

Report to the Utah Library Association June 3, 2016

State Librarian - Donna Jones Morris

ULA Conference

The Utah State Library awarded ULA \$3,000 for the annual conference to pay for the keynote speaker. Sina Bahram's programs trained librarians to better assist patrons with disabilities. They learned how to make library experiences more useful and enjoyable for patrons.

National Library Legislative Day

Mrs. Morris, Dustin Fife, Utah Library Association President, and Matt McLain, Salt Lake County Library Branch Manager, attended the National Library Legislative Day (NLLD) in Washington, D. C. on May 2-3. They learned about national issues, networked with librarians from all over the country, and met with staff in each of the Utah delegation's offices. Mrs. Morris reported on LSTA expenditures and Mr. Fife and Mr. McLain discussed LSTA funding and other library issues.

Public Library Directors Summit

The second annual Public Library Directors Summit will be held October 6-7, 2016 at the Homestead Resort in Midway, Utah. Contact Consultant Kristen Stehel for additional information.

ILEAD USA Utah

State Data Coordinator Kristen Stehel and Mrs. Morris met via the phone with representatives from Illinois and the other eight partner states. There is a plan to bring the partners together to evaluate, identify lessons learned, and develop future plans.

Staff Changes

None

Representatives / Committee Members from USL

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2016 Broadband Tech Summit

The Utah Broadband Newsletter, May 2016, stated "The 2016 Broadband Tech Summit will be held on **November 10 in Salt Lake City**. The exact location will be determined at a future date. In keeping with the high quality of previous Annual Summits, this year's summit will feature presentations from industry champions, policy insiders, and local broadband stakeholders. The Broadband Outreach Center is **looking for speakers** who can deliver a short, 20 minute presentation on a broadband related topics with creativity and style. Submit suggestions to Kelleigh Cole at (801) 538-8831 or kcole@utah.gov".

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