



Pima County Public Library Advisory Board

DATE: February 11, 2009

TO: Library Advisory Board, Pima County Public Library

FROM: Nancy Ledeboer, Library Director

SUBJECT: DIRECTOR'S REPORT, January 2009

The Sahuarita Branch Library grand opening on January 16th was a great success. Branch Manager **Amber Mathewson** worked with staff from Green Valley to prepare for this long awaited opening. Supervisors **Valadez, Carroll** and Chairman **Elias** attended the ceremony along with Mayor **Skelton** and several Town Council members. The community expressed its excitement about the Express library service.

On January 14th Deputy Director **Pat Corella** and I attended a study session of the Oro Valley Town Council to provide information about the Library District. The Town has appointed a Task Force to look at the pros and cons of various options regarding the future of the Town Library. Branch Manager **Sharla Darby** and I have been appointed to the Task Force. The first meeting is scheduled for Monday February 9th. The Task Force is charged with bringing back information on options including the Town continuing to operate the Library, the Town joining the Library District or the Town not having a library.

At mid point in the fiscal year we have nearly completed the installation of PCPL signage at all facilities. The Wilmot conversion to one desk is complete. Facilities is completing plans for the conversion to one desk at Nanini and Main Library first floor. Additional projects that are scheduled for completion this year include the South Tucson teen area and the computer information commons on the third floor at the Main Library. Monthly meetings with Facilities Director **Reid Spaulding** and Project Manager **Tom Gordon** have been very effective in planning for these and future building activities. We will be working with Gary Campbell and facilities planners to develop a building program detail for a model library that should put future library buildings on a fast track once funding is available. Our goal is to identify essential features and establish standards to ensure functional and sustainable future library buildings.

Facilities staff arranged for staff to tour a potential site for the temporary location of the Wilmot Library while the current building is renovated. The site is within a one mile radius, to the south of the current building on Wilmot. Formerly an appliance store and then the World Care operation, the 15,000 sq. ft. building has adequate parking and more than adequate space to store the collection and operate an express library for 12-18 months. Wilmot staff was able to visit the site and provide their feedback on how this site might meet the needs of the community for the construction period.

February 11, 2009

Library Director's Report

Deputy Director **Pat Corella** and I had several meetings with Information Technology (IT) staff to assess projects for this fiscal year and to plan for budgetary impact of IT for 2009-10. Due to time constraints we determined that it was not feasible to apply for e-rate this coming year. IT has recommended that the Library system procure its own Internet service provider (ISP). This will separate library Internet use from general County Internet use. As the libraries have moved over to the County Internet network it has become clear that it requires its own dedicated ISP. The replacement of 400 out of warranty computers had been delayed until the County is able to identify a new standard replacement computer. The Library has used an "all in one" Gateway computer that has a small footprint and a single power source. This computer is no longer manufactured. With over 400 computers out of warranty it is essential to replace these before the end of the fiscal year and to get back on track with our staggered pc replacement schedule. County IT has begun moving wifi service over to the County network as agreed to in the IGA with the City of Tucson. This work should be complete by June. The Library will provide access to an online version of the County assessor's tax information. These records were formerly printed and sent to four libraries. They will now be available on all public and staff computers.

Library staff has been actively involved in planning the Tucson Festival of Books which will occur on March 14 & 15. Youth services staff has helped to line up activities and authors for the teen and youth areas. Adult services staff has been assisting with lining up the 350 authors that will speak sign and sell books at the Festival. The Festival anticipates at least 50,000 attendees. The Library will have a booth at the Festival along with the Friends and the Foundation. The Literacy for Life Coalition (LLC) will launch its community wide literacy initiative at the Festival. The Library has participated in the formation of the LLC since the Town Hall which identified literacy as a key element to the success of the Tucson region. The LLC has a two fold mission. First to shift the definition of literacy to encompass everyone who is learning a new skill whether it be technology, computers, financial, health or another area where the individual is not totally literate. By doing so, the person who may be functionally illiterate is no longer stigmatized and the entire community becomes engaged in raising literacy levels. The second goal is to raise the bar for lower levels of literacy to improve workforce performance for the community as a whole.

As part of this larger literacy effort the Library continues to work with the Health Literacy Task Force. Nationally known expert in health literacy, **Andrew Pleasant**, presented a talk at the College of Public Health and he visited with the Task Force to share ideas on how to grow stronger. He stressed the need for working with the Adult Literacy providers and bringing both the community and health providers to the table. Following this meeting library staff met with the Health Department to go over strategic goals for both departments. Two areas that both the Health Department and the Library are focused on serving is the early childhood, emergent literacy and health information needs of the immigrant/refugee population.

Deputy Director **Pat Corella**, Librarian **Susan Husband** and I joined supporters from across the state for the building dedication of the Polly Rosenbaum archives building. This state of the art building houses all the archival records for the state Legislature as well as many current records as required by law. It has the capability of assisting counties with disaster recovery if records are damaged from any number of sources. Unfortunately the State Library is dealing with budget cuts which will require the furlough of all library employees to 50% until the end of this fiscal year. Further cuts may require closure of several State Library services and buildings.

Agenda Item 6C



DATE: February 3, 2009

TO: Library Board, Pima County Public Library
Board of Directors, Friends of the Pima County Public Library
Board of Directors, Friends of the Pima-Green Valley Library
Board of Directors, Friends of the Kirk-Bear Canyon Library
Board of Directors, Friends of the Arivaca Library
Board of Directors, Friends of the Oro Valley Library
Pima County Public Library Foundation Board

FROM: Melody Ballard
Deputy Library Director

SUBJECT: Public Service Report for January 2009

ADULT DETENTION CENTER-*Thomás García*

Children, Teens & Families:

The Library provided reading material in the lobby of the Adult Detention Center for the family and friends visiting inmates from child through adult age levels. These materials are maintained on a weekly basis and prove very popular and appreciated. Library tutors provided 17 sessions of homework help, serving 104 teens housed in the Adult Detention Center.

Visibility & Image:

Books and magazines were delivered and rotated to over 30 pods in the main complex as well as the Minimum Security Facility of the Adult Detention Center. Library staff provided legal materials and supplies during a law library sessions, necessary for inmates and Pro Se inmates (inmates defending themselves) to access the courts. Limited legal materials are also provided to those inmates in administrative segregation who cannot go to the Law Library. Other provisions include photocopies and notary public services provided by a specialist working with library staff.

Community Partnerships

The volunteers of the Green Valley Library continue to process paperback books for use in the pods at the Jail. The Jail received another set of the 2008 compact paperback version of the Arizona Revised Statutes in addition to the 2 sets received last month thanks to Mary O'Neil, law librarian at the Pima County Law Library.

AJO—*Linda Lam*
No report this month

CATALINA – *Karen Greaber*
No report this month

CAVIGLIA-ARIVACA— *Mary Kasulaitis*

Children, Youth and Families

Librarian Mary Kasulaitis attended a community planning meeting of First Things First, on January 8, in the interest of developing future programs and facilities for children in the community of Arivaca.

Baby Time is in the works at Arivaca Library.

Community Collaborations & Visibility & Image –

Tallia Cahoon, who leads study tours for Pima Community College, presented a program on Ruby to an enthusiastic group at the Old School on January 20.

The Ruby Tour group from Pima Community College, led by Tallia Cahoon, visited the Arivaca Branch Library for a program by Mary Kasulaitis on the history of Arivaca, on January 24.

Wendy Dresang, President of the Friends of the Arivaca Library, was featured in an article on the front page of Santa Cruz Valley Sun, along with her husband Mark, on January 28. Wendy was Teacher of the Year at Sopori Elementary School last year.

The Arivaca Schoolhouse, where Library programs are held when the meeting room capacity is exceeded, is on its way to listing on the National Register of Historic Places. The State Historic Preservation Office recommended that it is eligible after a review of the historic property inventory form compiled by Librarian Mary Kasulaitis and submitted by Linda Mayro, Pima County Cultural Resources Manager.

Friends of the Arivaca Library will hold a book sale on January 31 during the Annual Arivaca Home Tour.

ECKSTROM-COLUMBUS— *Terry Rill*

Children, Teens & Families:

Nyssa, our Teen Librarian has convened a group of youth who are calling themselves the Columbus Advisory Council. They have already been active in helping us select summer reading and Fit for Life programs. They will meet once a month.

Visibility & Image:

We've moved our Biographies to the back wall to make them easier to find. It is always difficult to explain that the 92's reside between the 919's and 920's (thank you Mr. Dewey), so our hope is that this is a more customer friendly location. Our DVD's and CD's are also easier to locate in their new location on the shelves near the front of the building.

Community Partnerships:

Shannon, our Children's librarian, set up reading materials, distributed library information, (and ate pizza) at Read and Eat at Corbett School. The program continues on a quarterly rather than a monthly basis due to funding cuts.

An Advanced English Conversation Class presented by the Literacy Volunteers of Tucson started for the spring semester. Our sign up sheet filled up fast. We are hoping to have a Tucson Great Decisions group here at the library, but to date, there hasn't been enough interest. They have extended the sign up deadline in hopes of attracting enough participants.

The Assessor's Office Workshops, which help widows, widowers and disabled persons file for exemptions, are going full swing and drawing the usual crowds.

The Pima Council on Aging meets monthly and the OASIS: To Live Again grief support group meets weekly in our meeting room.

DUSENBERRY-RIVER—Kathleen Dannreuther

Visibility & Image:

Branch manager Kathleen Dannreuther represents the Library on the Pima County Library Foundation's ad-hoc committee, The Circle of Book Clubs. The Circle planned and held its 7th literary salon to a sold-out crowd of 57 paying guests at the stunning foothills home of Pat Engels and Dick Medlund. Poet and creative nonfiction writer Richard Shelton was the featured author.

Community Partnerships:

Children' librarian Meg Timour visited Jodi Nelson's first grade class at Whitmore Elementary to deliver new library cards and backpacks to 20 students as part of the "Learn, Read, Grow, Succeed" program. She also introduced herself via personalized notes to 30 first-grade teachers and 8 school librarians at 12 elementary schools in our service area to encourage participation in the program before the February 27th deadline.

The first of four scheduled events growing out of a partnership with the Saguaro Romance Writers took place at River Library in January to a standing-room-only crowd of 67 aspiring romance writers.

At the urging of Arizona Humanities Council scholar, Laurence Cohen, we held a one-time only book discussion program of Erich Fromm's classic work, *To Have or To Be*—a timely topic given the economic crises and the greed that fueled it.

EL PUEBLO— Aarón Valdivia

Children, Teens & Families:

Library Associate Tara Foxx-Lupo continues to do story times at the day care next door and in the library on a regular basis. We continue to promote homework help for children and teens. Aaron Valdivia, branch manager, is contacting art teachers at local service area schools to see about getting teens to submit artwork to be shown in the library.

Visibility & Image:

On 1/13/09 ELP had a class visit from one of the ESL classes at the adult learning center/PCC. There were 14 people in attendance for the bilingual tour. Aaron discussed library materials and services. We signed up 7 people with new library cards from the tour.

On 1/27/09 Aaron visited an ESL class at the adult learning center/PCC at the request of their teacher Carlos Cocio from Pima Community College. There were 28 students in the class. Aaron gave a brief Power Point presentation to explain library services and resources. He then gave a longer presentation to the class about "Tell Me More", the language learning tool provided via PCPL databases, and he stayed to assist the instructor of the class with getting the students started and familiar with accessing PCPL databases and resources from a location other than the library.

We have started bilingual computer classes at the library taught by an OASIS instructor. On 1/26/09 we had our first class and there were 8 people in attendance. We also have a SIRLS student doing 30 hours of service learning over the next few months at ELP through a class, "Equity of Access for Diverse Populations". The

student assisted with the computer class, which was taught in Spanish, and she will be observing and assisting with more computer classes and other library programs and services. We have also been asked by the El Pueblo seniors' center to offer classes at their location next door, which we will be doing in February.

Community Partnerships:

A representative from Make Way for Books was present during the ESL class tour on 1/13/09. She explained the Make Way for Books relationship with PCPL and discussed some of the events and services the two organizations partner together on (Story Town, early family literacy, etc.) After the library tour the representative talked about early literacy and the importance of reading to children while they are young. Hand outs, small give away items, and PCPL storytime bookmarks were given out to the students.

EL RIO— Wanda Pointdexter

No Report this month

FLOWING WELLS – Yolanda Sainz

Children, Teens & Families:

On January 2, the qualifying round for the all city Rock Band tournament was held. Four bands participated. The winners went on to the all city tournament at Main on Saturday the 17th and placed second!

The children's and YA librarian held a Family Movie Night on Friday, Jan. 16 starting at 5:30 after the library closed. For several weeks staff spoke with customers about the program and the day of the program we had several children stating they would be staying for the program. We used the shades by the public computers as a movie screen and provided drinks and popcorn. It was a success and we plan to repeat the program in the future.

On Sunday, Jan. 18 a new teen volunteer started. She will be offering free tutoring to children. Homework Help has been very popular at Flowing Wells and parents have asked for additional tutoring.

We have added a second Family story time on Saturdays. Now that the branch has been open for four months, customers are asking more often about storytimes.

Homer Davis Elementary School continues to be a popular visitor of the branch. On January 20, 62 kindergarten children and chaperones walked to the library for a tour which included a visit to the staff back room and their most interesting spot: the book chute.

Visibility & Image:

Librarians continue to collaborate with Homer Davis with their Read and Eat program. This month 140 family members attended giving them the opportunity to learn about the Flowing Wells Branch and services offered at the branch.

Tammy Arthur of the Northwest El Rio Medical Clinic invited us speak to families about the library. We had an opportunity to talk to families about the library and hand out information about services such as Homework Help. The ACES group that meets at the community center asked us to speak about the library. Seventy-five members were present and were very interested to learn about library computer classes and volunteer opportunities.

Community Partnerships:

The Drawing Studio held an eight week session at the Ellie Towne Flowing Well Community Center. At the end of the program, the library held a reception and displayed the art created during the program.

Looking for locations to provide teen programming on Saturdays when the community center is closed, Jennifer Horn contacted Rev. Keith Huffman of the Flowing Wells Baptist Church located across the street of the library. Rev. Huffman's son has an active teen group and was excited about collaborating on teen programs with the library. It was agreed that programs will be open to all teens in the community.

GEASA-MARANA— Nancy Lindeman

Children, Teens & Families

Tax assistance provided by VITA and focusing on EITC began at Geasa-Marana this month and will continue through the April 15th deadline.

Visibility & Image:

Space being of the essence for our music CD collection, Library Associate Lorie Griffis recently rearranged the section to provide better access and visibility. As a result, we have discovered that there is a real demand for New Age CDs which, in the past, because they were "buried" in miscellaneous, was not at all evident.

Manager Nancy Lindeman attended a luncheon with Tonja Greenfield, Editor of Marana Weekly News, to say thank you for past coverage of Geasa-Marana Library events and to discuss upcoming event coverage. She also attended the Marana Chamber of Commerce Mixer at Abbett Branch Library at the end of the month.

Community Partnerships:

Manager Nancy Lindeman met with James Butler, Summer School and Distance Learning Director for Marana Unified School District to explore summer partnership opportunities. Geasa-Marana Branch hosted a meeting with Abbett Branch Management Staff to discuss our partnering/support relationship and outline specific instances that will best lend themselves for cooperation between our branches, for example, staffing, supply ordering, program support, etc.

HIMMEL PARK BRANCH – Sarajejan Harwood

Children, Teens and Family

On January 10 we celebrated Martin Luther King with a short program for children. After the presentation about Dr. King, the children and adults made 'peace kites' with doves on them. Elva Smithwhite from Quincie Douglas Branch devised and ran the program. Everyone's kite flew beautifully as we marched up the hill, led by drummers in a peace parade. The event was followed by hot chocolate and cookies and a wonderful story. About 45 people attended. Several volunteers helped with the program.

On January 17 Himmel held its annual Chinese New Year Celebration. This is a huge neighborhood event attended by approximately 250 people who made Chinese crafts, had their names written in Chinese calligraphy and their faces painted. We all enjoyed a wonderful lion dance presented by the Chinese Cultural Center with beautiful costumes and drums. The lions even danced in the library chasing out all evil spirits.

On January 21 Elva Smithwhite again presented a program for adults on Martin Luther King for adults with a viewing of the famous 'I have a dream' speech and discussion.

On January 31 we will host the 'Amore and More' series, 'It's not your mother's romance'.

'Champ' a golden retriever joined 'Boomerang' in our Read to a Dog program.

Vision and Image and Community Partners

Sarajeon Harwood attended a meeting of the 4 neighborhood associations closest to the library, a group now known as the Himmel Park Coalition, to discuss various projects including the development of a Friends of Himmel Park Library. The group would, of course, like very much to have this library enlarged. They are also concerned with designs for the park and the old water pump tower across Tucson Blvd. They will seek a ProNeighborhoods grant for volunteer experts to help with planning one of these projects.

Congresswoman Giffords' office is working with Sarajeon Harwood to set up another 6 month series of Solar Power 101. Most of the dates are scheduled.

Beth Rubio visited 2 schools this month and spent a very rainy day at Old Tucson on Ted Walker Day.

JOYNER-GREEN VALLEY— Amber Mathewson

Children, Youth and Families –

Storytimes, Read to a Dog and Reading Partners are very popular programs for the Green Valley Library and Miss Michelle is growing quite a following in the Tuesday night family Storytimes. As the Sahuarita Library grows programming in this area may slow a bit but with the size of area communities children and youth programs continue to be a big draw for are residents.

140 Children and their families visited the Green Valley Library to decorate “ginger bread” houses in December!

Community Collaborations & Visibility & Image –

Amber Mathewson was the guest speaker for the Lutheran Women's Missionary League at Risen Savior Lutheran Church. The topic was Christian Books in the Public Library – what to read and where to find them.

Karen Greene helped to organize the second Volunteer Fair for the Green Valley/Sahuarita area held Jan 29th.

The Green Valley Library is in full swing with the annual Symphony Series and Art Preview Series as well as Humanities programming. The Route 66 program from the Humanities Council was very well received.

The Friends of the Green Valley Library held their annual meeting on January 15th. Joan Domash, Friends President, presided over the meeting. Local author Evelyn Tannehill was the guest speaker featuring her book titled, Abandoned and Forgotten. There were 95 people in attendance.

JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER – John Muñoz

No report this month

JOEL D. VALDEZ MAIN LIBRARY- Karyn Prechtel

Children, Teens & Families:

On January 17 presenters from the **Tucson Chinese Cultural Center** came to Main to help celebrate **Chinese New Year's** with a special performance of the **Lion Dance**. Ten children dressed in lion

costumes danced in the Main Lobby, around the Circulation Desk and through the children's room. Traditionally, the Lion Dance is performed to chase away the bad luck of the year before and help bring good luck for the New Year ahead. After the performance, children also learned how the Chinese zodiac came into being, made a dragon puppet, their own fortune cookie and were served fragrant Chinese tea. Over 90 people attended.

Main began a 5 week program called **Family Place Parent & Child Workshops**, on January 23. The workshops feature age-appropriate toys, crafts, books, early literacy take-home activities and lots of play. Community experts from **Make Way for Books, Public Nursing, Univ. of Arizona Nutrition Program** and **Tucson Parks & Recreation** will be on hand to discuss parenting concerns on a variety of topics. 22 parents and young children attended the first session.

The library's first **Rock Band Tournament** was held on Jan. 17 at Main Library. Eleven bands who had pre-qualified at branch events competed. The winning band, Holistic Bumblebees from the Nanini Library, gave an impressive performance, but there was some close competition. About 100 people attended, with family and friends supporting their favorite bands. The program was a great success with many teens asking "when will you do this again?" We are inspired to have another Rock Band competition in conjunction with the teen summer reading program whose theme is "Rock a Book."

Visibility & Image:

Suzie Husband participated in **City High School's** annual career day, promoting both library careers and the career information that libraries can provide.

Community Partnerships:

Ella Gomez represented Main Library at the **Family Friendly Weekend** kick-off event at the **Tucson Museum of Art** on January 25. She brought information about library programs & services and a craft activity for children. Both Mayor Walkup and Councilman Glassman, along with 250 parents and children attended in all. Reporters from the Arizona Star and KGUN news were on hand.

KIRK – BEAR CANYON LIBRARY –Margaret Wilkie

Children, Teens & Families:

On January 7th over 20 adults attended our Craft a Month program, Card Making with Mary. Attendees had a great time creating their own greeting cards and a bookmark. 25 pre-teens and teens (and a few parents) got their chance to be creative on January 24th. They had a wonderful time learning the art of tie-dying from PCPL's own Sylvia Simon. All participants took home a beautiful and unique tie-dyed t-shirt. These programs were made possible through the generosity of the Friends of the Kirk- Bear Canyon Library.

Community Partnerships:

The library worked with Therapeutic Riding of Tucson (TROT) to provide a meeting space for TROT's nation-wide workshop, "Heroes on Horses." Over 60 participants and experts attended this 3-day "how-to" and "hands-on" workshop on creating and sustaining a therapeutic riding program for injured veterans.

MARTHA COOPER BRANCH– Margaret Guerrero

Children, Teens & Families:

Martha Cooper Branch Library continues to have established and well-liked weekly programs but this month added a few more successful and popular classes.

The Senior Art Class was a big hit and there are 16 people on the waiting list. Participates were very satisfied with the class and the instructor.

The first two Online Job Search classes in January filled quickly and had waiting lists. To address the demand, four additional classes are scheduled in February and March. Both class participants as well as other members of the public have expressed strong support of this program.

Professional dancer, Teresa Aguirre, volunteered her time and experience to teach children, teens and adults Spanish Flamenco dance movements and techniques. All the students had lots of fun.

The first GED Class offered at Martha Cooper has a good following. The age range of the student is from 20's through 40's and each week more students' drop-in. As part of the class, the students use the PCPL's online Learning Express GED practice test and Skills Tutor.

We now have an informal Teen Advisory Board that meets once a month to plan upcoming activities. This month the teens helped select programs for Summer Reading and beyond and they helped design the interactive bulletin board we will be putting up for Black History month. They also requested monthly cooking lessons that include cultural and historical information. Ten young chefs learned about the history of sushi while making and tasting their very own vegetarian sushi.

Nineteen first-graders from Desert Springs Academy visited Martha Cooper on January 12. The children enjoyed the winter-themed story time that included Froggy Gets Dressed and a parachute activity. The children concluded their visit by browsing the library's collections and checking out two books.

Visibility & Image:

Children's librarian, Marissa Alcorta, was very busy attending workshops and the ALA conference. She attended the Blackbelt Librarians workshop presented by the Arizona State Library. It covered strategies on how to interact with patrons to create a safe, secure environment. Marissa also attended the Arizona Reading Program workshop given by the AZ State Library. They shared Summer Reading Program activities and programming ideas with librarians from around the state.

Community Partners:

Mary Givins represented the Library at a Refugee Well-Being Educators training session. The International Rescue Committee of Tucson is training ten bilingual refugee women from many countries to teach women from their communities in the home about community topics including libraries. Margaret Guerrero presented to the Garden District Neighborhood Association monthly meeting an interesting statistic. The library has discovered that more and more people are using the Martha Cooper Library. The gate stats, that show how many walk into the library, for December 2006, 2007 and 2008 show that from December 2007 to December 2008 it has increased by 27% and from 2006 to 2008 it has increase by 73%. We attribute this to the great programs we offer, the free computer use, the outreach to the refugee and immigrant community and to a friendly and helpful staff.

MILLER GOLF LINKS – Ruth Grant

Children, Teens & Families:

On January 17th, Pima County Natural Resources Parks & Recreation presented an animal tracks educational program to 15 captivated children and adults.

Cottonwood Enrichment Center posted beautiful children's artwork for display in the Children's area.

Honor students from Reynolds Elementary were treated with a special visit to and tour of the Miller-Golf Links Library by Managing Librarian Ruth Grant.

Miss Eileen joined Reading Partners as its latest senior adult reading to young children in the library. We now have 4 active and trained Reading Partners at Miller-Golf Links Library.

Visibility & Image &

Miller-Golf Links Library was featured on Channel 12's My City broadcast early in January. This broadcast is still available via streaming video this month via the Channel 12 website at

<http://www.tucson12.tv/programs/MyCity/index.php>. It features Managing Librarian Ruth Grant providing a tour of our beautiful library and a busy Toddler Storytime with beloved Children's Librarian Chris Novak.

Youth Services Librarian Matt Landon entered a video created by teens from That's My Take 2006 in the Martin Luther King Video Contest, presented by the Volunteer Center of Southern Arizona.

Community Partnerships:

Children's Librarian Chris Novak visited the Civano Community School and presented a storytime for the combined Kindergarten and First Grade. She has already received 21 wonderful letters from the children thanking her for the visit, and asking her to come again.

Youth Services Librarian Matt Landon met with Michael Wiles of Build-Up-Purpose and Jamie Robinson of the Volunteer Center of Southern Arizona to build partnerships for That's My Take 2009, a library-sponsored teen film project.

Librarian Beth Petrucci met with Oasis representatives Stacey Moore and George Iglesias to discuss upcoming Active Living programming for seniors. A 6-week Tai Chi class will start in April. Beth was also able to promote the Arizona Living Well classes from Pima Council on Aging to the captive audience of seniors awaiting property tax waivers from the County Assessors.

Great Decisions – In partnership with Great Decisions Discussion Program, The Miller-Golf Links Library started its Great Decisions series in January with 13 enthusiastic participants. This exciting series encourages discussion and debate on current global issues.

Managing Librarian Ruth Grant and several Neighborhood and Homeowners association members bid a fond farewell to Captain Bill Washington, the retiring captain of the TPD Advisory Committee for the Eastside TPD substation, at the quarterly TPD Advisory meeting. We welcomed the incoming captain, Captain Nunez.

Drawing Studio – In collaboration with The Drawing Studio, we started a new round of drawing sessions with active seniors. This exciting program was brought back by popular demand.

The Pima County Assessor's Office held a Property Tax Exemption Program on January 16th. Sixty-four widows, widowers, and disabled persons came to the library to meet with counselors from the Assessor's Office to file for their property tax exemptions.

MISSION – Mary McKinney

Children, Teens, & Families:

The Mystery Book Club read suspense novel *Alibi* by Joseph Kanon, and 14 members met to discuss it on January 12. Although the book stirred up much disagreement among the book club members, they were respectful and patient as they eagerly shared their views.

Visibility & Image:

Three Learn, Read, Grow, Succeed (LRGS) first grade library card campaign class visits were made at elementary schools in Mission's service area, and 60 incentives/cards were distributed.

Community Partnerships:

The OASIS-sponsored computer classes began again at Mission this month. A series of introductory classes is being held as well as regular drop-in classes. The laptop lab is being used for all classes.

PCPL's partnership with Literacy Volunteers of Tucson has allowed Mission to begin a new session of English classes on Monday and Wednesday mornings. Although there were about 30 people signed up for the class, over 40 attended the first class on January 26! Conversational classes (Cafecito) for extra practice are also occurring on Monday evenings.

The Office of the Pima County Assessor held two January sessions at Mission to allow filing for the Widows, Widowers, and Disabled persons Property Tax Exemption Program. The parking lot was full, and a line of people stretched down the sidewalk as they waited for the filing to begin. 109 people attended on January 14! More sessions will occur at Mission in February.

MURPHY WILMOT – Daphne Daly

Children, Teens & Families:

The International Wildlife Museum kicked off Science Saturdays '09 for us with their Reptile program. Kids and their families enjoyed attending a special "Winterfest" event during the first week of January. We had "ice skating" in our socks, games, treats and of course, stories!

Visibility & Image: Managing Librarian, Daphne Daly, served as one of the 5 panel members to select recipients for the YALSA Great Book Giveaway. Under funded School and Public Libraries from all over the county apply to receive new books to supplement their collections. This annual Giveaway is sponsored the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA), a division of the American Library Association.

Community Partnerships: Tax time has begun! Wilmot hosted the annual training sessions for AARP volunteers. This two-day session is when all the eastside AARP volunteers are trained on the many updates to IRS rules, policies, and procedures needed to help the public with their returns.

The U.S. Census Bureau also used our meeting room for interviews and testing, as the bureau gears up to hire census takers for the 2010 census.

We again teamed up with the University Of Arizona Museum Of Art for an art lecture, this time focusing on women artists represented in their museum. An enthusiastic crowd attended.

Finally, our gardening demonstrations, presented through our longtime partnership with Pima County Cooperative Extension, started up again for the winter and spring. These demonstrations are every Wednesday afternoon through April.

NANINI – Kristi Bradford

Children, Teens & Families:

Three cheers for the first place teen winners of the system-wide Rockband Tournament, Nanini's **Holistic Bumblebees!** YA Librarian Pam Park reports they did a buzzingly great show!

Beautiful watercolors brighten up the walls in the Nanini Children's area this month, created by Donaldson elementary 1st graders, under the guidance of art teacher Wendy Timm.

Visibility & Image:

A customer returned a library book The Last One Left by John D. McDonald this month that was checked out from Wilmot Library in 1967. It still had the original date due slip (Nov 3 1967). The customer said he was the person who took it out almost 42 years ago! We thanked him and did not charge him (although staff calculated the fines at \$3,832.50 for those 41+ years!).

Big thanks go out to Wade Zelenank who brought the Library's brand new Bookmobile to Nanini Library Friday, January 16 to show it off to our morning preschool storytime families, staff and all other Nanini customers. It was a big hit for the community and the Bookmobile!

Community Partnerships:

Library customers numbering almost 50 enjoyed a fabulous warm and sunny day while watching representatives of all ages from the Tucson Chinese Cultural Center perform The Lion Dance in the Nanini Library parking lot to celebrate Chinese New Year!

145 people were served this month in our meeting room by the Pima County Assessor's Office for their program that assists those filing for the Widows, Widowers, and Disabled persons Property Tax Exemption.

QUINCIE DOUGLAS— Elva Smithwhite

Children, Teens & Families:

We hosted two programs recognizing the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. A children's program included making and flying kites for peace, storytelling, a slide show, and related craft activities. Forty children attended. The adult program included slide show, and guided discussion. Twelve attended and participated in lively, insightful discussion.

Rockband participants practiced and competed to qualify for the big Rockband Tournament at Main.

The second semester of chess club began with thirty-five members.

The second semester for Senior Art classes began. The classes are full.

Neighborhood crafters began contributing squares for a community quilt that will be part of a quilt display at the Quincie Douglas Neighborhood Center in February. OS III, Beverly Hunter is collecting the squares that will be pieced together later this month.

Visibility & Image/ Community Partnerships:

Members of our TAB (Teen Advisory board) are acknowledged on three large billboards throughout the Southside of Tucson. Funded through Kino Weed and Seed, the billboard reads, "Kino Teens making a difference in our community". It includes photographs of the teens and invites others to join at the "Quincie Douglas Library." The TAB is a community service group as well as an advisory board that is mentored through Kino Weed and Seed, CODAC and Quincie Douglas Library.

A new Arbor employee began work here. She shows lots of promise and is being encouraged and trained. She is interested in a Clerk position with the County. (Arbor is a job readiness program sponsored through DES)

VITA Tax help began 01/27- three days each week. As expected, this is an extremely popular service.

SANTA ROSA (SRO) —Emily Mazur

No report this month

SOUTH TUCSON — Sol Gómez

Children, Teens & Families:

We worked with Wakefield Elementary, Ochoa Elementary, and Missionview Elementary Schools, creating library cards and scheduling visits from each school. A Headstart class visited storytime and will continue to on a regular basis. Sudoku is more popular than ever. Customers visiting the library on Saturday mornings get a Sudoku puzzle to complete and a cup of coffee, now served in compostable coffee cups.

Visibility & Image:

We have a new volunteer with a Master's in Adult Training and Education from Seattle University and a Graduate Certificate in Teaching English as a Second Language. Tec de Monterrey Computer Classes started again after an accumulating waiting list of about twenty patrons.

Community Partnerships:

The UA Honors College met with library staff and will start their computer class in February. The UA Honors computer class focuses on job searching online.

SOUTHWEST— - Sara Dias

Children, Teens & Families:

Our first coloring contest of the month grabbed the attention of 8 participants. There were 5 grand prize winners and 3 honorable mentions, but each child wanted to have his or her talent displayed in the library, and there was unanimous agreement that we should hold such contests daily. Parents were appreciative of the distraction and the prizes as well!

Staff agreed to offer a special program to kids of parents attending the weekly MAPPS program next door Southwest Alternative Middle School during January and February. Our first program was a scavenger hunt. Eight teams of kids participated, using the catalog to find books by certain authors and magazines with particular headlines. Future programs will include "Book and Movie Title Pictionary" on the white board and other fun activities!

Visibility & Image:

Staff received some feedback this month that proved the library's logo campaign is working: Barbara's 2-year-old granddaughter saw the logo on her staff polo shirt and exclaimed, "That's the library!"

Don, Southwest's dedicated display specialist, designed an interactive display for January in honor of Edgar Allan Poe's birthday. Customers were encouraged to find as many Poe pictures they could, hiding in various sections of the library; those who were able to discover them all earned something out of the "prize basket."

Community Partnerships

A new partnership has formed at Southwest, to include the Wellness Center, PACE and Headstart programs, Alternative Middle and High Schools, the Library and nearby Lawrence Elementary School. Our first meeting addressed concerns about safety and planning for evacuations, and explored potential ways all the partners might benefit by collaborating on programming and awareness raising.

Our neighbors on the Pascua Yaqui reservation are gearing up to open their new library next month. Oscar Hernandez, librarian for the new Yaqui facility, stopped by to introduce himself and we hope to partner with him in the future on some programming. Sara met with the coordinators for the Adult Education Center on the reservation and is working to refresh the deposit collection there.

READRUNNERS - Outreach Service- Elaine Valenzuela

Visibility & Image:

Wade Zelenak is promoting the new bookmobile service by visiting PCPL branches. His first branch visit was to Nanini. It was a huge success. People were so excited to see the new bookmobile and hear about the service it provides to residents not having easy access to a library branch. Several times he overheard comments about what a terrific use of taxpayer money is the bookmobile. Over 140 customers came on board to visit. Nanini children staff brought a group out to visit as part of their story time.

Richard Hoctor made seventeen deposit collection visits in January, delivering 649 items.

Sahuarita Express Library - Amber Mathewson & Michele White

Children, Youth and Families

Storytimes will begin in February on Thursdays with Toddler Time at 10:00 am and Preschool Storytime at 11:00 am. The library has 11 public access computers, one small meeting room and two small study rooms available to the public.

Community Collaborations & Visibility & Image

Friday January 16th, 2009 marked the grand opening celebration of the newest branch of the Pima County Public Library. The Sahuarita Express Library opened with a festive celebration including the musical styling of the Sahuarita Middle School Jazz Band and words of celebration from Town of Sahuarita Mayor Lynn Skelton, Supervisor Valadez, Supervisor Elias, Supervisor Carroll, and Library Director Nancy Ledebor. Approximately 200 hundred people attended the opening day celebration which marks the beginning of the library's presence in Sahuarita. It is hoped that when future bonds are passed that a larger facility will be available to the community. Michele White did an excellent job in getting the library ready for opening day and for connecting with community members to make the day memorable for the community.

VALENCIA - Elaine Valenzuela

Children, Teens & Families:

We treated our customers to the presidential inauguration by setting up our television set in our lobby. Everyone, especially our English students, was glued to the set during President Obama's speech.

Patti O'Brien, our new teen librarian, held a "Meet & Greet" program with area teens to introduce herself to them. A regular book club, "Teen Breakfast with Books" is now meeting on Saturday mornings

Visibility & Image:

Volunteers are continuing to work on our mural. They are restoring color to this mural that was originally painted by local muralist David Tineo and community teens in the early 1990's.

Elaine Valenzuela and Donie Gignac were invited guests to the Sunnyside School District's laptop distribution celebration at Centennial Hall. Over 500 freshmen received laptops they earned during their first semester in high school.

Community Partnerships:

A Federal Communications Commission specialist visited Valencia to inform customers about the upcoming digital television conversion program. Customers were able to sign up on a waiting list for DTV converter box coupons and saw a demo on how to hook up a DTV converter box.

The Drawing Studio is providing weekly art classes for approximately fifteen seniors at Valencia. They meet on Monday mornings.

WHEELER TAFT ABBETT, SR – Sharla Darby

Children, Teens & Families:

In cooperation with the Pima County Natural Resources Parks and Recreation Department, we have a display of award-winning artwork and poetry from the River of Words contest for grades K-12.

April visited all of the 5th and 6th graders at Quail Run Elementary and gave them a hands-on introduction to PCPL databases that they could use to help them with their schoolwork.

Gaming Night brought us an amazing gift. One of the moms came in and joined in the conversation with the teens about the new Wii Fit game. The next day she generously donated a new Wii Fit game for use at Abbett Branch Library programs.

Our Wii Bowling for Seniors began this month and is a big hit. Eleven seniors attended the first session.

Local author Elizabeth Gunn came and spoke at this month's Abbett Book Choices meeting drawing a crowd of 23 participants.

Visibility & Image:

ABC's *Supernanny* came to the library to shoot some footage for an upcoming episode. Staff proudly wore their PCPL shirts. They are all excited to tune in on the big night!

Our Rock Band Battle of the Bands event was highlighted in the Marana Weekly News along with a great photo of the group "3 Dudes and a Chick" who later came in 3rd place in our library wide event.

Sherryl gave a presentation on PCPL library services and programs at the Picture Rocks Community Center. Several Picture Rocks residents expressed that they use the new Abbett Branch Library all the time when they come into Marana to run errands. They feel very much like it is their library even if it may not be right in Picture Rocks. They are excited to partner with us on events and want us to come back for the Picture Rocks Pride Day on May 9th.

The *Wondrous* sculpture in front of the library has been drawing people in to visit. It was featured on the Tame the Web and The Travelin' Librarian blogs. Here are the links:
tametheweb.com/2008/12/01/on-encouraging-the-heart-wondrous-artwork-at-the-library/
www.travelinlibrarian.info/2009/01/wondrous.html

There was an Arizona Daily Star feature on our upcoming Volunteer Fair in collaboration with the Volunteer Center of Southern Arizona: www.azstarnet.com/allheadlines/276740

Community Partnerships

Staff is working with the Marana Unified School District to better distribute library fliers and promote library events through collaboration with their Public Relations Director. In addition, a teen survey is being developed to be distributed by the end of the month to gain feedback on teen programming.

After April's presentation last month to the Marana Unified School District preschool teachers she is busy scheduling outreach visits to promote the library and its services. Two of the teachers that attended the presentation have come in to find more teaching resources for their professional development and to use in the classroom.

This month we began a new collaboration with the Pima Council on Aging. Every other Tuesday, we have an ambassador onsite from 11am-1pm to help answer and refer questions on issues that affect seniors and their families. Two seniors dropped in during the first two sessions offered to speak with the friendly and helpful ambassador.

We hosted 2 representatives from the Federal Communications Commission for their presentation to the Marana and Picture Rocks communities on making the switch from analog TV to digital TV. Six community members attended.

Our second series of art workshops for seniors with The Drawing Studio began this month. It filled up almost immediately with 20 participants.

WOODS—Martín Rivera

Children, Teens & Families:

A puppet show, *A Kiss for Little Bear*, was part of the first storytime of 2009. It was presented by Jackie and Trevan at the Bi-lingual Storytime and the Preschool Storytime. It was well-received; it is a particularly joyful story with colorful animal characters (book by Maurice Sendak).

The art teacher at Prince Elementary School, Josephine DeGenero, provided us with bold and colorful student paintings for the children's room wall.

GED classes began on January 12. Class size has ranged from 7 to 17.

English classes began on January 21. About 15 people came to the first class.

The senior art program has been canceled at Woods. At this time staff is unsure as to the reasoning for the cancellation. However, staff @ Woods and others are offering computer, citizenship, yoga, and Wii Sports classes. Some will not begin until February, however.

Staff @ Woods offered Rock Band tournament at the branch on 10 January 2009. Jan 10th over 25 teens attended and 3 bands competed. Teens enjoyed snacks and wore their "I Rocked It @ the 1st Ever Library Rock Band Tournament" badges. Thanks to Jackie and Chris for hosting the Woods event.

20 teens had a great time decorating picture frames on Teen Thursday. The plain wooden picture frames turned into works of art with paint, puffy hearts, and sequins and buttons. Even a very reluctant older brother decided to give it a try and ended up enjoying himself and was proud of his product.

Woods Branch Library now has two dogs that are helping to improve reading skills. Both dogs are being enjoyed by staff, children, and parents.

Staff hosted a Family Read Aloud night during January. Curious George made an appearance, and there was a live version of Owl Babies in English and Spanish. Over 120 people came to participate and eat pizza!

Also during January, Jacinto Headstart came for a storytime and library tour. 18 kids had a wonderful time and left with a small bag of library goodies!

Visibility & Image:

As a member of La Pilita Museum Board, I accepted the position of vice president for the next two years. La Pilita is a small barrio museum next to El Minuto Restaurant next to the TCC.

Community Partnership:

The collaborative effort with Arbor Education & Training was not a successful venture. One of their clients began working at Woods as a Page during December 2008. His schedule called for 20 hours per week. During the 3 weeks that he worked he never worked 20 hours and several times did not bother calling to say he was not available. He had an inordinate amount of family emergencies.

However, an intern from SIRLS, Keri Williams, began working during January 2009. She joins Alina Morán a graduate assistant from SIRLS. They will be working with us this spring. In the beginning they will work with the adult services librarian helping her with the Wii Fitness program that starts during February. Keri will also be working with our children's and young adult services librarians and getting to know the role of the public librarian in today's world.

The Young Adult librarian is a member of the LULAC Leadership Conference committee. As such she has participated in the planning and she attended the Jan 15th Educators Breakfast at Pima College West. The event featured the upcoming March program and invited educators to the two day conference.

VIRTUAL LIBRARY— Jen Maney

Children, Teens and Families

2009 Youth Poetry Contest Online Submissions

The Virtual Library has once again made it possible for youth around Pima County to submit their entries for the 2009 Youth Poetry Contest online. Read more at

<http://www.library.pima.gov/about/news/?id=1220>.

Community Partnerships

Community Focus Section Reorganized to Highlight Current Partnerships

The library website has a Community Focus section that provides information and resources to our community. Virtual Library recently reorganized this section with the help of the Adult Services Partnership Librarian, Dawn Gardner. It now highlights our partnerships with local literacy, citizenship and refugee organizations. Visit <http://www.library.pima.gov/community/>.

Visibility & Image

Photos Showcase Library Services and Programs

The library uses Flickr to showcase our libraries and events to the world. To date, we have posted 1,478 photos. Since creating our Flickr account, our photos have been viewed over 70,000 times. This month, we posted photos of the 2009 Rock Band Tournament Finals, Chinese New Year Celebrations, the new Sahuarita Branch Library, permanent art on display at Joel D Valdez Main Library, the new Bookmobile, and Harry Potter parties.

YOUTH SERVICE-Gina Macaluso

No report this month

ADULT SERVICES – Beth Matthias-Loghry

No report this month

STAFF TRAINING – BONNY BRUCE

Twelve staff members new to management positions are attending the Managing for Success 6 week training series. Coordinated by Bonny Bruce, these training workshops are designed to explore management philosophies and enhance management skills. Topics covered include understanding the cycle of change, supervision and personnel policies, library policies and procedures, planning and evaluation of services, facilities management, and collection development. Thanks goes to administration staff and managers who devoted time to design and present training sessions to help our newest managers succeed.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT – Jere Voigt

Aaron Valdivia and Marissa Alcorta attended the American Library Association's Midwinter Conference in Denver as part of the Emerging Leaders program.

Elaine Valenzuela, Lupita Chavez, Kelly Urman, Lorie Griffis, Susan Hassig, Sandy White, Aaron Valdivia, Coni Weatherford, Deirdre Demers, Leanne Yoder, Nyssa Densley, Shannon Wilcox, Heather Ross, Mary McKinney attended Black Belt Librarian sponsored by the Arizona State Library. Participants learned the essential elements of a security program including the ten maxims of security for any size library.

Debbie Boyle, Marissa Alcorta, Lisa Bunker, Michelle Creston, Kate DeMeester, Tima Farhat, April Gering, Ella Gomez, Guadalupe Guerrero, Susan Hassig, Meg Kitterman, Jen Maney, Thania Mayorga, Cheryl McCurry, Chris Novak, Beth Rubio, Mary Sanchez, Jen Whitt, Leanne Yoder attended the State Library's Summer Reading Program workshop.

LIBRARY SCHOOL INTERNS – For the spring '09 semester the following School of Information Resources and Library Science [SIRLS] students at the U of A are doing internships at these branches. Keri Williams, Woods Branch, Kenny Cargill, Valencia Branch, Amanda Zagola, Mission Branch Elizabeth Ashley, Himmel Branch

COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT OFFICE – Richard DiRusso

No report this month

TECHNICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT – Libby Jones

No report this month

Agenda Item 6D



Pima County Public Library

DATE: February 3, 2009

TO: Library Board, Pima County Public Library
Board of Directors, Friends of the Pima County Public Library
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Board of Directors, Friends of the Kirk-Bear Canyon Library
Board of Directors, Friends of the Arivaca Library
Board of Directors, Friends of the Oro Valley Library
Pima County Public Library Foundation Board

FROM: Pat Corella
Library Deputy Director

SUBJECT: DIRECTOR'S REPORT – December 2008

FACILITIES:

MURPHY-WILMOT LIBRARY: The Architect along with the design team continues to move forward. The Design Development plans are currently under review by Library and Facilities Management staff. On February 2nd, the design team visited a potential temporary site for Wilmot which is approximately one and one-half mile away from the current location. Facilities staff will start negotiating an eighteen month lease agreement with the landlord that will cover the temporary Wilmot quarters for the duration of construction. It is anticipated that this project will be complete by early to mid 2010.

Sahuarita “Express” Library: On January 16th, the Library celebrated another “Grand Opening” ceremony for the temporary Sahaurita Library facility that was opened for public use! There is still hope that a full-service facility will be built by the next bond election which is proposed to may be held in FY2010.

Monument Signs: All of the twenty-one (21) back-lit, library monument signs have been installed. The new monument sign displays our new logo and will begin to brand our department to a new and different look.

One-Desk Conversion: There are a few libraries left to be converted to the one-desk configuration. Over the course of the fiscal year Library and Facilities Management staff will be working and scheduling the conversions as we work through this evolution. The one-desk conversion at Wilmot

was completed last month and Nanini, Green Valley and Main Library will follow hopefully by the end of this fiscal year.

Miscellaneous Projects: And of course, there are a slew of incidental and related smaller projects that crop up as soon as major projects are finished. Those types of projects will be addressed as they happen.

RIO NUEVO E-LIBRARY: The Arizona Historical Society, City of Tucson and the Library came together to have a status meeting with Fentress Architects who is the architectural firm that will develop the plans to build the Arizona Historical Society and the E-Library building in Río Nuevo. Pima County Public Library was allowed to build an E-Library in partnership with the Arizona Historical Society who will sell their current building and move to the Río Nuevo site. Still too early to say when this project will be complete.

POTENTIAL LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND EXPANSIONS: Several library buildings that were being considered for development or expansion will not go forward to the voters for bond approval in 2008. Now, it appears the development of library buildings will be delayed until 2009 or 2010.



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FROM: Steffannie Koeneman
Community Relations Manager

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT-January 2009

Community Relations activities for January.

Completion of Sahuarita Grand Opening

Completion of all printed components for Nuestras Raices.
Two posters; flyers, teaser cards

Redesigning of new calendar for May debut.

Created a new style banner to advertise Business Information Center.

Began work on Summer Reading Programs.

Continued work on Active Living publication.

Issued press releases on Sahuarita opening and on Tax Preparation Assistance.

Library in the news

[Friendlier downtown plaza proposed](#)

Tucson Citizen, AZ - Feb 2, 2009

Create a contained outdoor reading area under the **library** overhang, which **Pima County Public Library** services manager Karen Thayer believes could be ready ...

[Wheeler Taft Abbott Sr. Branch, Pima County Public Library](#)

Tucson Weekly, AZ - Jan 12, 2009

... through Thursday; 10 am to 5 pm, Friday; 9 am to 5 pm, Saturday; and 1 to 5 pm, Sunday. Call 615-7855, or e-mail eeducation@pima.gov. for more information.

[New library an instant hit with kids](#)

Sahuarita Sun, az - Jan 21, 2009

The Sahuarita Express **Library**, a temporary, five-day-a-week branch of the **Pima County Library** System, has 5000 books in 2000 square feet of space and is ...
[Scenes from Sahuarita : New Sahuarita library brings books ...](#) Sahuarita Sun
[Council to explore Town Center incentive, underpass](#) Sahuarita Sun
[all 5 news articles »](#)

[Sahuarita getting a library of its own](#)

Arizona Daily Star, AZ - Jan 14, 2009

It will be the 27th branch of the **Pima County Public Library**. Last week, Amber Mathewson, manager of the Joyner-Green Valley Branch **Library**, ...

[Fair helps agencies connect with volunteers](#)

Green Valley News, AZ - Jan 30, 2009

His group, along with **Pima County Public Library** and Green Valley Recreation, sponsored their second volunteer fair at Canoa Hills Recreation Center. ...

[LIBRARY OPENS FRIDAY](#)

Sahuarita Sun, az - Jan 14, 2009

16, the town of Sahuarita will have a branch of the **Pima County Public Library**. This new service and amenity for Sahuarita residents will be unveiled when ...

[County libraries offer tax help](#)

Explorer News, AZ - Jan 28, 2009

Residents can check the **library's** Web site, www.library.pima.gov, for a listing of tax information and other resources to assist them with tax preparation. ...

[Volunteer Showcase 10 am to noon Thursday](#)

Green Valley News, AZ - Jan 29, 2009

The event is hosted the Joyner-Green Valley **Library**, part of the **Pima County Public Library** system, Green Valley Recreation, the Green Valley Community ...

[Community notes](#)

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[Business calendar](#)

Explorer News, AZ - Jan 15, 2009

The Northern **Pima County** Chamber of Commerce will hold a contacts-unlimited networking mixer. Details: 5 to 7 pm; Chris Hansen and Associates, ...

[Community notes](#)

Arizona Daily Star, AZ - Jan 21, 2009

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[Police Beat](#)

Arizona Daily Wildcat, AZ - Jan 14, 2009

He was taken to the **Pima County** Jail where he was booked for criminal trespass in the third degree and failure to appear on counts of **public** sexual ...

[Recession? We don't need no stinking recession](#)

Inside Tucson Business, AZ - Jan 30, 2009

For having only 2.3 percent of **Pima County's** population, Sahuarita issued one-fourth of all housing permits in **Pima County** in 2008. ...

[Books a recurring theme in Martin's life](#)

Newnan Times-Herald, GA - Jan 29, 2009

Just over a year ago, she received the Lawrence Clark Powell Award from the Tucson-**Pima Public Library**. The award was given in recognition of her longtime ...

[Ben's Bells : Agnes and The Knitters spread warmth](#)

Arizona Daily Star, AZ - Jan 30, 2009

She was nominated by one of the people who help her and The Knitters distribute the warm and colorful clothes, Ella Gomez, a **Pima County Public Libraries** ...

[LibGuides - Worth a Look](#)

School Library Journal - Jan 14, 2009

Jen Maney is the Virtual **Library** Manager for **Pima County Public Library** in Tucson, Arizona. The motto of the Virtual **Library** is, "Designing for uncertainty. ...

[Council explores options for park site](#)

Explorer News, AZ - Jan 21, 2009

Also discussed was the intergovernmental agreement between the town and **Pima County** for operation of the Oro Valley **Public Library**. ...

[So much to do in Tucson Arizona in Winter 2009](#)

TravelVideo.tv (press release) - Jan 14, 2009

... calendar with 52 weekends of programming at venues such as the Tucson Children's Museum, Fox Tucson Theatre, **Pima County Public Library** and more. ...

Other publicity:

Wheeler Taft Abbett, Sr. Branch Library was the location for closing segments of the ABC program "Super Nanny" featuring pro nanny Jo Frost as she helped a Marana family. The filming was done over two days at the branch.

The Library's Business Information Center set up a display at the Multi-Chamber Expo taking place around Mayor Walk-up's annual State of the City Address. This year's display featured a new eye-catching banner to attract people to the information. Librarians Tom Brown and Deborah Brown reported that the banner attracted many people to the exhibit and that people were happy to hear about the Library's business services.



Upcoming:

Channel 12 plans to do three separate segments on Pima County Library programs:

- 1) English Language classes
- 2) Capoeira dance classes at Martha Cooper
- 3) MP3 downloads

All of the segments will be taped in Spanish.