegations the next day. Successful meetings were held with Senators Reid and Ensign. They



With Senator Reid



With Senator Ensign

also met with congressional staff and shared a packet of information regarding issues and highlights of various LSTA-funded library programs, state library achievements, literacy activities and a comprehensive report from the Clark County School Librarians Association. The CCSLA report provided a detailed review of the current state of school library collections, including age of materials and skyrocketing costs of books, magazines and encyclopedias. Several cited studies reinforced the importance of qualified school librarians and quality library collections in improving standardized testing scores and in student achievement.

Please contact your elected representatives and communicate your concern about the issues. For tips on communicating effectively with legislators: www.ala.org/wasoff/ways.html

Please, let them know your qualified opinions. This will translate into legislative actions that significantly impact how well you can serve your community—be it a town, a college, a suburb or a school.

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KEY ISSUES 2001

• **LSTA Reauthorization**

A separate issue from funding, this provides approval for the Congress to continue support for libraries through the LSTA program. We are seeking a funding level up to \$500 million.

• **LSTA Funding for Lifelong Learning**

FY2001 funded LSTA with \$207 million; Nevada's share is slightly less than FY2000: \$1.2 million. For FY2002 we seek \$350 million. The message is simple: Libraries make a significant impact with every dollar they are given; give us more and we will do more.

• **ESEA Reauthorization:**

Include School Libraries. Members of the House are needed to work with Rep. Major Owen's HR 1570 bill, which is similar to the Reed amendment (S327). Senators are needed to co-sponsor this amendment, which provides a portion of school grant monies specifically for library materials.

• **COPYRIGHT: Protect Fair Use**

Co-sponsors are needed for S.487, a bill to update Distance Education provisions of the Copyright Act in response to advancements in digital transmission technologies that support distance learning. Database protection must also include "fair use" comparable to that under copyright law.

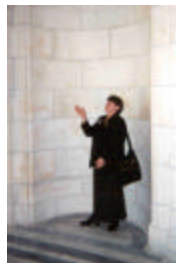
• **E-RATE**

Please thank your representatives for their support of the E-rate. Concern now centers on proposed amendments by Cox that would tie libraries and schools to old technologies.

• **E-GOVERNMENT ACT OF 2001**

Senator Lieberman held a press conference to announcing this Act. This bill establishes a Chief Information Officer and authorizes e-government support of inter-agency projects. It also features a centralized online portal with a directory of Federal web sites and indexes, providing access to government information.

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