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Great Issues Forum Scheduled for October 18

Study after study shows that robust school libraries—with up-to-date collections and staffed by certified school librarians—improve student learning. Yet school libraries throughout Utah are often under-funded and lack certified school librarians. The Utah Library Association will focus on this issue during the annual Great Issues Forum on Wednesday, October 18. Keith Curry Lance, Director of Library Research Service at the Colorado State Library and author of *The Impact of School Library Media Centers on Academic Achievement*, will be the keynote speaker of the forum titled, "The Library Effect: Preparing Students for the 21st Century." A

panel will lead the discussion on why school libraries are important not just to Utah's children, but to all of Utah's citizens. The Great Issues Forum will be held from 4:30 pm until 6:00 pm in the auditorium of the Salt Lake City Public Library located at 210 East 400 South. The event will also be streamed live on the internet. You can view and read more about the webcast on the ULA website, www.ula.org.

Dr. Lance has led numerous studies documenting the impact of school libraries on student learning in more than a dozen states. He will be joined by panelists Georgia Loutensock, Education Specialist, Utah State Office of Education;

Lynnda Wangsgard, Director, Weber County Libraries; Carol Hansen, Professor and Instruction Services Librarian, Weber State University; and Utah State Representative Tim Cosgrove. The discussion will include details about the current state of Utah school libraries and the importance of school libraries in preparing students for higher education and work in the knowledge economy. The panel will also address how school, public, and academic librarians can work with Utah's legislature and citizens to ensure that high-quality libraries are a part of every Utah child's education.

Half Day Workshop on December 1

You heard Pat Wagner at ULA, and now she's coming back! Please join us for a half-day program that promises to be lively, entertaining and informative. Mark your calendars for:

"Herding Kittens: How to Have Influence When You Don't Have Power or Authority"

Date: December 1, 2006

Time: 10:00 am – 3:30 pm

Place: Utah State Library, Rms. 218 & 219

"Pat designs and presents good-humored and practical workplace programs on personnel, management and leadership. She uses her background in the performing and literary arts to create programs that are both entertaining and insightful."

<http://www.pattern.com/>

Lunch will be on your own, and a list of nearby eating establishments will be provided.

Space is limited, so look for an RSVP form on the

ULA Web page. This is a program you won't want to miss!

This program is sponsored by ULA's ACRL Roundtable, Children's Services Roundtable, the Academic Section and the Continuing Education Committee. For more information contact:

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UVSC Breaks Ground for New Library



UVSC Student Government officers take part in ground breaking

The UVSC Library hosted a groundbreaking for the new library on September 6.

"This building is important on three levels, said UVSC President William A. Sederburg. "First, it helps provide a state-of-the-art learning facility consistent with other state universities, second, it helps alleviate space needs on campus and third, it helps define the school as putting academics and learning as our top priority."

In March, UVSC was granted \$46.75 million from the state legislature for the project, representing the largest amount of one-time funding that UVSC has ever received from the state. UVSC anticipates completion of the project by summer 2008. The new library will combine traditional library services with cutting-edge technology to meet the demands of today's and future students. Included in the plans are 40 group study rooms, an

information commons area with more than 140 computers, a café, as well as expanded collections and an extended hours area.

As a crucial step toward achieving university status, the new library will have a profound impact on UVSC's ability to meet the academic needs of a growing student body. Upon completion, the library will be available to the community and will also be a great educational asset for residents of Utah County.

Bridging the Gap for College Success Workshop

“Bridging the Gap for College Success” is a workshop designed to provide school library media teachers with the opportunity to talk with college/university librarians and faculty members about ways to help students develop lifelong learning skills as well as to help college-bound students better prepare for college.

The workshop will be held **November 3, 2006** at Horizonte School, Salt Lake City, from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Librarians and faculty from Utah universities will present observations about students' struggles when they arrive at college. In turn, high school teachers and media specialists will present the challenges of working in a secondary

school environment. Several speakers will present their viewpoints, but small group discussion on opportunities, challenges, and potential areas for collaboration will be a large part of this workshop.

The keynote speaker will be Jill Wilks, First Year Experience Specialist, from Southern Utah University.

Jill has been teaching students how to reach their highest academic and personal potential at Southern Utah University for 28 years. Originally hired to teach composition, reading, and study skills, Jill now serves the university by directing and designing the award-winning First-Year Programs. In addition to continuing to work with first-year

students, Jill trains SUU faculty, administrators, first-year mentors, and college advisors to integrate brainbased learning designs in course syllabi.

Registration is required for participation and reserved for certified library media personnel working in Utah schools and university librarians and faculty. The deadline for registration is **October 27, 2006**. The registration fee is \$10. You can locate a copy of the registration form on the Utah Library Association's web site at www.ula.org.

For more information or to register, please contact JaNae Kinikin, Weber State University, at 801-626-6093 or JKINIKIN@weber.edu.

New Harmony Branch Library Opening Soon

We are so very proud to be on the verge of opening our New Harmony Valley Library Branch Library! We have waited so very long, and soon will move in to our beautiful new building! We thank Washington County Library System

and the wonderful patrons of our "fire-station-kitchen" library for so many years! I, personally thank ULA, MPLA, and Utah State Library for the help and suggestions that I have received!

*Jacqueline Lewis
Branch Manager*

Utah Academic Librarians Publish Articles

The following articles by Utah librarians have appeared in national publications:

Reference Services Review, Vol 34 No. 2, 2006, pp. 270-286 includes as an article entitled, "The Information Commons as a Collaborative Workspace" by Chuck Malenfant, Reference and Instruction Librarian, Giovale Library, Westminster College.

This same issue included an article by Michael J. Whitchurch and Jeffrey Belliston from the Harold B. Lee Library, Brigham Young University, and William Baer, Val A. Browning Library, Dixie State College of Utah. Their article is, "Information Commons at Brigham Young University: Past, Present and Future," pp.261-278

David A. Hales, Director of the Library, Westminster College and John M.

Murphy 20th/21st Century Mormon and Western Americana librarian at the Harold B. Lee Library, Brigham Young University, presented a paper at the Utah Historical Society conference in Salt Lake City on Sept., 15, 2006. Their paper is entitled: Shivwits/Shem, Utah and the Shivwits Presbyterian Church. Much of the paper is based on sources from the Archives, Giovale Library Westminster College.



New Health Sciences Library Opens in South Jordan

This past August, the University of Southern Nevada welcomed the pharmacy class of 2009 to its new South Jordan campus, situated just west of the scenic Jordan River Parkway. The school broke ground for its new facility in November 2005 and will celebrate its grand opening in January 2007. Until then, students, library staff, faculty, and administration share a temporary space east of the construction site. The new facility will offer state of the art classrooms, a spacious student commons, a pharmacy laboratory, faculty and staff offices with excellent views, and last but not least, a beautiful health sciences library.

The library's services and resources will focus on the pharmacy program in the first year, which consists of 50 pharmacy students, and will ultimately support three programs and a

much larger student population by 2009. The three programs will include a Doctor of Pharmacy program, a nursing program (2008), and a program offering a Masters in Business Administration (2009). The South Jordan library is considered a branch of the Henderson, Nevada library, which currently serves 14244 PharmD students, 43 nursing students, and 18 MBA students.

USN has already established itself in Nevada as a premiere pharmacy program at a time when highly trained pharmaceutical professionals are desperately needed in the healthcare system. Recent surveys conducted on Utah's pharmacist population indicate a shortfall of 90-110 pharmacists per year, which is considered by the Utah Medical Education

Council to be a severe shortage. Prior to USN's arrival, students wanting to pursue a PharmD degree had limited options. USN extends these options, offering over double the class size and a block-system curriculum that allows students to obtain their degree in three years instead four. For the library, there are tremendous opportunities to provide the most current and relevant resources and services in two of medicine's most burgeoning fields.

Anyone with an interest in touring the new library, or for those who would like to learn more about the programs offered by the University of Southern Nevada, please contact Valeri Craigle, Health Sciences Librarian, at vcraigle@usn.edu or by phone 302-0637, for more information.



New Health Sciences Library Opens

Family History Workshops Announced

The Family History Library presents many topical research series throughout the year. These can be found on the monthly calendars posted at www.familysearch.org. There are also times when the library partners with significant organizations to support genealogy conferences and workshops. Two such events are being held this fall in Salt Lake City.

Ninth Annual Hispanic Family History Conference

Dates: October 13-14, 2006

Location: Family History Library, Salt Lake City, Utah.

The conference is directed to those interested in researching Hispanic genealogy and is conducted in Spanish. It is free to the public. Personal consultation will also be available on the B-1 Floor throughout the conference.

Here is a brief preview of the conference (for complete class schedule see: www.familysearch.org, click Library, click Education, click Family History Library Classes)

Friday, October 13

9:00am-5:00pm
Pre-conference advanced Hispanic research course

(Instructor: Dr. George Ryskamp; B-1 Floor)

Saturday, October 14

9:30am
Registration – Family History Library Lobby

10:00am-3:00pm
Classes and Workshops

Topics will include:

- How to begin family history
- Hands-on computer workshops
- Research helps Spanish resources on the Internet
- Latin American resources
- Finding records in Spain and Latin America

Contact Information:
Carlos Alvarez (801) 240-6084

Ruth Gomez Schirmacher (801) 240-1530

Afro-American Historical & Genealogical Society (AAHGS) National Conference

Dates: October 23-29, 2006

Location: Salt Lake City, Utah at the Marriott Downtown Hotel

“The Legacy of our Roots: A Heritage for the Future”

Featured Speakers: Dr. Spencer Crew, Dr. Howard Dodson, and Dr. Quintard Taylor, Jr.

Join us for this unique opportunity to experience the valuable research facilities at the world-renowned LDS Family History Library, the beauty of the Rocky Mountains, and the hospitality of an Olympic city. There will be pre-conference tours, genealogy workshops for various levels of researchers, a special Sunday morning reservation to hear the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and then attend services and a fellowship lunch at Calvary Baptist Church. This will be an exciting week full of history, education, research, incredible speakers, good food and fabulous networking.

Detailed schedule, information and registration forms at: www.aahgs.org

Thinking Ahead Symposium

The Salt Lake City Public Library and Weber County Public Library hosted the second Thinking Ahead Symposium on September 7-9, 2006, at the City Library's Main Library. Approximately 120 librarians, political figures, community leaders and business leaders, representing 17 states and 1 Canadian province, attended this year's symposium.

The Thinking Ahead Symposium is intended to bring together library stakeholders from across disciplines to discuss issues and ideas that will affect the future of America's libraries. Although renowned experts in diverse fields speak to the group as a whole, the focus of Thinking Ahead is the dialogue that takes place during the breakout sessions.

This year's conversation topics covered a wide range of library-related issues, including the affects of emerging media on the future of communities and their libraries, the burgeoning importance of the library as a civic forum, and the importance of libraries challenging their organizational "sacred cows."

American Library Association President Leslie Burger spoke to the theme of her presidential initiative, "Libraries

Transform Communities." The discussions that followed Burger's address concerned library transformation, the changing face of leadership, meaningful community interactions, and the global information economy.

Joe Firmage, Founder and CEO of ManyOne Networks, introduced the Digital Universe, a new spin on open source information collection and sharing. Participants then discussed topics such as the format war being waged with the emergence of digital collections and the possible effects federal legislation on social networking sites would have on libraries.

David Knowlton, a socio-cultural anthropologist and Associate Professor at Utah Valley State College, attended the symposium and studied the attendees as a "tribe." He noted that the sample of librarians at the Thinking Ahead Symposium were excited and mindful of the future, perhaps to an anxious fault. But Knowlton also saw that those who care about libraries work well as a group, foster meaningful partnerships, and that their ability to work together will help them overcome any issues the future may bring.

Gary Strong (University of California-Los Angeles

University Librarian), Bridget Lamont (National Commission on Libraries and Information Science), George Needham (OCLC Online Computer Library Center), and Thomas Frey (DaVinci Institute), also addressed the audience.

Bonnie Lee, Director of the Orange Beach (AL) Public Library, said attending the Thinking Ahead Symposium helped her thinking of new ways to engage her community, especially while preparing her library's five-year strategic plan. "The experience will help me open that dialogue and go out into the community to see what problems and issues the community is experiencing and to see if the library can help solve them."

Danis Kremeier, Director of the Yorba Linda (CA) Public Library, noted, "What makes this conference different from others I attend is that I came back with ideas and new ways of thinking about things... Instead of sharing a new product idea when I get back, I want to share with staff a new way of thinking about the products and services that we offer and the community that we serve."

For more information concerning the Thinking Ahead Symposium, and to read and participate in blog discussions, visit www.thinkinglibraries.org.

*Andrew R. Shaw
Salt Lake City Public*

Technologies and Tools Document Available

"Technologies & Tools for State Publications Digital Libraries" is available on the Digital Preservation Network site.

This document is a short summary of the repository and harvesting technologies used by each of the 50 states in our collective ongoing quest to provide for the permanent public access to state publications.

It is based on an environmental scan originally conducted in June 2005 when we were trying to determine what others were using. It has been updated with 2006 survey information graciously provided to the community by the surveys done by Theresa Pardo and Brian Burke of the Center for Technology in Government and Stephen Wilhoite at the Nevada State Library and Archives.

Access to this document is limited to practitioners in

a government funded institution.

You'll also find at this site the papers and presentations given at the 2006 Digital Preservation in State Government Best Practices Exchange and a growing collection of presentations, policies, standards documents, and news. The network is an outgrowth of the conference held in North Carolina, and the site is managed courtesy of the Washington State Digital Archives.

If you haven't yet joined the Digital Preservation Network community of practice, go to <http://www.digitalpreservationnetwork.org> and click on "Request Access" under the home menu. The Digital Preservation Network is dedicated to forging a community of practitioners who are focused on the issues of preserving the digital records and publications of government. This online

forum is a repository for the exchange and discussion of ideas, research, strategy and documents that can be used by other practitioners in their organization.

Membership in this community and use of these resources is open to any practitioner employed in a government funded institution that is currently researching or participating in appraisal, acquisition, preservation or access of government records or publications.

Take some time to explore what else is there, and load some documents of your own so that we work together to build this network as a useful resource.

Ray Matthews
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Upcoming Programs to Enhance Children's Services

Please take advantage of these upcoming programs we have created to enhance library service to children across our great state. We will continue to update you as more information becomes available.

Don't forget that the 2007 ULA Annual Conference will be held in Provo, May 17-19. We are busy planning for that event. If you have ideas for programs, presenters, or would like to present a program yourself, or with a group please contact CSRT Chair, Anne Nabaum anabaum@slco.lib.ut.us by Nov. 1, 2006. All proposals will be submitted for final approval by ULA. This is a great way to share ideas and meet other dedicated children's librarians from around the state. We would love to hear from you!

*Anne Nabaum
Chair, CSRT*

*Donna Cardon
Vice-Chair, CSRT*

SUMMER READING 2007 WORKSHOP

Monday, January 22, 2007
Noon – 2:00 p.m.
Whitmore Library
Auditorium

2197 Fort Union Blvd.
Salt Lake City, 84121-3139
(801) 943 4636

Children's Services Roundtable (CSRT), Young Adult Roundtable (YART), and the Utah State Library invite librarians from around the state to share their ideas for Summer Reading 2007. A panel of presenters will share ideas for programs, crafts, and activities geared to the themes; "Get a Clue @ Your Library" (children) and "You Never Know @ Your Library" (teens). Then there will be an open forum of ideas of summer reading fun for any theme. Bring your own "brown bag" lunch. Drinks and desserts will be provided.

Have some great summer reading ideas to share? Please contact Anne Nabaum, anabaum@slco.lib.ut.us to be included on the panel. Any theme, any age!

TIMPANOGOS STORYTELLING FESTIVAL MID-WINTER EVENT

Friday and Saturday,
February 9-10, 2007
BYU Conference Center

This Mid-Winter Event, co-sponsored by the Timpanogos Storytelling Festival and Brigham Young University's Theater and Media Arts Department will feature workshops in all aspects of storytelling. Nationally acclaimed storytellers Bill Harley and Bil Lepp, and

others will headline the conference.

The Children's Services Roundtable (CSRT) is sponsoring ULA/CSRT members with discounted registration fees. To take advantage of the discounts participants must be both a ULA and CSRT member. Check your membership record today to make sure that you qualify for this opportunity. Registration, exact locations and schedule will available in November. We will keep you posted!

PUPPET WORKSHOP

March 3, 2007
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Salt Lake City Library
Main/Downtown
210 East 400 South
Salt Lake City 84111

The Kennedy Center imagination Celebration and the ULA Children's Services Roundtable (CSRT) offer a puppet workshop for librarians interested in the art of puppetry. Bruce Chesse, a puppeteer from Portland, Oregon will be conducting this free workshop.

The library's underground parking facility can be accessed by turning mid-block from eastbound 400 South. Parking in this facility is free for the first half-hour, then \$.75 per half-hour after that.

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Financial Update

Listed is the balance of all transactional accounts (checking and savings, SLCCU and Wells Fargo) as of 8/31/06.

Total Balance 33,667.50

Investment Accounts-
\$60,000.

Total Balance \$93,667

Action items since June meeting:

- Account opened at Salt Lake Credit Union- Money Market and CD's to match cash flow. Should produce \$75.00 or so in additional income per month.
- DaVinci Suites transferred to Post Office box –savings of \$50 per month.

- Effective 8/1/06 accounting moved to Microsoft Money to better track income and expenses. This will help in accounting for specific expenditures.

A spreadsheet was created showing balances at year-end for 2004, 2005, and 2006 (as of 8/31/06).

Expenses are not high during the last three months, so it appears that our fund will grow between \$5,000 and \$6,000 from yearend last year (profit).

An attempt was made to analyze expenses, but recordkeeping was not detailed enough. Most expenses were put on a

credit card, but our only record was what the bill amount, not the transactions. Since May 1st, virtually all expenses were related to the Annual convention.

In tracking with prior years, it appears we are on track to have a profit (contribution to surplus) of between \$6,000 and \$7,000 this year.

*Steve Pfeiffer
Executive Treasurer*

About Utah Library Association...

The mission of the Utah Library Association is to serve the professional development and educational needs of its members and to provide leadership and direction in developing and improving library and information services in the state. In order to accomplish these goals, ULA supports and

provides continuing education programs for Utah librarians and library employees, especially at its annual spring conference. The Association also initiates and supports legislation promoting library development and monitors legislation that might threaten Utah libraries and librarians. ULA also offers

members a number of opportunities for library leadership, professional growth, networking, and community service. We hope you find the Utah Library Association to be an organization that makes a difference for you, for Utah librarians, for Utah Libraries, and for the citizens of Utah.