

# Agenda Item 6B



## Pima County Public Library Advisory Board

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**DATE:** February 1, 2010

**TO:** Library Advisory Board, Pima County Public Library

**FROM:** Nancy Ledeboer, Library Director

**SUBJECT: DIRECTOR'S REPORT, January 2010**

The Library received a letter from State Librarian GladysAnn Wells outlining the impact of the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program grant. The State Library applied for the Public Computing Centers category on behalf of libraries across the state. There were 2,200 applications and 360 in this category. The Arizona State Library has been awarded \$1,278,528 for the purchase of computers in 84 libraries. Pima County Public Library will receive funding for computers in five libraries serving rural and underserved populations. We await instructions from the State Library on how funds will be administered and tracked.

A library customer who was unhappy with the Library's Petitioning Policy took her case to small claims court against the owner of the shopping center where the River Library is located. Library policy does not allow petitioning if the rules of the property owner prohibit petitioning. The court found in favor of the owner of the property, Larson & Baker. The customer has contacted the County Attorney's office asking the Library to reconsider its policy.

The Literacy for Life Coalition (LLC) held a planning meeting to review accomplishments from the previous year and set goals for 2010. The Library is an active member of the LLC. Staff serves on several of the Task Forces as well as the Providers Network. The LLC is launching a pilot project to bring providers together with neighbors in an effort to build a culture of literacy in two neighborhoods. The two neighborhoods were selected after an extensive review process in which the assets of the neighborhoods were inventoried. Based upon the desire of the neighborhood to participate in the pilot projects, Sunnyside and South Park were selected as the two pilot areas. This will involved the Quincie Douglas Library, El Pueblo Library and the Valencia Library as partners in stepping up literacy activities in these neighborhoods.

Deputy Director Pat Corella and I have had several meetings with Facilities during the month of January. We are working on a building program that will outline the basic requirements for new libraries. We have also been discussing the timeline for the replacement of the air conditioning units at the Green Valley Library. Due to the extensive amount of work that needs to be done on the roof the library will most likely be closed for 8 weeks in May and June. Branch Manager Amber Mathewson is working on a plan to provide temporary services from the book mobile along with the computer lab and one room open for customers to pick up and return books.

A second team of librarians has been selected to attend the Leadership Institute offered by the State Library. They attended an introductory session and a "Big Picture" session in January. Over the course of the next few months the team will identify a leadership project and using the concepts from their sessions they will implement a program or project. The first "Big Picture" session featured Secretary Bennet speaking about how to influence policy and build strong advocacy efforts for libraries. He spoke about his experience in the Senate and how he came to be a library supporter.

Based upon the success of the first Leadership Institute, we are developing a one day leadership that will be open to all library staff. The initial effort has been to offer a workshop to train a cadre of staff who will present leadership workshops over the course of the next two years. The goal will be to offer at least one session a month so that all staff will have an opportunity to attend over the course of time. A team of 26 staff members are eager to begin offering this in house training to all library staff. Administrator Bonny Bruce worked with community consultant Emily Morrison to develop the leadership curriculum. The program stresses the ability of every employee to be a leader. The training focuses on identifying strengths and passions that motivate each individual to excel and be a leader.

The Tucson Festival of Books will be held March 13 & 14. The Library has contributed to the success of this event by providing support for the Author Committee, the Youth Committee and the Entertainment Committee. The Library will feature the book mobile, digital books and Nuestras Raíces at the Festival. Beginning in February staff will promote the Festival by inviting customers to visit the library at the Festival.

The Literary Society of Tucson kicked off the New Year with suspense writer Vince Flynn. The Society provides opportunities for members to interact with an author in an intimate luncheon setting. This non-profit group provides funds to literacy efforts in southern Arizona and will participate in the Festival of Books.

The Friends of PCPL continue to hold special book sales at the Book Barn as well as hosting book carts in most libraries. The Friends provided an installment of \$100,000 to fund summer reading and other library programs. The Friends opened a book store in the Main Library which will expand the book cart sales downtown.

The Foundation has applied for a grant to help fund Homework Help. This will allow the library to increase the hours of homework help offered at libraries.

A meeting was held with staff to review the work plan and address where we are on completing goals associated with the Strategic Plan for 2010. In most areas we are on track to achieve our goals. We are still working with Information Technology and the Finance department to prepare for allowing customers to pay fines on line. We revised some plans to enhance the library website and catalog based on a reduction in resources and support in this area. Staff continues to focus on the six priority areas as they focus on expanding computer classes and other library programs. The focus for this year is to sustain efforts that support early childhood literacy, homework help, computer classes and Fifty Plus programs and programs that support civic engagement. Staff has been successful at both the branch level and through system wide efforts to expand successful initiatives and sustain levels of service with no new resources.

## Agenda Item 6C



**DATE:** January 22, 2010

**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 2010**

### **ADULT DETENTION CENTER-Thomas Garcia**

Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy

Thomas Garcia visited the CAPE class to discuss the library services available in the Jail as well as in the regular PCPL system.

### Succeed in School: Homework Help

Tutoring for November: 14 sessions and 141 student contacts

Tutoring for December: 13 sessions and 144 student contacts

### **AJO—Linda Lam**

No report this month

### **CATALINA – Karen Greaber**

No report this month

### **CAVIGLIA-ARIVACA— Mary Kasulaitis**

Be an Informed Community Member: Local, National and World Affairs

Caviglia-Arivaca Library is cooperating with the 2010 Census to provide a site for testing and assisting them in locating homes in out-of-the-way places.

A group of nurses from Brainard, Minnesota, visited the Caviglia-Arivaca Library and listened to a talk about border issues by Librarian Mary Kasulaitis.

### Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

A crowd of 38 interested guests attended a program on the Sobaipuri Indians by Marc Severson, archaeologist, storyteller and teacher. Sponsored by the Library and Friends of the Arivaca Library, this program was held at the Old School on Jan. 9.

The Arivaca Library will host local author Norabeth Aycock, who will sign books during the Annual Arivaca Home Tour on January 30. Beth's newest book is *Black Jack Ketchum, before and after he was hung*. Friends of the Arivaca Library will also have a book sale. Library Associate Linda Stern's marketing techniques resulted in a large number of used book sales for the Friends in December.

### ***ECKSTROM-COLUMBUS— Terry Rill.***

#### Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy

More than 40 teens participated in a Super Smash Brothers tournament held as part of our regular teen gaming time. Two winners were able to go on and compete in the countywide tournament held at Wilmot on 1/16. The teens showcased their skills and demonstrated good sportsmanship by cheering on the other players.

Nyssa Densley, Young Adult Librarian, visited Howenstine School for the 9<sup>th</sup> grade library card campaign where she spoke to 40 teens about library databases, library services and volunteer opportunities in the library.

#### Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

We have a well attended ongoing Knit and Crochet Club that is an outgrowth of knitting classes offered here several years ago. The group provides a needed opportunity for companionship and chat while attendees practice their skill, learn new things and interact with others with similar interests. Some members are knitting blankets for local hospitals.

#### Succeed in School: Homework Help

Efforts to find free tutoring for neighborhood parents and young children have paid off with a partnership with Oasis Tutoring. Eckstrom-Columbus is one of 7 branches offering Oasis Reading Help for elementary school children. Trained volunteers and parents work out the details and the library provides the space to meet.

### ***DUSENBERRY-RIVER—Dianna Thor***

#### Be an Informed Community Member: Local, National and World Affairs

Our partnership with the local chapter of Great Decisions continues to grow strong. This year the discussion series kicked off with 14 enthusiastic participants who came to discuss foreign policy and international relations in a relaxed environment.

#### Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy

A total of 20 teens and family members participated in River's Super Smash Bros. Brawl tournament. 12 teens actually competed and two winners advanced to the system wide finals held at Main library Saturday, January 15<sup>th</sup>. All the kids had fun and many stayed to play for fun after the tournament was over.

#### Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

- Meg hosted a "Rockets & Rocketry" event as part of our monthly Science Saturdays programming. Chris Welborn, engineer, inventor, and Pima Air & Space volunteer lead the workshop, demonstrating the science behind rocketry, and helping kids make and launch a balloon and seltzer rocket as well as a missile launcher. 35 kids aged 7-12 attended, along with their parents.

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#### Succeed in School: Homework Help

- Kendra visited several 6<sup>th</sup> grade classes at Orange Grove Middle School to talk about mystery books. She gave book talks, a short presentation about homework help and library databases and a preview of some of the authors who will be at the Book Festival with special focus on Frank Beddor who will be visiting Orange Grove Middle School. She talked to 150 sixth graders.

- Meg presented PCPL's Online Homework Help service to 20 teachers and staff at Fruchthendler Elementary School's faculty meeting. None of the teachers had heard of Tutor.com, much less was aware that students could access this help for free from our website. They have since added PCPL's Online Homework Help page to their website.

#### Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces

Some favorable comments we've heard from our customers this month:

"Thank you for being available in our community. The Library is such a vital addition and necessity."

"You have a great system here! I've lived other places, and yours is the best."

#### ***EL PUEBLO—Aaron Valdivia***

##### Be an Informed Community Member: Local, National and World Affairs

- Aaron Valdivia visited the Adult Learning Center next to the library to speak to one class of GED students about the resources the library has that can benefit their educational pursuits.

##### Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

- We continue to offer Story Times for the kids at the Henry Quinto Day Care next door to the library. Dottie Nelson conducts two story times every Tuesday: one for 3 and 4 year olds and one for toddlers.

##### Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy

- On 1/11/10 Aaron Valdivia attended the monthly "Capacity Team Meeting" for the Literacy for Life Coalition at the Community Foundation building. In collaboration with other community organizations El Pueblo will play a role as part of the LLC literacy zone project in an attempt to increase literacy rates in the El Pueblo neighborhood.
- On 1/12/10 Aaron Valdivia also attended the providers' network meeting with representatives of the LLC to discuss the role of the library in the literacy zone project.

##### Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

- Branch Manager, Aaron Valdivia, again attended the monthly agency meeting at the neighborhood center. At the request of the assistant to the center director he talked at length about PCPL services offered with emphasis on Homework help at El Pueblo. The other agencies have requested fliers to help promote Homework help.

##### Succeed in School: Homework Help

- ELP has started offering Homework Help again this month on Tuesday and Thursday from 4:30-6:00 pm. We also have two computers designated for homework use only every day from 3:00-6:00 pm in an effort to support students' homework efforts.
- Branch manager Aaron Valdivia also visited Pueblo High School to pick up student art to show in the library and he spoke to two classes about visiting the library to view their art and mentioned that while there they can get homework help and other supportive resources that the library has to offer. The AP art instructor has also started encouraging the students to visit the library more often in an effort to support their education.

#### Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces

- ELP is proud to have student artwork displayed in the computer lab and other places throughout the library for the community to enjoy. Aaron Valdivia continues to maintain this partnership with Pueblo High School and the students will be painting footrests/stools that were given to ELP from WIL. We will have two of these in the library for decoration and they should be completed before the end of this semester.

***EL RIO— Wanda Poindexter***

Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

Beginning in August 2009, El Rio became the pilot for a community reading help project: Reading Help. El Rio Library partnered with Oasis Intergenerational Reading Tutors and the El Rio Neighborhood Center to provide reading tutoring for student 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grades who were struggling with reading. In December 3 students “graduated” from the El Rio Tutoring Help, six students are continuing and there is one new tutor starting with a new student in Jan.

Oasis trains, fingerprints and provides the reading tutors, El Rio Neighborhood Center provides additional space and advertizing, and El Rio Library recruits students, matches them to tutors and coordinates the day-to-day Reading Help. The tutors attend two four-hour training sessions with an Oasis Literacy Trainer, based on a 70-page Intergenerational Tutoring Handbook.

So far El Rio has matched 9 Oasis tutors with families who have students who are struggling with reading. The tutoring is one hour per week for nine weeks. The tutor, the parents, the student and branch manager all sign a contract that outlines everyone’s responsibilities for the 9 week reading tutoring session.

Based on the success of the pilot project, Reading Help is being implemented in other libraries. Families who are participating in the Reading Help report that their students are more interested and confident about reading. More families and students have applied for library cards, and almost all families have become more frequent users of the library.

The Reading Help has also resulted in 3 students getting new glasses because the tutor noticed the need, and in 4 students being referred for testing at their schools. In addition, the tutors say that they are using the library more and have learned about library programs and services that they didn’t know about. There is a sense of a library community among the tutors, students and their families.

***FLOWING WELLS – Yolanda Sainz***

No report this month

***GEASA-MARANA— Nancy Lindeman***

Be an Informed Community Member: Local, National and World Affairs

Starting at the end of this month, Geasa-Marana once again is hosting free Earned Income Tax Credit workshops for area residents to last through April 15, 2010

Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

In partnership with Marana Unified School District and First Things First, Geasa-Marana is now an additional site for free Stay and Play Groups several times each month.

Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

It’s “official”! Geasa-Marana’s PCPL FRIENDS Book Cart is at last up and running and very popular with our customers. Thanks to Michael Teal from Nanini Branch for assistance with the necessary assembly.

At the end of the month, Geasa-Marana hosted a “We Love Origami” workshop led by local artist Mary Ellen Palmeri for all ages to create unique Valentine’s Day cards and decorations.

### ***HIMMEL PARK BRANCH – Sarajeon Harwood***

#### Be an Informed Community Member: Local, National and World Affairs

Solar Power 101 was presented on January 6 at Nanini Library. The program was standing room only, and was presented in partnership with Gabrielle Giffords' office. Sarajeon Harwood made a short speech on library resources.

Sustainable Tucson has selected Sarajeon Harwood as a member of the Core Team (like a Board of Directors). She will serve one year.

#### Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

Homework Help has begun again in January and Read to a Dog continues.

#### Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

55 Himmel patrons got a wonderful look at the humorous side of Arizona presented by Richard Sense from Oasis.

On January 23 the Himmel community will be treated to East West Africa music from the Local Music Live series.

### ***JOYNER-GREEN VALLEY— Amber Mathewson***

#### Create Young Readers & Succeed in School –

In addition to regular Storytimes, Read to a Dog, Reading Partners and Homework Help, this month a Reader's Theater Presentation of "The Magicians Nephew" was performed by a local group, the Gracepoint Players. This event was attended by more than forty adults and children.

#### Literacy for Success in Everyday Life

Joyner-Green Valley Library will begin offering "Credit-wise CATS" presented for teens by U of A students on the subject of credit and financial awareness in an interesting and compelling format.

Satisfy Curiosity- The Art lectures put on by the art docents from the Tucson Museum of Art are once again a huge draw for the Joyner-Green Valley Library. The "Ansel Adams-His Placement in the History of Photography" drew a standing-room-only crowd. Still to come in January – "Ancient Chinese Treasures: Han and Beyond", and "Georgia O'Keeffe; In the West". These programs are highly anticipated.

January's symphony preview offering was "Nordic Favorites" presented by Dr. Jay Rosenblatt, and the humanities lecture "Growing Up Chicana in Morenci" were also well attended.

A new computer class, "Your Library Online" was added to our monthly offering of classes which include mouse basics, keyboarding, e-mail, and Word.

Visit a Comfortable Place – Karen Greene has reached a winter high of 115 volunteers for the Joyner-Green Valley Library! This is a tremendous undertaking in keeping volunteers having meaningful experiences at the library. From greeting library customers, to helping in the computer lab, delivering books to the homebound or providing extra hands for daily tasks these individuals are an invaluable asset to our library.

### ***JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER – John Munoz***

#### Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy

We debuted our new, staff-presented program: “Book ’Em, Danno!” — An introductory overview on how young authors at the JDC can self-publish their prose, poetry and artwork. We talked about the basics of self publishing — how to use Web sites like bookrix.com and lulu.com — and local and national venues for teen writing, like Teen Ink and Voices, Inc. All the participants, from various JDC living units, submitted writing or artwork for a combined chapbook; and each participant received a copy of it.

### ***JOEL D. VALDEZ MAIN LIBRARY- Karyn Prechtel***

#### Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy

Pima County Public Library’s **Grants and Nonprofit Information Center** is one of 400 cooperating collections of the **Foundation Center – a leading authority on U.S. philanthropy**. A report summarizing the Foundation Center’s recent inspection of PCPL’s collections and services praised our library. Scott Ullman, the Foundation Center’s Regional Training Coordinator, stated, “Your services to the nonprofit community are cutting edge. Having visited most collections in the Western States, **Pima County stands out** as one of our finest partnerships.”

Library staff made many one-on-one connections with the nearly 1,000 entrepreneurs and small business owners who attended the **Multi-Chamber Business Expo**, held in conjunction with the State of State Luncheon at the **Tucson Convention Center on January 12**. Deborah Brown, Rich DiRusso, Becky Swift and Tom Farmer did extensive networking in highlighting the many valuable services and resources that the library has to offer.

#### Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

Matt Landon wrote an article that will appear in February's issue of **VOYA (Voice of Youth Advocates)**. The February issue focuses on library programs and technology, and Matt's article is about **That's My Take**, PCPL’s summer program where 53 teens at five libraries and two partner locations learned from professionals and made eleven short films.

#### Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces

**“The Dream”**. Main Library, in conjunction with the Library’s Community Relations Office, was pleased to host a **dedication ceremony** for **Tucson artist Andrew Polk**, who donated his painting “The Dream” to the library last fall. Speakers included Library Director Nancy Ledebor, Board of Supervisors Chairman Richard Elias, and Mr. Polk. Music was provided by local artists Keven and Tanishia. A reception featuring light refreshments followed. Prior to the ceremony, **Mike Dominguez of the Davis Dominguez Gallery** presented ***Tucson – Little Giant of Contemporary Art*** at Main’s bimonthly Food for Thought lunchtime lecture series. Mr. Dominguez was instrumental in facilitating the donation.

Main Library will be hosting monthly concerts this spring, part of the ***Local Music Live at your Library*** series. Performances will be in the Café area on 1<sup>st</sup> floor, 2:00 on selected Saturdays.

### ***KIRK – BEAR CANYON LIBRARY –Margaret Wilkie***

#### Be an Informed Community Member: Local, National and World Affairs

2010 Census used our meeting room three times this month to test and train new staff.

#### Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

Children, parents, grandparents, and staff were happy to return to Storytimes, Read to a Dog, and Reading Partners after the holidays.

Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy

This semester we welcome a SIRLS intern, Rachel Hawes. She has worked as a volunteer at Bear Canyon for over a year. She will be working with Bill Reuter. Rachel is busy planning gaming events for Bear!

Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

More than 30 people attended the Amore and Amore Romance Writing Workshop: Trend Tips and Tailoring Your Writing on January 16.

Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces

Pat Flanagan, a board member of the Friends of the Kirk – Bear Canyon Library, has started a weekly drop-in knitting and book discussion group, Sit and Knit.

***MARTHA COOPER BRANCH– Margaret Guerrero***

Be an Informed Community Member: Local, National and World Affairs

The library has provided space for Census job testing. They have met several times this month.

Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

Jessica Hernandez and Kate DeMeester have assisted the library staff with Toddler Time and Baby Time during the absence of a Children's Librarian.

Head Start children are attending Preschool storytime as well as community children and their parents.

Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy

New Computer Instructor Bushra Faesal has started giving computer job help classes in Arabic under the Refugee Career Enhancement Training Program made possible by a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) and the Arizona Department of Library, Archives and Public Records.

Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

Our first Genealogy Class was taught by The Family History Center; an attendant commented that she learned so much and will continue searching her family history.

Teens met with YA librarian Mary Givins to plan activities for the next two months, including gaming, crafts and healthy cooking.

Tween Time continues to draw an important and needy segment of our community. Bryan Wymore has created an atmosphere that is both fun and educational.

The Senior Art Class presented by the Drawing Studio is again a huge success. The class was filled quickly and a waiting list was created.

Currently the GED class has two instructors and a third was sent to assist due to the enormous demand by the community.

The Chess Club is slowly growing in attendance and this month a professional chess player has volunteered to assist the staff.

Succeed in School: Homework Help

Homework Help started again this month and students are eager to do their homework; they arrive before the scheduled Homework Help time.

### ***MILLER GOLF LINKS – Ruth Grant***

#### Be an Informed Community Member: Local, National and World Affairs

- Golf Links is participating in a partnership with KUAT, NOW Showing...@ your library. “Garbage Dreams” was viewed on January 15<sup>th</sup> with a discussion following. More than forty-five people participated in the lively discussion about the ‘garbage people’ outside Cairo who recycle more than 80% of what they find.
- The Great Decisions Group started their 9-week series on world topics in January.
- Both Thai Chi (Fit for Life), and the Drawing Studio starting their sessions this month as well.

#### Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy

- Miller-Golf Links welcomed Maria Acevedo as our GED instructor on Sunday and Monday afternoons from 2-5 p.m. She has already developed quite a following since she started on Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Miller-Golf Links also welcomed full-time Teen Librarian, Jennifer Horn, who started work on January 4<sup>th</sup> as well. Jennifer comes to us from Flowing Wells Library where she split her time between both adult and teen services. From one of the smallest service areas, Jennifer is jumping into serving one of the largest and faster growing service areas. We know we will see great things from Jennifer!

### ***MISSION – Mary McKinney***

#### Be an Informed Community Member: Local, National and World Affairs

Literacy Volunteers of Tucson began English classes two mornings per week at Mission on January 20<sup>th</sup>. Over 50 students had signed up to take the classes! The more advanced English conversation classes occurring on Tuesday evenings had 30 students registered.

#### Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

Adult services librarian Gayle Willer hosted the Winter Reads book club on January 16. This month’s selected title was Five Skies by Ron Carlson.

The Drawing Studio started its first of an eight week series of classes January 14. The enrollment was full with 15 students.

Youth services staff hosted a Super Smash Brothers tournament. Two winners, Zoe, a life-long fan of the game, and Carlos, a relative newcomer, advanced to the championship tournament at Joel D. Valdez Main Library on Saturday, January 16<sup>th</sup>.

#### Succeed in School: Homework Help

Youth Services librarian Leila Duncan visited and spoke with all freshman students at Cholla High School about the 9<sup>th</sup> grade library card drive.

### ***MURPHY WILMOT – Daphne Daly***

#### Be an Informed Community Member: Local, National and World Affairs

Branch Manager Daphne Daly worked with Main Street, the Regional Transportation Authority’s newly formed program to help main street businesses struggle less and prosper more during transportation projects by providing information, facilitating communication and offering individual and group business consulting services. The Library was the first “business” to participate in the customer satisfaction survey following completion of the Wilmot Road improvement project.

Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

Murphy Wilmot held our annual Winterfest event in January. Kids and their families got a chance to hear great stories, make crafts, play games and go “ice skating” on our “rink” in their socks!

Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

The Pima County Public Library now has about 80 presenters on contract who present fun and informative programs in libraries throughout the county. Libraries will be booking many of their yearly programs during January. Kate DeMeester at the Murphy-Wilmot Branch generated the presenter catalogs staff are using to make their selections, and will continue facilitation of the booking process throughout the month.

Succeed in School: Homework Help

Homework Help resumed as scheduled after the Winter Break.

*NANINI – Kristi Bradford*

Be an Informed Community Member: Local, National and World Affairs

Nanini Librarian Lisa Laskaris will present one staff workshop per month in 2010 focusing on technology so staff can more knowledgably serve the community. January’s program was about Google and all the extras it offers, above search engine capacity!

Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy

Librarian Pam Park made several outreach visits to Mountain View High School in January to distribute 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Library Card Campaign materials, and then was asked to come again for the 10<sup>th</sup> grade as well!

Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces and Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

Before 2009 ended, Nanini’s Teen Advisory Board, led by YA Librarian Pam Park, hosted a Gingerbread House Exploratorium for families on Dec. 21. Families enjoyed books, music and the art of gingerbread houses and the library resources related to the holiday topics. The Teen Board also hosted a Family Board Game Afternoon on Dec. 28.

Teens and adults participated in the Super Smash Brothers Brawl Tournament on Dec. 30.

In the New Year, Nanini is hosting a drawing class with The Drawing Studio. The first of six classes was full. It is part of the Fit for Life 50+ program.

Other adult programs for the month of January include a Digital Camera Class hosted by Librarians Lisa Laskaris and Sharon Yang-McNeil, and a Friends of the Library funded Arizona Humanities Council (AHC) program, “A Present Absence: Hollywood’s History of American Diversity”, organized by Library Associate Micheline Johnoff.

***QUINCIE DOUGLAS— Elva Smithwhite***

Be an Informed Community Member: Local, National and World Affairs

South Park Neighbors, a group that meets at the library was funded through Pro Neighborhoods to conduct a series of cultural programs about Pima County Indian tribes at Quincie Douglas Branch. The programs are to begin in February and continue through November, 2010.

The Hand Weavers and Spinners Guild offered community service opportunities on MLK Day of Service at Quincie Douglas Branch. Forty-four people participated in weaving and felting projects that will result in art pieces for the library.

Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

We have begun plans for the vital role that Quincie Douglas Branch will have in the Literacy for Life Coalition. The neighborhoods immediately surrounding the branch have been identified as a target area, or "Literacy Zone."

Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

As part of the "Now Showing at your Library" project, we showed the movie, *Garage Dreams*. Discussion followed the movie. 7 people attended.

***SAHUARITA – Michele White***

Be an Informed Community Member: Local, National and World Affairs

The Amado-Sahuarita Adult Learning Organization began scheduling ESL, GED, and Citizenship classes for students to attend here at the Sahuarita Library on January 14<sup>th</sup>.

Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

Our first Baby time was on January 8, 2010 and was well received!

Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy

Meggin Kitterman, YA Librarian for both Joyner Green Valley and Sahuarita area teens has scheduled the U of A "Credit-wise CATS" to present a credit and financial workshop at the Sahuarita Library on January 23.

***SANTA ROSA (SRO) —Emily Mazur***

Be an Informed Community Member: Local, National and World Affairs

Santa Rosa is now hosting Census job testing and training. A Census staff member had been here weekly beginning in December to meet with potential workers, with an emphasis on hiring neighborhood residents.

***SOUTH TUCSON — Sol Gómez***

Be an Informed Community Member: Local, National and World Affairs

Citizenship classes started off with an average of six students every Wednesday at five-thirty in the afternoon.

Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

STU Chess started the New Year with about fifteen teens ready to train for future chess tournaments. Channel 12 paid STU a visit to film Read-to-a-Dog in action; stay tuned for the show.

Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy

GED continues to attract an average of twenty students every Tuesday through Thursday from three to six in the afternoon. STU's GED instructors are miracles on the Southside.

Succeed in School: Homework Help

Homework Help is also continuing to attract not only youth but adults as well, mostly from STU's GED class.

***SOUTHWEST— Marissa Alcorta***

Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

Library Associate Jacqui Macias has been continuing to work with both PACE and Head Start classes here next door to SWE. In January two PACE classes came to visit SWE for a fun storytime. And on January 13<sup>th</sup>,

Marissa went to visit two Head Start classes and do a pet-themed storytime for them. It was a lot of fun and the students seemed to enjoy it.

Also on January 13<sup>th</sup>, Jacqui went to El Rio Health Center to do some outreach. She took books to read to the children waiting there in the clinic and took some library information to hand out to families waiting. This great outreach opportunity is done in partnership with Valencia branch, where both branches rotate visiting the clinic on a monthly basis.

#### Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy

In January, Jerry, our computer instructor has begun to give his classes in a bilingual format as he has been having requests for both English and Spanish instruction. We average approx. 3-5 students per class but they are the regulars that attend his classes every week. Jerry is great and has started to gain a small, but extremely loyal following.

#### Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

On January 12<sup>th</sup> Megascience Meg came to our branch to have a great program called Megascience Moves, which combined science fun and dancing! We have a very good turnout, with 11 in attendance. We had whole families attend and participate in all the fun with their children so we thought the program was a great success and those attending really enjoyed the fun experiments and dances Meg taught them.

January is Astrology Month at SWE branch, where we have a book display on western and Chinese astrology. To support this we will be hosting a talk on January 30<sup>th</sup> by Gael Chilson from the Tucson Astrologer's Guild. Her talk will be a very informative overview of astrology and how it pertains to nighttime constellation. The talk will include visuals and be great for anyone wanting to learn more about astrology.

On January 27<sup>th</sup> we will be hosting an informative presentation/lecture for adults at SWE by Pima County Natural Resources called "Wildflowers in the Desert." The presentation should be very informative and cover the various types of wildflowers found in the Sonoran Desert region.

We are continuing with our "We love Wii" gaming program on Saturdays early afternoons. We have a very steady turnout with on average of about 10-12 tweens/teens attending each weekend. Jacqui and Hassael, one of SWE pages, have been really successful in running the program and have begun to encourage kids to participate in the Video Games LIVE contest drawing.

#### ***READRUNNERS - Outreach Service- Elaine Valenzuela***

##### Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy

- An additional stop was added to the bookmobile schedule. Altar Valley Middle School in Robles Junction will have service on the second Tuesday of each month. This brings the total number of stops to 24.

#### ***VALENCIA - Elaine Valenzuela***

##### Be an Informed Community Member: Local, National and World Affairs

- We held numerous programs that brought many community residents to the library. They include:  
Bright & Childers, Local Music Live at Your Library  
Melissa Porta, violin virtuosa Christmas Concert  
Community Cinema screening Young@Heart & Garbage Dreams  
Make a Charm Bracelet with Vivian Enos  
Martin Kalumbe drumming, Local Music Live at Your Library

- Kelly Urman, Adult Services Librarian at the Valencia Branch Library, organized an E-Waste collection on January 8, 2010. RISE Equipment Recycling Center, a non-profit organization, collected PC's and other small electronic equipment for recycling and reuse. The collection was scheduled from 1:00 to 5:00pm, however, by 3:00pm they had filled their hauling trailer! Donations to RISE Equipment Recycling help preserve the environment by reducing the amount of toxic materials going into community landfills. RISE donates or sells the equipment at a reduced price to non-profit organizations, their clients, and low-income families and children. Since it was such a huge success, we're going to do it again! Our next event is scheduled Monday, May 17, 2010, from 10:00-2:00 in our parking lot. RISE plans to bring a bigger truck than the first time. We plan to make this a semi-annual event.

#### Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy

- English, GED and Citizenship classes resumed this month. The English classes attracted over 75 people, while 28 students came to the first GED class. Our evening citizenship class had a steady group of 10 students.
- Overall, staff is noticing an increase in customers. Last week, Sharon Hill, customer service clerk, noticed that our gate count was 666 at 3:00PM; two hours later the count was up to 1,147.
- Elaine Valenzuela, branch manager, is working with the Sunnyside Neighborhood Association and the Literacy for Life (L4) Coalition. This neighborhood was identified as a "literacy zone" by L4L. Members of this association will create a culture of literacy by engaging in neighborhood projects that encourage and emphasize literacy.

#### Create Young Readers

- In addition to our five weekly story times, Valencia children's staff presented ten stories to area Head Start programs and pre-schools.

### ***WHEELER TAFT ABBETT, SR – Sharla Darby***

#### Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

Winning art and poetry entries from the 2009 Tucson's River of Words contest sponsored by the Pima County Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation department are on display until mid February at Abbett Library. Children and teens enjoy seeing the winning entries of students that they know in the community. As a result of promoting the contest during our *Create it with Stories* program, several participants are planning on entering the 2010 contest. – April G.

Abbett staff will be hosting a storytime/library information station at the upcoming Rattlesnake Ridge Elementary Literacy Night on January 27<sup>th</sup>. This is the very first Literacy Night the school, only 3 years old, has ever organized.

#### Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy

Recently a wonderful story of the impact our computer staff have on the community was brought to our attention. Our Program Monitor, Charmayne, was helping an older gentleman with his resume. He had recently moved down from Michigan after losing his wife, daughter and job. Afterwards with tears in his eyes, he told a supervisor what an amazing job Charmayne did. He mentioned several times that Charmayne saved his life and that we have a wonderful service. As he was leaving he asked what he could do to help us promote this service and was told he could help best by telling others in need.

The library has begun to host free English classes in partnership with the Child Parent Centers. The first two weeks of classes, brought 15 students together with 2 volunteers and the program coordinator, ready to improve their English skills. This class is geared towards native Spanish speakers.

### ***WOODS—Martín Rivera***

#### Be an Informed Community Member: Local, National and World Affairs

##### Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

The Children's area was reorganized by staff so that the 398s are in the Children's area. Thus, we are marketing them to the intended audience. The Children's Spanish collection, the Children's DVDs and CDs were all shifted to make room for the 398s.

Staff visited the Jacobs Park YMCA to present a winter Holiday program including stories, songs, fun, and a craft to participants of a winter camp.

##### Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy

A group of students from the University of Arizona Honor's College have put together a program called Digital Art 2.0 for teens from the Woods service area. They're going to offer a series of weekly workshops on topics like website construction, photo editing, and computer graphics beginning at the end of January.

The nine laptop computers are getting a workout. Staff makes them available to those working on employment and those pursuing educational goals. An additional three or four would benefit customers greatly.

##### Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

Multilingual job help program funded by LSTA intended for Tucson's growing refugees will begin in January. We will be offering classes in Arabic about internet, job applications, email, and more.

The English and Spanish computer classes and job help program continue to be popular; two of the English computer classes had such long waiting lists that we added more classes at the last minute to accommodate the need.

Woods hosted two *Fit For Life 50+* programs in partnership with Oasis. One was a living history presentation; the other was a workshop about the stock market and investing.

Staff visited the Friendly Village of the Catalinas; 38 senior citizens attended the presentation which included book talks and information about library services.

##### Succeed in School: Homework Help

A SIRLS intern, Nicholas Dawson, began working with Woods staff during January 2010. He is completing his course work @ the U of A this semester and is interested in adult services.

##### Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces

The December display in the Children's area was a display of children's book jackets with the title, "Give the gift of reading."

## ***VIRTUAL LIBRARY— Jen Maney***

### Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

#### **TumbleBooks offer stories online, anytime**

Last month, 357 books were read by children and their caregivers on TumbleBook Library. TumbleBooks are animated, talking books which you can read or have read to you. The library's collection includes story books, readers, and learning games to help children improve their reading skills. Find out more about TumbleBooks Kids Web at <http://www.library.pima.gov/kidsweb/books/>.

#### **Online Homework Help from Tutor.com**

Homework help is available online to customers with a library card everyday from 3-10 pm. This service is popular and convenient. Last month students received 483 homework tutoring sessions online, and the total number of sessions in 2009 was 5,451.

### Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces

#### **Come in to the library, virtually!**

The Virtual Library offers a variety of ways for you to visit the library where YOU are, offering convenient ways to access library information.

For example, 6944 Ravenous Readers newsletters were sent out in January 2010, providing a wide variety of reading suggestions – fiction, non fiction, mysteries, science, book club choices, and our most popular list, Staff Picks. You can sign up to receive the newsletters at <http://library.booksite.com/6482/>.

We also send out a monthly newsletter via email that shares library news and events. Last month 1728 recipients received the newsletter. To sign up to receive your monthly newsletter, visit <http://www.library.pima.gov/newsletter/>. All you need is an email address!

You can visit the library virtually anytime at [www.library.pima.gov](http://www.library.pima.gov). Read library news, renew your books, download an audiobook, or research a topic – all online, all the time!

## ***YOUTH SERVICE-Gina Macaluso***

### Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces

The Read to Me Arizona! Campaign is off and running. Our first two billboards will be going up soon with support from a \$20,000 grant from the Staples Corporation. The English billboard will be in the Flowing Wells/ Prince area and the Spanish one will go up in the 6<sup>th</sup> and 36<sup>th</sup> area. The billboards will have this image along with the logos of the following partners: Pima County Public Library, MAKE WAY FOR BOOKS, Reach Out and Read and the United Way. Radio spots will also begin the week of Jan. 19 on KCMG, 104.9 and 106.3. Walgreens and CVS Pharmacies have also committed to promoting the campaign by displaying the posters and putting bookmarks in bags with purchases in the pharmacy.



## ***ADULT SERVICES – Beth Matthias-Loghry***

### Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy

Thanks to the diligence of AmeriCorps Wildcat Core Intern Carol Elliot, Adult Services has completed the first survey of attendees at our drop in GED help program. All remarks were uniformly positive. Specific requests for more teacher time and compliments for our instructors were common. "Please keep this teacher. I understand her so much better; furthermore she answers my questions very well. I know that the computer doesn't do this." The human touch and the nonthreatening atmosphere our library programs are a selling point for adult learners. PCPL will document some of the success stories of the participants in our drop in GED help programs to mark Arizona Adult Literacy Week in February.

## ***STAFF DEVELOPMENT – Bonny Bruce***

### **2010 Leadership Academy**

Pima County Public Library will participate for the second year in the Leadership Academy held in Phoenix from January-August, 2010. The Leadership Academy, funded by an LSTA grant, provides a maximum of 40 library staff members from Arizona public libraries with the opportunities to enhance their leadership skills and affect enhancement of library programs and services for customers. The program creates local, county and statewide professional networks that will enhance library services for years to come. Four PCPL staff members were selected to attend. Each student is matched with a mentor from their local library system.

<b>Students</b>	<b>Mentors</b>
Dianna Thor, River Manager	Kristi Bradford, Nanini Manager
Leanne Yoder, Quincie Children's Librarian	Ruth Grant, Golf Links Manager
Debra Boyle, Himmel Young Adult Librarian	Amber Mathewson, Green Valley Manager
Jennifer Whitt, Abbett Adult Librarian	Karyn Prechtel, Main Library Manager

All students and mentors attended orientation training on January 13<sup>th</sup>. Students will attend monthly Big Picture session featuring leadership speakers and work on a group project that will be implemented at PCPL. We are looking forward to watching our new crop of leaders bloom and grow.

### **Everyone's a Leader Leadership Workshop**

Emily Morrison, author and nationally known leadership consultant, presented an invigorating workshop on leadership and facilitation skills to a select group of 26 staff members on Jan. 15, 2010. The objectives of this training were to demonstrate administrative support for leadership development of all staff, instill confidence of staff to take risks and bring ideas forward, develop facilitation skills among the trainers who are emerging leaders in the organization, and provide all staff with a training opportunity that is interactive and fun

Attendees worked on group exercises to define leadership, assess their leadership potential, and learn to lead from where they are. They will pair up in teams to train staff of all levels in the art of leading and motivating over the next two years. A small group of volunteers will work with Bonny Bruce to develop a curriculum that will be used in the staff leadership workshops.

***STAFF DEVELOPMENT – Jere Voigt***

Helene Woodhams, Kendra Davey and Mary McKinney attended a workshop put on by the Arizona Humanities Council to learn more about AHC resources and how to write a competitive AHC grant proposal.

***COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT OFFICE – Richard DiRusso***

No report this month

***TECHNICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT – Libby Jones***

No report this month



**DATE:** January 22, 2010

**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:** Pat Corella  
Library Deputy Director

**SUBJECT: DIRECTOR'S REPORT – January 2010**

**MURPHY-WILMOT LIBRARY:** The Board of Supervisors approved a construction contract of \$ 2,559,280 on Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. The construction firm, A.R. Mays Construction, Inc, is from Scottsdale, AZ. Construction activity will began with demolition and asbestos removal within a couple of weeks. It is anticipated that this project will be complete by late 2010.

**GREEN VALLEY A/C REPLACEMENT:** Procurement department will be opening bids by late January. Facilities Management is pushing to start construction at the beginning of February with construction completion in May 2010. Facilities Management is currently working on a construction schedule that may require the building be closed at different intervals during construction. This project will include not only replacement of the existing HVA/C system units, but some consolidation so that most of the equipment will end up on the roof of the building instead of the ceilings. This will result in a more efficient energy-use and maintenance and may minimize disruption inside the building. You will be kept informed as the construction schedule and potential closings are finalized.

**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. Friends bookstore project at Main Library was completed several weeks ago will open for public use on January 25th.

**RIO NUEVO E-LIBRARY:** The City of Tucson has placed this project on-hold.



## Agenda Item 6E

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**FROM:** Steffannie Koeneman  
Community Relations Manager

**SUBJECT: COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT- January 2010**

January marks the start of a very busy time for Community Relations. Already, work has begun on publicizing and creating print materials for the 2010 Summer Reading Program. In addition, Community Relations is working on:

- Publicity for Visit the Library at the Tucson Festival of Books. This includes a great deal of print and marketing materials for Nuestras Raices at the Festival as well as the other Library activities at the Festival.
- Annual report. Now designed as a report/advocacy brochure for use throughout the year.
- Publication of Spanish language brochures. We now have Library card and Library program brochures for each branch in Spanish.
- Media relations for publicizing Nuestra Raices at the Festival. Campaigning will include English and Spanish publicity.
- Assisting with opening of the Friends bookstore at Main.
- Publicity for ongoing Library programs: Homework Help, Computer/Job Help in foreign languages.
- Publicity for our annual Tax preparation at libraries.
- MLK painting dedication materials and ceremony (held 1/15/10) This event had good public turnout and very successful print and online media.
- Working on March/April At Your Library magazine.

- Upcoming: Main's 29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary/Food for fines program, Quincie Douglas receives bronze statue; Buffalo Soldiers artist reception at Quincie Douglas.

## Library in the news . . .

### On television:

1/15/10, 4 p.m.

Saavy Saver – KVOA TV-4 : 4 minute segment on free services available at Pima County Public Library. Steff Koeneman filmed at Wheeler Taft Abbett, Sr. Branch Library.

MLK Painting dedication. Fox News-TV 11. Thursday, Jan. 14, 2010.

### In the newspaper and online:

#### [What's happening](#)

Arizona Daily Star - Jan 20, 2010

All classes are taught in English by **Pima County Public Library** tutors with Adult Education certifications. Students ages 16 and older can attend classes, ...

#### [Business calendar](#)

Explorer News - Jan 19, 2010

Free "GED Classes — Preparation and Tutoring" will be provided by **Pima County Public Library** tutors with Adult Education Certifications, and will be taught ...

[Government calendar](#) Explorer News

[all 2 news articles »](#)

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#### [Community calendar](#)

Arizona Daily Star - Jan 19, 2010

Free GED classes - Wheeler Taft Abbett Sr. **Library**, 7800 N. Schisler Road. All classes are taught by **Pima County Public Library** tutors with Adult Education ...

#### [Business Calendar](#)

Explorer News - Jan 5, 2010

Free GED classes, preparation and tutoring will be provided by **Pima County Public Library** tutors with adult education certifications, and will be taught in ...

[Community calendar](#) Arizona Daily Star

[all 3 news articles »](#)

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#### [Community calendar](#)

Arizona Daily Star - Jan 10, 2010

All classes are taught by **Pima County Public Library** tutors with adult-education certifications. Students must be at least 16. 4-7 pm Jan. 11. Free. ...

#### [What's happening](#)

Arizona Daily Star - Jan 13, 2010

Taught in English by **Pima County Public Library** tutors. Classes are held three days a week for students ages 16 and up. Children cannot attend these classes ...

#### [UNM Press Titles Selected as Southwest Books of the Year](#)

UNM Today - Jan 12, 2010

University of New Mexico Press has two titles among this year's must-reads, as chosen by the

Tucson-**Pima County Public Library's** Southwest Books of the Year ...

### [OV candidates offer views, make cases](#)

Explorer News - [Dave Perry](#) - Jan 19, 2010

During the day, candidates were asked questions about the town's **library** services agreement with **Pima County**, what they would do to make Oro Valley friendly ...

[Tucson Citizen](#)

### [Tucson farmers market and grocery store food news and deals](#)

Tucson Citizen - Jan 20, 2010

Story hour is in conjunction with the **Pima County Library**. For the shoppers, lots of fresh reasonably priced locally-grown seasonal produce to choose from ...

### [Business calendar](#)

Explorer News - Dec 30, 2009

Free GED Classes-Preparation and Tutoring will be provided by **Pima County Public Library** tutors with Adult Education Certifications, and will be taught in ...

### [Arizona Daily Star](#)

Arizona Daily Star - Jan 2, 2010

Solar Power 101 — Nanini Branch **Library**, 7300 N. Shannon Road. A program on solar power presented by Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords and **Pima County Public** ...

### [Community notes](#)

Arizona Daily Star - [Lourdes Medrano](#), [Shelley Shelton](#) - Dec 30, 2009

The Oro Valley **Public Library**, 1305 W. Naranja Drive, will be closed today and Friday for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. All other **Pima County libraries**

### [I'm waving at you!](#)

School Library Journal - Jan 7, 2010

Jen Maney is virtual **library** manager for the **Pima County Public Library** in Tucson, AZ. The virtual **library's** motto is "Designing for uncertainty."

### [Community calendar](#)

Arizona Daily Star - Jan 2, 2010

All classes are taught by **Pima County Public Library** tutors with Adult Education Certifications and are taught in English. Students ages 16 and older can ...

### [Library information](#)

Arizona Daily Star - Jan 6, 2010

Free health and wellness screenings for refugees will be offered by the **Pima County** Health Department from 10 am to 2 pm, Saturday, Oct. 31 at the Martha ...

### [MLK painting now greets library visitors](#)

Arizona Daily Star - [Shelley Shelton](#) - Jan 16, 2010

District 5 **Pima County** Supervisor Richard Elias was on hand to speak, and he closed his remarks by encouraging people to "make a difference just like Andy ...

## [Successful '09 event's sequel is beefed up](#)

Arizona Daily Star - [Kristen Cook](#) - Jan 16, 2010

"It's a totally new and different festival from last year," said **Pima County Library** Director Nancy Ledebauer, who co-chairs the festival's author committee. ...

## [Arizona Daily Star](#)

Arizona Daily Star - Jan 9, 2010

Get Started Now" — Presentation by the **Pima County** Master Gardeners. **Murphy-Wilmot Library**, 320 S. Wilmot Road (near Park Place entrance), 1 pm Jan. ...

## [Wheeler Abbett of Marana dies; philanthropist, ex-planning chief](#)

Arizona Daily Star - [Kimberly Matas](#) - Jan 15, 2010

In Marana, she was appointed by the Board of Supervisors to the **Pima County** Merit Commission. The family moved to Southern Arizona from Huntington Harbor, ...

## [Neighbors Briefs](#)

Arizona Daily Star - [Angela Soto](#) - Dec 27, 2009

The **Pima County** Board of Supervisors has awarded a \$2.6 million construction contract for the **Murphy-Wilmot Library** remodeling to AR Mays Construction of ...

## [US REP. GABRIELLE GIFFORDS WALKS HER TALK ON SOLAR ENERGY](#)

RealEstateRama - Jan 8, 2010

... the same week as the latest Solar Power 101, the popular community education forum on solar energy organized by Giffords and the **Pima County Library**. ...

Blogs . . . .

## [Etter's picks for best Southwest books | ASU News](#)

22 Dec 2009 by msjps

The effort is sponsored by Friends of the **Pima County Public Library** and the Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records Agency. Here are Etter's picks for 2009: • "The Blue Tattoo: The Life of Olive Oatman," by Margot Mifflin, ...

[News Releases](#) - <http://asunews.asu.edu/newsreleases> - [References](#)

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<http://www.flickr.com/photos/pimacountypubliclibrary/>

[Library News](#) - <http://www.library.pima.gov/about/news/>

## [Library News](#)

15 May 2009

Library News Releases. Read news releases sent out about library events and programs. About Us. Library News. The requested news item was not found. Subscribe to **Pima County Public Library** News RSS Feeds ...

[Pima County Public Library News](#) - <http://www.library.pima.gov/about/news/>

[ [More results from Pima County Public Library News](#) ]

## [AzLA 2009 on Flickr - Photo Sharing!](#)

16 Dec 2009 by nobody@flickr.com (Pima County Public Library)

**Pima County Public Library** staff Adriana Rendon and Mary Givins accepted awards at the Arizona Library Association conference. ... by **Pima County Public Library** · **Pima**

County Public Library's photostream. 2638. uploads ...

[Uploads from Pima County Public Library - http://www.flickr.com/photos/pimacountypubliclibrary/](http://www.flickr.com/photos/pimacountypubliclibrary/)

[ [More results from Uploads from Pima County Public Library](#) ]

### [Tucson Pima Public Library Catalog](#)

12 Jan 2010 by admin

**Pima County Government Library** Department: Woods Memorial Branch. - **Pima County Law Library** <http://www.pima.gov>. - Columbus **Public Library**. Where can you find the **Pima Public Library** Catalog? You can run a basic search on Google to see ...

[Tucson Travel | Sightseeing & Attractions... - http://www.tucson-travel.org/](#) - [References](#)

### [UNM Today: UNM Press Titles Selected as Southwest Books of the Year](#)

12 Jan 2010 by scarr

University of New Mexico Press has two titles among this year's must-reads, as chosen by the Tucson-**Pima County Public Library's** Southwest Books of the Year, a list of reading suggestions for Southwest book lovers selected by a ...

[UNM Today - http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/)

[ [More results from UNM Today](#) ]

### [Pima County Public Library- illustration contest for a book on ...](#)

1 Oct 2009 by Randy Ford

**Pima County Public Library** is holding an illustration contest for a book on water harvesting. The book will be published by The Glassman Foundation, and is being written by Tucson City Councilman Rodney Glassman and Sasha Borsand. ...

[The Brainpan - http://thebrainpan.wordpress.com/](http://thebrainpan.wordpress.com/)

[ [More results from The Brainpan](#) ]

### [Political Calendar: Week of January 3, 2010 - Blog For Arizona](#)

3 Jan 2010 by AZ BlueMeanie

Gabriel Giffords and the **Pima County Public Library**, Nanini Branch Library, 7300 N. Shannon Road (just north of Ina Road). Solar Power 101 is a community educational forum on solar energy. This meeting will feature representatives from ...

[Blog For Arizona - http://arizona.typepad.com/blog/](http://arizona.typepad.com/blog/) - [References](#)

[ [More results from Blog For Arizona](#) ]

### [Rodney Glassman: Rodney's One-Hundredth Ward 2 Weekly!](#)

27 Oct 2009 by Rodney Glassman Tucson City Council Ward 2

The **Pima County Public Library** is holding a contest to collect illustrations for a picture book about rainwater harvesting which will be published by me (Tucson City Councilman Rodney Glassman) and my fiancée Sasha Borsand. ...

[Rodney Glassman - http://rodneyglassman.blogspot.com/](http://rodneyglassman.blogspot.com/)

[ [More results from Rodney Glassman](#) ]

### [T Q&A | T Q&A | Tucson Weekly](#)

24 Dec 2009 by mailbag@tucsonweekly.com (Mari Herreras)

Sol Gómez, manager of the Sam Lena-South Tucson Branch of the **Pima County Public Library**, was recently given an I Love My Librarian Award, along with 10 other librarians from across the country, by the Carnegie Corporation of New York ...

[Tucson Weekly - http://www.tucsonweekly.com/tucson/how-to-beat-a-photo-radar-](http://www.tucsonweekly.com/tucson/how-to-beat-a-photo-radar-ticket/Content?oid=1...)

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### [AL Inside Scoop » Merry Christmas from New York to America's Most ...](#)

4 Dec 2009 by Leonard Kniffel

Sol A. Gómez a branch manager at the **Pima County Public Library** in Tucson, Arizona, said that people who have lost their jobs, people who are homeless, are looking to his library for help. "We see it all at the library," he said, ...

[AL Inside Scoop - http://www.al.ala.org/insidescoop/](http://www.al.ala.org/insidescoop/) - [References](#)

### [Tucson AZ: Travel Planning - TravelMuse](#)

9 Oct 2008

Listing will include the Tucson Children's Museum, Fox Tucson Theatre, **Pima County Public Library**, and other performance venues, museums, galleries, art exhibits, film screenings, walking tours, concerts and special events, ...

[TravelMuse News Feed - http://www.travelmuse.com/](http://www.travelmuse.com/)