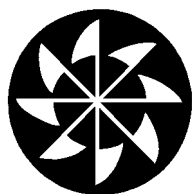


For  
Librarians in  
New Mexico



# Hitchhiker

July 17, 2006

## HITCHHIKER SUSPENSION

The *Hitchhiker* will be temporarily suspended with this issue. The New Mexico State Library, which has published the newsletter since May 1972, will be reformulating the publication to take into account technological opportunities and the expanded communication environment now available to New Mexico's library community. After assessing these opportunities and conditions, and the set of informational options open to potential readers, a revised newsletter will be developed and inaugurated, possibly in the Fall.

The revised publication will be available in electronic format only. Some of the routine purposes of the old *Hitchhiker*, such as job announcements and People Notes, will be delegated to other media. These will be announced at a later date.

The *Hitchhiker* wishes to thank its loyal readers for their support and interest through the years, and looks forward to serving them in an updated format in years to come.

## BRIEFINGS

**Online cataloging and resource sharing.** Following the recent series of meetings with members of the library community, and their overwhelmingly positive response, the New Mexico State Library will contract with OCLC to inaugurate Group Services. This new statewide initiative will bring OCLC cataloging and resource sharing to all New Mexico libraries. Group Services will include a New Mexico Group Catalog, the WorldCat database, and training. Beginning in July, every library in New Mexico will have free access to WorldCat, OCLC's worldwide union catalog containing

over 67 million bibliographic records. Within the next three months, all New Mexico libraries will also have access to a unique union catalog – the New Mexico Group Catalog – a subset of WorldCat holdings in New Mexico libraries. Stay tuned for further news on what this means for your library, and for future mailings on how to access WorldCat, the New Mexico Group Catalog, and the upcoming training.

**Book for the National Book Festival.** *HH* #1641 requested suggestions for a book to feature at this year's National Book Festival in Washington D.C. on September 30. A number of nominations came into the *Hitchhiker*. The winner is Soft Child: How Rattlesnake Got Its Fangs by Joe Hayes and illustrated by Key Sather. Thanks goes to all of you who contributed your suggestions.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Library classes.** Two library classes at UNM are still open for July. They are:

- ✓ EMLS 470/570 Automation in Libraries 8:30-1:30 July 17-27, taught by Susan Pinkerton
- ✓ OLIT 521 Presentation Technologies 4:00-6:45 July 3-29, taught by Patty Farrell.

Contact Leslie Chamberlin at Tireman Library, College of Education Travelstead Hall, Room 119 The University of New Mexico Albuquerque NM 87131-0001; ☎(505) 277 - 7260 or e-mail [saticoy@unm.edu](mailto:saticoy@unm.edu) for more information.

**State Library Commission hearing/meeting.** The State Library Commission will have its next hearing

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and meeting at 9 a.m. on Friday, August 11, at the Zuni Public Library. The address is Zuni Pueblo, 27 Chavez Circle and the phone number is ①(505) 782-4575. The key agenda item to be discussed is the NMAC Rules for GO Bond Distribution. Please attend to make your views known and to ask your questions of the Commission. See *HH* #1634 for a full list of the current Commission members.

## PEOPLE NOTES

**Gail Schuler**, the Santa Fe Public Library's Manager of Youth Services, was named the City's Employee of the Month by the City of Santa Fe, and received her award from Mayor David Coss. Her nomination reads: On Thursday, April 20, at the bus stop just east across the street from the La Farge Branch Library on Llano Street, a young man was shot. Gail Schuler was leaving the Library for her lunch break and saw staff standing on a berm calling 911. They informed Gail they had heard a shot and it was a young person who had been shot at the bus stop across the street. Gail immediately ran to the bus stop to see if she could help. As she said, "We serve children and that child was not going to be there alone after being shot. I just wanted him to know others cared and were with him."

Gail did not hesitate; she had no knowledge of who the shooter was, where he was or if she was putting herself in danger. An off duty EMT started attending to the young person and Gail stayed with them until an ambulance arrived. Gail is very humble and does not feel that she did anything special. But her colleagues and supervisors do feel that it was a brave and caring action that she took. She serves young people every day in the library in less dramatic ways, but always stands tall for the children she works with. She would not leave a child alone to face any situation such as this one, or any other, where a child might be hurt or in danger. See more at ICARUS, the Santa Fe Public Library Blog, <http://santafelibrary.blogspot.com/2006/06/not-going-to-be-there-alone.html>.

**Cordelia Hooee** will be the director for the Zuni Public Library, replacing Veronica Peynetsa, who retired earlier this year after serving as director for 26 years (see

*HH* #1629).

## JOBS

**Librarian.** New Mexico Tech is seeking a part-time, temporary reference and instruction librarian. The position requires an MLS degree and would be for twenty hours a week, at a pay rate of \$16.34 per hour. Ideally, the person will work Tuesdays, Thursdays, and one other half-day, to be determined. The appointment will be from August 1, 2006 to at least December 15, 2006. Please send letter, résumé, and the names of three references to Dal Symes, Library Director, Skeen Library, New Mexico Tech, 801 Leroy Place, Socorro, NM 87801-4696.

**Librarian.** The City of Rio Rancho has a current opening for a part-time Librarian in Youth Services. The Youth Services Librarian develops, maintains, and weeds the juvenile print and non-print collections as assigned, staying within budget guidelines; provides reference services and readers' advisory services to children and teens; plans and implements in-house and off-site programs for children of all ages; provides guidance and instruction to patrons of all ages in the use of library resources including print sources, the online catalog, databases, and the Internet; stays current with the latest issues, authors, trends, and genres of juvenile and teen literature; prepares booklists, bibliographies, bulletin boards, displays, and other promotional materials to create an environment that invites youth to use the library; and participates in maintaining and planning physical space designated for youth services. Requires a Bachelor's degree from an accredited four-year college, and at least two years experience in library services, or equivalent combination of education and experience. Must have or will acquire a New Mexico Librarian Certificate, Grade I within 12 months. Must have working knowledge of children's literature; a working knowledge of library collections, automated systems, and online reference resources; excellent computer skills in word processing, spreadsheet, and library software, and have the ability to effectively present information and respond to questions from customers; and possess excellent verbal and written communication



skills. Preferred Master's degree in Library Science and experience working with children and teens, knowledge of children's literature, and fluency in Spanish. Offers of employment are contingent upon successful results of a drug screen and criminal records check, and if appropriate, a physical examination and verification of an insurable driving record. For more information, please see the web site at <http://www.ci.rio-rancho.nm.us>.

**Two vacancies.** The City of Rio Rancho currently has two Librarian positions that are open at the Rio Rancho Public Library. They are:

- Teen Librarian – responsibilities include maintaining teen collection, developing programs for teens, reference and readers' advisory. The position requires a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited four-year college and at least two years experience in library services or an equivalent combination of education and experience. MLS is preferred. Must have or acquire a New Mexico Librarian Certificate, Grade 1, within 12 months. Excellent written, verbal, and computer skills are also required. A strong background in teen literature and experience working with and programming for teens are highly desired.
- Youth Services Librarian – responsibilities include maintaining juvenile print and non-print collections, developing programs for youth, reference and readers' advisory. The position requires a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited four-year college and at least two years experience in library services or an equivalent combination of education and experience. MLS is preferred. Must have or acquire a New Mexico Librarian Certificate, Grade 1, within 12 months. Excellent written, verbal, and computer skills are also required. A strong background working with children and teens, knowledge of children's literature and fluency in Spanish is highly desired.

All offers of employment are contingent upon success-

ful results of a drug screen, criminal records check, and verification of an insurable driving record and if appropriate, a physical examination. For further information, please see our Web Site at <http://www.ci.rio-rancho.nm.us>. To apply you must complete an application and mail or fax to: Human Resources, 3900 Southern Blvd., Rio Rancho, New Mexico 87124, Fax (505) 891-9183.

**Two positions.** Camino Nuevo Correctional Center in Albuquerque has two positions to advertise: Librarian and Library Aide.

- Librarian – coordinates the activities of a general purpose and/or law library designed to accommodate the social, educational, and legal interest and needs of an inmate/resident population. Also, acquires and maintains adequate resource materials for the facility. This position is on a contract basis, meaning, the Contracted Librarian will visit the facility once a quarter to ensure that the facility is in compliance with State and Federal guidelines and regulations. Requirements include graduation from an accredited college or university with a degree in Library Science. Must possess certificate, license, or other legal credentials required in the state of employment. Requires prior library experience, knowledge of informational services and legal reference materials. A valid driver's license may be necessary to comply with state or contracted requirements.
- Library Aide – responsible for the supervision of a general purpose and/or law library designed to accommodate the social, educational, and legal interest and needs of an inmate population. In addition to obtaining and maintaining reference material for inmates, the Library Aid will ensure adequate resource materials for facility employees. Must be a graduate from an accredited college or university; a degree in Library Science preferred. Prior library experience that includes program development, usage of reference materials and information services is also preferred. Demonstrate a working

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Applicants can contact Eric Torres, Camino Nuevo Correctional Center, 4050 Edith Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM. 87107; ☎(505) 343-7000 Ext. 37020 or Fax: (505) 343-7099. CCA is a Drug Free Workplace & an Equal Opportunity Employer M/F/V/D.

**Librarian.** Weld Library District of Greeley, Colorado, is seeking a Librarian for the Lincoln Park Branch Library. A flexible schedule is required which includes some evenings and weekends in support of public service hours. The focus is on providing quality public service by assisting library patrons with their information needs and by planning, developing, and implementing library programs and services responsive to the library clientele. Requires a Master's degree in Library Sciences or currently enrolled, two to five years of experience working in a library; preferred skills in basic computer operation, fluent Spanish and English. This is a full-time, exempt position with a salary of \$34,972.45- \$47,085.73 annually, plus benefits. Open until filled. Send a cover letter, completed application form and résumé to HR Department, Weld Library District, 1939 61st Avenue, Greeley, Colorado 80634. Application form and full job description are available at <http://www.weld.lib.co.us/jobs.htm>.