

**MVLS Youth Services
Arcade Branch, Sacramento Public Library
March 4, 2009**

Agenda

8:30 – 9:00 am Coffee & Refreshments

9:00 am

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Minutes from the October 2008 meeting [Page 3]
3. MVLS Children's Budget Report 2008/09 [Page 8]
4. [Consolidated System] Youth Services
 - a. Plan of Service 2009/10 – Draft attached – Must be adopted and submitted to California State Library by June 1, 2009 – MVLS is first region to review it [Page 9]
 - b. Rename listserv & expand to include all 3 regions – Discussion (Open listserv to all interested library staff and partners?)
 - c. Member directory – Search by library, person or “work group” (“Children” & “Teen” can be “work group” tags. Do you want others?)
 - d. Sample Program Year & Budget [Page 12]
 - e. MVLS Representation on [Consolidated System] Youth Services Committee – Any volunteers? [Page 14]
 - f. Ideas for Youth Services Workshops – 2010 & 2011 – Please bring specific recommendations, contact information & ideas about how to handle it if the budget doesn't cover cost [Page 15]
 - g. Bookmark Project
 - (1) 2008-09 Report – Nancy Owen needs Grades 2-4 and 4-6
 - (2) 2009-10 Project Planning – How will we continue this project?

5. Summer Reading Program
 - a. Claim Form for 2009 Summer Reading Program funding [Page 16]
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 - c. “Best of Show” – from 2008 MVLS Summer Reading Reports [Page 18]
 - d. 2009 Performers Showcase – Short reports:
 - (1) Roberta Wahlberg – Dixon Public Library
 - (2) Kristina Wetherbee – Nevada County Library
 - (3) Shari Dearing – Placer County Library
 - (4) Chalese Valdez – Sutter County Library

6. CLSA Funded Training – A Reminder – How many have participated?
 - a. Reference funding – MVLS “Reimbursement Program”
 - (1) Reminder of total training funds per Library [Page 32]
 - (2) “Workshop Registration Notification” Form [Page 33]
 - (3) “Participation Reimbursement Claim” Form [Page 34]
 - (4) Ideas for Classes Still Available
 - (a) “Readers Advisory—Children, Tween, Teen” [Page 35]
 - (b) “What’s New—Young Adult Literature” [Page 37]
 - (c) InFoPeople “Leadership” Series [Page 38]
 - b. MVLS Regional Workshops – *FREE*
 - (1) “Fully Engaged Customer Service” 3/31/09 [Page 39]
 - (2) “Reference Interview Skills” 5/29/09 [Page 41]
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 - (4) “Communication Skills – Frontline Staff” 6/30/09 [Page 42]

**MVLS Children's Services Committee
Madelyn Helling Library, Nevada County Library
October 8, 2008**

Meeting Minutes

Those in attendance were:

Mary Ann Trygg, Nevada County	Patty Lakie, Woodland PL
Lucinda deLormier, Nevada County	Peggy Rollins, Yolo County
Kristina Wetherbee, Nevada County	Nancy Owen-Hazard, El Dorado County
Stephanie Bertin, Folsom PL	Mary Beth Embree, Roseville PL
Debbie Centi, Folsom PL	Karen Holt, Roseville PL
Roberta Wahlberg, Dixon PL	Kathleen Stewart, Yuba County
Sushila Mertens, Placer County	Andrea Stephenson, Lincoln PL
Chalese Valdez, Sutter County	Stacey Aldrich, Deputy State Librarian.
Roxanna Parker, Sutter County	Bessie Condos, Library Programs Consultant
Joel Pimentel, Sutter County	

Introductions were made around the room and the roster was updated.

Minutes from the October 2007 meeting were reviewed. Karen Holt made a motion for approval of the minutes with a correction and Patty Lakie seconded. Motion carried. Correction: Karen Holt was added to the attendees at last year's meeting.

Presentation by Stacey Aldrich, Deputy State Librarian on "Thinking about the Future."
Her presentation was divided into three parts: Assumptions – Rolls – Cool Books

She pointed out that our **assumptions** are what drive our **decisions** which in turn drive our **actions**. So while thinking about our assumptions we need to be explicit and clarify our mental models. There were several other statements that we were asked to comment on that she posted around the room.

First she asked, "What is the role of the Children's Librarian in the future?" Responses were:

- Early literacy (all kinds)
- Teaching Role
- Emotional Role
- Creating "The Place" – Safe, Sense of Community
- Creating future users
- Educating entire staff – about: needs, new medias
- Equalizer
- Power of Story
- Values/Manners/Social Skills
- Keeper of traditions

Then she asked each of us to answer the question: "What is my role in building the future of my library?"

- Fundraising
- Keep advocating for new programs/tech → bring future in
- Reach out to kids – anyone can relate
- Advocating to schools about role of public library
- Mentor to paraprofessionals
- Promoting Creativity – exposure to new experiences
- Make a community a better place
- Building relationships

The follow-up question was “What skills do you need to do this?”

- Building partnerships
- Versatile/flexibility
- Sense of humor
- Political skills
- Listening
- Communication
- Understanding new tech
- Budgeting
- Writing
- Grant writing
- Making libraries more visible – Marketing/PR
 - making quick easy marketing tools
- Early Childhood Development
- Reading (teaching)
- Presentations: articulate, persuade

A couple of questions that correlate to our role as children’s librarians are: How do people know things? and How do people learn things? it is our job to create opportunities to answer these questions.

Lastly she suggested some books for pondering, they were: Orbiting the Giant Hairball; Change the Way you see Everything; and Art of Possibility.

Lastly she suggested a way to change the mood of a conversation by responding, “How Fascinating.”

Consolidation – MVLS, NBCLS and North State Cooperative

Mark Parker, Library Director from Placer County library in Auburn talked about the technology tools that will be necessary for the consolidation of the three library systems, NSCL, NBCL and MVLS into a region that runs from the south in Mono County to the north in Del Norte County and east from Modoc County to the west in Marin County. We will not only need to communicate across our vast region but still provide services to our patrons.

Mark demoed different web and technology tools that could help our area communicate with each other. These included: Skype, wikis, blogs, and Google groups. A concern was brought up that not all libraries would have the needed hardware for the people to use these tools. He agreed that more

information was needed to see who had the available technology and that perhaps a survey could be used to gather this information. Our small group did agree to at least start with exploring the use of the Google tools that were available like Google docs, groups, etc.

Mark said that there would be a savings in operating expenses by going from 3 systems to 1 and that many decisions had yet to be made but that the completion of the merger was set for 2009.

Roxanna Parker took over and we addressed 7 items that needed to be brought back to the merger committee.

Before addressing the 7 items, our overall concern was how/where to address Children's and Teen Services since by law the regional system can only fund:

- A) Reference
- B) Communication and delivery
- C) Administration and
- D) a System Advisory Board (SAB)

Where does Children's and Teen fit in? We don't – so these services need to be addressed under reference.

The discussion centered around these issues that we need to identify as a system:

- a) What we need
- b) What's important to us
- c) What can only be provided by MVLS

1. Charge and Plan of Service

How this group fits in

Change the name of Children's and Teen to YOUTH

Youth to be defined as Children, Pre-teen and Teens as underserved and addressed under Reference

Write ups for this will be shared through Google docs

Service:

Summer reading

Shared programming and resources, including performers, authors and crafts, etc.

Workshops (including virtual ones)

A commitment to virtual collaboration as well as

Face to face meetings and sharing sessions

Charge:

Provide quality services to underserved youth

Provide professional development

2. Representation in a consolidated system?

- A) Children's
- B) Teens

Minimum 1 representative from each current area and an overall balance from urban and rural library systems.

3. Staff Development Programs/ professional development
 - A) Number of programs per year
 - B) Location and workshopsOne each per year of staff and professional development workshops that are 2 hours or less one way to the location of the workshop.
4. How to decide the programs or topics – what are areas of interest?
Use online voting and the Google groups tool
5. Annual Budget
Allocation to be determined by the cost of 2 workshops per year
6. Communications:
 - Meetings
 - Interest groups
 - Bookmarks
 - Sharing programs, authors and crafts
7. What happens now?
Consolidate the 3 current sets of Plans of Service into 1 plan
Consolidate the representatives in to 1 cohesive group
There is still a lot of programming and planning to do

Timetable: 2008-2009

June 2008 - MVLS sent letter to Library of CA Board requesting approval to explore consolidation
August 2008 -- Library of CA Board approved request
September 2008 – Consolidation task force had its first meeting
October 2008 – MVLS Children’s Committee had its meeting
October 2008 – NS Children’s committee will have its meeting
October 2008 – there will be a meeting in Davis
November 2008 – North Bay will have its meeting

November 2008 -- CLA will have a consolidation meeting
December 2008 – MVLS will have its meeting
January 2009 – Putting together a budget
March 2009 – MVLS will have a meeting
April 2009 – Looking to finalize the plan
May/June 2009 – Vote to finalize the merger

Annual projects were discussed. It was decided to do the MVLS bookmark again. A sign-up sheet was passed around for all who were interested in submitting titles. Suggestions should be 6 recently

published titles for various grade levels. Please submit titles to Nancy Owen by November 30. It was determined that author visits are not something that can be funded through MVLS.

Professional Development Workshops – Lucinda de Lormier drew attention to the feedback from the evaluations of the Spring 2008 Workshop (see report in Agenda). Chalese Valdez introduced the Spring 2009 Workshop, *Education through Music*. It will be on March 4, 2009 at the Arcade Branch of SPL from 12 – 4pm. MVLS may be able to purchase the accompanying materials for member libraries.

Specific needs, interest, and ideas for **2009 Summer Reading** will be discussed in the morning of March 4th before the workshop. Member libraries can submit successful ideas and performers from 2008 to Peggy Rollins. They will be posted on the MVLS Google group (to be created).

Roxanna Parker briefly reviewed the contents of the **Liaison Report** from the agenda packet.

Submitted by: Andrea Stephenson

MOUNTAIN VALLEY CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE

BUDGET REPORT

2008/09

BUDGET:

\$1,200.00	Funding from MVLS Member Share 2008/09
<u>600.00</u>	Funding re-budgeted from 2007/08 (1-time only)
\$1,800.00	Total funding for 2008/09

EXPENSES:

\$ 91.37	MVLS Children's Committee Meeting Refreshments 10/8/08
665.28	Gay Ducey Reimbursement – 4/2008 Workshop
106.92	CA Summer Reading Workshop Refreshments 10/24/08
250.00	“Education Through Music” Workshop 3/4/09
1,144.00	“Let's Do It Again” Book/CD set for 13 MVLS Libraries
<u>150.00</u>	Meeting & Workshop Refreshments 3/4/09 (<i>Estimated</i>)
\$2,407.57	Total expenses (<i>Estimated</i>)

SUMMARY: (*Estimated*)

\$1,800.00	Total funding
<u>(2,407.57)</u>	Total expenses (<i>Estimated</i>)
\$ (607.57)	Balance (<i>Estimated</i>)**

** Balance does not include shipping for “Let's Do It Again” Book/CD sets, and CLA did not charge \$200 for the CA Summer Reading Workshop 10/24/08.

**[NAME OF CONSOLIDATED SYSTEM]
YOUTH SERVICES**

**PLAN OF SERVICE 2009/10
DRAFT**

PURPOSE

Enhance creative, quality services to youth in constituent libraries through shared ideas, training, collections, special projects and programming.

Carry out additional charges as assigned by the [Consolidated System] Administrative Council.

ORGANIZATION & RESPONSIBILITIES

Youth Services Staff in Constituent Libraries

- Provide creative, quality library services to youth through collections, programs, local partnerships
- Participate in staff development workshops and other training opportunities

Regional Systems (Mountain Valley, North State, North Bay)

- Select two Youth Services representatives to serve on the [Consolidated System] Youth Services Committee. Committee will maintain a balance of urban and rural libraries and include representation of both children's and teen services. Term of service will be two years, with staggered start dates to provide continuity.
- Select one Library Director liaison to serve on the [Consolidated System] Youth Services Committee. Term of service will be two years, with staggered start dates among regions to provide continuity.
- May schedule annual business meeting in conjunction with regional Youth Services workshop.

[Consolidated System] Youth Services Committee

- Select Chair of Youth Services Committee. Term of office will be one year.
- Conduct quarterly meetings, which may be virtual
- Select and implement annual Youth Services workshop in each region

- May conduct annual regional business meeting in conjunction with regional Youth Services workshop
- Implement special project(s) as outlined in Plan of Service or assigned by [Consolidated System] Administrative Council
- Communicate CLSA training opportunities to Youth Services staff in constituent libraries
- Implement current Plan of Service within program year and budget
- Review and evaluate Plan of Service and budget at year end
- Develop next year Plan of Service and budget to meet [Consolidated System] and CLSA deadlines

[Consolidated System] Staff

- Minimum one [Consolidated System] staff participate in Youth Services Committee meetings
- Prepare Youth Services Committee agendas; take minutes
- Prepare regional business meeting agendas; post minutes
- Workshops: Create/ distribute flyer; handle registration; order material as needed; conduct evaluation; process invoices and reimbursements
- Establish ongoing electronic communication with constituent libraries

COMMUNICATION

- [Consolidated System] establish online communication with constituent libraries, e.g., member directory, listserv, blog, survey, virtual meeting, website
- [Consolidated System] post agendas, minutes of meetings, surveys, etc. on [Consolidated System] website

INVENTORY OF AVAILABLE RESOURCES

To be determined during program year 2009/10.

PLAN OF ACTION – 2009/10

- Establish [Consolidated System] Youth Services Committee
- Establish ongoing electronic communication with constituent libraries
- Host *California Summer Reading Program* workshop in northern California
- Provide annual Youth Services workshop in each region
- Promote Youth Services staff development by encouraging participation in CLSA funded training programs
- Update Youth Services bookmark of recommended reading for age groups
- Inventory Youth Services resources that constituent libraries are willing to share; develop mechanism for keeping use statistics
- Review and evaluate 2009/10 Plan of Service and budget
- Develop 2010/11 Plan of Service and budget

USER BENEFIT EXPECTED

Improve services to youth in constituent libraries through cooperative efforts in providing collections, programs and opportunities for continuing education.

EVALUATION/ EVIDENCE OF BENEFIT

- Number of constituent libraries participating in *California Summer Reading Program*
- Evaluation of *California Summer Reading Program* theme, training, materials
- Participation in annual Youth Services workshop
- Evaluation of annual Youth Services workshop
- Participation in training/ staff development supported by CLSA funding
- Evaluation of training/ staff development supported by CLSA funding
- Constituent library use of shared collections

SAMPLE PROGRAM YEAR & BUDGET 2009/10

Quarter 1 – July, August, Sept

1st Meeting [Consolidated System] Youth Services Committee

Committee work: Select Chair

Set date/ location for CA Summer Reading Workshop

Discuss program options for Spring Workshop 2010

Set quarterly meeting dates

Organize calendar to implement Plan of Service

Establish new listserv & member directory

Promote CLSA funded staff training programs

Quarter 2 – Oct, Nov, Dec

California Summer Reading Program Workshop

\$200

Refreshments

\$125

2nd Meeting – Youth Services Committee

Committee work: Select Spring Workshop 2010

Set date/ location in 3 regions

Schedule regional business meetings

Update bookmark of recommended reading

Inventory resources available for sharing &

mechanism for keeping use statistics

Promote CLSA funded staff training programs

Quarter 3 – Jan, Feb, March

Youth Services Workshop – 2010

\$750

Refreshments

\$125

Regional Business Meeting, if desired

TOTAL \$1,200

3rd Meeting – Youth Services Committee

Committee work: Evaluate Plan of Service 2009/10

Draft Plan of Service 2010/11

Discuss program options for 2011

Promote CLSA funded staff training programs

Quarter 4 – April, May, June

4th Meeting – Youth Services Committee

Committee work: Finalize Plan of Service 2010/11 – *Need to finish in April*
Promote CLSA funded staff training programs

HOPEFULLY–EVERYONE WILL HAVE PARTICIPATED IN:

- **Northern California Summer Reading Program Workshop**
- **At least 1 workshop that applies traditional ‘Reference skills’ to Youth Services to qualify for reimbursement from CLSA training funds. May include beginning or advanced Internet searching, collection development, readers advisory service, development of leadership skills, computer applications, etc.**
- **1 CLSA funded *free* regional workshop to improve public service, e.g., Fully Engaged Customer Service, Mastering Tough Public Service Situations, Communication Skills for Frontline Staff**
- **Annual Youth Services Workshop – Held in region**
- **Annual Regional Business Meeting**
- **Youth Services Listserv & Any Surveys Conducted**

[CONSOLIDATED SYSTEM] YOUTH SERVICES COMMITTEE

MVLS REPRESENTATION

2 Year Term: Name _____
Start 7/1/09
End 6/30/11 Phone _____ Fax _____
Email _____

3 Year Term: Name _____
Start 7/1/09
End 6/30/12 Phone _____ Fax _____
Email _____

2 Year Term: Name _____
Start 7/1/11
End 6/30/13 Phone _____ Fax _____
Email _____

2 Year Term: Name _____
Start 7/1/12
End 6/30/14 Phone _____ Fax _____
Email _____

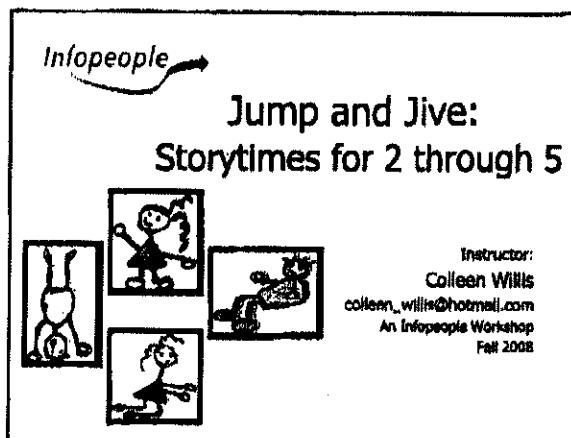
2 Year Term: Name _____
Start 7/1/13
End 6/30/15 Phone _____ Fax _____
Email _____

“STARTER” PROGRAM IDEAS

2009/10 – 2010/11

Colleen Willis – (InFoPeople)

1—“Jump and Jive: Storytimes for 2 through 5”



2—“Simply Irresistible: Story Times for Newborns to Two Years”

Valerie Voss – (Tulare County Library)

Presenter at California Summer Reading Program Workshop, Fall 2008.

“Creative ways for teens to express themselves at your library, using digital media, photography, collage, mail art (post-secret style!), online poetry slams, b-boy street dancing contests/workshops, and exciting programs based on popular shows/movies out next summer!”

Potential presenter for Teen and Tween Programs!



Mountain Valley

LIBRARY SYSTEM

MVLS Children's Service Summer Reading Program Claim Form

At its September 2008 meeting, the MVLS Council voted to allocate some unexpended funds from the end of the 2007/08 fiscal year to the 2008/09 Summer Reading Program. Their action makes it possible for the MVLS to award each MVLS public library with a \$110 stipend to help with Summer Reading Program costs. In order to receive this money, please fill out this claim form and return it to MVLS Headquarters, Attn: Kelli by May 28, 2009.

Name of Requesting Library _____

The payee must be an institution or organization, not an individual. Please specify how the check should be made out for your jurisdiction:

Name of Payee? _____

Address: _____

Signature of library director _____

Date _____

Please return this claim form to MVLS Headquarters, 55 E Street, Santa Rosa, CA 95404
or fax to 800-544-3811 ~~no later than Monday, May 25~~

Roxanna Parker

From: csl_info-bounces@lists.infopeople.org on behalf of Walsh, Susan **Sent:** Thu 2/19/2009 1:08 PM
To: CSL_Info@lists.infopeople.org
Cc:
Subject: [CSL_Info] California Summer Reading Program workshop videos nowavailable
Attachments:

Videos of the Summer Reading 2009
training workshop
are now available online!

Are you looking for ideas for storytimes, school visits, games, crafts
and more for children and teens this summer?

Please visit the California Summer Reading Program website to view
presentations, slides, and handouts from our summer 2009 training
workshops: <http://www.cla-net.org/summer-reading/workshop.php> .

Workshops are presented by members of our steering committee. Their
ideas for summer 2009 include creating a portable puppet theater, a "The
Price Is Write" game show, altruistic programming, creative contests for
children, photography, fashion, and music programs for teens, mail art,
PostSecret and much much more!

Still need ideas?

Please visit our programming resources pages for ideas for children's
programs <<http://www.cla-net.org/summer-reading/childprog.php>> and teen
programs <<http://www.cla-net.org/summer-reading/teenprog.php>> .

The workshop was videotaped on October 24, 2008, at the Mary L. Stephens
branch of the Yolo County Library in Davis. The workshop was presented
in partnership with the Mountain Valley Library System, North Bay
Cooperative Library System, and North State Cooperative Library System.

Funding for recording and archiving the workshop was provided by the
Rural Library Initiative.

The California Summer Reading Program is a project of the California
Library Association, supported by the U.S. Institute of Museum and
Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and
Technology Act, administered in California by the State Librarian.

CSL_Info mailing list
CSL_Info@lists.infopeople.org
http://lists.infopeople.org/listinfo.cgi/csl_info-infopeople.org

“BEST OF SHOW”
FAVORITE PERFORMERS
MVLS SUMMER READING PROGRAMS 2008

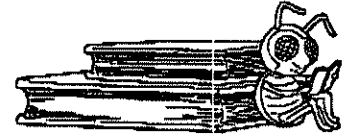
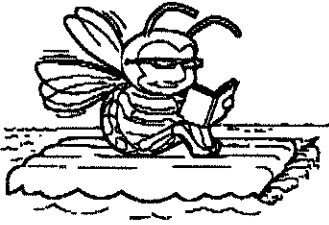
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Catch the Reading Bug @ Your Library

Dixon Public Library

Summer Reading 2008



Children were asked to read a total of 20 books (or 2000 pages for chapter book readers) during the Catch the Reading Bug @ Your Library Summer Reading Program in order to receive the final prizes. Each week they could return to the library to play a game and receive a prize in exchange for reading.

The final prizes were an invitation to a party on July 25, a paperback book, two weeks of free lessons at Ramtown Karate and a free ticket to the August 5, 2008 Sacramento River Cats baseball game.

Programs:

Puppet Art Theatre—"Tommy's Space Bug Adventure"

Puppetarts.com

916-424-4736

Cost: \$275

puppetart@aol.com

Art has been doing puppet shows for children in the Sacramento Valley and beyond for years. This is a solid program for children.

Ventriloquist Steve Chaney and Cornelius Crow

Cornycrow.com

P.O. Box 70501

Sunnyvale, CA 94086

408-734-3097

Cost: \$250

Steve.chaney@comcast.net

Steve Chaney's show is quite funny with an emphasis on reading encouragement. He drew an audience of over 200 in 2008

Insect Songs with Sandi and Stevie

www.sandiandstevie.com

1649 N. Clear Creek Place

Danville, CA 94526

925-743-9838

Cost: \$375

sandi@sandiandstevie.com

stevie@sandiandstevie.com

Sandi and Stevie are more geared to school performances, but our summer reading audience enjoyed them. They also have a sea life songs program.

Songs and stories by Juan L. Sanchez

P.O. Box 51482

Pacific Grove, CA 93950

831-899-9909

Cost: \$400

juansanchez@hotmail.com

Juan L. Sanchez is a very fine singer and performer. He performs in English and Spanish. He brought his eight year old son to participate on stage, also. The audience seemed to enjoy seeing someone their age performing.

Rebecca Nile, the Bubble Lady

www.bubblesandclowns.com

415-384-0619

bubblelady@bubblesandclowns.com

Rebecca has a very energetic and fun program that always brings in a big crowd. Kids love seeing bubbles as big as themselves formed before their eyes

Best programs- not in any order.

Search and Rescue/K9 Unit. FREE
Check with your local police.

Natures Critters

\$150.00

julle@naturecritters.com

<http://www.naturecritters.com/home1.htm>

916 773-7647

P.O. Box 2655

Granite Bay, CA 95746

Fratello Marionettes

\$400/ \$350 multiple shows

www.fratellomarionettes.com

Puppet Art Theatre

\$250.00

Art Grueneberger

916 424-4736

855 Gulfwind Way

Sacramento, CA 95831

PuppetArt@aol.com

<http://www.puppetarts.com/>

Wild Things, Inc.

\$350.00

Barbi K.

530 878-2618 FAX 530 878-8518

P.O. Box 191

Welmar, CA 95736

ROSEVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Summer Reading Program 2008 Catch the Reading Bug

Summer Entertainment contacts/websites:

Bonnie Lockhart www.bonnielockhart.com “Singing Ants and Centipede Chants”: a bug friendly sing along (can adapt her program to the current summer theme)
\$200 per performance

Music Mike (for the preschool set) <http://musicmike.com>

Science Wizard www.sciencewizardparty.com
“Super Cool Chemistry assembly program”
\$275 for two performances

UCDavis Bohart Museum of Entomology
http://bohart.ucdavis.edu/services_exhibits.aspx
“Oh my” drawers, live insect zoo, and trained entomologist does a 45 minute program.
Very reasonable cost of \$120 per performance

Wild Things www.wildthingsinc.org
\$300

SUTTER COUNTY LIBRARY

Summer Reading Program Entertainer Information

John Carter

Children's song performer

Phone: (530) 674-7635

Address: 611 Cassidy dr.

Yuba City Ca 95991

Email: gettarman@comcast.net

Fee: \$125.00 x 2

Victor Kent

Magician

Phone: (530) 532-7933

(888) 867-7077

Address: 2359 Via Laton

Oroville Ca, 95965

Fee: \$325.00

www.victorkent.com/

Science Wizard

Jordan Reading

Email: jordan@sciencewizardparty.com

Phone: (916) 344-2541

Website: www.sciencewizardparty.com

Fee: \$310.00

Python Ron

Please make checks payable to: Ron McGee

Reptile Show

Fee: \$450.00

Phone: (209) 345-3744 or (209) 577-8636

Email: Ppythonron@aol.com

Website: www.pythonron.com

Mad Science

Doug Christiansen

Make check payable to: Mad Science of Sacramento Valley

Email: doug@madsciencesacto.com

Fee: Free

Phone: (916) 736-2924

Fax: (916) 736-2946

Address: 3747 West Pacific Avenue Ste. K
Sacramento, CA 95820

Website: www.MadScienceSacto.com

Email: doug@madsciencesacto.com

Tony Borders

Ventriloquist

Phone: (916) 391-7269

Fee: \$275.00

Website: www.tonyborders.com

Email: tony@tonyborders.com

Dana Smith

Dog Show

Phone: (415) 971-6443

Fee: \$250.00

Website: www.danasmith.com

Email: dana@danasmith.com

Nature's Critters

Julie Allen

Live Animal Presentations

Phone: (916) 77-FROGS

Fax: (916) 787-0889

Address: P.O. Box 2655

Granite Bay, Ca 95746

Fee: \$180.00

Website: www.naturescritters.com/

Desert Dave

Reptile Show

Fee: \$400.00

Phone: (415) 456-5285

Website: www.desertdave.com

Pom Pom

Clown

Phone: (530) 671-5233

Address: 1488 Stafford Way

Yuba City Ca, 95991

Fee: \$120.00

Make checks payable to:

S. Cooper

Woodland Public Library

List of Performers

Summer Reading 2007

The Bubble Lady

Rebecca Nile

Home 415-384-0619 Cell 415-509-4973

bubblelady@bubblesandclowns.com

She was a wonderful performer and very interactive with the audience. The action was non-stop and the children loved the bubbles! \$300

Puppet Art Theater Co.

855 Gulfwind Way

Sacramento, CA 95831

916-424-4736

www.puppetarts.com

We have had them a couple of times here for, "Super Tommy" and "Goldilocks and the Three Sharks", we always have a packed house. Their shows are really fun and entertaining. They always make time at the end for questions and explain how the puppets are made and used. \$250

Puppet & Magic Show

Tony Borders

6033 Wynnewood Way

Sacramento, CA 95823

916-391-7269

www.tonyborders.com

He performed, "Mystery of the Missing Mutt", and the children really enjoyed his show. \$275

Summer Reading 2008

Bohart Museum

Brian Turner

530-752-9555

bturner@ucdavis.edu

This is a wonderful bug program! They bring dead bugs for viewing and live bugs for the kids to touch and even hold at the end of the presentation. Very informative and of course kids love bugs. \$200

Summer Reading 2008

Magic by Alex
Alex Gonzalez
510-685-0089

www.magicbyalex.com

We could not believe how wonderful this performer was! He is so good with the kids and very interactive.

The Fratello Marionettes
925-984-3401

www.fratellom.com

The children liked the show as they had never seen marionettes before. Good show but not for the very young. They performed, "The Frog Prince". \$325

Bonnie Lockhart
Songs & Music Games from Around the World
1032 Winsor Avenue
Oakland, CA 94610
510-451-2005

www.bonnielockhart.com

Bonnie is so full of energy and a wonderful musician/singer. She had the kids up dancing and singing. She is definitely for all ages. \$200

Drummm
Jeni Swerdlow, MA, ATR
P.O. Box 404
Oakland, CA 94604
510-316-2850

www.drummm.com

If you want to get your audience involved no matter what age this is the program for you. Jeni brings plenty of instruments for the audience and everyone is making noise!
\$350

Here are a few performers we have used at other times of the year

Dragon Theater Puppets
P.O. Box 6811
Portland, OR 97228
503-312-5979

dragontheater@hotmail.com

We were fortunate to have them come as they were on their way back home from our area. The performance was, "The Reluctant Dragon", and was incredible. The many characters and voices are all performed by one person. After the show he explains to the children how to make the different voices and has them practice. Very, very good show. \$300

Magic by Brian Scott
Brian Scott
800-955-9619

www.brianscottproductions.com

Brian is always a crowd pleaser. He involves the children in many ways and some even participate on stage. The adults enjoy the show just as much as the kids.

YOLO COUNTY LIBRARY

2008

HIPWADERS

Kid friendly rock group
Vacaville/ Fairfield area
\$300
groovybrit67@comcast.net

VOICE OF THE WOOD

Dramatic narrations, hand-made masks
Davis \$250
<http://www.voiceofthewood.com/>

PENNY ROYAL PUPPET THEATER

Hand-made puppets, variety of stories
Winters \$250
(530) 795-3476

JEAN JACKMAN

Storyteller
Davis \$?
(530) 434-0945

SUISUN MARSH NATURAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION

Live rescued animals brought, educational, ask for Monique
Suisun \$125
(707) 429-4295

LINDA BOOK

Storyteller/ Musician
Davis \$200
(530) 756-4064

TIM WILLIAMS (alias the PIANO MAN)

Music for preschoolers
Sacramento \$95
pianoman4kids@yahoo.com

THE FRATELLO MARIONETTES

Marionette Show
(925) 984-3401
www.FratelloM.com

MAGIC BY ALEX

Magic show
alex@magicbyalex.com
www.magicbyalex.com

BRIAN SCOTT PRODUCTIONS

Magic show
800-955-9619
www.BrianScottProductions.com

PERFORMERS 2008
Yuba County Library

THE NORMAN MAGIC EXPERIENCE

“Magic that’s far from the Norm”

Norman Ng

\$350.00

norman@normanmagic.com

www.normanmagic.com

We LOVED this performer! He was young, funny and very, very cool. He appealed to all ages and we had more teens attend this event than any other performance this year.

DOCTOR SOLAR AND HIS SOLAR POWERED GYPSY WAGON

Terry Robinson

Price depends on miles driven – \$150.00

trobenson@surewest.net

www.drsolar.com

Dr. Solar and his ventriloquist’s dummy are loved in our library. I am not quite sure I understand why, as he is very old-fashioned and his jokes are a bit corny. He was a hit both times he performed here, once inside the library with his menagerie of animals and once outside, focusing on solar energy.

PYTHON RON’S REPTILE KINGDOM

Ron McGee

pythonron@aol.com

www.pythonron.com

\$400.00

Python Ron offered a shorter, smaller version of his usual extravaganza for our smaller space. We should have held the event in the main part of the library as we actually had to turn people away. Very interesting and very educational.

MIDDLE EASTERN PERCUSSION WITH MARYELLEN DONALD

\$550.00

maryellendonald.com

Maryellen offered two performances for us for this price (for an additional fee, she would have included a belly dancer). The first performance was a musical journey around the Middle East for children and families and the second performance was designed to appeal to teens with an emphasis on body percussion. I thought this was the most interesting performer of the year, but it was not well-attended.

THE HIGH STRUNG

“Rock and Roll Library Tour”

\$1,000.00

bharmer@chelsea.lib.mi.us

www.thehighstrung.com

This band is amazing. They played original music reminiscent of the Who and were comfortable setting up and playing between the stacks. They pulled a few books and passed them to the audience for a group song-writing session. Very, very fun, intelligent and thoughtful, but we didn't succeed in getting teens in the door (they were here on the night of a sold-out concert at the Sleep Train Amphitheater). I highly recommend them if you are able to command a large audience.

DRAGON PUPPET THEATER

Jason Ropp

\$300.00

dragontheater@hotmail.com

www.dragontheater.com

I wasn't planning to invite this one-man show back, but when I asked the kids what their favorite performance was, several of them remembered this guy! Creative, humorous, home-made puppets and props with lots of puns.

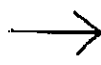
We also included several local entertainers who performed at the library without charging us. I can forward information about them if you wish, but I don't know what they would charge or if they are willing to travel.

The Polines Ohana – a hula-dancing family

Plinky and Plunky – husband and wife banjo and mandolin duo

Steve Green – folk songs, guitar and sing-along
Stefanie Cruz – children’s author (Delta and Dawn)
Rhonda Simard – children’s author (Moon Ladder)
Aondrea the Storytailor – stories accompanied by violin
Spencer Clark – saxophone player extraordinaire
The Saxations – jazzy quartet of music teacher and students

MVLS Reference Training -- Reimbursement Program



Public Library	Population FY 06/07	% of total population	Training Funds Allotment	% of remaining balance	Total Training Funds per Library
Alpine County	1,241	0.05%	\$1,000.00	\$3.15	\$1,003.15
Colusa County	21,512	0.91%	\$1,000.00	\$54.55	\$1,054.55
El Dorado County	176,204	7.45%	\$1,000.00	\$446.83	\$1,446.83
Folsom	69,445	2.94%	\$1,000.00	\$176.10	\$1,176.10
Lincoln	33,589	1.42%	\$1,000.00	\$85.18	\$1,085.18
Mono County	13,597	0.57%	\$1,000.00	\$34.48	\$1,034.48
Nevada County	99,766	4.22%	\$1,000.00	\$252.99	\$1,252.99
Placer County	178,264	7.53%	\$1,000.00	\$452.05	\$1,452.05
Roseville	104,655	4.42%	\$1,000.00	\$265.39	\$1,265.39
Sacramento	1,316,162	55.63%	\$1,000.00	\$3,337.61	\$4,337.61
Sutter County	91,450	3.87%	\$1,000.00	\$231.90	\$1,231.90
Woodland	52,972	2.24%	\$1,000.00	\$134.33	\$1,134.33
Yolo County	137,372	5.81%	\$1,000.00	\$348.36	\$1,348.36
Yuba County	69,827	2.95%	\$1,000.00	\$177.07	\$1,177.07
Total Population	2,366,056	100.00%	\$14,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$20,000.00

MOUNTAIN VALLEY LIBRARY SYSTEM

Workshop Registration Notification

I have registered my library for the following workshop:

Workshop Title: _____

Workshop Date: _____ Workshop Location: _____

Workshop Provider/Company: _____

Participant Name: _____

Registration Fee: \$ _____

MVLS PAYMENT

I _____ am requesting that Mountain Valley Library System pay the
(Director Name)

above workshop registration fee for _____ Library.
(Library Name)

Library Director Signature

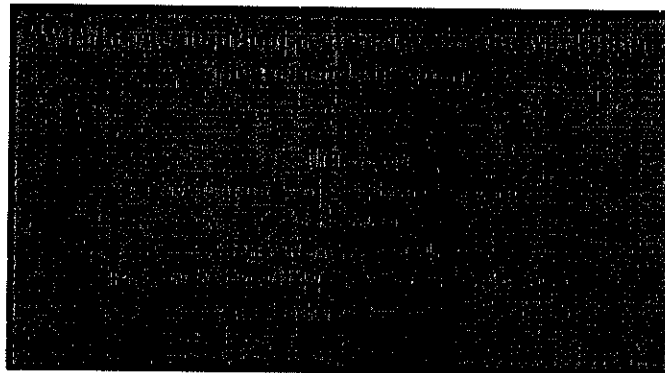
Date

ALL FUNDS MUST BE USED BY MAY 29, 2009

MVLS OFFICE USE ONLY:

Expenditure Code

Approved: _____ Date: _____
System Executive Director



MOUNTAIN VALLEY LIBRARY SYSTEM
CLSA Funded Staff Training

Participation Reimbursement Claim Form

Workshop for which Reimbursement is Requested:

Title: _____

Date: _____ Location: _____

PARTICIPANT NAME _____

LIBRARY _____

ADDRESS _____

(Street)

City, State, Zip

REIMBURSEMENTS REQUESTED:

Personal Vehicle Mileage _____ miles @ \$.505 per mile = Total \$ _____
(round trip from library or home to workshop location, whichever is fewer miles)

Other: (please specify) _____ \$ _____

Please attach receipts

Total \$ _____

How should the reimbursement check(s) be made out?

Name _____

Address _____

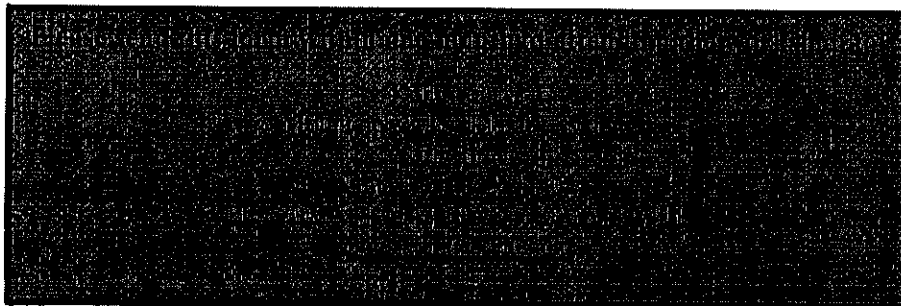
Zip code _____

Library Director Approval: _____

Signature

Date

ALL CLAIMS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY MAY 30, 2008



Readers' Advisory for Children, Tweens, and Teens

Instructor: Penny Peck

(An Infopeople Online Learning Course)

March 3 to March 30, 2009

Do you feel like a deer in the headlights when asked to help a young person find a book to read? Does your mind go blank when a teen wants "another vampire book, like Twilight?" Do you see kids and teens of all ages at your library, and wish you could offer them suggestions for recreational reading?

This online course will help you to:

- *Use simple readers' advisory interview questions to figure out what type of book a young person might enjoy.*
- *Discover trends in books for young people, including graphic novels and Urban/Street Lit.*
- *Try out easy-to-use websites and databases that find books to recommend to youth.*
- *Use free online database programs to keep track of books you have read.*
- *Learn easy booktalking and other marketing techniques that "sell" books to young readers.*

Walk away from this course with a renewed confidence about recommending books to youth, with lots of resources at your fingertips for the next time a 6th grader says, "I hate reading, but I have to write a book report." Feel comfortable helping parents, caregivers, and teachers find books to read aloud, help beginning readers find books they can enjoy, and learn ways to interact with tweens (ages 7 to 11) and teens so they listen to your reading recommendations.

Workshop Description: This four-week online

learning course will provide information on books for children, tweens, and teens, including picture books, easy readers, transitional fiction, genre novels, young adult novels, graphic novels, popular nonfiction, and urban/street lit; and how to recommend these books to youth. Through individual and group exercises we will discover methods to determine what a young person might like to read, and how to recommend, "sell" and market books. You will compile several booklists, use websites, and write and record a booktalk to be shared with other students in the class. The instructor will provide sample plans, templates, cheat sheets and a webliography, as well as practical, useful tips that can be applied immediately.

To complete this course, students must post to the weekly Discussion Board, share their booklists on the online learning site, and use a telephone to record a "podcast" booktalk.

Preliminary Course Outline: Using your web browser and your Internet connection, you will log in to the Infopeople online learning site and complete the following learning modules:

- **Module One: Introduction to Readers' Advisory and Books for Young Children**
 - Overview of readers' advisory including what interview questions to ask
 - Helping parents, teachers, and caregivers find books to read aloud
 - Helping beginning/emergent readers find books on their grade levels
- **Module Two: Transitional, Genre Fiction, and Nonfiction for ages 7-11**
 - Chapter books/novels for this age group, often referred to as "tweens"
 - Trendy/popular books and award-winners
 - Helping boys find books they enjoy so they will continue to read for fun
 - Using interactive websites and databases to find books to recommend
- **Module Three: Books for Teens**
 - Novels, graphic novels, and Urban/Street Fiction for teens
 - Ways teens share book recommendations with each other
 - Censorship and book challenges
- **Module Four: Marketing Books to Children, Tweens, and Teens**

- o Using Web 2.0 tools to keep a database of what you read
- o Booktalks for in-person and podcasting
- o Books relating to the 2009 Summer Reading Program themes "Be Creative" and "Express Yourself"

Pre-workshop assignment: None

Online Learning Details:

This four-week course will be taught online using the web. When you register, you will receive a registration confirmation that will include the URL to get to the course, as well as a username and password.

Every student proceeds through the online learning modules at his or her own pace. Students should expect to commit to spending a minimum of 2 to 2½ hours per week on this course in order to be successful. You can work on each module at your own pace, at any hour of the day or night. However, you will be expected to log in to the course each week to do that week's assignment. We ask that you log in sometime during the first week of the course to begin the course work.

Your instructor will be available for limited consultation support for two weeks after the official end date of a course, and the course material will stay up for an additional two weeks after that, to give those who have fallen behind time to work independently on the course. However, you will be expected to accomplish the majority of the course in synchronization with your peers during the first four weeks.

Who Should Take This Course: Public or school library staff who want to be able to recommend reading to a wide age range of young people.

Prerequisites:

This course is taught over the web. You must:

- Be able to save Microsoft Word .doc or Adobe .pdf files to your computer and print them out. (For .doc files, a free Word Viewer is available at <http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/search.aspx?displaylang=en>. Search for "Word Viewer." For .pdf files, a free Adobe Acrobat Reader is available at

- <http://www.adobe.com/support/downloads/m>
- Be comfortable navigating on the web and navigating back and forward on a website that uses frames.
- To be most successful in this course you should be willing to share information with your colleagues and be willing to spend time reading and participating in the weekly discussion boards.

System Requirements: The online learning product that Infopeople uses is called Angel. The following are minimum system requirements for using Angel. You will need access to a computer that has at least these specifications to participate in an online course:

- **Windows:**
 - o Microsoft Windows XP or Microsoft Windows Vista
 - o Internet Explorer 7.0 and above, Mozilla Firefox 2.0 and above
 - o Phishing Filter disabled (IE 7)
- **Macintosh:**
 - o OS X and above (OS 9 will NOT work with our online learning product)
 - o Mozilla Firefox 2.0 and above, Safari 2.0 and above
- **General**
 - o High speed Internet connection (dial up not recommended)
 - o Java enabled (from Sun Microsystems not Microsoft) - test my computer - Java download latest version
 - o Pop-up blockers disabled

If you are not comfortable with any of the above, please consider taking this course with a colleague who does meet these requirements.

Fee: \$75 for those in the California library community and \$150 for those out-of-state.

Course Start: This 4-week-long online learning course starts on Tuesday, March 3, 2009.



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**What's NEW in
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and How to Use It in Your Program
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 **FAX this form to:**
1-425-453-1134

 **MAIL this form to:**
Bureau of Education & Research
915 118th Avenue SE • PO Box 96068
Bellevue, WA 98009-9668

 **REGISTER ONLINE at: www.ber.org**

Pre-registration required due to limited enrollment.






Program Hours

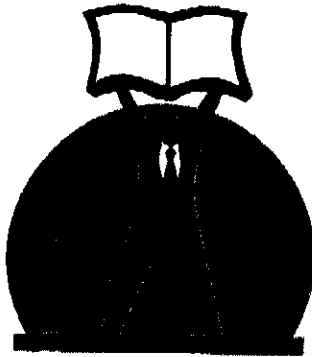
All seminars are scheduled 8:30 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.
Check-in 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

Fee

The registration fee is \$199 per person. If registering with a group of three or more at the same time, the registration fee is \$189 per person. **Payment is due prior to the program.** No cash please. Fee includes seminar registration, refreshments, a personalized certificate of participation, and an extensive resource handbook.

Classes scheduled for region Sacramento

Upcoming Events	Date ↓ / Location	Instructor	Class Fee
Building Leadership Skills: Strategic Thinking Keywords: Leadership Type: On-ground 	Mon 03/09/09 9:00 am - 4:30 pm Arcade Library (Sacramento)	Joan Frye Williams George Needham	\$75.00
Building Leadership Skills: Stimulating Creativity Keywords: Leadership Type: On-ground 	Fri 04/10/09 9:00 am - 4:30 pm Arden-Dimick Library (Sacramento) (Sacramento)	Suzanne Merritt	\$75.00
Building Leadership Skills: The Leader as Coach Keywords: Leadership Type: On-ground 	Mon 05/18/09 9:00 am - 4:30 pm Sacramento Public Library - Galleria (Sacramento)	Steve Albrecht	\$75.00
Building Leadership Skills: Planning for the Future Keywords: Leadership Type: On-ground 	Fri 06/12/09 9:00 am - 4:30 pm Belle Cooledge Library (Sacramento)	Stacey Aldrich	\$75.00
Building Leadership Skills: Convincing and Influencing Others Keywords: Leadership Type: On-ground 	Thu 07/16/09 9:00 am - 4:30 pm Southgate Library (Sacramento)	Marie Radford	\$75.00



Fully Engaged Customer Service

PRESENTED BY INFOPEOPLE AND
MOUNTAIN VALLEY LIBRARY SYSTEM

DATE: Tuesday, March 31, 2009

LOCATION: South Natomas Branch
Sacramento Public Library
2901 Truxel Rd.
Sacramento, CA 95833

TIME: 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.: Registration
9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.: Workshop

COST: Free to Mountain Valley Library System members
\$15 – Non-member fee

Smart libraries put their customers first. Infopeople has long been a leader in library customer service training, and this exciting new workshop offers an opportunity to move your own customer service techniques up to a new level. As the economic downturn increases library use AND decreases staff resources, it is vital that everyone work as productively as possible. Whether you spend most of your time on the front lines or primarily serve internal customers, your ability to handle your workload will be enhanced when you learn how to complete customer interactions successfully at the first point of contact, while cultivating a positive attitude and keeping stress levels to a minimum.

Improving customer service outcomes requires moving beyond old habits to create a lasting change in behavior. This course employs an immersive, experiential learning environment, initially developed and tested in collaboration with San Jose Public Library. In this safe and friendly environment you will practice simple, powerful techniques for improving:

- Eye contact
- Facial expression and body language
- Tone of voice
- Availability to customers,
- Assessment of customer needs, and
- Quality of information provided.

Completing this course will help you handle more interactions with customers by empowering them to do more for themselves, while increasing their knowledge of your offerings and their satisfaction with the library experience.

Roxanna Parker

From: Kelli Logasa [nbcladm@sonic.net] **Sent:** Thu 2/26/2009 10:27 AM
To: 'MVLS Council'; 'MVLS Children's Committee'; 'MVLS Reference Committee'; 'Astra Gleason'; 'Cheryl Edwards'; 'Daisy Ho'; 'Dana Levine'; 'Dinette Greenwood'; 'Jennifer Morrissey-Myatt'; 'Joyce Hall'; 'Julie Rinaldi'; 'Karri Samson'; 'Kathleen Nelson'; 'Kathy Allegrini'; 'Lindsey Cleveland'; 'Marge Wood'; 'Martha Johner'; 'Nancy Leonti'; 'Nancy Lund'; 'Pat Pollock'; 'Regina Maduell'; 'Rena Mahaffey'; 'Vineca Hess'; 'Wayne Owen'
Cc:
Subject: Save the date! Upcoming workshop in May - Reference Interview Skills
Attachments:

Save The Date!

A workshop titled **Reference Interview Skills** will be held on Friday, May 29th. Be sure to mark your calendar!

The location has not been determined at this time. A more detailed workshop flyer will be sent out in April.

Thank you,

Kelli

Kelli Logasa

Administrative Assistant

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Save The Date!

A workshop titled **Mastering Tough Public Service Situations** and taught by Cheryl Gould will be held on Thursday, June 18th. Be sure to mark your calendar!

The location has not been determined at this time. A more detailed workshop flyer will be sent out in May.

A workshop titled **Communication Skills for Frontline Library Staff** and taught by Pat Wagner will be held on Tuesday, June 30th. Be sure to mark your calendar!

The location has not been determined at this time. A more detailed workshop flyer will be sent out in May.

Thank you,

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