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Announcements

IMLS Western Regional Fellowship: Transforming Life After 50

The Arizona State Library is pleased to support *Transforming Life After 50*, a continuing education opportunity. This year-long Fellowship (July 1, 2010- June 30, 2011) will introduce public library professionals to a new framework for serving and engaging adults ages 50+ that promotes productive aging and establishes libraries as centers of lifelong learning and civic engagement. A limited number of Fellowship slots are available to applicants from public libraries in Arizona and other Western Council states. For more information about this Fellowship and a link to the online application, go to:

<http://www.transforminglifeafter50.org/innovators/imls-fellowship>. Deadline: Online application must be submitted AND a signed Library Commitment letter MUST BE mailed with a postmark by May 3, 2010. Selection of Fellows will be announced June 1, 2010. If you have additional questions, please contact either: Suzanne Flint, CA State Library [sflint@library.ca.gov; 916-651-9796], Stephen Ristau, Fellowship Coordinator [stephenristau@gmail.com; 503- 281-4305], or Mary Villegas, AZ Library Development Division [mvillegas@lib.az.us; 602-926-3600]

USDA Rural Development Announces ARRA Funding Priority for Arizona's Rural Libraries

The Obama Administration has directed USDA Rural Development to target \$100 million in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds to rural American libraries. Loans and grants are available to communities of 20,000 or less. This program ends September 10, 2010. For more information call the Arizona Rural Development Office at (602) 280-8745 or go to <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rHS/cf/cp.htm>

Online Summer Reading

If you will be using Evanced's *Summer Reader* software for online reading programs this summer, here are your suggested tasks for April: Set up your program(s) in *Summer Reader* including graphics, colors, and widgets. Remember, *Summer Reader* allows you to easily create an RSS feed of book reviews that can be placed on your library website or blog. If you need a refresher on Basic Configuration and Setup, register online at <http://host.evanced.info/lib/eventcalendar.asp> for a webinar on Monday, April 5, at 11 a.m. Begin advertising to the community about Summer Reading 2010.

If you have not used Summer Reader previously, you may register to get started at www.evancedsolutions.com/azsrform.asp. The software is provided free of charge to public libraries by the Arizona State Library. For more information, contact Holly Henley (hhenley@lib.az.us).

ONEBOOKAZ

Jana Bommersbach and Susan Lowell, the 2010 ONEBOOKAZ authors, have begun their tours around the state. "Reading the Best: Arizona Celebrates Books and Writers," the ONEBOOKAZ Signature Event and the Letters About Literature Awards Ceremony, will occur on April 24 at 1:30 pm at the Carnegie Center. More information is available at <http://www.onebookaz.org/kickoff>.

First Things First External Evaluation

This five-year study being conducted by U of A, ASU, and NAU is examining how improvements in access to and quality of educational and health services impact the development of Arizona's young children. They are recruiting English- and Spanish-speaking families to participate in their research for compensation. Libraries and families can call 1-88-704-8774 or visit http://coe.arizona.edu/academics/centers_institutes/first_things_first for more information.

Online EBSCO Training Continues

EBSCO is providing online training just for Arizona libraries. Each month, two webinars will focus on various EBSCO databases and support resources. This month the sessions will cover resources for Public Libraries and Teachers. Please visit our [Event Registration website](#) for registration links and the attached Continuing Education Summary highlighting the training sessions.

FREE EBSCO Promotional Items

Libraries can order various promotional materials from EBSCO, **FREE** of charge! Items include: posters, magnets, flyers, stickers and buttons. Simply go to this EBSCO link and complete the online form: <http://support.ebsco.com/contact/materials.php>. Now is the perfect time to promote your databases for students doing their research papers.

Let's Talk About It: Picturing America

This program seeks to inspire scholar-led reading and discussion programs that explore themes in the Picturing America collection through classic and contemporary literature. The "Let's Talk About It" program model was pioneered nationally by ALA in 1982, and has since been adopted and adapted by hundreds of libraries.

Reading and discussion programs have been developed for each of the following themes:

- [Places in the Heart](#), which highlights human experience shaped by place;
- [Land of Opportunity](#), which explores American journeys in literature;
- [Making Tracks](#), which focuses on railroads in America;
- [The Work of Freedom: Individual and Communal](#), which explores African American history through literature; and
- [Object of Art](#), which examines image in American Indian literature.

To apply for funding to support book purchases, scholar honoraria, and more, consider contacting your [state humanities council](#) or submitting an application for a [Picturing America Programming Grant](#) by April 26, 2010.

Continuing Education Events

Register at www.lib.az.us/eventreg for the following continuing education opportunities or click on the workshop description. Unless indicated, registration for the following is FREE.

Continuing Education Scholarships can help defray the costs of workshop and conference attendance. [Click here to learn more about the scholarships.](#)

April

[My Best Friend is a Librarian: Children's Book Recommendations From A Southwest Native American Author](#)

8th: 1:30-2:30 p.m., Carnegie Center, Phoenix, AZ

[Tell The Teens: Teen Reader's Advisory Program](#)

14th: 1-4 p.m., Burton Barr Central Library, Phoenix, AZ

[Managing Volunteers: Tricks of the Trade](#)

20th: 9-12 p.m., Pinal County Library District

[Big Picture Presentation: Southwest Human Development-A Relationship Centric Organization](#)

21st: 10-11:30 a.m., Carnegie Center, Phoenix, AZ

[8th Gathering of Tribal Libraries: Planning for the Future](#)

30th: 8:30-4 p.m., San Xavier Learning Center, Tucson, AZ

May

[Back to the Beach: A Reader's Advisory Workshop](#)

18th: 1-4 p.m., Burton Barr Central Library, Phoenix, AZ

Free Online Training from Around the Country

Check out these calendars of free online educational opportunities:

[BCR's Free Friday Forums \(F³\)](#)

[College of DuPage Teleconferences](#)

[Online Programming for All Libraries \(OPAL\)](#)

[SirsiDynix Institute](#)

[WebJunction's Calendar of Events](#)

April

6th - [Tales From the Tech Sandbox](#)

11-12 p.m., TechSoup

8th - [Libraries Go Boom! Library Services to Older Adults and Baby Boomers](#)

11-12 p.m., WebJunction

9th - [Technology Trends in Libraries: Tools, Skills, Staffing, Training](#)

10-11:30 a.m., College of DuPage

16th - [EBSCO Database Business Resources](#)

9-10 a.m., EBSCO

16th - [EBSCO Database Literary Resources](#)

12-1 p.m., EBSCO

13th - [The State of America's Libraries](#)

10-11:30 a.m., SirsiDynix

22nd-[Gadgets: Personal Electronics For Your Library](#)
11-12 p.m., WebJunction

29th-[Let's Get Graphic: Kids' Comics in Classrooms and Libraries](#)
11-12 p.m., Booklist

May

14th- [Hot Tools for Tough Times-Drive by Series Pt. 1: Helping Your Patrons Help Themselves](#)
10-11 a.m., BCR

13th-[EBSCO Database Health Resources](#)
9-10 a.m., EBSCO

13th-[EBSCO Database Elementary School Resources](#)
12-1 p.m., EBSCO

July

20th – [Let's Get Social: Social Bookmarking](#)
10:30 a.m.-12 p.m., OPAL

Conferences/Workshops/Other Events

[Library Legislative Day](#)

April 21, 2010
Senate lawn at the Arizona Capitol

[AzLA Regional Forum](#)

April 23, 2010
Yuma, AZ

[Kingman Area Books Are Magic Festival](#)

May 13-15, 2010
Kingman, AZ

[The LiSLaS Conference: *Entre bibliotecas y comunidades*](#)

June 4, 2010
Tucson, AZ

[2010 ALA Annual Conference](#)

June 24–29, 2010, Washington, DC

[Association for Rural Libraries Conference](#)

October 14-16, 2010
Denver, CO

LDD Project Updates

[Arizona Memory Project](#)

[Tucson High School Memories: 1906-1939](#)

The Tucsonian annuals, 1906-1939, are important to Tucson's history because THS was the city's only high school for 50 years (1906-1956). The vast majority of schools in the Tucson Unified School District are named for Tucson High faculty and graduates from this era. The yearbooks provide insight into the community's cultural heritage.

Got a collection you'd like to see on the Internet?

Contact Richard Prouty at: rprouty@lib.az.us or
telephone: 602-926-3367. <http://azmemory.lib.az.us/>

Update Your Library Directory Information

Directors, branch managers and authorized users can now update their library directory information online. Login at <http://www.lib.az.us/alts/Login.aspx>. For assistance contact Carol Tapia at ctapia@lib.az.us, 602-926-3466 or Laura Stone at lstone@lib.az.us, 602-926-3469.

ALIVE-Arizona Library Institute Virtual Extension

The Arizona Library Institute Virtual Extension (ALIVE) offers an exciting opportunity for library education, camaraderie and professional growth. ALIVE is designed with one main goal in mind: To help library professionals excel in their jobs. The self paced, online program begins January 2010 and ends May 2010. To register, go to <http://az.webjunction.org> and select the "AZ Roundup" tab. For more information, contact Janet "Jaime" Ball, jmball@frontiernet.net or (928) 251-4596.