

March 22, 2016 Library Board Meeting

Enclosed:

- ❖ Agenda
- ❖ Draft Minutes of Tuesday, February 23, 2016, regular meeting – agenda, item #3
- ❖ Public Postings for Library Board
- ❖ Gift Fund Claims February/March 2016 - consent calendar on agenda, item #4
 - Gift Fund Expenditures Report FY1516, dated 3/14/16
- ❖ Budget Summary/Budget Performance, 2/29/16, on agenda, item #5
- ❖ Proposed Draft of Changes to Registration of Borrowers Policy, on agenda, item #8
- ❖ Director's Monthly Report, March 2016, on agenda, item #9
- ❖ Library operations/informational items:
 - Press Releases
 - Newspapers
 - Misc (PublicFAX24)
 - American Libraries Nov/Dec 2015 article – “Best Practices For Your Trustees”

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March 14, 2016

The Douglas County Public Library Board of Trustees will meet at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, **March 22, 2016** in the Pine Nut Room of the Minden Library, 1625 Library Lane, Minden, NV. Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. All items For Possible Action will include a Public Comment period.

AGENDA

1. Public comments and discussion.

At this time, public comment will be taken on those items that are within the jurisdiction and control of the Library Board of Trustees or those agenda items where public comment will not be taken as a public hearing is not legally required.

No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken. If you wish to comment on a specific agenda item scheduled for action, please do so when that item is opened for public comment.

2. For possible action. Approval of proposed agenda. The Library Board of Trustees reserves the right to take items in a different order to accomplish business in the most efficient manner, to combine two or more agenda items for consideration, and to remove items from the agenda or delay discussion relating to items on the agenda.

3. For possible action. Approval of the minutes of the February 23, 2016 regular meeting.

4. Consent Calendar.

Items appearing on the Consent Calendar are items that can be adopted with one motion unless pulled by a Trustee wishing to have an item or items further discussed. When items are pulled for discussion, they will be automatically placed as the next item for discussion or may be continued until another meeting. Motion to approve the Consent Calendar, item 4a.

- a. For possible action. Approval of Gift Fund claims
 - i. February / March 2016

5. Review of Budget Performance Report summary and Gift Fund summary:

- a. 2/29/2016 [Discussion]

6. Update on submitted grant application [Discussion]

- a. DCPL Smallwood Foundation grant application - \$13,630 for RFID

7. Update on Douglas County Cost Allocation Plan. [Discussion]
8. For possible action. Review proposed update to Registration of Borrowers Policy. [Discussion]
9. Monthly Report. [Discussion]
 - a. Friends / Foundation
 - i. Friends Monthly Board Meeting – April 11, 2016
 - ii. Foundation Board Meeting – May 4, 2016
 - b. Completed Library Programs
 - c. Current / Planned Library Programs
 - d. Usage statistics
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11. For possible action. Adjournment.

According to the provisions of NRS 241, this notice and agenda has been posted on or before 10:00 am on the third working day before the meeting at the following locations:

Douglas County Libraries, Minden and Zephyr Cove
 Douglas County Courthouse
 Minden Post Office
 Zephyr Cove Post Office
<http://douglas.lib.nv.us>
<https://notice.nv.gov>

Supporting material for the meeting is available at the Circulation Desk, Minden Library, 1625 Library Lane, Minden, NV. A request for copies of the supporting materials may be directed to:

Kathy Munson, Administrative Services Manager
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Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate handicapped persons desiring to attend the meeting. Please contact Amy Dodson at 782-9841 before March 22, 2016 for arrangements.

UNAPPROVED
LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES
February 23, 2016

ATTENDEES

Library Board Members: Barb Wilson, Vice Chairperson, Charles Wolle, Deborah Blackman, Melanie Boudreau, and Bonnie Rogers

County and Library Staff: Amy Dodson, Linda Wilson, and Kathy Munson. Scott Morgan, Community Services Director. Kathy Munson took the minutes.

THE MEETING CONVENED AT 10:00 A.M.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND DISCUSSION [Discussion]

Barb Wilson, Vice Chairperson, asked for public comment. There being no public comment, public comment was closed.

2. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND VICE CHAIRPERSON OF LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR 2016 [Action]

Nomination of Chairperson

Bonnie Rogers made a motion to nominate Charles Wolle as Chairperson. Deborah Blackman made a second. Vice Chairperson Barb Wilson asked for public comment. There being no public comment and no other nominations, public comment was closed and the motion carried unanimously.

Nomination of Vice Chairperson

Charles Wolle made a motion to nominate Melanie Boudreau as Vice Chairperson. Bonnie Rogers made a second. Vice Chairperson Barb Wilson asked for public comment. There being no public comment and no other nominations, public comment was closed and the motion carried unanimously.

3. APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED AGENDA [Action]

Bonnie Rogers made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Melanie Boudreau made a second. Chairperson Charles Wolle asked for public comment. There being no public comment, public comment was closed and the motion passed unanimously.

Scott felt that the Library Board is in a better position to work on changing or reducing the cost allocations than his own board since his Board is only advisory. This presentation lays the foundation for the Library Board to act on cost allocations as needed in the future.

Charles Wolle requested a list of recommendations on how the Library Board could modify its budget handling and requests.

Amy responded, indicating she would bring the Board her recommendations when the current fiscal year's allocations are provided to Department Directors. Scott added that he and Amy want to see what their base budget is versus the upcoming allocations. Scott stated he and Amy may come back to the Board to look for input with the upcoming budget.

8. REVIEW OF DOUGLAS COUNTY BUDGET PROCESS AND DEADLINES FOR FY 2016-17 BUDGET [Discussion]

- a. Submission of Department budget – March 7, 2016
- b. Submission of Capital Improvement Budget – March 7, 2016
- c. Budget Hearings – April 4 & 5, 2016 and May 2 & 3, 2016

Amy Dodson indicated this information is being provided to the Board so they are aware of the deadlines this budget season. She will attend budget hearings.

9. REVIEW OF BUDGET PERFORMANCE REPORT SUMMARY AND GIFT FUND SUMMARY [Discussion]

- a. 1/31/2016

We are at 53% overall in Salaries and Benefits at 5 months left in the fiscal year. Services & Supplies is at 61% which is where it should be at this time in the fiscal year.

Gift Fund Summary – 1/31/2016

Revenue YTD	\$17,652.35
Expenditures YTD	\$ 7,668.04
Fund Balance YTD	\$37,280.90

- b. Augmentations February 8, 2016
No discussion.

10. DOUGLAS COUNTY MANAGER'S OFFICE [Discussion]

- a. Larry Werner will begin serving as County Manager on March 7.
No discussion.

11. NEVADA STATE LIBRARY, ARCHIVES, AND PUBLIC RECORDS (NSLAPR) [Discussion]

DOUGLAS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A quorum or greater number of Library Board Trustees may be gathering at any or all of the following organizations' meetings during the months of March / April 2016. At these meetings, the Library Board of Trustees is in attendance to observe the proceedings of the organization and to participate in discussions to the extent allowed by the organization.

These organizations may not have posted a formal agenda for their meetings. The Library Board of Trustees present at the meeting will take no action relevant to the Douglas County Public Library.

The History & Art of Falconry	3/26/16	2:00-3:00 PM	Minden Library
Lego Robotics, Natl. Library Week	4/11/16	4:00-5:00 PM	Minden Library
Friends of the Library	4/11/16	5:30-6:30 PM	Minden Library
Second Wednesday Book Group	4/13/16	5:00 PM	Minden Library
Volunteer Reception	4/15/16	2:30-4:30 PM	Minden Library
Douglas County Business Showcase	4/21/16	Details pending	Community Center
Teen Poetry Slam & Contest	4/29/16	4:00-6:00 PM	Minden Library

This notice was posted at the following locations prior to meeting days:

Douglas County Libraries, Minden and Zephyr Cove
Douglas County Courthouse
Minden Post Office
Zephyr Cove Post Office

Gift Fund Claims
February / March 2016

Petty Cash/AD	Employee Training Day, 2/9/16 Refreshments	00884	\$ 34.34
*Demco	2 nd & 3 rd Grade Project	00896	\$ 404.81
*DoCoProcurement/MP	FOL Annual Mtg 1/30/16 & TAB Mtg 2/1/16	00910	\$ 79.40
*Petty Cash/AD	TAB Mtg 3/7/16	00911	\$ 44.98
DoCoProcurement/KF	Employee Recognition \$5 gift cards	00912	\$ 75.00
DoCoProcurement/KM	Volunteer Reception invitations & Natl. Library Week materials	00914	\$ 100.97

*Funding/partial funding by Friends of the Library



LIBRARY Expense Budget Performance Report

Fiscal Year to Date 02/29/16
Exclude Rollup Account

Account	Account Description	Adopted Budget	Budget Amendments	Amended Budget	Current Month Transactions	YTD Encumbrances	YTD Transactions	Budget - YTD Transactions	% used/ Rec'd	Prior Year YTD
Fund 234 - Room Tax	Department 804 - Library									
	EXPENSE									
	Salaries & Wages									
510.000	Salaries & Wages	701,823.00	.00	701,823.00	47,116.48	.00	365,790.33	336,032.67	52	358,644.09
510.125	Salaries-Other	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
511.170	Overtime	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	37.40	(37.40)	+++	.00
511.171	Holidays	.00	.00	.00	2,664.51	.00	21,388.72	(21,388.72)	+++	23,733.90
511.172	Comp Paid	.00	.00	.00	79.26	.00	1,570.87	(1,570.87)	+++	1,070.87
511.173	Vacation	.00	.00	.00	3,999.43	.00	29,595.68	(29,595.68)	+++	33,715.81
511.174	Sick	.00	.00	.00	941.90	.00	11,651.34	(11,651.34)	+++	14,056.88
516.120	Contract Salaries	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
	Salaries & Wages Totals	\$701,823.00	\$0.00	\$701,823.00	\$54,801.58	\$0.00	\$430,034.34	\$271,788.66	61%	\$431,221.55
	Employee Benefits									
511.180	Benefits	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
511.181	Retirement	188,556.00	.00	188,556.00	14,983.21	.00	115,846.60	72,709.40	61	110,465.87
511.182	Pact Workers Comp	25,521.00	.00	25,521.00	2,863.95	.00	13,854.15	11,666.85	54	14,341.88
511.183	Group Insurance	112,164.00	.00	112,164.00	10,517.61	.00	71,567.39	40,596.61	64	74,583.20
511.184	Unemployment	3,481.00	.00	3,481.00	269.33	.00	2,097.35	1,383.65	60	1,947.50
511.186	Medicare	10,092.00	.00	10,092.00	777.92	.00	6,138.01	3,953.99	61	6,811.41
511.188	Co. Dependent Insurance	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
511.190	Pact Other	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
511.191	Pact Fire/Law Heart/Lung	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
511.195	Oasdi	1,412.00	.00	1,412.00	48.21	.00	299.09	1,112.91	21	313.76
511.201	PEBS-Ret.Medical	7,255.00	.00	7,255.00	473.00	.00	3,784.00	3,471.00	52	6,914.05
	Employee Benefits Totals	\$348,481.00	\$0.00	\$348,481.00	\$29,933.23	\$0.00	\$213,586.59	\$134,894.41	61%	\$215,377.67
	Services & Supplies									
520.029	Program Underwriting	3,500.00	.00	3,500.00	146.22	.00	4,260.26	(760.26)	122	4,385.32
520.045	Computer System	50,000.00	.00	50,000.00	6,134.15	.00	15,533.20	34,466.80	31	14,548.33
520.055	Telephone Expense	4,100.00	.00	4,100.00	422.92	.00	3,018.02	1,081.98	74	2,744.53
520.060	Postage/Po Box Rent	3,200.00	.00	3,200.00	15.99	.00	1,694.35	1,505.65	53	1,986.42
520.064	Travel	4,000.00	.00	4,000.00	.00	.00	4,489.06	(489.06)	112	15,640.71
520.072	Advertising	200.00	.00	200.00	.00	.00	.00	200.00	0	1,716.90
520.078	Printing & Binding	50.00	.00	50.00	.00	.00	50.00	.00	100	453.50
520.085	Communications	1,500.00	.00	1,500.00	.00	.00	1,445.75	54.25	96	.00
520.088	Utilities	35,000.00	.00	35,000.00	1,556.16	.00	18,791.82	16,208.18	54	19,473.97
520.097	Maint B&G	5,250.00	.00	5,250.00	100.70	.00	916.25	4,333.75	17	4,958.01
520.098	Janitorial Services	20,000.00	.00	20,000.00	.00	.00	6,636.80	13,363.20	33	11,614.40
520.107	Maint Equip	15,000.00	.00	15,000.00	2,040.00	.00	12,654.95	2,345.05	84	7,068.58
520.110	Veh. Maint-Shop Parts	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
520.114	Motor Pool Expense	5,525.00	.00	5,525.00	460.42	.00	3,683.36	1,841.64	67	2,839.98



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Fund 234 - Room Tax										
Department 804 - Library										
EXPENSE										
<i>Services & Supplies</i>										
520.136	Rents & Leases Equipment	5,500.00	.00	5,500.00	604.53	.00	2,777.43	2,722.57	50	2,825.41
520.156	Risk Mgmt-Co. Insurance	33,864.00	.00	33,864.00	.00	.00	16,932.00	16,932.00	50	25,851.00
520.169	EMRB Assessment	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	87.75
520.170	Memberships	550.00	.00	550.00	.00	.00	235.00	315.00	43	465.50
520.200	Training & Education	2,000.00	.00	2,000.00	.00	.00	478.00	1,522.00	24	926.00
520.240	Data Lines	7,000.00	.00	7,000.00	668.67	.00	5,997.38	1,002.62	86	2,415.14
521.100	Professional Services	100.00	.00	100.00	510.00	.00	4,779.64	(4,679.64)	4780	6,449.00
521.134	Cataloging	21,000.00	.00	21,000.00	1,992.66	.00	15,854.49	5,145.51	75	13,330.61
521.500	Admin & Overhead	5,478.00	.00	5,478.00	.00	.00	.00	5,478.00	0	.00
530.001	Circulation Supplies	2,500.00	.00	2,500.00	185.54	.00	3,339.99	(839.99)	134	.00
532.003	Gas & Oil	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
532.054	Library Materials	180,000.00	.00	180,000.00	14,689.08	.00	144,216.91	35,783.09	80	105,318.55
532.057	Processing Materials	7,000.00	.00	7,000.00	1,472.80	.00	6,333.24	666.76	90	2,457.27
532.065	Institutional Supplies	500.00	.00	500.00	.00	.00	309.80	190.20	62	220.85
533.800	Office Supplies	2,500.00	.00	2,500.00	154.26	.00	1,227.73	1,272.27	49	3,332.77
533.801	Paper Supplies	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
533.802	Small Equipment	3,000.00	.00	3,000.00	.00	.00	8,315.33	(5,315.33)	277	1,001.88
533.813	Office Products Program	3,500.00	.00	3,500.00	172.47	.00	3,232.96	267.04	92	1,449.34
533.817	Small Projects	4,000.00	.00	4,000.00	.00	.00	.00	4,000.00	0	.00
540.010	Grants-Services & Supplies	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
540.012	Statewide Collection Gran	.00	5,299.00	5,299.00	.00	.00	1,758.00	3,541.00	33	1,698.00
<i>Services & Supplies Totals</i>		\$425,817.00	\$5,299.00	\$431,116.00	\$31,326.57	\$0.00	\$288,961.72	\$142,154.28	67%	\$255,259.72
<i>Capital Outlay/Projects</i>										
560.010	Capital Outlay- Grants	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
562.000	Capital Projects	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
562.200	Buildings	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
562.500	Infrastructure	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
563.300	Improvements	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
564.500	Machinery & Equipment	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	+++	.00
<i>Capital Outlay/Projects Totals</i>		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	+++	\$0.00
EXPENSE TOTALS		\$1,476,121.00	\$5,299.00	\$1,481,420.00	\$116,061.38	\$0.00	\$932,582.65	\$548,837.35	63%	\$901,858.94
Department 804 - Library Totals		(\$1,476,121.00)	(\$5,299.00)	(\$1,481,420.00)	(\$116,061.38)	\$0.00	(\$932,582.65)	(\$548,837.35)	63%	(\$901,858.94)
Fund 234 - Room Tax Totals		\$1,476,121.00	\$5,299.00	\$1,481,420.00	\$116,061.38	\$0.00	\$932,582.65	\$548,837.35		\$901,858.94
Grand Totals		\$1,476,121.00	\$5,299.00	\$1,481,420.00	\$116,061.38	\$0.00	\$932,582.65	\$548,837.35		\$901,858.94



GIFT FUND Expense Budget Performance Report

Fiscal Year to Date 02/29/16
Exclude Rollup Account

Account	Account Description	Adopted Budget	Budget Amendments	Amended Budget	Current Month Transactions	YTD Encumbrances	YTD Transactions	Budget - YTD Transactions	% used/ Rec'd	Prior Year YTD
Fund 235	Library Gift Fund									
Department 800	Library Gift Fund									
EXPENSE										
Services & Supplies										
520.029	Program Underwriting	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	19.42	(19.42)	+++	.00
532.061	Library Gift Fund	.00	37,224.00	37,224.00	462.91	.00	8,111.53	29,112.47	22	.00
	<i>Services & Supplies Totals</i>	\$0.00	\$37,224.00	\$37,224.00	\$462.91	\$0.00	\$8,130.95	\$29,093.05	22%	\$0.00
	EXPENSE TOTALS	\$0.00	\$37,224.00	\$37,224.00	\$462.91	\$0.00	\$8,130.95	\$29,093.05	22%	\$0.00
Department 800	Library Gift Fund Totals	\$0.00	(\$37,224.00)	(\$37,224.00)	(\$462.91)	\$0.00	(\$8,130.95)	(\$29,093.05)	22%	\$0.00
Fund 235	Library Gift Fund Totals	\$0.00	\$37,224.00	\$37,224.00	\$462.91	\$0.00	\$8,130.95	\$29,093.05		\$0.00
Grand Totals		\$0.00	\$37,224.00	\$37,224.00	\$462.91	\$0.00	\$8,130.95	\$29,093.05		\$0.00



Gift Fund Trial Balance Listing through 2/29/16

Through 02/29/16
Detail Balance Sheet Listing
Exclude Rollup Account

Account	Account Description	Balance Forward	YTD Debits	YTD Credits	Ending Balance	Prior Year YTD Balance
Fund 235	Library Gift Fund					
	<i>Current Assets</i>					
101.000	Cash	37,533.85	54,594.30	8,426.45	83,701.70	.00
101.090	Investment-FMV Adjust	(29.92)	.00	.00	(29.92)	.00
121.100	Interest Receivable	72.47	.00	2.89	69.58	.00
	Current Assets Totals	\$37,576.40	\$54,594.30	\$8,429.34	\$83,741.36	\$0.00
	<i>Current Liabilities</i>					
202.000	Accounts Payable	(295.50)	8,455.19	8,159.69	.00	.00
	Current Liabilities Totals	(\$295.50)	\$8,455.19	\$8,159.69	\$0.00	\$0.00
	<i>Other Liabilities</i>					
227.307	Def/Donations Library	.00	.00	36,175.11	(36,175.11)	.00
	Other Liabilities Totals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$36,175.11	(\$36,175.11)	\$0.00
	<i>Fund Balance</i>					
253.000	Fund Balance	(37,280.90)	.00	.00	(37,280.90)	.00
	Fund Balance Totals	(\$37,280.90)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$37,280.90)	\$0.00



Gift Fund Trial Balance Listing though 2/29/16

Through 02/29/16
 Detail Balance Sheet Listing
 Exclude Rollup Account

Account	Account Description	Balance Forward	YTD Debits	YTD Credits	Ending Balance	Prior Year YTD Balance
Fund 235 - Library Gift Fund	Fund Revenues	.00	.00	18,416.30	(18,416.30)	.00
	Fund Expenses	.00	8,159.69	28.74	8,130.95	.00
	Fund 235 - Library Gift Fund Totals	\$0.00	\$71,209.18	\$71,209.18	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Grand Totals	\$0.00	\$71,209.18	\$71,209.18	\$0.00	\$0.00



Gift Fund Income Statement Through 2/29/16

Through 02/29/16
Detail Listing
Exclude Rollup Account

Account	Account Description	YTD Budget Amount	MTD Actual Amount	YTD Actual Amount	Budget Less YTD Actual	% of Budget	Prior Year YTD Total
Fund Category	Governmental Funds						
Fund Type	Governmental-Spec Revenue						
Fund	235 - Library Gift Fund						
	REVENUE						
	Department 000 - Revenue						
	Interest Revenue						
361.211	Invest. Earnings-LGIP	.00	.00	8.42	(8.42)	+++	.00
361.212	Invest. Earnings-BNY Mellon	.00	15.86	92.24	(92.24)	+++	.00
	Interest Revenue Totals	\$0.00	\$15.86	\$100.66	(\$100.66)	+++	\$0.00
	Miscellaneous Revenue						
367.102	Donations	.00	748.09	18,315.64	(18,315.64)	+++	.00
	Miscellaneous Revenue Totals	\$0.00	\$748.09	\$18,315.64	(\$18,315.64)	+++	\$0.00
301.000	Beg. Fund Bal./Reserves						
	Opening Fund Balance	37,224.00	.00	.00	37,224.00	0	.00
	Beg. Fund Bal./Reserves Totals	\$37,224.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$37,224.00	0%	\$0.00
	Department 000 - Revenue Totals	\$37,224.00	\$763.95	\$18,416.30	\$18,807.70	49%	\$0.00
	REVENUE TOTALS	\$37,224.00	\$763.95	\$18,416.30	\$18,807.70	49%	\$0.00
	EXPENSE						
	Department 800 - Library Gift Fund						
	Services & Supplies						
520.029	Program Underwriting	.00	.00	19.42	(19.42)	+++	.00
532.061	Library Gift Fund	37,224.00	462.91	8,111.53	29,112.47	22	.00
	Services & Supplies Totals	\$37,224.00	\$462.91	\$8,130.95	\$29,093.05	22%	\$0.00
	Department 800 - Library Gift Fund Totals	\$37,224.00	\$462.91	\$8,130.95	\$29,093.05	22%	\$0.00
	EXPENSE TOTALS	\$37,224.00	\$462.91	\$8,130.95	\$29,093.05	22%	\$0.00



Gift Fund Income Statement Through 2/29/16

Through 02/29/16
Detail Listing
Exclude Rollup Account

Account	Account Description	YTD Budget Amount	YTD Actual Amount	MTD Actual Amount	YTD Actual Amount	Budget Less YTD Actual	% of Budget	Prior Year YTD Total
Fund Category	Governmental Funds							
Fund Type	Governmental-Spec Revenue							
Fund	235 - Library Gift Fund Totals							
	REVENUE TOTALS	37,224.00	18,416.30	763.95	18,416.30	18,807.70	49%	.00
	EXPENSE TOTALS	37,224.00	8,130.95	462.91	8,130.95	29,093.05	22%	.00
	Fund 235 - Library Gift Fund Net Gain (Loss)	\$0.00	\$10,285.35	\$301.04	\$10,285.35	\$10,285.35	+++	\$0.00
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REGISTRATION OF BORROWERS POLICY
DOUGLAS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
PROPOSED DRAFT OF CHANGES – March 22, 2016

The Douglas County Public Library registers individuals to use the library to fulfill its responsibility for maintaining control of the materials it lends.

All residents of Nevada ~~in good standing with the library~~ are eligible for free borrowing privileges from the library. As a courtesy, the library also extends free borrowing privileges to non-residents of Nevada ~~who are in good standing with the library.~~

The record of all materials loaned requires the use of a "library card," which has a unique number that is assigned to the patron. This card must be presented each time materials are checked out, when items are renewed, or when requesting information about the status of an account (fees owed, etc.). If a patron is unable to present the library card at the circulation desk and can provide picture identification, the staff member may look up the patron account and proceed with the transaction. The fee for this service is \$1.00; however, the attending staff person may, at his/her discretion, waive this fee.

The patron is responsible for all items checked out on his/her card. Card holder's information is updated at least once every two years.

Seasonal and temporary cards are available for out-of-area residents who are living or visiting in Douglas County.

Persons age 16 and over who wish to obtain a library card must complete and submit an application. **Children** under 16 must complete an application form and have it **signed and submitted** by a parent or guardian to a library staff member. The parent or guardian is responsible for all materials checked out by their minor child. **(Responsibility for materials checked out by a minor may be assigned to another person or entity with approval of the Library Director or the Public Services Coordinator.)** ~~Waivers of this provision must be secured from the Library Director or the Public Services Coordinator.~~

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The following information must be provided in order to receive a library card:

1. **Valid** picture identification of the patron, or his/her parent or guardian **if the patron is under the age of 16**. Acceptable forms of identification are: a driver's license, a state-issued or tribal-issued identification card, military identification, ~~federal~~ federal employee identification, a passport, a student identification card, or immigration papers. *The State of Nevada requires new residents to secure a*

~~*Nevada driver's license within 30 days. The identification is checked by issuing staff member. This identification number is NOT retained in library records.*~~

2. A valid **current** mailing address, including local and permanent addresses if a seasonal or a temporary visitor. If patron's ID does not show a current address, the following documents may be used:

- Rent/lease/property purchase agreement
- Utility bill
- **US Mail postmarked within the last 30 days**

3. A valid current physical address, if different from mailing address. This is used for statistical purposes.

4. A current telephone number(s) for home, message, work or cell (with a United States area code).

5. Birthdate. Patron birthdate is used for verifying identity in the absence of the library card and for statistical purposes.

If all requirements are not provided at the time of registration, the patron will be limited to a 3-item checkout until all information is provided.

All information collected on a patron's record is confidential except for purposes of collecting overdue library materials and other library uses allowed by law. NRS 230.103

Verification of patron information

Cards generally require staff verification of patron information every two years. More frequent verification of patron information may be required for patrons whose stay in the area is indeterminate, such as motel/campground residents, seasonal residents, exchange students, and other temporary residents.

~~The library card is issued immediately to the patron with the following exception. If address on patron's picture ID does not match the current address or the provided ID does not contain an address, the card is mailed to the patron unless the applicant can provide proof of current address by such means as a utility bill or rent/lease/property purchase agreement.~~

For all new patrons, the initial checkout will be limited to three items. Subsequent checkouts will not generally be limited (apart from limits on specific items per subject, etc.) unless address verification is incomplete.

~~For temporary, seasonal, or general delivery patrons, the staff member in charge reserves the right to limit the number of items checked out.~~

Replacement cards are issued for a \$1.00 fee when the patron has lost his/her card. Patrons may request the replacement of an existing card for a fee of \$1.00.

It is the responsibility of the patron to notify the library if the card is lost or stolen or if there is any change of name, address, or telephone number.

Patrons may be prevented from checking out items and use of library Internet computers when a patron's account has significant negative activity ~~substantial problems~~ such as, but not limited to:

- Invalid, inconsistent information
- Items not returned
- Fees over \$10.00
- Multiple cards

Waivers, limits, and all changes to patron accounts in special circumstances are at the discretion of the Library Director and Library Supervisor.

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Director's Monthly Report March 2016

1. Volunteer Reception. The library volunteer reception will be held on Friday, April 15 from 2:30-4:30 pm. The library staff is busy planning for this annual event. Everyone is excited about celebrating our wonderful volunteers.
2. Nevada State Library and Archives: Directors' Meeting. On April 13, I will attend a Nevada library directors' meeting in Carson City at the NSLA. This will be a full day of meetings and training.
3. Book Sale. The Spring Annual Book Sale will be held at the CVIC Hall on May 13-15. The Book Sale Committee, comprised of Friends of the Library and Library Foundation representatives, is hard at work planning for the book sale. Annual budgets for the projected expenses of the book sales are being presented to both organizations for approval.
4. Douglas County. Larry Werner, the new County Manager, was welcomed back on March 7. I will be meeting with Mr. Werner soon, regarding the budget and other departmental issues. The preliminary budget is complete, but cost allocations and final budget are still in progress. The tentative budget hearings before the County Board of Commissioners will take place on April 4 and 5.
5. RFID Conversion Project. A grant application has been submitted to the Smallwood Foundation to assist with funding for this project. We are working with the County on the bid process.

Amy Dodson

From: Maggie Rusmisl
Sent: Monday, February 22, 2016 1:06 PM
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Subject: Family Movie "Batkid Begins" at the Douglas County Public Library

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Douglas County Public Library

Press Release

First Saturday Movies at the Douglas County Public Library

Minden, NV January 22, 2016:

The Douglas County Public Library continues its First Saturday of the Month Family Movies. The documentary "Batkid Begins" (rated PG) will be shown on Saturday, March 5, at 2:00 p.m. in the library meeting room. The movie and popcorn are free. First Saturday Movies are sponsored by the Friends of the Douglas County Public Library. The Minden Library is located at 1625 Library Lane. Find us on Facebook and Twitter, go to douglas.lib.nv.us or call 775-782-9841.

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Amy Dodson

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To: Maggie Rusmisl
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Douglas County Public Library

Press Release

Looking for a fun way to unplug, unwind, and connect with others? Come to the Douglas County Public Library on Wednesday, March 2 between 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. and color with us! It's not just for kids. In fact, adult coloring books are all the rage right now. Coloring can reduce stress and help adults relax.

This free drop-in program is for adults only and will take place in the Pine Nut Room at the Minden Library. The library will supply coloring pages, crayons, and colored pencils. Refreshments will be served.

The Douglas County Public Library is located at 1625 Library Lane. Find us on Facebook and Twitter, douglas.lib.nv.us, or call 775 782-9841.

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**Douglas County Public
Library**

Press Release

Cover to Cover Reading Program at the Douglas County Public Library

Minden, NV February 25, 2015:

The Douglas County Public Library is participating in the In-N-Out Burger® Cover to Cover Library Reading Program starting March 5 and continuing through April 16, 2016. Children ages four to twelve are eligible to receive certificates for a free In-N-Out® hamburger or cheeseburger by reading books. Both branches of the library are participating.

Fill out a card at the library to enroll in the program. Readers will earn an Achievement Award redeemable for one In-N-Out® hamburger for every five books read at their reading level. Each child may earn up to three certificates. Children too young to read on their own may have a parent read to them.

The Douglas County Public Library is located at 1625 Library Lane in Minden and 233 Warrior Way in Zephyr Cove. Find us on Facebook, visit douglas.lib.nv.us, or call 775 782-9841.

Amy Dodson

From: Maggie Rusmisl
Sent: Monday, March 07, 2016 2:56 PM
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Douglas County Public Library

Press Release

Do you want to see what is inside a computer monitor? Do you wonder how appliances work? Here's your chance to find out! The Douglas County Public Library's Teen Advisory Board is hosting a Tech Take Apart on Friday, March 11 at 4:00 p.m. at the Minden Library.

The library will provide old electronic devices and tools. Have fun taking apart a printer, computer monitor, or iPod. This program is for teens 12 to 17.

The Tech Take Apart program is sponsored by the Teen Advisory Board. The Douglas County Public Library is located at 1625 Library Lane in Minden. Find us on Facebook and Twitter, douglas.lib.nv.us, or call 775-782-9841.

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From: Maggie Rusmisl
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Douglas County Public Library

Press Release

The Douglas County Public Library invites you to a special program about the history and art of Falconry. Join us on Saturday, March 26 at 2:00 p.m. to meet local falconers Mark Moglich and his son Ryan Moglich. Ryan will bring his peregrine falcon. Three generations of the family are breeders and falconers including Mark's 88 year old father. Ryan was introduced to falconry at an early age and now works with his father to maintain a professional breeding and training business.

Falconry is the only sport that utilizes a trained wild creature. It requires long hours, constant devotion, skill, and an understanding of how the birds behave. The Moglich family is licensed to train birds and raise a number of different types of birds of prey.

The art is steeped in history. It is believed to have originated with the ancient tribes in Eastern Asia. Falconry is used for recreational hunting and is still practiced today in many countries.

The Douglas County Public Library is located at 1625 Library Lane in Minden. Find us on Facebook and Twitter, douglas.lib.nv.us, or call 775 782-9841.

Community

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Indoor blooms a welcome splash of spring color

The warmer weather we've enjoyed this week has me hankering a bit for spring. I've spent some quality time outside playing with our kids, walking our dog, and turning my face toward the sun. Little hints of what's in store are starting to be evident; tiny buds are visible on the neighborhood trees, small patches of green have cropped up across our front lawn, and several birds have returned to last year's nests to ready them for the coming months.

In no way is this a wish to usher winter on its way. What a great season we're having after so many seasons of dry and drought. Mountain snow is abundant, the lake level is up, and water reserves look promising for the first time in years. All of this is wonderful news.

But I did find myself buying fresh cut flowers this week. Alstroemerias (also known as Peruvian Lilies, Lily of the Incas or Parrot Lilies) are one of my favorites both for their beauty and longevity. I split a single bouquet into two smaller bunches and put one on the counter and one in the family room. They add a nice spot of color inside



Amy Roby
Ranchos
Roundup

the house, and make for an interesting contrast to the Christmas poinsettia that still sits red and robust on our kitchen table.

In fact, I think that the crimson poinsettia will make for a lovely and unexpected Valentine's Day centerpiece. I've not had a lot of luck keeping poinsettias going much longer past the holiday season, but this plant seems pretty happy.

There's also a curious thing happening with an orchid that I received as a gift last fall. After enjoying its robust blooms for six weeks or so, the flowers fell off. I've kept the plant near an east-facing window in indirect light and have watered it sparingly about once a week.

The leaves around the base have stayed green the whole time but the top

of the stem turned brittle and dry.

A couple of weeks ago, I noticed a burgeoning little bump on the stem just below the dry part, so I snipped the brown section off. The bump is now about five inches long and looks to have what I hope are flower buds forming along its length.

This is pretty exciting for me. I've enjoyed many orchids over the years, though not once have I ever been able to get one to bloom again. I'll be sure to document it should the orchid actually blossom.

A quote from Abraham Lincoln

In honor of Abraham Lincoln's birthday today, I share a quote from his address before the Wisconsin State Agricultural Society on Sept. 30, 1859:

"A capacity, and taste, for reading, gives access to whatever has already been discovered by others. It is the key, or one of the keys, to the already solved problems. And not only so. It gives a relish, and facility, for successfully pursuing the [yet] unsolved ones."

Amy Roby can be reached at ranchosroundup@hotmail.com.

Reading quoted

2 | Friday, January 29, 2016 | The Record-Courier

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Library Reception

Friends of Douglas County Public Library host membership reception 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday at the library, 1625 Library Lane, Minden. The Friends support, contribute to and promote the library. Meet members over snacks, drinks. Information, Facebook, douglas.lib.nv.us or 782-9841.

Thanks for books in Washoe language

R-C
2/5/16

Editor:

Meneley Elementary School would like to thank the Washoe Tribe Language and Cultural Department for donating six books to each student kindergarten through fifth grade. The Washoe stories are retold and translated by Lisa Enos and Melba Rakow. These beautifully illustrated books will help students learn the Washoe legends, language and culture. The generosity and thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated by the students and staff at Meneley Elementary School.

Krystal Koontz
Gardnerville

Workshop to highlight library resources

By Teri Vance
For the Appeal

Participants in this week's Business Alliance Network presentation will learn the basics of effective storytelling, the elements of a good website and how the Carson City Library can help put those principles into action.

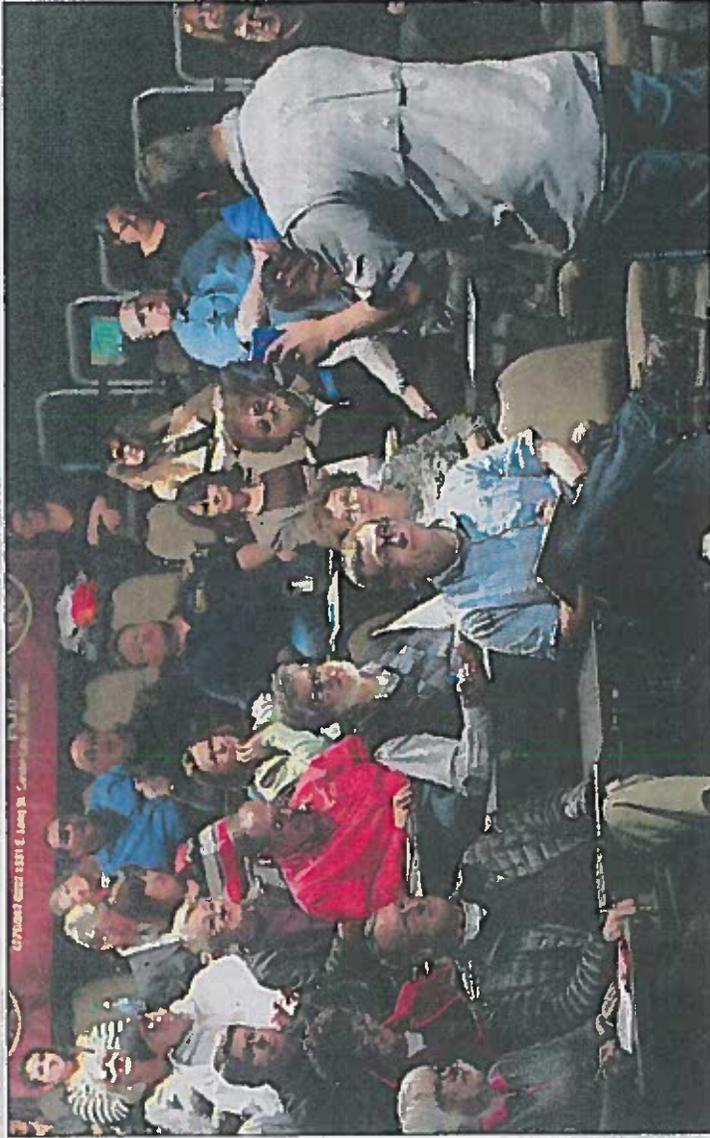
"The library is more than a place to check out books," said Kyle Horvath, marketing director for the Carson City Visitors Bureau. "It's more of a business resource center."

Thursday's 6 p.m. meeting at the Carson City Library is the second in a series of presentations designed to help local businesses promote themselves to tourists as well as network with one another.

The first meeting featured Constance Aguilar, digital director for Reno's Abbi Agency, discussing the importance of defining and sharing the businesses' stories.

"People who were inspired by last month's meeting will receive the tools they need to put that message into place," Horvath said. "They will find out how to be better marketers."

Sena Loyd, director of the



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James Salanoa, with the Carrson City Visitors Bureau, talks about the Visit Carson City mobile app during the Business Alliance Network meeting at the Brewery Arts Center last month. Another Business Alliance Network meeting will be held Thursday at the Carson City Library.

Carson City Library, will give attendees a tour of the facility and an overview of the classes offered, including social media, basic computing and website creation and design.

Joel Dunn, director of the visitors bureau, said the Business Alliance Network is pointed toward

IF YOU GO

WHAT: Business Alliance Network presentation
WHEN: 6 p.m. Thursday
WHERE: Carson City Library, 900 N. Roop St.
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Go to visitcarsoncity.com or call (775) 687-7410.

connecting business with tools needed to be successful.

"The library is working with us as a partner to provide resources for local businesses," he said. "It's also a chance for the library to increase community awareness about what they offer."

In turn, he said, a thriving business community creates an environment to draw visitors.

Future BAN presentations include a two-day social media symposium in April, Google analytics, design, digital brand and employment and labor laws.

"Businesses that want to grow and be a part of what we're trying to create here should be rewarded for their motivation," Horvath said.

"That is what we're going to do — give them the opportunities to be better and be more involved."

PRETTY BIRD



BRAD COMAN

Jennifer Luri pets Lew Souder's Siberian Goshawk 'Siri' Thursday night at the Douglas County Community & Senior Center.

and contributing so much to our field trip: Washoe Headstart Director Theresa Rowe; Scarselli Elementary School principal Susan McNeall, with counselor Wiebke Willis and teachers Alyssa Park and Donna Harker; Pau-Wa-Lu Middle School principal Dave Whittemore, with assistant principal Wendi Yankoskie, counselor Ashley Goering, Librarian Susan Bullard, and teachers Maria Falconieri, Brian Mello and Marlene Moyer; ASPIRE Academy principal Miki Trujillo; Douglas High School principal Marty Swisher with teachers Jim Abbott, Cade Baligad, Rita Borselli, KC Brennan, Christina Brown, Jared Hyatt, Lori Korzeniewski and Kerry Stack; Sierra Lutheran High School principal Juls Clausen with administrative assistant Katie Allin; Western Nevada College Career & Technical Education Director Georgia White; Douglas County Library Director Amy Dodson; and Douglas County School District Superintendent Teri White.

I would also like to thank my field trip co-facilitator, Carson Valley Swim Center Director Shannon Harris, LDC Steering Committee members Bill Chernock and Alicia Main of Carson Valley Chamber of Commerce, and Steve Lewis of UNR Cooperative Extension. Most of all, I would like to thank all of the students who talked with us when we visited them in their learning environments.

For more information on LDC, visit the Chamber of Commerce website: <http://www.carsonvalleynv.org>.

Gary Swift
Ruhenstroth

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Great field trip

Editor:

Recently, the Leadership Douglas County class of 2016 enjoyed its first monthly field trip, which focused on our education system and its role in preparing our young people to become self-sufficient and productive citizens. We started the day at Holiday Inn Express with a skill-building session from

UNR Community Development Specialist Marlene Rebori and then headed out for our all-day field trip, via DART shuttle driven by courteous and professional driver, David King. We started with a preschool experience, and then progressed through the age levels with visits to an elementary school, middle school, high school, community college, and the public library.

We owe a debt of gratitude to the following people for sharing their time with us

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Documentary follows young boy's ultimate dream

Staff Reports

The Douglas County Public Library continues its First Saturday of the Month Family Movies March 5.

The documentary "Batkid Begins" (rated PG) will be shown at 2 p.m. in the library meeting room.

The movie follows the story of

a young boy fighting leukemia's journey of transforming one U.S. city into Gotham City for a day.

The movie and popcorn are free. Friends of the Douglas County Public Library sponsor the movies.

The library is located at 1625 Library Lane. For more information visit Facebook, douglas.lib.nv.us or call 782-9841.

Literary Club celebrates centennial

by Kurt Hildebrand
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The Gardnerville Woman's Literary Club could celebrate its centennial with a reading of its history, but as President Carolyn Miller points out, it's not really a book club.

The club is celebrating its 100th year on Monday with the publication of a 62-page book detailing its history. The celebration is 5-8 p.m. at the Carson Valley Museum & Cultural Center.

Compiled by Miller, Margaret Biggs, Lorene Becker, Kaleigh Surber and Barbara Walton, the club is the second oldest in Carson Valley, providing a counterpoint to Fort-nightly, which celebrated its centennial a few years ago.

Miller said that with the exception of a decade or so around the 1970s, most of the club's minutes were being kept at the University of Nevada, Reno, archives.

"It started out as a study group for the Nevada Constitution," she said. "Each host does a project."

The club meets every two weeks between September and May.

The topics for each meeting is basically whatever takes the host's fancy.

"It can be travel, a hobby, artists. It's a way for people to enrich their lives," Miller said.

Miller said she's president

because it was her turn. The group consists of about two-dozen women, and membership is by invitation.

The first mention of the club in the pages of *The Record-Courier* was on Dec. 22, 1916, when *The Record-Courier* announced the annual Christmas party was at the home of Mrs. J.N. Anderson.

The newspaper had pretty regular notices for the club's first 60 years.

In the early months of the United States' entry into

World War II, members approved a resolution that all-out production be rushed for war production and that politics be banned.

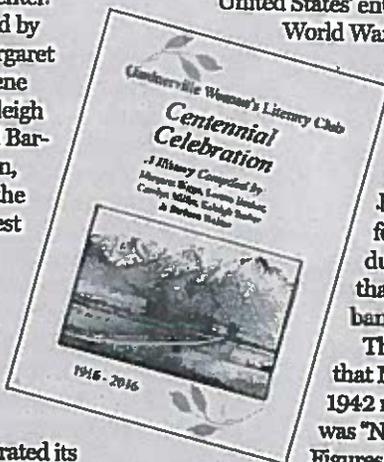
The topic of that March 16, 1942 meeting was "National Figures in the Headlines." There

were 16 women listed among the membership.

In 1966, *Record-Courier* staffer Roberta McConnell regaled the guests with tales of early Carson Valley she found in the paper's files.

"To truly understand the heart and flavor of a place one would do well to study old newspapers, where editors often published news of births, courtships, marriages and parties with humorous comments of their own to enliven the report," she said.

Founding member Ida Mae Baker spent 63 years as a member of the club before her death in 1979.



The million dollar librarian

Inviting someone to dinner for the first time can be chancy. Amy Geddes is the director of the Lyon County Library System. As soon as Amy walks past Orlyene's china cabinet she says, "I'm going to have to take a closer look at that beautiful pink Depression Glass. I just may have to bring some of mine over the next time I'm here." Bing! I perk up. Immediately she feels at home here.

As soon as dinner begins I ask, "Have you always been a librarian?" and I hear a rich mixture of business acumen, and love of her parents. "I started as an hourly employee with Walmart in College Station, Texas. Eventually I was overseeing different branches, and started working 80-hour weeks. Ten years later, to the day from when I started with Walmart, I was offered the Co-Manager job at the new Super Walmart in Carson City. Three days later, I resigned," she says. I'm stunned. She turned down a big pay check, and a lucrative future.

"Will anyone have more chicken cacciatore?" I ask, trying to regroup. "What happened next?"

"I needed a job, and discovered Tonapah was looking for a librarian. Fortunately, they didn't require a credential, so I got the job. While there I got my library science degree, and from there I went to Bonita, Calif. Following that, I was manager for 3.5 years at the \$42 million library in Encinitas. It was beautiful, and overlooked the Pacific but the San Diego area just wasn't right for my mom and stepdad," she says.

Wynne, our other guest,



Ron Walker
Senior Scene

serves her tasty no-flour tarts, topped with golden frosting, and mountain-size homemade cookies.

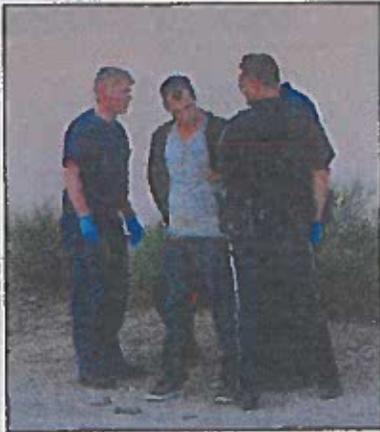
Amy speaks easily, openly. What a great example of leadership. She's a mixture of pixie dust, Eisenhower leadership and family love. "When mom married my stepdad, my life started. I learned so much from him. My stepdad was on the streets at 8 years old, and he knows what life is about," she says, and her eyes tell me she truly admires him.

"I tried several opportunities until I saw Yerington. I knew it was perfect for my mom and stepdad, and I got the job here. We have a house on the street right in back of the planning commission. Dad's always sitting on the front porch. Drop by, sometime. I know he'd be glad to meet you," she tells me.

So today, that's what I did. I pulled up, and there they were; Amy's mom, Judy, and her dad, Zack. "I'll bet you think I'm selling something," I say as I walk up to the porch. "Come sit a spell," Zack says, and Judy asks, "Will you have a cup of coffee?" and at that moment they have no idea who I am. "Well, thank you, I'd love a cup," I answer, and we visit and I mention that Amy had dinner at our house.

My hunch was right about Amy. She's a winner.

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A 45-year-old man is held up by a Sheriff's officer and checked out by an East Fork paramedic behind the Douglas County Library Saturday following a high-speed chase from Jack's Valley Road.

Man arrested after high speed chase



BRAD COMAN PHOTOS/NEVADA APPEAL
NHP vehicles at 1682 Mackland sit behind a 2015 Mercedes involved in a high-speed chase. The vehicle was abandoned here and the suspect fled on foot.

Staff Report

A man was arrested in Minden after allegedly speeding down Highway 395 and into the town Saturday.

The Nevada Highway Patrol spotted the 2015 Mercedes southbound at Jacks Valley Road. The vehicle reportedly hit speeds in excess of 100 mph southbound on 395.

Within minutes the vehicle was in Minden with the driver ducking down County Road. The vehicle was abandoned near the Douglas County Public Library.

Deputies combed the area and located a 45-year-old man they believed was in the vehicle. He was tazed.

Deputies continued to look for a second man in an orange shirt, according to police scanner traffic.

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Local poet signing books March 5

Nevada Appeal staff report

Local poet and write Glade Myler will be signing books from 1-5 p.m. March 5 at Comma Coffee.



Glade Myler

Carson City's Myler will be signing his second book "Perspectives." His first book was "Through the Eye of Needle." It was released in March 2014.

The books feature poems written in English, Spanish and Portuguese.

The poems in Spanish and Portuguese are followed with the

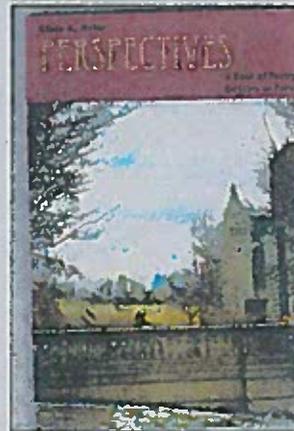
corresponding translation of the poem into English.

Myler's wife, Carolyn, took the photographs in the book. The photo on the cover of "Perspectives" is of Cloud Gate, a public sculpture in Chicago's Millennium Park.

Myler said he has written more than 560 poems in his lifetime. First getting into poetry in high school, where he said a high school teacher inspired him. He said he draws a lot of inspiration today from Nevada's beauty and the four seasons.

Glade and Carolyn moved to Carson City in 1989.

Myler's books also are for sale on Amazon.



COURTESY

Local poet and write Glade Myler will be signing books from 1-5 p.m. March 5 at Comma Coffee.

East Valley author recognized for newest book and lullabies

by Sarah Hauck
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The list of awards received by an East Valley author has grown for the second year in a row.

A book of rhymes coupled with a pair of original lullabies helped



Chambers

Linda Chambers capture a Mom's Choice Award for a second time with her newest

book "Baby Time Rhymes."

"I am very happy about winning the award again," Chambers said. "It is a sweet book that reads well and the illustrations are beautiful. I am always surprised when someone likes my book."

Last year Chambers won the same award for "Pons and the Miracle of Réunion Island."

This year's winner is much more simple and geared towards infants, utilizing simple rhymes and basic, recognizable characters like toys.

"I knew I wanted to focus on subject matter that little children would respond to," she said. "That is why I

wrote poems about teddy bears, and a rocking horse and cars and bath time."

"Baby Time Rhymes" only took Chambers a few weeks to write and finalize.

"I have been writing poetry for a long time," Chambers said. "It is like a song and when it is written correctly it works for them (young children.) With children's writing you have to focus on getting right to the point and staying there so they can enjoy it. I wanted this one to be sing-songy and use repetition to attract and keep their attention."

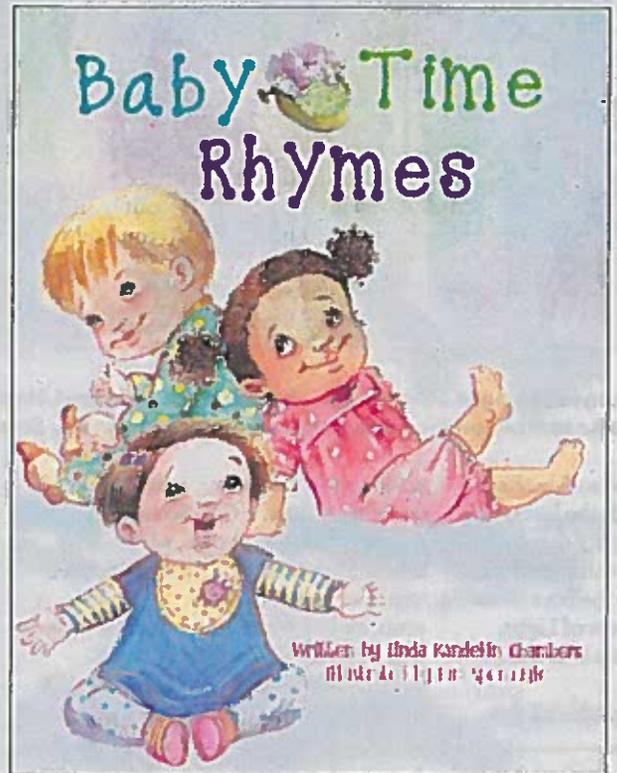
Chambers turned to a familiar face in Kim Sponaugle to bring her poems to life with illustrations.

The pair worked together, discussing the importance of crossing racial barriers and creating eye-catching pictures.

"Kim and I both had a great time working together once again," Chambers said. "We went through each poem and she wanted to know what I was thinking and wanting to see come out through the illustration."

Challenging herself to create a book for a younger audience is something Chambers hadn't done.

"Erik (her grandson) is 3



and loves books," she said. "Watching him enjoy a book, it dawned on me that I had never written anything for children so young. It was a fun time. The transition to younger children's literature was very easy."

"Baby Time Rhymes" isn't just a book of simple poetry, Chambers said.

The book gave her an avenue to share a family memory with her readers.

"Kim's son is a wonderful musician and I asked if he could transpose these lullabies that I use to sing to my son and put music to them. He did a beautiful job. I had always sung these songs and knew the tune, but had never put music to them."

The lullabies are available for free download on Chambers' website.

The songs are looped to last 10 minutes, creating longer listening experiences that some parents have

taken advantage of.

"Some parents have reached out to me and shared with me that they have put the lullabies on a device so that they can play them for their babies to go to sleep to," Chambers said. "I really makes me happy to know parents are doing that for their babies."

Being a self-published author, having her work recognized is reassurance for Chambers that her pursuit of children's literature is worth it:

"It is wonderful to win again," she said. "You work so hard and the competition among children's authors is great. To have Mom's Choice Awards reach out to me and recognize me again is just great."

For more information and to buy Chambers' books visit www.linda-chambersbooks.org.

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COURTESY

Honors student Tyler Warren hands out books to students as a part of his senior project.

Senior project presentations just around the corner

Like all students of Carson High School during the past 16 years, Honors Student Tyler Warren, since his freshman year, thought about what he would be doing for his senior project — a graduation requirement for every student who hopes to receive a diploma from CHS. Warren's first idea was to learn how to play bass guitar, which fell under the Personal Development aspect of the senior project. However,



Phillip Brady
Senator
Square

he realized he was not good at guitar but then recalled overhearing another senior, Dagen Kipling, talking about his senior project, the Altruistic

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SENIOR PROJECT SPOTLIGHT

For his senior project, CHS Senior Tyler Warren collected more than 1,500 books during a period of three months from anyone and everyone willing to donate to those who can't afford to pay for them. At Fritsch Elementary School, Warren delivered around 700 donated books. Warren also gave 74 books to children through Food for Thought at Seeliger Elementary School, and he plans to donate more books to McKinney-Vento children at Mark Twain Elementary School and to the Food For Thought children next week at Fremont Elementary School. All books not taken will be donated to Fremont Elementary School. Well done, Tyler!

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Endeavor category where Kipling collected clothing items for children at various Carson City schools. This prompted Warren to choose a similar project, one in which he collected used books from multiple sources and distributed those books to children who are not able to pay for them. The final category is that of Career Exploration. Rigor, relevance and results are the objective of the senior project, and presentations are just around the corner.

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Library hosts artistic space for adults

Staff Reports

Douglas County Public Library is providing a new way for adults to unplug and unwind with one of the latest trends.

The library is hosting an adult coloring time 4:30-6:30 p.m. Wednesday.

"It's not just for kids. In fact, adult coloring books are all the rage right now," Library technician Maggie Rusmisl said. "Coloring can reduce stress and help adults relax."

This free drop-in program is for adults only and will take place in the Pine Nut Room at the Minden Library.

The library will supply coloring pages, crayons and colored pencils.

Refreshments will be served.

The Douglas County Public Library is located at 1625 Library Lane in Minden.

For more information find the library on Facebook and Twitter, douglas.lib.nv.us, or call 782-9841.

IF YOU GO

What: Adult coloring

When: 4:30-6:30 p.m. Wednesday

Where: Douglas County Public Library, 1625 Library Lane, Minden

Cost: Free

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Comic Strip Drawing & Writing — 3:30 p.m., Brewery Arts Center Art Room, 449 W King Street, Carson City. Draw and Write comic strip cartoons like the ones seen in the newspaper. Students will receive comprehensive instruction on creating strip panels, character and story development, as well as gag writing. All ability levels are welcome. No prerequisites. All materials included in tuition.

2016 challenge quilt winners

Staff Reports

The Carson Valley Quilt Guild quilters added bindings and clipped threads in preparation for judging of the 2016 Challenge Quilts on Feb. 22.

Debbie Riley, Julie Thomas, Cecile Brown and Terrie Peets were chosen as the winners for this year's competition and will have their work displayed at various locations throughout the Valley this spring and summer.

Challenge quilt participants were given a year to complete their pieces that depicted the 2016 theme, "Our World in Stitches."

Each participant received two pieces of fabric, which had to be included in the quilt in a recognizable manner.

The winners were chosen by the guild at

their meeting Feb. 22.

Riley placed first, Thomas and Brown placed second and Peets placed third.

The winning quilts, among others, will be on display at the Carson Valley Quilt Show June 4-5 at the Douglas County Community & Senior Center in Gardnerville.

Before the quilt show the Challenge Quilts will be on display at the following venues:

March - Western Nevada College Main Gallery

* April - Douglas County Library

May - Dayton Public Library

June - CVQG Quilt Show and Reno Quilt Show

July - Markleeville Public Library

August - Zephyr Cove Public Library



JIM GRANT

The Carson Valley Quilt Guild recognized the winners of a quilting competition with the theme "Our World in Stitches" Feb. 22. The winners are, from left, Debbie Riley, first place; Julie Thomas and Cecile Brown, second place; and Terrie Peets, third place.

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Three arrested in connection with 100 mph chases

by Kurt Hildebrand
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An attempted traffic stop led to at least three arrests on Saturday afternoon in Minden and Stateline.

The Nevada Highway Patrol tried to stop a silver Mercedes at Highway 395 and Jacks Valley Road at approximately 3:35 p.m.

Three people involved in Saturday's high speed pursuits are scheduled to appear in East Fork Justice Court on today.

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The trooper followed him onto Highway 395, where the Mercedes hit speeds of 125 mph as troopers pursued him.

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Deputies learned that someone was on their way down to Minden allegedly to pick Phillips up.

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A 2015 Mercedes that was involved in a high-speed chase Saturday.



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nearly causing a head-on wreck.

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PHOTOS BY BRAD COMAN
A 41-year-old man is held up by a sheriff's officer and checked out by an East Fork paramedic behind the Douglas County Library Saturday following a high-speed chase from Jack's Valley Road.

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READING WEEK CONTINUES



COURTESY
Miss Carson City Samantha Byassee and Miss Lake Tahoe Brooklyn Maw read to students at Empire Elementary School for Nevada Reading Week.

Douglas senior wins Poetry Out Loud

Staff Reports

Douglas High School senior and honor student Vanessa Blackwell will attempt to bring the state Poetry Out Loud crown to Douglas County for a second time when she competes in the finals, held at KNPB Public Television in Reno March 19.

Vanessa participated in the competition in Douglas in 2013 when she was attending Carson Valley Middle School.

She is a senior advanced placement English student, who performed one poem at the local competition, two poems for the district competition, and she will prepare a third poem to add to her repertoire for the competition held in Vegas in March, advisor Karen Heini said.

"She's a talented young lady with a gift for poetry," Heine said. Last year's state winner,

Dominique Groffman is a Douglas High School graduate and is attending Columbia University in New York.

Now in its 11th year, Poetry Out Loud is a distinctive national arts education initiative that encourages students to learn about, memorize, and finally present poetry—out loud. Structured similarly to the National Spelling Bee, Poetry Out Loud begins in classrooms across the state as high-school-aged students master public speaking skills, build self-confidence and learn about their literary heritage through memorization and performance of classic and contemporary

poetry. Students advance from school to district competitions and then to the Nevada State Finals, where the stakes are high. The Nevada State Champion receives \$1,000 and his or her school receives \$1,000 for poetry and literary programs. Those placing second and third each receive \$500 and \$500 for their schools. The state champion will advance to the Poetry Out Loud National Finals on May 2-4 in Washington, D.C., where \$50,000 in awards and school stipends will be distributed.

The 2015 State Champion was DHS senior Dominique Groffman. Dylan Baker, a senior at College of Southern Nevada High School West in Las Vegas, and Whitney Reyes, a junior at Reno's Wooster High School, placed second and third.

Poetry Out Loud is a program of the Nevada Arts Council, presented in partnership with Cultural Alliance Nevada, Nevada Department of Education, National Endowment for the Arts and the Poetry Foundation.

The Holland Project is coordinating the Washoe County District Semi-Finals. For event information, call 742-1858.

For information on the state finals and Poetry Out Loud Program, contact Maryjane Dorofachuk, Nevada Arts Council arts learning coordinator, at (702) 486-3738 or mdorofachuk@nevadaculture.org; or visit www.facebook.com/NevadaPoetryOutLoud. Follow the events on social media using #iampoetryoutloud.



JIM GRANT

Douglas High school senior Vanessa Blackwell was the winner of the district Poetry Out Loud competition.

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BRAD COMAN PHOTOS/NEVADA APPEAL

As part of Read Week author Brad Herzog lets Bordewich-Bray 1st and 2nd graders choose items for a story they're going to complete in their classrooms Wednesday.

'WRITE' STUFF

Author gets Bordewich-Bray students excited about reading and writing

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Students at Bordewich-Bray Elementary got the opportunity to learn about reading and writing from a real author as a part of Read Week.

Brad Herzog, a California-based children's and adult author, spent the day at Bordewich to teach the students about how to write a book to get them excited about reading and writing.

Herzog gave a presentation to students in which

the kids got to create a story together. The kids chose between options to build the characters, setting a plot and creating a story about two brothers who took an adventure through a forest, fought dragons and found a time machine. At the end of the presentation, Herzog told the students to finish the story to create what happened with the time machine.

"When you have an open door policy to imagination, it will knock sometimes — you just have to open it," Herzog told the students.



Bordewich-Bray 1st and 2nd graders raise their hands when choosing characters for a story they were helping to write Wednesday.

All the kids were extremely engaged in the story making process, and many said they really enjoyed getting to make the story with a real author.

"It was really good, I liked how he showed us how to make things," said 2nd

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grader Brooklynn Berg.

"I have always wanted to meet a real author in real life," added Lillian Turner.

Lillian, her sister Grace and another classmate Thomas Palmer, said they all wanted to be authors when they grow up, so getting to hear about how Herzog started his writing career was exciting for them.

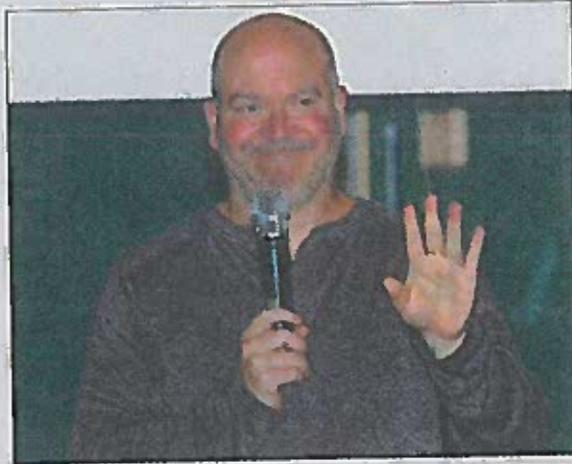
"I learned a lot from him," Thomas said. "I wrote a little book too but it was only like six pages."

"We were excited to learn about reading and writing," added Grace.

For Herzog, getting the students excited about books was his goal.

"Speaking at schools is a great way to connect to the young kids and I think my job is to inspire them to read and write," Herzog said.

He said he also hoped



BRAD COMAN

Author Brad Herzog entertains the students at Bordewich-Bray Elementary Wednesday.

to show the kids becoming an author was obtainable if they really want it.

"I think sometimes kids read books and perceive it as a distant phenomenon and I want to convey that there is a real person who wrote it and maybe one day they can be that person too," Herzog said.

Colleen Krahn, Bordewich librarian, said the

school hopes to continue Herzog's teaching past Read Week and have the students create their own books over the next few weeks to be bound and available for check out at the library.

"It was exciting to have an actual author come here and read," Krahn said. "The students just loved it."

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Local students named Poetry Out Loud state finalists

Special to the Nevada Appeal

Twelve high school students from across the state — including students from Carson, Douglas, Yerington and Virginia City high schools — are preparing to take center stage at the 11th annual



Shaylin Segura

Nevada Poetry Out Loud state finals, Saturday, March 19.

The State Finals are from noon to 3 p.m. at KNPB Channel 5 Public Broadcasting's studios, 1670 N. Virginia St., in Reno. The event is free and open to the public, though seating is limited, so attendees should plan to arrive early. The state champion will represent Nevada at the National Poetry Out Loud competition in Washington, D.C., May 2-4.

"We congratulate the more than 2,750 students who engaged in this year's Poetry Out Loud. They continue to select more complex and demanding poems to explore, memorize and ultimately 'own.' We anticipate a very competitive and inspiring state finals," said Susan Boskoff, executive director of Nevada Arts Council.

Distinguished members of Nevada's literary community are participating in the 2016 state finals. Reno's Poet Laureate Gailmarie Pahmeier is serving as the master of ceremonies. Guest judges include Bruce Isaacson, Clark County poet laureate; Vogue Robinson, Las Vegas poet and educator; Larry Ollivier, Reno poet and educator; NV Energy government strategy executive Linda Bissett; and Vicky Meissner, Humboldt County School District educator.

District Finalists competing

for the state title include: Shaylin Segura, junior, Carson High School; Christopher Alvarez, senior, Las Vegas Academy; Vanessa Blackwell, senior, Douglas High School; Mikayla Bates, senior, Elko High School; Stephen Watts, senior, Eureka County High School; Allyssa Wadsworth, junior, Lincoln County High School; Gabrielle Hunt, sophomore, Yerington High School; Erik Jett, senior, Nevada Virtual Academy; Summer Taylor, freshman, Beatty High School; Loree Brimage, junior, Pershing County High School; John "Dexter" Yago, freshman, Virginia City High School; Natalie Rodriguez, senior, Wooster High School.

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Poetry Out Loud is a program of the Nevada Arts Council, presented in partnership with National Endowment for the Arts and the Poetry Foundation. For more information about the state finals, contact Maryjane Dorofachuk, at 702-486-3738, or email mdorofachuk@nevadaculture.org, or go to <http://www.facebook.com/NevadaPoetryOutLoud>.

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BEST PRACTICES FOR YOUR TRUSTEES

In conjunction with its report "Rising to the Challenge: Re-Envisioning Public Libraries," the Aspen Institute's Dialogue on Public Libraries developed a list of 15 things library trustees can do to strengthen and ensure the future of their public libraries. They fall roughly into three action categories:



COMMUNICATION AND MARKETING

- Be a well-informed champion of your library and what it offers, and be persistent in restating the case for its importance to the community. Visibly support efforts to reimagine and rebrand the library as a vital community gathering place and resource in the digital era.
- Once you've created a new vision of the library that focuses on its people, place, and platform, tell and sell that story to your patrons, policymakers, community leaders, civic groups, and the community at large. Be specific about communicating the value of the library to all its potential users, demographic groups, and supporters.
- Leverage and publicly promote the educational and economic development potential of the library as a community platform.

PLANNING

- Draw up a plan for the future sustainability of the library—including long-term funding and fundraising, board membership, planning for leadership succession, etc.

- Work with the library director to plan a community engagement effort; use it to identify library users' aspirations and strategies to help the community and library succeed in the 21st century knowledge society.
- Ensure that the library's programs, services, and offerings are defined around community priorities, recognizing that this process may lead to choices, trade-offs, and change.
- Know your town's or city's master plan—better yet, participate in creating or revising that strategic plan—so that you can better align the library's activities with municipal goals. Make sure your strategic plan and the town's plan are in sync.

DEVELOPMENT

- Change any long-held policies that impede the development of the library's people, place, and platform.
- Assemble a list of desired outcomes and goals for the library, then make sure the library has the means to measure them. Communicate those outcomes to key policymakers, partners, and other community leaders.

- Support the deployment of broadband, Wi-Fi, and digital literacy skills throughout the community—especially to any economically disadvantaged, underserved, and other special needs populations.
- Create a plan for resource development, including new ways to deploy existing resources.
- Support the library director and staff by providing appropriate benefits and funding for their professional development.
- Make sure that the diversity of membership on the library board reflects the diversity of the community.
- Consider including on the library's board of trustees a member of the village board, city, or town council who can serve as a liaison between your board and the municipal government.
- Become involved in efforts to advance the future of libraries beyond your immediate community—meaning at the regional, state, and national level. Be an outspoken proponent of efforts to give libraries greater resources so that they can continue to provide value to their communities and to the greater society.

rooms at the library for two hours at a time while forming their start-up. It was another light-bulb moment for Friedemann: "[Coworking spaces] bring people together at the library."

Financing the future

Friedemann says she has noticed over the years that "we need a new vision for how to fund our libraries." That's also a major point of the Aspen Institute report. Friedemann says not enough smaller libraries in her area are supported by county or municipal property

taxes and therefore have irregular—and perhaps undependable—income. That should change.

Taxes, however, may not be the entire answer for some communities. The report suggests setting up long-term endowments and foundations, seeking 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status and grants from employers and large charitable foundations, and possibly combining local libraries into regional networks that share funding and resources. The report also recommends exploring alternative business models that maximize and sustain efficient library operations and



"The library's future is to go out and be engaged in the community. Libraries are these critical connectors for communities and connectors to others."



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Director of the Aspen Institute's
Dialogue on Public Libraries



good customer service. Trustees must also consider ways of achieving economies of scale in a networked world, without compromising local control.

Jacknis goes even further. "There needs to be more federal funding," he says, given this expanded role for public libraries, and not just for building the digital platform. Trustees have a role in lobbying state and federal legislators and finding allies to help preserve the future of public libraries. A recent public library survey by the Institute of Museum and Library Services found that on average, public libraries receive only 0.5% of their funding from federal sources.

Maureen Sullivan, past president of ALA and a member of Aspen Institute's Dialogue on Public Libraries working group, agrees there is significant trustee resistance to long-term financial planning, but she says it must be overcome: "All library trustees should be strategically thinking far ahead, especially regarding long-term fundraising. In every city, the library board should be asking, 'What can we do to establish financial stability?'" Sullivan acknowledges that in many cases, board members have had no experience raising money, but they must "stretch and develop it," she says. And the library director can lead them in this conversation by first discussing why it's important, then describing successful strategies in other settings.

Developing the team

Trustees need to look to future development, including providing for their own replacement and succession. That involves recruiting younger board members when the opportunity arises, people who are representative not only of the diversity of the community but also those who have grown up with the internet. "The first generation of those 'born web' with rewired minds is now in their mid-20s," Stielow says. "We need to sit back. They are about to knock our socks off."

Friedemann agrees. Young professionals who are leaders of their generation "are into other financing mechanisms such as crowdfunding that older trustees may not be familiar with." She compares the situation with the tech knowledge her staff lacked in

the 1990s, when her secretary was still creating overhead transparencies for slide presentations. "My secretary didn't know what she didn't know," she says. "I knew she needed to learn PowerPoint." There are still library trustees who don't know what they don't know, and they may be loath to admit it.

To find those new leaders requires making contact with organizations that young professionals join, holding events that introduce them to the public library and its future plans, and giving them ideas about what their contribution could be. That may be easier said than done, as Friedemann discovered when she tried to arrange an after-hours mixer. Library staff made a tremendous effort and organized the event, she recalls, but it was a hard sell because of several conservative board members. "Some older trustees didn't understand why younger people wouldn't gather together over iced tea" instead of wine and beer, but board approval was necessary in order to serve alcohol at the event. It was denied. Friedemann concludes that the library may have to try an after-hours event again.

Change, however, can be a touchy thing, coming in fits and starts. Stielow says he fully supports the Aspen Institute's recommendations but thinks the report underestimates how stressful some of these changes will be for libraries and trustees. "I think the report shortchanges the rough parts and angst of transition," he says. "For many, the library is a sacred and traditional space. One brings change at peril. Trustees are in part the keepers of faith and will need to remember the need for communication and tender loving care. We don't want to inadvertently anger, hurt, or leave folks behind in the rush for a brave new world." ■



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