Welcome to the Utah Library Association’s electronic newsletter!

President's Message
Summer 2001

Dear ULA Members,

The 2001-2002 ULA Board had our first meeting on June 22nd. At this meeting we discussed goals for the year. Communication is a concern that the Board will work toward improving this year. Our strategy includes: keeping our home page current, using the U.S. Post Service in addition to email to disperse information, updating and advertising the ULA Paraprofessional Certificate, updating the ULA Policies and Procedures Manual and developing a new strategic plan for the Association.

The ULA Board will meet on the following Fridays, September 7, December 7, February 1, April 5 at 1 p.m. at the Utah State Library (250 North 1950 West, Salt Lake City). All members are invited to attend these meetings. We welcome your comments, suggestions and questions!

The 2002 Conference, 21st Century Libraries: Building for the Future, will be held at the Sandy Exposition Center, May 2-3. This year’s theme highlights the efforts of the Utah State Library’s 21st Century Library Initiative, a three phase plan which includes: a 21st Century Needs Assessment, establishing the 21st Century Library Challenge Fund, and assisting Utah communities in building 21st Century Libraries. The assessment phase is wrapping up and efforts are being concentrated on establishing the 21st Century Library Challenge Fund. The Eccles Foundation has committed one million dollars in matching funds. Last year Senator Beverly Evans sponsored a bill for two million dollars which failed; however, an effort will be made to try again to obtain one time money from the state. This initiative touches all of us. Even if you work in an academic, special, or school library you are part of a public library community and will benefit from this initiative. There was a time in the not so distant past when it was predicted that, due to computers, library buildings and collections as we know them would no longer be necessary. Wrong! Computers have increased our business! We need buildings that can accommodate the demand for collections, computers and programs.

The members of the ULA Board look forward to a progressive year of accomplishment.

Sincerely,

Susan Hamada
ULA President

Conference News

ULA Members!

The 2001 Utah Library Association Annual Conference was a huge success. One of the highlights of the conference was the Awards Banquet. Darin Butler, Chair of the ULA Awards committee, received a letter of thanks from KUED Channel 7, the public television channel, which was the recipient of the Governor's Award for the Promotion of Reading.

Click here to view a copy of this letter.
Mountain Plains Library Association will hold its annual conference in conjunction with the Arizona Library Association conference December 5-7, 2001, in Phoenix. December is a lovely time to meet in Phoenix. Plans include innovative program opportunities for all library specialties, a top-notch line-up of popular authors, a superb selection of library-related vendors, plus Southwestern cuisine at banquets and social functions, as well as side trips to premiere shopping centers and a Jeep tour into the breathtaking Sonoran desert. Registration forms and information are located at http://www.asla.org/2001.

Jean Jensen
MPLA/ULA Representative

CONFERENCES OF INTERMOUNTAIN ARCHIVISTS SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 12, 2001
The CIMA fall meeting this year will be held in the Gould Auditorium at the J. Willard Marriott Library of the University of Utah, on Friday, October 12, 2001. The theme--in keeping with the 2002 Winter Olympics, one of the major events to occur in Salt Lake City since statehood--will be The Winter Sports and Archives. With a timely and exciting lineup of speakers, we will explore the relationship between the history of skiing--and the historians and archivists who make that history come to life. At the end of the day, we are happy to offer a tour of the Utah Ski Archives, one of the most comprehensive collections on the history of skiing in the country, and indeed in the world.

SCHEDULE:

9:00-9:30 AM
Roy Webb, J. Willard Marriott Library Special Collections:
Welcome, Opening remarks

9:30 10:00 AM
Dr. Greg Thompson, J. Willard Marriott Library Special Collections:
On Building an Olympic Archives

10:00 10:30 AM
Break (refreshments provided)

10:30 - 11:30 AM
Alexis Kelner, historian:
Utah skiing before the Engens

11:30-12:00 PM
Joe Arave, University of Utah:
Beginnings of the Utah Ski Archives Oral History program

12:00 - 1:00 PM
Lunch (on your own, recommendations available)

1:00-2:00 PM
Mark Jensen, SLOC Archivist:
The Archives of the 2002 Winter Olympics

2:00-3:30 PM
Gladys Serafino, Canada Olympic Park:
The Canada Olympic Park and the archives of the 1988 Calgary Winter Olympics

3:30-4:00 PM
Tour of Utah Ski Archives, J. Willard Marriott Library Special Collections
The Utah Ski Archives in the Special Collections Department of the J. Willard Marriott Library--given the location in the middle of the Olympic village--expect to be a major focus for those seeking information about the Olympics before and during the games. We are gearing up for this event by collecting, processing, and exhibiting our ski collections, and are proud to show them off.

Please join us for what promises to be a very lively and timely agenda of discussion of the history of what has come to be one of Utah's major industries, winter sports, on Friday, October 12, in the Gould Auditorium in the University of Utah's J. Willard Marriott Library.

Roy Webb, C.A.
ULA FALL WORKSHOP IN MOAB, OCTOBER 26, 2001

Registration forms are now being accepted for the ULA Fall Workshop to be held Friday, October 26, at the Moab Valley Inn & Conference Center in Moab. ULA presenters will be joined by out of state speakers to provide an exciting array of programs. The packed agenda includes several topics of particular interest to children's and young adult librarians, e.g.: teen genre collections, the art of weeding, and planning summer reading programs. Other programs of general interest will cover: consumer health information, genealogy resources, metadata applications, GPO web resources, and intellectual freedom issues.

The line up of special guest speakers includes Diana Tixier Herald, a nationally recognized author in the field of young adult collection development. She is the author of *Genreflecting*, *Teen Genreflecting*, and *Fluent in Fantasy*. Susan Erickson, Youth Services Coordinator at the San Bernardino County Library, will teach the practices associated with *Weed It and Reap*, or, the fine art of weeding. During lunch, Roy Webb, Archivist and Historian, will present a program entitled, *The River Told Me*. Based on first-hand accounts and historic films, this is a nostalgic look back at the early days of river running on the Green and Colorado Rivers.

The complete workshop Program and printable Registration Forms are now available. Early bird registration for the workshop is $20.00 and the deadline for advance registration is October 12, 2001. Late and on-site registration is $25.00 but lunch may not be available.

For overnight lodging, please make reservations directly with The Moab Valley Inn & Conference Center, [http://moabvalleyinn.com](http://moabvalleyinn.com), 1-800-831-6622 or 435-259-4419. The room rate for ULA is $65.00/night plus tax, and the rate extends from October 25 – October 28. Be sure to refer to “ULA” when making your reservations to ensure you are given this special rate. Plan to stay an extra day beyond the workshop and enjoy the parks and other area attractions. Visitor information is available at: [http://www.moab-utah.com/](http://www.moab-utah.com/).

Questions about the Fall Workshop in general should be addressed to: Kevin Pendleton, Chair of the C.E. Committee, at the Weber County Public Library, 801-627-6924; kpendlet@weberpl.lib.ut.us.

Questions about Fall Workshop programs should be addressed to: Connie Lamb, ULA Program Coordinator, BYU Library, 801-378-6196; connie_lamb@byu.edu.

See you in Moab!

YOUNG ADULT ROUNDTABLE / CHILDREN'S SERVICES ROUNDTABLE WORKSHOPS FOR FALL 2001

WILLO DAVIS ROBERTS

This nationally acclaimed author of young adult and teen fiction will be featured at the first of these two workshops, both sponsored by the Young Adult Roundtable (YART) and the Children's Services Round Table (CSRT), in conjunction with Salt Lake County Library System.

This first workshop will be held Tuesday, September 25, 2001, at 2:00 p.m. at Whitmore Library Auditorium
2197 South Fort Union Blvd (7000 South)
Salt Lake City

Willo Davis Roberts has been writing books since her childhood and has published over 95 books, including over 30 titles for children and young adults, such as *The View from the Cherry Tree*, *The Kidnappers*, *Hostage*, *The Girl With the Silver Eyes*, *Pawns*, *Nightmare*, and *Buddy is a Stupid Name for a Girl*.

Many of her books have been nominated for state children's choice awards, eight have been nominated for the Edgar Allen Poe award, and three have won that prestigious distinction (*Megan's Summer*, *The Absolutely True Story*, and *Twisted Summer*). Mrs. Roberts will present a 50-minute slide show and lecture and will then be available afterwards to answer questions and autograph books.

Her books will be available for purchase at the workshop or you may bring personal copies from home, for autographs. If you have any additional questions, contact Patricia Foster at 801-944-7671, or e-mail at pfoster@slco.lib.ut.us

DIANA TIXIER HERALD, ALA YALSA trainer and advocate for teen reading, will be featured at the October 18 workshop.

It will be held Thursday, October 18, at Whitmore Library Auditorium, 2197 South Fort Union Blvd. (7000 South), Salt Lake City, in two sessions: 9:30 a.m. to Noon, with a repeat session from 1:30 to 4:00 p.m.
Join us to learn all about developing your teen genre collections, from Diana Tixier Herald, the nationally known author of the excellent professional reference books: Genreflecting, Teen Genreflecting, and Fluent in Fantasy. She is an ardent and enthusiastic advocate for teen reading and will be presenting resources, titles and information about selecting genre books for your teen readers, defining and discussing the areas of historical fiction, science fiction and fantasy, mystery, suspense and horror, adventure, contemporary, and romance. The books Teen Genreflecting and Fluent in Fantasy will be available for purchase at the workshop, at a 20% discount. Sponsored by the Young Adult Roundtable (YART) and the Children's Services Roundtable (CSRT), in conjunction with The Salt Lake County Library System. For more information, contact Patricia Foster at 801-944-7671; or email at pfoster@slco.lib.ut.us

CONTINUING EDUCATION OFFERINGS IN SALT LAKE CITY FROM THE SCHOOL OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

The School of Library and Information Management, Emporia State University, is offering the following classes during its Fall 2001 Semester:

LI832 Information Transfer among Young Adults
Janell Mattheus Oct 26-28 and Nov 30-Dec 2

LI842 Knowledge Representation for Information Systems
Ernest Perez online Sept 10-Nov 16

LI850 Management of Information Agencies
Jane Hatch Aug 24-26 and Sept 21-23

LI861 Collection Development
Mark Grover Nov 9-11 and Dec 14-16
LI861 Introduction to Health Science Librarianship
Cathy Perley online Aug 20-Dec 7

LI863 Scenarios & Information Management
Hilary McLellan online Aug 20-Dec 7

These courses are open for Continuing Education credit for $60 per credit or for graduate school credit for $320 per credit. Persons wishing to enroll should contact the SLIM-Utah Coordinator, Ms. Pamela Foster, at 877/486-8068 or by email to pfoster@sisna.com

LIBRARIAN TECHNICIAN PROGRAM OFFERED AT SALT LAKE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Salt Lake Community College announces the Library Technician Program, coming Fall 2001. Anyone looking to improve their chances of working in an entry-level position in the library system, individuals already working in the library system who want/need formal training and/or individuals working in entry-level positions in the library system who want to improve their skills and opportunities for advancement should enroll in this program. The first class, LT 1010 - Introduction to Library Services, will be offered Fall semester, beginning August 29, 2001. The class will be taught at the Salt Lake Community College/Redwood Campus by Julie Williamsen, who currently works at the Harold B. Lee Library at Brigham Young University. For more information, please call Becky at (801) 957-3185 or email johnsore@slcc.edu

IMPORTANT PERSONNEL CHANGES AT UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY and BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY

Robert Murdoch, Associate Director of Utah State University Libraries, recently left USU to accept the position of Technical Services Director at Brigham Young University. He began work at BYU on June 1. Robert attended Weber State in Ogden, served a two-year church mission in Scotland, graduated from Utah State University in Accounting. As a student, Robert worked part-time in the USU library. Upon graduation, he moved to a full-time position in patron services in the library. He received his MLS degree in 1981 from BYU and served in library administration at USU until this move to Provo this month. Robert was born in Salt Lake City and grew up in Layton. He married Linda in 1970 and they have four children. He likes to do serious, strenuous hiking, such as hiking over the Tetons from the Wyoming side to the Idaho side, 25 miles in one day. Also:

Max Peterson, Director of Libraries at Utah State University, retired in June of 2000. A nation-wide search for a new director resulted in finalist interviews, but the new USU president, Kermit Hall, terminated the process and changed the role of director
to vice-provost. A new role statement will result in a new search, and a committee is currently being organized. In the meantime, reference librarian John Elsweiler is serving as interim director of the libraries.

Jean Jensen
Merrill Library, USU
ULA Board Member