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**County Librarians Meeting
State Library Branch Updates
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Library Services – Holly Henley, State Librarian & Director of Library Services (hhenley@azlibrary.gov)

Braille & Talking Book Library – Janet Fisher, Administrator (jfisher@azlibrary.gov)

- The Arizona Talking Book Library participated in the annual Vision Rehabilitation & Assistive Technology Expo (VRATE). Staff participated in the library's booth and had the opportunity to meet many of our library users, as well as potential users and their families and service providers. It also gave staff a chance to look at the other exhibitors and see other products and services available to our users.



VRATE 2016

"Ordinary People Doing Extraordinary Things"

- The Arizona Friends of Talking Books held their biennial Whine and Cheese Silent Auction Fundraiser on September 30. This event was held at the University Club in Phoenix. The money raised at this event helps to support the library's recording program and volunteer programs.
- The library leads a book discussion group in person and also supports another discussion group for the blind and visually impaired. Starting in November, the library is beginning a project to hold a book discussion group by telephone. This group activity will allow us to involve our registered library users from any part of Arizona, without concern for transportation issues and the ability to own any technology other than a telephone.

Digital Arizona Library - Laura Stone, Administrator (lstone@azlibrary.gov)

- What we are: The DAZL Team includes the Arizona Memory Project, Arizona Digital Newspaper Program and the newspaper collection, Reading Arizona, Arizona Collection, map collection and genealogy. Our diverse team is focused on making Arizona material accessible both online and to patrons who visit the Polly Rosenbaum History and Archives building.
- Lots of Shelves: DAZL now has a single location for all of its physical materials (Arizona Collection, newspapers and library maps), and recently had shelving installed. All of the materials will be located in closed stacks in a ground-floor pod in the Rosenbaum building. We're currently in the process of moving all the materials into the pod.
- New Staff Member Joins Team: Amelia Raines joined our staff as a Library Associate at the end of October. Amelia is a recent MLS grad of the University of Michigan School of Information and has experience at Tempe Public Library and the University of Michigan Language Resource Center.

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- Arizona Memory Project and CONTENTdm: We have identified Hydra-in-a-Box, which is being developed with the support of IMLS, as a platform for the Arizona Memory Project and Arizona Digital Newspaper Program. As this product is still under development, we'll be migrating to a cloud-based version of CONTENTdm for the interim. We've also begun a review and cleanup of metadata in AMP.
- National Digital Newspaper Project Grant: Arizona is eligible for a fourth ADNP grant to digitize Arizona newspapers. For the grant, we'll be partnering with the University of Arizona, and plan to focus on foreign-language newspapers and those newspapers serving language-based, ethnic, tribal and other special communities.
- Statewide Ebook App and Marketplace: We are continuing discussions with New York Public Library to participate in the SimplyE and LEAP projects. SimplyE is an ebook reading app that is being developed to allow library patrons to access ebooks from multiple vendors in a single location. LEAP is a market place to help libraries directly purchase content from publishers. We've begun discussions with a vendor who could help us implement an Arizona model.
- Marketing DAZL: We have new marketing materials that bring together all of the online DAZL content into one campaign. Brochures and stickers are available for public libraries. We've also launched a DAZL Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/digitalazlibrary>.
- Supporting National History Day: The DAZL team is working with the Arizona Historical Society on National History Day, a statewide competition for students in middle and high school to research and present projects on historical topics. Staff recently made presentations to teachers in Tucson, Tempe and Flagstaff. Regional competitions take place in Kingman, Flagstaff, Tucson, Phoenix area, and Yuma in February and March, with finals at ASU in April. DAZL staff has put together research materials that students can use virtually, and will be assisting with presentations statewide. For more information, see <http://www.nhdaz.org/>.
- Author Series: DAZL and the Archives staff will be hosting an author series from January-June in the Rosenbaum building. Each month, a different author will talk about the research process behind their work.

Library Development – Jaime Ball, Administrator (jball@azlibrary.gov)

- The new LSTA grant guidelines are available online at www.azlibrary.gov/libdev/funding. A print version has been provided in your packet.
- New this year: Two special grants in the Collections and Community categories. These grants have a simpler application and review process than the general competitive subgrants. Links to the applications are on www.azlibrary.gov/libdev/funding
 - A collections and programming grant has been created to help libraries improve resources for targeted audiences. Successful applicants will enhance collections and provide programming and promotion to ensure that target audiences interact with the new resources. Each award is \$5,000.
 - AZ Community READS mini-grants will enable libraries to hold their own Community READS programs. Successful applicants can select titles from *Southwest Books of the*

Year or other sources, as long as the titles relate to Arizona. In addition to purchasing books, the funds should also be used to celebrate reading in other ways. Examples include paying discussion facilitators or guest speakers, or holding events related to the selected titles. Each award is \$2,000.

- After much reflection, discussion and feedback from the library community, instead of ONEBOOKAZ the State Library will offer new opportunities for engagement around literature such as AZ Community READS (mentioned above). We are also planning partnerships with Arizona bookstores and distributors to bring more authors into libraries. Over the years ONEBOOKAZ has brought communities together to appreciate literature and discuss shared issues. We heard that book discussions and author visits are still popular, although the digital format for ONEBOOKAZ was less successful. Please continue to let us know how we can help support your communities so that LSTA dollars can be applied to the greatest possible effect.
- Please request your 2017 State Grants-in-Aid general award funds before December 31, 2016 if possible.
- Are you staying for the rest of the AzLA Conference? Join us on Friday at 9:30 for a lively discussion about the future of libraries. Ideas shared will help inform Arizona's 2018 - 2022 Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) plan.

Dale Savage, Continuing Education Consultant (dsavage@azlibrary.gov)

- Applications for the **2017 Library Institute** from June 5-9 in Flagstaff are being accepted now until **December 31st**. Returning participants only need to fill out the top portion of the application and put, "See 2016 application," for the long answer questions. Download the 2017 application at <http://www.azlibrary.gov/libdev/continuing-education/arizona-state-library-summer-library-institute>. Please spread the word to library staff in your county.

Donna Throckmorton, Library Services Consultant (dthrockmorton@azlibrary.gov)

- **Arizona Summer Reading Program**
 - 21% increase in minutes read
 - 2016 - 133,943 read for 70,321,273 minutes = Average 525 minutes per participant
 - 2015 - 130,548 read for 58,208,565 minutes = Average 446 minutes per participant
 - Biggest growth was in adult participation and library event/program attendance.
Way to go!
- **Building a New Generation of Readers – Improving Early Childhood Programming with Peer Coaching**

Do you have someone on staff who is a natural youth services peer coach? Perhaps you need to develop an in-house leader to help guide and improve your early literacy services. Recommend them to become a mentor after receiving the training *Improving Early Childhood Programming with Peer Coaching* with Elaine Czarnecki to be held November 14 in Phoenix.

 - Learn mentoring strategies to deliver positive feedback to co-workers and peers
 - Create early literacy individual development plans

- Construct needs assessments, goals and learning statements
- Build effective mentoring relationships
- Develop interpersonal communication and leadership skills

Elaine Czarnecki is a certified reading specialist and literacy consultant. She is the co-author of two books published by the American Library Association. Born in New Orleans, Louisiana, she has over twenty-five years' experience in education. Elaine enjoys focusing on early literacy projects and public library initiatives. Elaine is currently working with Harford County (MD) Public Library to assess the use of their new tech makerspace. She has worked for the last few years with Pennsylvania State Library to implement Cruise into Kindergarten, a statewide early childhood programming and outreach initiative with training and assessment components. If you would like to recommend someone to attend this training, contact Donna Throckmorton.

- **Civic Engagement – FRANK Talks with Arizona Humanities**

FRANK Talks are face-to-face conversations on ideas that matter. Attendees discuss issues of local and national importance in local libraries at a single-session 75-minute program, led by a humanities scholar/expert on the topic. FRANK Talks engage participants with important issues and provide the opportunity to put them in context, weigh facts, and consider different points of view. The goal of FRANK Talks is to inspire people to practice the skills of citizenship – to listen respectfully and engage thoughtfully with one another on important issues that affect our communities. Topics can include: education, immigration, religion, civil rights, and more. New topics are updated each program period. Libraries can book 1 FRANK Talk per cycle. Cycles are:

- October 1, 2016 – March 31, 2017.
- April 1, 2017 – September 30, 2017.

To learn more about requesting a scholar to facilitate a FRANK Talk at your library go to: <http://www.azhumanities.org/programs/frank-talks/> or contact Donna Throckmorton (602-926-6257) or Ellie Hutchison (602-257-0335 x26 or ehutchison@azhumanities.org).

Mary Villegas, Tribal and Eresources Consultant (mvillegas@azlibrary.gov)

- **Electronic Resources**

Annual Database Statistics: Annual database usage statistics for the statewide databases will be gathered for each library for purposes of the annual public library statistics. Libraries will need to provide usage statistics for individual database products they purchase separately.

- **Tribal Libraries**

Books for Tribal Libraries Program: Tribal libraries that complete their annual statistics are eligible to order books from accounts set up with Baker & Taylor. The following tribal libraries were eligible: Gila County-San Carlos Library; Maricopa County-Salt River Library, San Lucy Library; Mohave County-Kaibab Paiute Library; Navajo County-Hopi Library,

McNary Library, Cibecue Library, Whiteriver Library; Pima County-San Xavier Library, Dr. Fernando Escalante Library, Venito Garcia Library; Pinal County-Ak-Chin Library.

Chris Guerra, Project Specialist (cguerra@azlibrary.gov)

- The Arizona Public Library Statistics for 2014-2015 are available online through azlibrary.gov. Just search for “statistics” on the State Library homepage and a link to the report should be the first result.
- Is your library looking for a professional document or report using data from the Annual Public Library Survey? If so, simply email your request to Chris. See the pocket for an example of what can be produced.

State Library of Arizona – Mala Muralidharan, Administrator (mala@azlibrary.gov)

- **State Library of Arizona Goes Digital**

The State Library of Arizona is consolidating its print law journal collection to a core collection of materials relevant to Arizona and has made withdrawn volumes available to the public. Item withdrawn were the non-Arizona related law journals that are currently available online as well as its collection of Canadian and Mexican law materials.

The library offered the materials removed from its collection to the public free of charge. The books were displayed in the Con Cronin Commons and the exhibit area across the hallway, just outside of



the library, from October 17-28. The books available covered a wide range of topics, including Criminal Law, Civil Litigation, Civil Rights, and numerous other topics.

The print law journals withdrawn are still available to State Library patrons digitally through the library's Hein Online subscription (all public libraries have access through their County Libraries), or through other online resources.

The removal of these books marks a transformation of the library collection, which is focusing on digital resources to better meet the needs of the legal community. Currently, the library subscribes to Hein Online, Westlaw, ProQuest Congressional, and other online databases. The State Library of Arizona has also recently completed a large-scale digitization project of the Journals of the Arizona House and Senate and the Arizona Session Laws. These unique

Arizona materials are freely available through the Arizona Memory Project at <http://azmemory.azlibrary.gov>.

- **Administrative Histories**

State Library of Arizona Virtual Reference Desk

Find what you need when you need it.



Administrative Histories briefly chronicle the administrative histories and changes within agencies, boards and commissions of the Arizona State Government. The completed histories are online at <https://statelibraryofarizona.wordpress.com/state-agency-administrative-histories/>

Each administrative history includes:

- The legal authority
- Function
- History
- Sources where this information was located

This is a work in progress, so not every agency, board and commission is listed at this time. Entries are being added as they are completed.