

2008 - 2009 Staff Service and Awards

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Berkeland, John

- Braille and Talking Book Librarian John Berkeland provided a summer reading program for juvenile and young adult Talking Book patrons. The 61 participants read 495 books. He used the statewide themes of “Get a Clue @ Your Library” and “You Never Know @ Your Library.”

Blixt, Susan

- Participated in a **Germany Parliamentary Library Study Tour**. The group included Legislative Research Librarians from across the U.S. and who are members of the NCSL Legislative Research Librarians group (travel costs covered by Blixt), October 2007.

Clark, Joan

- **AZ Links**, Steering Committee Member
Arizona’s Aging and Disability Resource Center initiative is in the third year of a three year federal grant to develop a one-stop statewide clearinghouse
- **Gateway Early College High School, Phoenix**, Advisory Council Member
Accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, GateWay offers students an opportunity to earn a high school diploma and an Associate’s Degree, at no cost, within five or fewer years of starting high school.

Gilbert, Rose

- **Mesa Community College**, Library Technician Program, spoke to the Serial Management class at Mesa Community College, November 2007, 2008.

Griffin, Cathy

- **House Majority Library**, coordinated move of materials in order to make way for creation of office space in that area.

Henley, Holly

- **Arizona State Parent Information Resource Center (PIRC)**,
Board Member
Arizona State PIRC is a technical assistance center helping schools, families and community agencies implement successful parental involvement programs and policies that lead to improvements in student academic achievement. Working in partnership with a network of state, regional and local partners, Arizona State PIRC assists parents, teachers, principals, administrators and other school personnel in meeting the educational needs of children in the state. The Arizona State Library provides early literacy information to parents and caregivers.

- **ArtSpace**, Steering Committee Member
An afterschool ‘learning through the arts’ initiative, ArtSpace is a partnership between the Arizona Department of Education, the Phoenix Office of Arts & Culture, ASU Herberger College of the Arts, and the Arizona State Library. The State Library connects teachers and students in the afterschool programs to local library resources.
- **Collaborative Summer Library Program**, Budget and Adult Reading Program Committees Member
The Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) is a consortium of 46 states, including Arizona, that work together to provide summer reading program materials for children, teens, and adults for use by public libraries.
- Served as co-chair for the **2007 Arizona Library Association Conference**

Hoff, Julie

- Western Association of Map Librarians. Hoff serves WAML in the following capacities:
Appointed Position: Business Manager 2002 -
Publications Advisory Committee (PAC), Ex Officio: 2002 -
Web Site Committee 2005 -

Kolbe, Jane

- Received the 2007 Arizona Library Leadership Award
- Served on a panel at the **National Training for LSTA coordinators**. Her presentation was on the unique nature of the Centennial program in the LSTA 5-Year Plan.

Lazan-Young, Betsy

- Employment Chair, Special Libraries Association , Arizona chapter, 2007
- Certificate of Training, Patent and Trademark Depository Library Program, April, 2008

Maxwell, Lisa

- Served as a member of the **Arizona Criminal Justice Commission’s Law Enforcement Records Retention Task Force** with representatives from police departments, sheriffs’ departments, Department of Public Safety, courts and attorneys’ offices from around the state.

McLain, Brenda

- Serves as Chair of the 2009 **Museum Association of Arizona** sessions committee

Muralidharan Malavika,

- ASLAPR representative on the **Governor’s E-rate Task Force**. The Task force is working towards maximizing E-rate reimbursements for Arizona Schools and Libraries

- Member of the **ALA's National E-rate Task Force**. This task force looks at the E-rate Policies for Libraries and interfaces with FCC with respect to rule modifications.
- Member of the **Maintain IT National Steering Committee**. This committee was tasked with bringing out appropriate and relevant tool-kits to help small, rural, medium sized, large, multi-system libraries manage their Public Access Computers.
- Member of **National Tech Atlas** working committee to help improve Tech atlas as a Technology Planning tool
- Member of **Webjunction Transition Team** to help move to the new WebJunction Platform
- Participated on a panel at the national Gates funded **E-Rate Conference on Best Practices**

Pearce-Moses, Richard

- **Society of American Archivists, Intellectual Property Working Group**. Assisted in developing a best practices document for researching copyright of orphaned works.

Sepulveda, Efrem

- **Masters of Library Science**. Earned, December 2007. San Jose State University

Shappee, Judy

- **Masters of Library Science**. Earned, December 2008. University of Arizona

Stone, Laura

- **Masters in Library Science**. Earned, University of Arizona SIRLS program

Sturgeon, Melanie

- Director, History and Archives Division, served as the **President of the Conference of Intermountain Archivists (CIMA)** this past year.
- Elected to a three year term on the **Board of the Council of State Archivists (CoSA)**, a national organization comprising the individuals who serve as directors of the principal government archives in each state and territory of the union.
- Chaired and participated on a panel of state archivists from Utah, Wyoming, Colorado and Arizona at the joint conference of the **Society of Rocky Mountain Archivists and the Conference of Intermountain Archivists**.

Villegas, Mary

- Serves on the **Native American Advisory Committee**, Maricopa Community College District
- Serves as an Advisory Board Member for the **Pascua Yaqui Community**.
- Served as a grant reviewer for IMLS Native American Enhancement Grants

AWARDS

Three Agency Employees received the Employee Recognition Award for 2007:

Cathy Griffin
Kelly Snyder
Sarah Weber

Each recipient was recognized for:

- Pursuing excellence in assigned duties by demonstrating a high degree of competence
- Maintaining good interpersonal relationships
- Seeking and/or developing innovative methods or procedures for improving performance on assigned tasks
- Demonstrating willingness for self-improvement

The Library of Congress, under their Virtual Programs & Services Resource Guide, cited Library and Archives' Arizona Memory Project as "providing unprecedented access to materials that document local and regional growth and development as well as a look at the cultures and traditions that have made individual states and communities unique." The Guide lists similar resources for all other states, although several states combine their efforts and resources to achieve similar results.

The National Endowment for the Humanities awarded the state a \$400,000 grant to digitally catalog historic state newspapers and make them available online on the Arizona Memory Project, and nationally, on the Library of Congress National Digital Newspaper Project website. More than 100 titles and 100,000 pages will be digitized. Titled *Arizona Newspapers: 1880-1912*, Arizona is one of six states to receive such a grant in 2008.

Under the Best Library category, **The Arizona Capitol Times** named the State Library second place and the Carnegie Library third place in their annual Best of the Capitol 2008 edition.