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Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Library System

Winter 2008

2008 Summer Reading Program a great success

The Library System's 2008 Summer Reading Program was a great success, with more than 21,850 people participating and 21,380 people attending our more than 450 programs for children, teens, families and adults. Participants reported reading 223,730 hours this year!

In addition to our regular story-times and monthly programs, our Library System hosted an array of programs for children and families,

Hours and hours!

including performances by musician Mr. Stinky Feet, magician John Polinko, Dragons Are Too Seldom Puppets and rainforest education programs with Exotics of the Rainforest.

There were more than 30 programs just for teens. They participated in comic drawing workshops with 7000 BC Comics, robot and radiation workshops with the National Atomic Museum, origami paper-folding classes, T-shirt painting, life-size board games, Nintendo Wii tournaments and more.

Thanks to a Stocker Foundation grant, 16 assistants were hired to help, seven of whom were trained to present Every Child Ready to Read Storytimes. Children age two to five participated with their parents, who learned to teach their children skills to prepare them to learn to read.

HOLIDAY BOOK SALE

Saturday, November 8, 10 am—4 pm

\$1 admission; members & children free; everyone free after 1 pm
Saturday only: large selection of "like new" in many categories, including art, coffee table, Southwest, cooking crafts, history, children's and more! Also featuring holiday-theme and gift books.

Sunday, November 9, noon-4 pm

Sunday-only clearance.

All items just \$3 a bag

Free admission to all

Main Library, 501 Copper NW

(505) 768-5167 — www.friendsforthelibrary.org

Proceeds benefit the Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Library System

We've lost two such good Friends!

September was a sad month for the Friends, with the loss of two long-time volunteers.

Kathie Buchanan passed away unexpectedly on September 24. She was involved with the Friends for almost 20 years. Her passion was education, and after retiring from teaching at Douglas MacArthur Elementary, she became a docent with the Center for the Book, housed at the Library's Special Collections branch. Here she brought the rich history of books and printing to area school-children and was instrumental in furthering their educational program. Joe Sabatini, branch manager, summed it up best: "We need more heroes like her."

Kathie served on the Friends Board of Directors for many years, assisted with book sales and coordinated volunteer appreciation events. She loved kids' books, but most especially she loved the look on children's faces when they held a book in their hands.

Kathie was also very involved with the Maxwell Museum of Anthropology, serving not only on their Board, but becoming their most active docent. She regularly took the Museum's Traveling Trunk program out to area schools.

Carol King passed away on September 27. Diagnosed with cancer

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Library sponsors screening and discussion of documentary “Inheritance” about Nazi brutality

Imagine watching “Schindler’s List” knowing that the sadistic Nazi camp commandant played by Ralph Fiennes was your father. “Inheritance” is the story of Monika Hertwig, the daughter of mass murderer Amon Goeth. Hertwig has spent her life in the shadow of her father’s sins, trying to come to terms with her “inheritance.” She seeks out Helen Jonas-Rozenweig, who was en-

From P.O.V. film series

slaved by Goeth and who is one of the few living eyewitnesses to his unspeakable brutality. The documentary by James Moll is part of the award-winning PBS P.O.V. nonfiction film series.

You are welcome to join us on Saturday, December 6, at 2 pm at the Main Library for a screening of this 90-minute documentary. You will also hear from two individuals, Evelyn Thea Goldstein Woods and Rudi Florian, who were children in Germany during the Nazi regime. The event is a collaboration between the Library System; KNME; the New Mexico Holocaust and Intolerance Museum, a beneficiary agency of the Jewish Federation of New Mexico; and P.O.V.

For more information, call (505) 768-5115. Parking in the city parking facility on the SE corner of Fifth St. and Copper will be validated for up to two hours.



MONIKA HERTWIG, daughter of Nazi commander Amon Goeth, beside the villa at the Plaszow Concentration Camp where her parents lived during World War II. (Photo credit: Don Holtz)

Many stories, many voices

The Library System, in conjunction with the Storytellers of New Mexico, is hosting a two-week celebration of storytelling from November 8 through 21: “Many Stories, Many Voices: A Celebration of Storytelling.” Families and school groups are invited to attend these free programs and hear stories from around the world told by a diverse group of storytellers including Joe Hayes, Ramona King, Pearl Sunrise and more. Fifteen programs are scheduled. For a full listing of programs, dates and times, visit the Library online at www.cabq.gov/library.

**Visit
The Friends
Used Bookshop
at the Main Library**

**5th & Copper NW
768-5123**

**Open:
Tues.-Sat. 10:30 am-4 pm
Closed: Sunday & Monday**



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From the Director: Leaving the world better

The public library is just one of the places in Albuquerque where the staff and community members come together to provide the foundation for a better future for all. Whether one is a lifelong learner or just beginning to read, the public library has materials of interest. However, more importantly, volunteers in our library branches and for the Friends for the Library join library staff in making sure materials and programs are available.

Some volunteers mend books that are showing wear and tear; others help us put books back on the shelves or help us raise funds for Library programming. Each volunteer makes a difference!

In September, the Friends for the Library community lost two volunteers who exemplified the adage to “leave the world better than you found it.” Carol King and Kathie Buchanan gave of their time and talents with open hearts and smiles on their faces. Both are missed, and both did much to ensure that public libraries in Albuquerque and Bernalillo County continue to thrive.

—Julia L. Clarke

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seven years ago and given only three months to live, Carol defied the odds and continued to enjoy her family and life’s passions for those invaluable years.

Carol was one of our longest-serving volunteers—for over three decades. She was a strong advocate for the Library and was on the Friends Board of Directors for many years. She served in many capacities, as head of our Pricing & Sorting department, as

organizer of book sales and as a mentor to new volunteers. An art education major, she especially enjoyed working with art books. She also specialized in pricing Southwest and collectible materials, preparing them for sale.

Carol was a retired teacher, most recently teaching at Lowell Elementary. She was very involved with All Faiths and was a devoted deacon in her church. She was known for her love of books, animals and the arts.



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Profile: Marsha Johansen, continuing her volunteer efforts

Meet a new “Friend” and new Albuquerque resident, Marsha Johansen. She joined the Pricing and Sorting staff at the Main Library soon after moving to Albuquerque from Houston, Texas, last spring.

She heard of the Friends through one of her yoga classmates and was pleased to learn that she could continue her library volunteer efforts

Staffing expert

here. Marsha had been a library volunteer in Houston, working in the used book store and doing book mending.

Marsha was born and raised in Los Angeles. An only child, she admits to “being a rebel.” After graduation from high school, she took on different positions, from working in department stores and various clerical and secretarial jobs.

She married while living in Los Angeles and moved to Houston where her husband worked as a carpenter on all manner of boats, and she continued to work mostly in office jobs. After her marriage “didn’t work out,” she met her present husband, Carl, while both of them were working at a paper mill. He was employed there as an engineer.

One of Marsha’s subsequent positions in Houston was with a company under contract for photography services to NASA’s Aerospace Agency. She was involved with still photos and video scene photos and was “on call ’round the clock” when there was a space flight. She underwent strict security clearance to enable her to access specified areas at the Space Center.

After one year in this position, she moved to Paris for a year with her husband and daughter as Carl undertook a special project for Arco. While living in Paris in 1987-1988, Marsha joined an organization of American women that ran group travel tours. With this group, she traveled to such places as Greece; Copenhagen, Denmark; southern France; Monaco; and England. (When she arrived in London, she found that her visa had expired, but she survived a trying time and a lot of red tape to update it.)

Back in Houston in 1988, Marsha returned to school full time in a business administration program. She attended a Houston community college and then the University of Houston where she completed her bachelor’s degree. Returning to the work force, she became a market analyst, searching and analyzing competitor chemical companies’ products, pricing, distribution, etc., and making recommendations based on her findings.

She moved into human resources as an employment counselor, staffing all types of positions. She advanced to management, where she remained for seven and a half years. Then she joined Robert Shields & Associates staffing for professional computer technology positions. She maintained contacts throughout the United States in referring computer professional candidates to other agencies and recruiting computer professionals for her firm’s clients. She stayed with this firm for 10 years, leaving to open her own business in the same field, operating out of her home. She retired in 2005.

After a respite from work and with her husband looking ahead to his retirement, the couple started to travel to different cities in the Southwest, looking for a retirement location. They visited Phoenix and Prescott in Arizona and Las Cruces, Espanola and Albuquerque in New Mexico. They felt that Albu-

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Donations to the Friends

Funds given to the Friends for the Public Library go directly to support Library programs and initiatives. A donation to the Friends for the Library ensures that the money will go directly to the Library system and will provide benefits to Library patrons of all ages.

Got college-bound students at your house?

The Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Library System is taking part in an initiative of college counselors from Albuquerque Academy, Sandia Prep and the Bosque School to design a program that will help kids from all over the city with the college admissions process.

Called College Corner, the initiative will take the form of a series of presentations by the counselors and guest speakers on subjects like how to pick a college, how to pay for college, what is available in New Mexico in terms of higher education, etc. These presentations, the first of which was held on October 4, will be followed by one-on-one meetings between the counselors and students to help them with their specific questions. At press time, the dates of future presentations had not yet been set.

This is a great community service on the part of the three private institutions!



The Friends for the Public Library is a volunteer organization that assists the Library through advocacy and fund-raising. Friends funds purchase equipment and supplies for Library programs, such as the Summer Reading Program, community outreach projects and workshops for day-care providers. Major fund-raising efforts include the monthly book sales and the Bookshop at the Main Library. To become a member, mail the form below with membership dues to Membership, Friends for the Public Library, P.O. Box 26657, Albuquerque, NM 87125-6657. Dues cover the calendar year from January 1 through December 31.

Yes! I want to be a Friend for the Public Library. NEW RENEWAL

Members receive a quarterly newsletter, free admission to our monthly book sales, and a 10% discount at any Friends bookshop.

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\$10 Student/Teacher (1 card) \$10 Senior (1 card) \$15 Individual (1 card) \$20 Family (2 cards) \$50+ Patron (4 cards)
Corporate Membership: \$50 Bronze (5 cards) \$100 Silver (10 cards) \$250 Gold (15 cards)

Dues are for the calendar year, Jan. 1 - Dec. 31. Join after November 1 and receive membership good through the following calendar year. Additional membership cards may be purchased for \$5 each.

Date: _____ # of additional cards (add \$5 per card): _____ Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Name: _____

Address: _____ City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ e-mail: _____

I AM INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING. PLEASE CONTACT ME.

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The Special Collections Library is celebrating the 75th anniversary of the New Deal with an exhibit of Public Works of Art Project examples presented to the Library in 1934. The exhibit includes serigraphs of Navajo rug designs by Louie Ewing and Ruth Connely and examples of Spanish Colonial design by E. Boyd. Also on display are items documenting public works projects in Albuquerque from the city's Works Progress Administration archive and contemporary 1930s political memorabilia from the Earl W. Grasser papers, featuring the exploits of Clyde Tingley.

The exhibit will continue through December 6. Special Collections is at Central and Edith.

Profile: Marsha Johansen

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querque best suited their needs for proximity for travel to family, for climate, environment and cultural offerings. They found their dream house and are now happy Albuquerque residents.

Marsha and Carl enjoy shared hobbies with membership in a wine club (traveling to different wineries) and membership in a dinner club (members prepare and contribute dishes toward a complete gourmet meal). Marsha enjoys reading and belongs to two book clubs. She also enjoys writing and keeps a journal, which she intends to use in writing her memoirs. Carl is a musician and plays classic rock on guitar. He built a recording studio in their home and makes his own CDs.

Their daughter and four-and-a-half-year-old grandson live in Dallas.

—Rose Ricco