

## Agenda Item 6B



### Pima County Public Library Advisory Board

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**DATE:** August 17, 2009

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

**FROM:** Nancy Ledebouer, Library Director

**SUBJECT: DIRECTOR'S REPORT, July 2009**

The American Library Association held its annual meeting July 10-14 in Chicago. I attended sessions discussing the future of libraries and participated in strategy meetings of the Urban Library Council. I explored the exhibits looking for products that are designed to integrate social media technology into the catalog. This annual meeting is always stimulating and thought provoking. PCPL was able to send three new librarians to attend the conference.

The Emerging Technology Team is gathering information about products that can enhance our current online catalog. Our vendor has a product that has limited capabilities so the team is looking at third party vendors as well as open source software. The goal is to determine if the market offers reliable products with a proven track record that can easily be implemented with our current automation system. Once they conclude their investigation we will work with County IT on a procurement process.

Emerging Technology Team is now offering short informational sessions for staff on fifth Fridays. I attended the presentation on Google features. It is difficult to keep up with the fast pace of technology change. I appreciate the efforts this team is taking to challenge staff to stretch their knowledge of Google and other technologies that benefit work teams and ultimately service to the public. I learned about Google Alerts, Google 411 and how to sync my phone to Outlook. I was impressed with the knowledge and the willingness to share from all the members of the Emerging Technology Team.

We are expanding our partnership with the Tucson Museum of Art (TMOA). Several years ago we partnered with the museum to enter all of their items into the library's automated catalog. This was a grant funded project that raised public awareness to the materials available in the museum's library. We will be expanding this partnership by assisting the museum in making their library materials available to the public and with educational outreach goals.

The Postal Stamp Museum received a grant to enter their library holdings onto the PCPL catalog. They own a variety of materials about stamp collecting as well as a significant collection of materials related to the Civil War. These materials will be cataloged so that interested residents can visit the Postal Museum to access library materials.

August 17, 2009

Library Director's Report

The Library will participate in an application for stimulus funds for bandwidth and computer classes that is being applied for on behalf of libraries across the state by the Arizona State Library & Archives. The application is a very complex one and we greatly appreciate the State Library taking the lead on submitting the application.

I am serving on the Arizona Library Association Board (AzLA) as the southern district representative. The July board meeting in Flagstaff included a discussion on the scholarship program for cultural exchanges between Arizona libraries and libraries in Japan. There is also an effort to raise funds for a Library School scholarship. The Mayor of Flagstaff addressed the group on her relationship with the Flagstaff-Coconino Library and Attorney General Terry Goddard spoke about services offered by his office that might be of interest to libraries. He distributed samples of information on Home Foreclosure Fraud, Identity Theft, Internet Safety and Internet Bullying that he hopes libraries will share with the public.

Of special interest was the legislative issues discussion. Rita Hamilton, Library Director for Scottsdale Library is the AzLA Legislative Chair. She reported on a Resolution that is being brought to the League of Cities and Towns to garner support for a change in legislation that would allow cities and town to opt out of library districts and form separate special districts for municipal libraries. I shared a copy of this Resolution with county administration and county lobbyists. I prepared a summary of the impact this potential legislation could have on PCPL as well as other library districts.

Adult Services Coordinator Beth Mathias-Loghry and I met with representatives from Census 2010 to discuss how the library can support their efforts. The Library will provide tables for Census workers to assist people who need help completing the form and we will encourage people to participate. The census data is not only important to new businesses in planning but it also impacts grants and has the potential of creating new congressional districts for Arizona. The Library is working with the League of Women Voters on the fall elections. We want to bring these two partners together to promote civic engagement in the library.

As a follow up to our earlier Legislative Day visits we are contacting legislators that we were unable to visit with in April. Community Relations Manager Steff Koeneman and I met with Senator About at the Woods Library. Branch Manager Martin Rivera joined us in sharing information about the Woods Library and library programs with Senator About.

Ms. Koeneman and I also met with County Superintendent of Schools Linda Arzoumanian to discuss how the Library can promote the use of databases with schools in Pima County. Ms. Arzoumanian provided several suggestions on how we can work with school districts to train teachers and librarians on how to use library provided resources.

PCPL has 5 librarians who are participating in a Leadership Development program funded by the State Library. These librarians attend sessions in the Phoenix area to discuss aspects of leadership. They each have a mentor who is guiding them on a strategic project. I attended local Brown Bag sessions where the group met local leaders, Steve Alley from the Southern Arizona Community Foundation and Janet Marcotte, Executive Director of the YWCA.

I presented information on public libraries to the incoming class of future librarians at SIRLS. I continue to serve on the Literacy Volunteers of Tucson board and the steering committee for the Literacy for Life Coalition.

## Agenda Item 6C



**DATE:** August 5, 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 July 2009**

**ADULT DETENTION CENTER—*Thomas García***

No report this month

**AJO—*Linda Lam***

No report this month

**CATALINA – *Karen Greaber***

No report this month

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

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

Arivaca finished the 2009 Summer Reading Club with 48 children and 13 teens. About 46% of the children finished 24 hours and 31% of the enrolled teens completed the 30 hours. James the Juggler provided the end of summer program on July 17 with a spectacular fire display, followed by refreshments provided by Friends of the Arivaca Library. Other July programs included Who Dung It? by the Arizona Sonora Desert Museum, Them Bones puppet show by Tohono Chul Park and the very exciting Storytelling! By Jordan Hill. There were at least 5 Adult Summer Reading enrollees.

Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

Local nature photographer Mary Scott presented a visual program: “Our Local Butterflies” to a packed house at the Arivaca Library on July 11. She provided information on butterflies besides a beautiful photographic PowerPoint display of her photos and videos.

Librarian Mary Kasulaitis provided a walking tour of Old Arivaca for a group of both children and adults on July 10.

Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces

Two teens carried the Pima County Public Library banner during the Red, White and Blue Parade on July 4 in Arivaca. It was the best parade ever! And good publicity for the Library.

***ECKSTROM-COLUMBUS— Terry Rill.***

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

Volunteers from NAMISA, the National Alliance on Mental Illness of Southern Arizona, gave a presentation to staff about the challenges and manifestations of mental illness. The program helped staff better understand what individuals dealing with mental health issues are facing.

Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

Shannon Wilcox, our children's librarian, went to Camp Randolph to do a story time for the kids at their summer program and our Reading Partner's program continued with 2 trained volunteers.

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

Both beginning and advanced computer classes were held on a weekly basis and the Literacy Volunteers of Tucson continued their weekly Advanced English classes.

Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

Summer Reading Program continued through July 18 and staff was busy with special programs including Dream catchers, KidzArt and Capoeira dancing. A Teen Lock In was held at the Eckstrom-Columbus Library as a thank you event for teen volunteers. About 20 teens from Eckstrom-Columbus and neighboring libraries spent an evening after the library closed playing games and having fun! Staff assisted with the teen Rock a Book finale and the Tucson Toros SRP game.

***DUSENBERRY-RIVER—Dianna Thor***

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

- 2 One-Stop summer interns each worked 30 hours a week
- A customer reported that, thanks to the library, he is not facing unemployment. His contract at Ft. Huachuca was about to expire, his computer at home wasn't working, but through persistence and the use of our public PCs, he has landed an even better job than the one he had before.
- 696 children signed up for our Summer Reading Program, representing 100 schools from Tucson, Vail, and elsewhere; 27% of that number completed the program on time.

Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

- A total of six teens, comprising two filming groups, participated in That's My Take Teen Trailers at River. We filmed trailers based on the book *Tantalize* and the book *Phoenix Dance*. 15 additional people helped as actors/extras in the films as supplement to the teens filming.
- As part of our Create Club series, 13 tweens and teens learned about star gazing in an SRP planetarium program presented by Brian DeWelles; 6 participated in the Rock Rags t-shirt transformations.
- River hosted one of four teen volunteer after-hours thank you parties. 28 teen volunteers from five branches interacted at a very fun party featuring a library relay game, a library murder mystery to solve, lots of food, and video games.
- We entertained and informed 230 patrons of all ages who attended the following Summer Reading Presentations in our meeting room:
  - Explore Watersheds & Write Poetry-(Pima Co. Dept. of Environmental Quality)
  - Eco-Jeopardy-(Pima Co. Dept. of Environmental Quality)
  - Counting Little Geckos Storytime with local author Charlene Profiri
  - "Them Bones", a play performed by volunteers from Tohono Chul Park

- Venomous Creatures-(Pima Co. Natural Resources Parks & Rec.)
- Awesome Air-(Pima Co. Dept. of Environmental Quality)
- Camouflage-(Pima Co. Natural Resources Parks & Rec.)

### ***EL PUEBLO—Aaron Valdivia***

#### Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

- Our LA, Tara Foxx-Lupo, did three story-times for the Henry Quinto Dare Care Center next to the library with 6 to 7 kids and adults in attendance at each.
- We have increased attendance to story-times from the YMCA. The YMCA now brings a group of kids on Mondays, in addition to the group that comes to story-times on Tuesdays. Each week they bring at least 20 kids on Mondays and 15 on Tuesdays.

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

- OASIS computer classes continue to be offered every Monday morning in Spanish and English and we have at least 6 people in each class.
- Aaron Valdivia, Branch Manager, has taken part in the Literacy for Life Coalition as another representative for PCPL as an Adult Literacy constituent of the coalition.
- A GED class from the El Pueblo Adult Learning Center visited the library to get cards, learn about print and electronic library resources and get information about literacy events in Tucson sponsored or created by PCPL: 26 students in attendance.

#### Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

- SRP event, Capoeira Brazilian Jujitsu: 7/8, 26 people in attendance.
- SRP event, Kids Art Under the Sea: 7/14, 16 in attendance.
- SRP, Sonoran Sea Aquarium Sharks: 7/21, 46 attended.
- ELP now has 5 express computers to alleviate overcrowding of PCs.

#### Succeed in School: Homework Help

- ELP now has two computers devoted to Homework Help from 4 pm to 6 pm Monday thru Friday.

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

- ELP staff has started to work on the “Deadwood List” for the collection and continue to be diligent about weeding in order to prepare to shift the collection for a future move to create more open space for customers. Branch Manager, Aaron Valdivia, has started to draft a plan for a shift of shelving and materials in order to create a more open and inviting environment for customers.

### ***EL RIO—Wanda Poindexter***

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

El Rio Library partnered with the Neighborhood Center’s Teen Program to provide support in their off-site Teen Summer Reading Program. The librarian visited the teen program to give an overview and encouragement for the teens’ participation in the SRP. She also gave an overview of all the teen programs in PCPL. She passed out applications for those who did not yet have library cards.

A week later the Summer El Rio Neighborhood Center Teen Program made a visit to the library. A general library orientation was given and the teens were signed up for some teen programs at the library. From then on, every week, the teens came to the library for a half an hour to read magazines and newspapers.

Dozens of families attended our Reading Partners “Love of Reading” hours this month. In addition, several preschool teachers brought their small classes to Reading Partners. In both cases, the trained Reading Partners volunteers (teens and adults) model techniques of dialogic/interactive reading for the parents and teachers. During Reading Partners, the volunteers distribute tip sheets for building family literacy.

The Summer Reading Program was a wonderful opportunity for building family literacy. We had many families where children, teens, and parents were participating in SRP and they were reading together as a family. In a couple cases, grandparents joined in.

#### Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

Approximately 2 dozen teens and adults were given one-on-one orientations to the PCPL Virtual Library. Several of the library databases were demonstrated. Two of the adults and 2 teens were signed up for Tell Me More and My Skills Tutor. All four were given individual instruction in using Tell Me More and My Skills Tutor. One of the adults was a refugee and one of the teens an immigrant to the U.S.

The library has begun a new partnership with Pima Community College Adult Education to encourage PCCAIE students to use the library's My Skills Tutor Database. We are registering students for My Skills Tutor and teaching them how to use the software to prepare for their GED test.

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

We have developed a plan to "spruce up" El Rio Branch. We discarded some old, partially broken spinners, some worn furniture. We obtained a nice looking display tower and used half of it for our Summer Reading Program and half for a display about "Employment Opportunities." We've also undertaken a month's long project that culminated this month to weed our entire collection on a weekly basis.

We designed a new branch flyer highlighting our branch programs. We made a special teen version and one in Spanish, both of which we had never had before. We include these flyers in a packet of information we offer to anyone who visits our branch for the first time. Customers tell us the packet makes them feel welcome and comfortable.

#### ***FLOWING WELLS – Yolanda Sainz***

No report this month

#### ***GEASA-MARANA— Nancy Lindeman***

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

After a summer break, ESL classes are starting up again. Unfortunately, the break coupled with difficulty in replacing the volunteer teacher is causing student participation to drop off. Hopefully, this will change with the start-up of area schools and any new publicity we can generate.

#### Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

Our final Children's Summer Reading Club events in July capped a very successful season. The Hanuman Puppet Theater visited on July 9<sup>th</sup> to rave reviews from the audience and, interestingly, Gwen Ray gave a rave review to the audience for their enthusiasm and being so well behaved. Two notable storytimes were also presented: Fourth of July on July 2<sup>nd</sup> at which we were joined by a family from Belize who were visiting the family of one of our teen volunteers. The family was thrilled to make little American flags and join in a parade to Yankee Doodle (they got to keep the flags); our *Imagination and Magic* storytime on July 16<sup>th</sup> at which the Cat in the Hat stuffed toy (a gift from Youth Services) was given away to one lucky little boy as a door prize. Statistically, our 2009 Children's SRC program showed remarkable increases over last year with program attendance through the roof!

Starting in July, we are now providing Early Literacy Skills information and Brain Box <sup>TM</sup> cards at our Preschool Storytimes.

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

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

The Summer Reading Club was a big success. We had many more adult readers than last year, the teen numbers increased slightly, and children read lots more this year.

Our new computer monitor is busy teaching one on one classes to many of our computer users.

Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

Solar Power 101 was presented at Himmel in partnership with Representative Gabrielle Giffords.

A new book club, Libros Raices, was added for those interested in Hispanic literature.

Two new dances were taught to eager learners: Bollywood Dancing and Brazilian Capoeira.

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

Be an Informed Community Member: Local, National and World Affairs – The library opened its doors for Noridian (Local Medicare provider) to provide information to area residents regarding Personal Health Records. Medicare is providing free personal health record management to Medicare recipients and they needed a venue to spread the word.

Create Young Readers: Early Literacy – Michelle Creston and Maria Esparza saw over 500 children at this year's back to school Care Fair at the Sahuarita Safeway. Children received library cards and library information along with their backpacks, shoes and school supplies supplied by local agencies. The organizers called us and asked us to participate!

Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy – Green Valley Library staff used their July staff meeting time to learn about new databases – taught by our own Karen Greene- as well as the Winway resume software and Mavis Beacon typing software. This was an excellent working meeting that will enable all levels of staff to provide better service to Green Valley customers.

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

No report this month

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

Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

The **Summer Reading Program** was a big success. A total of 1,181 kids signed up, 263 read to 24 hours and 258 completed the full 30 hours, a 20 % increase in the number of kids that completed the program.

We hosted some incredible programs for people of all ages in July. Presenters from **Arizona Sonora Desert Museum** brought live birds to the “Feathered Friends” program. Docents from **Pima County Natural Resources** presented the “Wonderful World of Bats”. The **PCPL Harry Potter Players** transformed the Lower Level meeting room into a magical replica of Hogwarts School. The attention to detail and great interpretations of characters was amazing. One parent said it was even better than Barnes & Nobles. We also presented a **Bubble Fantasy** program for 125 excited participants. Some of the activities included putting kids inside a bubble, shaking hands through the bubble wall, creating bubble art, and even participating in bubble blowing contests using a variety of different types of bubble wands. Kids were given a Bubble fact & trivia handout created by teens and a bottle of bubble solution to take home.

Main Library hosted four movies during “**Tuesday Main Movie Time**” in July. Teen volunteers helped with set up and general monitoring of the program. Participants enjoyed the ambiance of movies shown on the large projection screen, with great sound speakers and free snacks.

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

“Our group received a grant for \$3,500 (by) using resources at the library’s Grants & Nonprofit Information Center’s website.” These comments were shared by one of the 42 attendees at the July **Grantseeking Basics Workshop**.

The **Rock a Book Teen Summer Reading Program** was very successful with 114 teens signing up and 47 completing the program. They loved the Rock a Book Fest featuring local bands in the parking garage.

For the second year in a row, Business Librarian Deborah Brown made a presentation to a **University of Arizona Pharmacy class** about free library business resources to help the class strengthen their business plans. The class entered into the **National Community Pharmacists Association business plan competition**, which is designed to encourage graduate Pharmacy students to explore a career as owners of independent pharmacies. As a result, the U of A class was chosen as one the top three semi-finalists to compete in the final competition in October. Last year the U of A class took top prize in the competition.

Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces

Librarians attended the **Amory Park Neighborhood Association** board meeting in July and gave a brief presentation about library resources, adult, teen and children programming, and exhibits at the newly remodeled Joel D. Valdez Main Library. The community members received the presentation enthusiastically and requested a news story for their August newsletter.

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

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

2,134 children signed up for Summer Reading. More significantly there was a 21% increase in children reading for thirty hours. More teens participated in the Summer Reading Program this year and a whopping 49% of the enrollees completed the entire program, 30 hours of reading. Our 22 teen and young adult volunteers put in 529 hours of assistance handing out reading incentives and words of encouragement to all the participants.

Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

Margaret Wilkie presented a program about Pima County Public Library services to the Tucson Society for the Blind. They were interested and enthusiastic about the library and asked many questions. Several audience members supplement the national/state Talking Book program with audio books from the library.

Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces

As the temperatures increased so did our public computer usage.

**MARTHA COOPER BRANCH– Margaret Guerrero**

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

Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

- At the Super Science Club children made Alka Seltzer rockets, learning about the circulation system, rock candy, and the end of summer blast (made ice cream and bubble fun!).
- The Tween Tuesday’s program kids made paper mache piñatas, and paper alligators.

- World Language storytimes continue with the help of native speakers of Arabic, French, and Swahili from the neighborhood.

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

- Kelly Batese, Graduate Assistant from SIRLS, ended her internship by planning and presenting her own storytime during our regularly scheduled toddler time.
- In response to the special needs of the unemployed, Martha Cooper began checking out laptops to job-seeking customers for use within the branch. These laptops are quickly growing in popularity and are being used for everything from creating resumes, to filing for unemployment, to conducting online job searches.
- Martha Cooper recently began making Online Job Searching workbooks and a Resume Building instruction sheets from our computer classes available to the public. These handouts are used by job-seekers and have encouraged several of them to supplement the information with library computer classes
- Library school intern Amna Al Qaisi, a refugee from Iraq, conducted a one-on-one Online Job Searching class in Arabic with one of our customers on Sunday, July 26. The customer will return in August to be taught Microsoft Word in Arabic. She has also developed a 4-page welcome packet for new library customers that read Arabic.
- In partnership with Pima County's Pledge-A-Job program, we now have youth employed to provide computer help in our primary target languages of Nepali, Arabic, and Kirundi, with Hindi, Bengali, French, and Swahili as secondary languages.
- Special cultural programs this month included Beading with Vivian and Bollywood. Both programs had waiting lists.

#### Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

Marissa Alcorta attended the ALA Annual conference in Chicago and participated in the ALA Emerging Leaders program. Her attendance to the conference was partially funded through a scholarship from the Arizona State Library. As part the scholarship commitments, she is working on a short article on her conference experience to be published in the AZLA newsletter.

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

#### Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

- The Fourth of July Preschool storytime was extra special; besides celebrating the holiday, it was our storytime triplet's birthdays, so we enjoyed snacks and punch and sang Happy Birthday.
- Children's Chris Novak received a \$25 gift card from one of her storytime patrons, and another young patron made her a bracelet with each colored bead representing one of her children. These were to thank Chris for her wonderful storytimes.
- Ronald McDonald made his appearance again this year, and along with his magic tricks, he made an effort to encourage the children to use the library and read!
- Again this year some of the Tween Bookclubbers enjoyed the free movie, *James and the Giant Peach* at the Loft, after reading and discussing the book.
- Miss Sarah Jane, from KinderMusik, read a fun story and engaged our young patrons with musical instruments, singing and dancing.
- After Chris read stories to the Cottonwood Preschool, the preschoolers treated Chris to ice cream to cool down from the heat.
- Last, but not least, 2,685 children came in to Miller-Golf Links Library this summer to sign up for the best Summer Reading Program ever!

Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

- Allan Dew and Matt Landon organized a Jigsaw Puzzle Contest for ages 10 and up. 18 customers attended, racing against the clock on several small puzzles, with prizes for the best overall times.

***MISSION – Mary McKinney***

Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

Libby Quinn's presentation to an audience of 40 included a puppet show and stories in sign language at a storytime on July 9.

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

80 attended the Harry Potter program on July 9. The kids had a blast and loved the magic. The adults were impressed with the PCPL staff (and friends & family) effort to make the meeting room look and feel authentic and to play the characters with such gusto.

Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

The Rock Band Tournament on July 12 included three bands, Frogs, No-names and Unknown, the winning band. 20 attended.

As a result of some fantastic new "softies" books that PCPL has acquired, teens took part in an Ugly Dolls program on July 21. Sewing was a new skill to the majority of the 8 attendees. Some preferred to make cute dolls instead.

Mission was one of four branches hosting the system-wide teen volunteer lock-in locations on July 17. In appreciation for the time and effort they donated to us, teens were invited to take part in the all-branch scavenger hunt (won by the Rainbow Monkeys at Columbus), a rock-themed mystery, food, and gaming.

***MURPHY WILMOT – Daphne Daly***

Create Young Readers: Early Literacy Due to popular demand, ***Read to a Dog*** continued through the summer. Despite our efforts to wind down services to concentrate on our move to a temporary facility, we found that we had handlers willing to continue to bring their dogs through the summer. Staff member Toby Wehner coordinated up to 5 dogs and handlers and dozens of young readers at these lively Wednesday afternoon sessions.

Literacy for Success in Everyday Life: Adult, Teen and Family Literacy. Our job help continues to attract an almost-capacity crowd, as we provide opportunities to search for work, to develop an effective resume, and to obtain job-hunting tips. We had our first known success story when a woman who had used our job help services came in to say she had gotten a job thanks to the library!

Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces a ***journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step. ---Confucius.*** Murphy-Wilmot's first step of its year-long journey begins next month when we close our doors at 530 N. Wilmot Road to begin the long-awaited remodel and expansion project. The preparations to take this single step have been happening for months— years, really. During July, staff shifted into high gear and has been busy wrapping up Summer Reading and other continuing programs while informing customers of our intended move. We've spent countless hours sorting, packing, and boxing, all while continuing our regular very busy level of service. Everyone's desks, work supplies, and projects are packed and ready to go. We've worked closely with Pima County Facilities to make the best possible branch out of our temporary facility located at 320 S. Wilmot. The building, formerly Silo Appliance and more recently housing World Care will be our home for the next year. Our projected closure/move date is August 22; we are set to reopen down the street on September 8.

*NANINI – Kristi Bradford*

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

Teens and young adults contributed greatly to the success of summer reading at Nanini this year. 23 students provided us with 408 hours of assistance handing out reading incentives!

Nanini also employed 5 teens from Pima County's Youth employment program as pages. It's been a great learning experience for them and invaluable assistance for us.

**Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning**

Nanini children's staff, (Julie, Eddie, & Natalie) in collaboration with Pima Animal Care Center (PACC) presented a program on **Teaching Pet Responsibility** on July 21 from 1:00-4:00 pm. Sixteen children ages 6-12 and their parents learned all about choosing a pet, pet care, and library resources related to training a pet. Participants were treated to a puppet show, *The Best Pet of All* based on the picture book by the same name. Activities included making flip books which teach about pet overpopulation; pet bingo; & good/bad pet scenarios. Live dogs were introduced to the program by Jenny Kading from PACC and a volunteer. Children learned appropriate behavior around dogs, such as asking the owner if they could pet their dog. They learned how to become a "rock" to protect themselves around an aggressive dog, and were given opportunities to practice how to properly approach a dog on a leash. Through games they learned about feeding, vet care, exercising, grooming, and overall pet responsibility.

All participants were presented with a dog or cat pledge and a \$45 discount adoption coupon to be used at PACC. The coupons are good for one month, July 21-Aug. 20. Thanks to the Friends of the Pima County Public Library for providing the monetary support, including the cost of the adoption discount, of this special program.

A kit for system wide library use was created to duplicate this program at other libraries as well.

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

To beautify the library grounds, on July 3, Nanini Library staff walked the library grounds and picked up trash blown into the area. Staff member Jackie Hall discovered the remains of a downed weather balloon which staff recovered and mailed back to the National Weather Service. We found out the balloon was released from the U of A May 31<sup>st</sup> and reached a height of 101,000 feet before bursting! That's over 20 miles high and the last recorded temperature at that height was minus 64 degrees!

***QUINCIE DOUGLAS— Elva Smithwhite***

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

**The Teen Advisory Board (TAB)** met with TPD officers, United Way Young Leaders Society and Kino Weed and Seed to **plan community service projects** including the National Night Out celebration and a neighborhood vacant lot clean-up project.

Three teen volunteers and one Pima County intern worked at Quincie in July.

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

The Summer Reading Program finished strong, with statistics up slightly from last year.

Thursdays were designated "**Job Days**". Computer Instructor, Duane Wagner and Computer Monitor, Maritza Ortiz assisted job seekers to use computers for job searching, test practice, skills building, resume writing and other job related activities. Between 9:00am and 5:00pm one hour of instruction and seven hours of practical

help were provided in the computer lab. **Assistance was provided in English and Spanish for ninety-nine individuals during July.**

Computer classes remain popular with maximal attendance.

Chess club averages 16 children, teens and adults per week.

The “7-11 Club” has become a summer tradition. Through July, children, ages of 7 to 11 met weekly for three hours of stories, literacy based games and activities, movies, crafts, computer activities and healthy snacks. The club had 35 members this summer, with weekly attendance ranging from 14 to 28.

Another summer tradition, “Reading with Your Eyes Closed” drew a small consistent group of children to listen to talking books, enjoy a snack and earn coupons for an extra hour of computing.

“Read to a Dog” and “Reading Partners” remained popular. Kidco groups as well as drop-ins enjoyed reading to two dogs and interacting with two human volunteer reading partners, weekly.

Tohono Chul Park Puppet Theatre performance of “Them Bones” was attended by a crowd of 86.

Six teens were very excited about participating in “That’s My Take”. The second of two groups filmed a trailer for the book, The Lightning Thief, including scripting, directing, costuming, set design and filming.

Six teens participated in a “Digital Storytelling” experience involving writing, scripting, illustrating and digitizing personal stories from their own lives.

#### Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

Fifteen people attended a traditional beading class with Vivian Enos.

There were two teen dance classes in July. Bollywood Dance, with 10 girls participating. Five teens attended “Hip Hop with Zuzi” despite air conditioning failure in the meeting room.

“Wii Wednesdays” provided opportunities for teens and children to play popular video games. The weekly three hour program draws drop-ins and youth groups. In July, the Cherry Avenue Parks and Recreation Center brought a group of 20 teens to play video games and learn about library services.

#### ***SAHUARITA – Michele White***

##### Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

- Our “Read to a Dog” program was a big hit this month with little patrons lined up to take their turn to read to “Bubba”.

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

- The Summer Reading Club was a big success for Sahuarita’s first year. Approximately 690 children, 82 adults, and 151 teens signed up for the program. All programs were also well attended.
- YMCA Day Campers from Great Expectations Academy made weekly visits to the library beginning with a tour, obtaining library cards, signing up for summer reading, using computers, and checking out books.

Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces

- Patrons are taking advantage of our “semi-quiet” reading area and study rooms, whether to read the newspaper, a book, or study for exams.

**SANTA ROSA (SRO) —Emily Mazur**

No report this month

**SOUTH TUCSON — Sol Gómez**

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

South Tucson is collaborating with Pima Council on Aging’s Mature Worker program by hiring a participant of the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP), a program funded by the United States Department of Labor. Not only is our SCSEP person learning computer skills working with us, she will be providing workshops on how to interview for jobs. Her first workshop will focus on body language.

SRP was a success with its many programs having at least twenty youth attending. Science Extravaganza, where youth experiment with chemistry and science to create some amazing projects, was a great addition to SRP and will continue throughout the school year!

Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces

South Tucson Library and the South Tucson Prevention Coalition are planning for National Night Out & Movies in the park as we prepare for school to start in the fall.

*Quiet Zone* has been slowly gaining a silent momentum by attracting patrons who love a totally silent atmosphere. The *Zone* is from 10am – 12pm Monday through Saturday.

**SOUTHWEST— Sara Dias**

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

Our themed display this month was Celebrate the USA, and featured materials about the birth of our nation. Customers were encouraged to write a thank you note to the military; to test their knowledge of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution; and to enter the 4th of July-themed coloring contest. Red, white, and blue balloons, flags and windsocks decorated the library and played a role in the festive summer atmosphere enjoyed by all.

Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

Toddler Time continues to be all the rage at Southwest. Barbara saw on average 11 participants every week this month. Who can resist a bean bag song, after all? We are beginning to include early literacy tips and Brain Box cards into our normal Storytime routines, and parents appreciate the combination of fun and information library staff brings to these presentations.

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

Midday bilingual computer classes were a major highlight this month: Jerry delivered wonderful instruction, featuring Computer Survival Skills, Genealogy, Intro to Word, Digital Photography and eBay (some classes at Southwest and some on the Pascua Yaqui reservation). At the end of each class there was much socialization among students and already we are seeing them assist other customers with using the computers.

Sara attended Literacy for Life Coalition Provider's Network meeting this month, and enjoyed brainstorming shared needs of organizations serving the K-12 population as well as potential solutions with representatives from OASIS, Reading Seed, the Volunteer Center and Tucson Unified School District.

Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

The Sonoran Desert Museum delighted a large audience with "Feathered Friends," a program featuring live birds! As we all agreed, it was our lucky day to be at the only library in town where a visiting owl pooped on the floor, and customers of all ages found the program both educational and entertaining.

Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces

Our July Sprinklification was a huge hit! Families, kids and teens enjoyed eegees and music out on our "skate park." After coming inside for some banana splits with sprinkles, prizes were given out and then everyone was back out again to get "sprinklified!" Check out the photos on Flickr!

On July 18, Southwest teamed up with the Dr. Fernando Escalante Community Library on the Pascua Yaqui Reservation to host a Guitar Hero Tournament for teens to celebrate the end of the Rock-a-Book Summer Reading Program. Two big screens, 4 guitars, snacks, prizes, and 8 skilled competitors made the library a lively place to be on a Saturday morning.

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

Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

- A new Bookmobile stop was added at Mountain Trace Terrace this month, which attracted 13 customers on the first visit. In July, there were 21 stops with 310 customers using the bookmobile. This is typically a slower time of year for bookmobile use. However, customer use was still over 300 for the month.
- The Deposit Collection Service continues to grow. Staff from our newest site, the Brewster's Center Wings of Freedom Transitional Housing, was so grateful and pleased that they went out and bought a brand new bookshelf for our service.

***VALENCIA - Elaine Valenzuela***

Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

- We enrolled over 1400 children in the summer reading program; and 322 completed the program. We hosted 11 children's/family programs with 828 attendees.

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

- Jerry Holman, our computer instructor, presented weekly OASIS based classes that included "Online Job Searching", "Gone Blogging", and "Your Résumé". Our weekly beginning level classes "Introduction to the Computers" and "Introducción a las Computadoras" were presented by James Lee and Martha Díaz-Encinas.

Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

- EDUCAMEXUS is providing services to many customers at Valencia Library. They are managed by the Consortium for North American Higher Education Collaboration (CONAHEC) headquartered at the University of Arizona. They facilitate access to educational opportunities for Hispanics living in the United States by providing alternative educational programs and orientation in Spanish at all educational levels. The program they currently offer at Valencia allows Mexican nationals who completed the 9th grade in the Mexican educational system to obtain a Mexican high school diploma from the Secretariat of Public Education (SEP) through the successful completion of an examination. This program is roughly equivalent to the GED program and allows those with a Mexican academic background and limited time to obtain their Mexican High School Certificate through independent study.

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

- We pride ourselves as a center for cyber life, a place for customers to take advantage of all the nifty new ways to meet others and stay in touch technologically. However recent observations confirm that is only part of the picture. Here at the Valencia Library we have noticed customers making new connections, sharing skills and information and just the time of day waiting for their chance to socially network. Our low tech chess set got a workout the other day as an adult taught a teen how to play during wait time; also observed one customer showing another how to use the atlas displayed near the computers. Then there is the widow who reads the paper here every afternoon "just to get out and see people." DVD browsers share favorites and make recommendations to each other. Our cool, welcoming and non-demanding atmosphere naturally allows people to have face to face social interactions.

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

#### Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

We had our first Create It With Stories program this month for families. The theme was Kings and Queens. April Gering presented The Most Wonderful Egg in the World story with book props and Sherryl Volpone coordinated an accompanying enrichment activity where children wrote their names on crowns with alphabet stickers and decorated them.

As part of summer reading programming we hosted a Space Travel program for families presented by MegaScience Meg. 60 participants had fun learning about space and stretching their imaginations. One customer commented that the program “engaged children—they had fun!”

April began distributing copies of Brain Box tip cards from the New Directions Institute for Infant Brain Development to branches with weekly storytimes in support of sharing weekly early literacy tips with parents and caregivers. Each branch has been given permission to share one tip card per storytime per week.

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

Computer classes and job help services were in full swing this month. Shalonda, our program instructor has done a fabulous job organizing and publishing the classes and the drop in help sessions. In July we hosted 11 computer classes/open lab sessions reaching 38 people. Already Shalonda’s skills have made an impact. One customer wrote to Library Director Nancy Ledeboer to say that Shalonda Whitmore was “fantastic with the information she provided, the excellent teaching skills she used in explaining/demonstrating, etc. and how patiently she helped me and two other people at the same time.”

We also created a Job Help/Career display highlighting the job help and books to assist customers looking for jobs or starting a new career.

This summer Abbett library hosted two Pima Onestop summer interns. Both have been outstanding and one moved on to apply and was hired as a Pima Onestop page at our branch to continue working on our team into the fall.

#### Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

This was Abbett’s first full Summer Reading season. We had 1,495 participants in the children’s program and 170 registered in the teen program. The Abbett Branch had a great response from teens in the community that volunteered their time to help facilitate the distribution of prizes for the children’s Summer Reading Program. There were 30 teen volunteers who worked a total of 443 hours during the program. Miley Clark, our local Library Board member, spoke very highly of the program at the Library

Board meeting and shared a compliment from a woman whose teenage son was a volunteer. She said the library gave her son a purpose for the summer and that he enjoyed his time here.

Our SIRLS intern, Nicole Scoles finished her young adult internship with us this month. She conducted a survey for us to find out what teens are looking for in terms of Library programming and services. She coordinated 3 more Thursday evening Teen Time programs including a Bake-Off, Apples to Apples Game Showdown, and an Ice Cream Sundae Making workshop drawing in a total of 43 participants.

Abbett hosted a regional teen volunteer party. A total of 27 volunteers from Abbett and 3 other branches participated in lots of fun activities including a library scavenger hunt, solving a murder mystery, making bottle cap jewelry and singing You Tube Karaoke.

For adults, one of the most fun programs this summer was the Dream Catcher Wall Hangings Program for adults. We had a full house of people creating and learning about dream catchers. The program received high marks on the evaluation with one customer commented, "It was lots of fun!" In addition, the Friends had another stellar Extended Abbett Book Sale this month at the branch bringing in a record \$224.

### ***WOODS—Martín Rivera***

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

Woods Branch Library has been offering Job Help twice a week. Average attendance is about 6 people per session.

#### Create Young Readers: Early Literacy

Our teen Reading Partner volunteer averages nine children weekly. Surbhi has developed a following and has been encouraging children to read during the summer.

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

The GED summer session concluded on Jul 31. Preparations are underway for the next session; they will begin in September.

The English classes summer session taught by Literacy Volunteers concluded on July 29. The instructors reported that the class had been successful.

Woods Branch Library is now offering computer classes in Spanish, which been very popular, and cover both computer and internet basics. Classes are full, with 8-12 people each week. In addition, staff is continuing to offer computer classes in English.

#### Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

The teen video project continued toward completion. Two teams of nine developed scripts, filmed in the desert near Nanini, in the Rillito wash, and in the Woods Branch Library. The trailers will be exciting; and results will be fun to watch.

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

Eight teen volunteers helped with the summer reading club this year. They worked for 65 hours during a 2-week period in July. Twenty-eight summer teen volunteers attended a system-wide "thank you" party at River. They participated in electronic gaming, a library trivia game, a murder mystery game, and had plenty to eat. All the volunteers received thank you letters, gift coupons, and certificates.

Woods Branch Library hosted several programs during July. Twenty-five patrons of all ages enjoyed a beading program. In an effort to promote the weekly chess club, which draws about ten participants per week and to celebrate the end of summer, staff at Woods Branch Library hosted a special chess event. Thirty-one participants attended Mega Chess. The over-sized chess pieces fascinated customers of all ages.

A generous teen gave a Rock Band Drum set to the Branch. He is a member of the group that regularly attends the weekly teen gaming event on Saturday afternoon. The gift will be a great addition to our gaming equipment.

The new books club for adults is going well. Ten people attended both June and July's meetings.

***VIRTUAL LIBRARY— Jen Maney***

No report this month

***YOUTH SERVICE-Gina Macaluso***

Satisfy Curiosity: Lifelong Learning

On July 25, librarians John Munoz and Mary Sanchez began a space science series for 7 to 11-year-olds, which will continue for the following two weeks, to teach children core STEM (Sci., Tech., Eng., Math) concepts while engaging in fun, hands-on activities. This series, Outer Space Base II (OSB-2), aims to promote among children an appreciation for space science; and to demonstrate the public library's role in supporting elementary education. OSB-2 consists of three 3-hour sessions, with dozens of activities on the following topics; space art, air rockets, parachutes, moon phases, constellations, model planets. This series commemorates the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Apollo 11.

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

No report this month

***STAFF DEVELOPMENT – Bonny Bruce***

No report this month

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

No report this month

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

No report this month



**Pima County Public Library**

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**DATE:** August 5, 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:** Pat Corella  
Library Deputy Director

**SUBJECT: DIRECTOR'S REPORT – July 2009**

**MURPHY-WILMOT LIBRARY:** The Facilities and Library staff worked out a plan to convert the temporary site into a viable library facility. Facilities Management has hired several Contractors to initiate work on a few tenant improvements that will convert the building to a temporary library site to be used by the public. This process will take approximately two months to complete. In regard to the original Wilmot building, the architectural drawings are at the 100% level and the architectural package and the construction documents have been compiled and will be out for bid shortly. It is anticipated that this project will be complete by late 2010.

**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 City of Tucson has placed this project on-hold.

**POTENTIAL LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND EXPANSIONS:** Several library buildings that were being considered for development or expansion did 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.



## Agenda Item 6E

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**FROM:** Steffannie Koeneman  
Community Relations Manager

**SUBJECT:** COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT-July 2009

Community Relations concentrated its efforts on writing and finishing the Aug/Sept “At Your Library” magazine. This edition features information on Back to School and a feature story on the Murphy-Wilmot remodel.

This magazine also has substantially more Spanish language information included. We are hopeful that this will reach additional Library customers.

Advertising announcing the return of Homework Help and the First (Library) Card program also has been set into motion. The Arizona Daily Star tentatively agreed to do some sort of story promoting both programs.

We also will be working on publicity for the upcoming That’s My Take premier, this year’s Sci-Fi program, called Fantasy Creations and on the formal presentation in the media of the outcome of our year-long Strategic Planning process and objectives for the next three years.

Additional work is set for spreading word to educators (teachers, principals) about the new databases available for student use.

We begin early design work on the next calendar during August. This calendar covers Oct/Nov/Dec and will prominently feature our annual LCP lecturer (Dec. 10: Craig Childs); Storytown, and an overview of our Work Plan and Strategic Plan.

The Star will publish the feature on Murphy-Wilmot Branch Library’s remodel on Aug. 17. We hope to complete our 2008-2009 Annual Report by mid-August, now that annual budget and statistical information is complete.

## **Library in the News . . .**

### **[Tucson celebrates 234th birthday in style](#)**

Arizona Daily Wildcat - [Justyn Dillingham](#) - Jul 29, 2009

There will also be other birthday events at other branches of the **Tucson-Pima Public Library**. For information, visit [www.library.pima.gov](http://www.library.pima.gov). ...

**[Tucson's 234th starts Saturday](#)** Arizona Daily Star

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### **[Community calendar](#)**

Arizona Daily Star - Jul 27, 2009

Scrabble club/bridge club — Oro Valley **Public Library**, 1305 W. Naranja Drive. Bring your own Scrabble game, if possible. All players are welcome. ...

### **[Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D \(PG\)](#)**

Explorer News - Jul 8, 2009

Details: 7-9:30 pm; Oro Valley **Public Library**, 1305 W. Naranja Drive; donations accepted; 229-5300. Bring non-perishable food and cash donations to the ...

### **[Wingspan leader quits to cut costs](#)**

Arizona Daily Star - [Tony Davis](#) - Jul 19, 2009

But Wingspan leaders are working with Pima County **Public Library** officials and City Council staffs to try to secure meeting spaces in those offices, ...

### **[Ben's Bells : It's this couple's nature 'to give, to love, to share'](#)**

Arizona Daily Star - Jul 18, 2009

... an accountant by trade, was the organizing president of the Friends of the **Tucson Public Library**, now called Friends of the Pima County **Public Library**. ...

### **[Business Calendar](#)**

Arizona Daily Star - Jul 10, 2009

"Grant-Seeking for Nonprofits" — Joel D. Valdez Main **Library**, 101 N. Stone Ave. Pima County **Public Library's** free orientation to resources for nonprofit and ...

### **[Independent workers find place to connect](#)**

Arizona Republic - [Erin Zlomek](#) - 12 hours ago

The database shows 10 co-working projects in the Valley and **Tucson**. A few of the drop-in offices are free as long as the user calls ahead. ...

### **[Community notes](#)**

Arizona Daily Star - [Lourdes Medrano](#), [Shelley Shelton](#) - Jul 16, 2009

The Oro Valley **Public Library**, 1305 W. Naranja Drive, is offering free computer classes this summer. Participants can learn the basics of computers and ...

### **[Community calendar](#)**

Arizona Daily Star - Jul 18, 2009

Mahjonn — Oro Valley **Public Library**, 1305 W. Naranja Drive. Game of skill, strategy, calculation and a bit of luck. 1-3:30 pm July 18. Free. 229-5300. ...

### [Comments on this Story](#)

Arizona Daily Star - Jul 28, 2009

Mr. and Ms. Diamond's contribution is an act of **public** service to **Tucson**. Their personal reasons are theirs alone, and it is not appropriate for me or ...

### [Undercover investigation of grant writing seminars](#)

KVOA.com - Jul 8, 2009

First off, a grant expert tells us the information they're trying to sell to you is available for free on the internet or at the Pima County **Public library**. ...

### [Free \(& cheap\) events](#)

Arizona Daily Star - Jul 5, 2009

Proceeds benefit the Pima County **Public Library**. 8 am-noon July 10-12. Free. 795-3763. Social Justice Film Series — Grace St. Paul's Episcopal Church, ...

### [Community calendar](#)

Arizona Daily Star - Jul 10, 2009

Proceeds benefit the Pima County **Public Library**. 8 am-noon. July 10. Free. 795-3763. Institute of Noetic Sciences monthly speaker — Marshall Auditorium, ...

### [Community calendar](#)

Arizona Daily Star - Jul 9, 2009

Proceeds benefit the Pima County **Public Library**. 8 am-noon July 10. Free. 795-3763. Hike Mount Lemmon — Mount Lemmon, meet at Marshall Gulch trailhead, ...

### [Sequim's new librarian welcomes change](#)

Sequim Gazette - [Michael Dashiell](#) - Jul 9, 2009

So she took a part-time job as a **library** assistant for the Phoenix **Public Library**. Soon she received a scholarship to further her education and eventually ...

### [El Sol Briefs](#)

Explorer News - Jul 8, 2009

The program is sponsored by the community center and the Oracle **Public Library**. Contact Susie Cochran at [SCochran333@aol.com](mailto:SCochran333@aol.com) for program details. ...

### [Opening The Link: Harold Schifman](#)

Examiner.com - Jul 23, 2009

The merz project is also the creative force behind the Modern Food Market in downtown Phoenix, the Show Low **Public Library** and even the Nigerian ...

### [Community calendar](#)

Arizona Daily Star - Jul 6, 2009

Scrabble club, bridge club — Oro Valley **Public Library**, 1305 W. Naranja Drive. Bring your own Scrabble game, if possible. 1-5 pm July 6. Free. 229-5300. ...

### [Group's goal is eradication of illiteracy](#)

Arizona Daily Star - [Loni Nannini](#) - Jul 25, 2009

Sally Voss is among the 300-plus Literacy Volunteers of **Tucson** who teach more than reading: They are on a mission to help people learn to ...

### [Community calendar](#)

Arizona Daily Star - Jul 11, 2009

Proceeds benefit the Pima County **Public Library**. 8 am-noon July 11-12. Free. 795-3763.  
Johnny Hootrock — Surly Wench Pub, 424 N. Fourth Ave. Rock. ...

### [New West](#)

#### [Jim Harrison's Montana Digs & How Thornton Wilder Got His Groove Back](#)

#### [Police Beat](#)

Arizona Daily Wildcat - Michael Merriman - Jul 22, 2009

... to use the **public** computers in the **library** to read emails and access webcam sites. A records check revealed an outstanding warrant issued by the **Tucson** ...



[Examiner.com](#)

#### [Wingspan Community Center resolves to weather economic storm](#)

Examiner.com - Jul 18, 2009

Garcia and the board are working with the Pima County **Library** to help community groups arrange meeting space in the various branch **library's** meeting rooms. ...

#### [County seeks library district volunteer](#)

Grand Junction Sentinel - Jul 22, 2009

Parseghian, of **Tucson**, Ariz., was conferred the degree of Doctor of Science, honoris causa. Parseghian and her husband, Michael, have helped raise more than ...

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

Willcox Range News - Jul 8, 2009

on Saturday, July 25 at 10 am at the Downtown Main **Library** in **Tucson**. Does your Spanish last name end in ez or es ? Or is your Spanish last name the ...