

January 2010
Grow our Own Area Librarians
(GOAL) Program Newsletter



OFFICE CLOSINGS

Monday, January 18, 2010

Martin Luther King Day

Don't Forget!

April 23, 2010 is the deadline for summer 2010 College Program Applications. You can find a current copy of the application and other documents on our website at <http://www.your-epal.org/IMLSgrant.html>.

Continuing Education Opportunities

Doña Ana Community College Offers Online Classes In Library Science

It's not too late to get enrolled in classes for spring semester! The Library Science Program at NMSU-Doña Ana Community College has classes starting every month! Students living in Texas pay the New Mexico tuition if enrolled in 6 or less credits per semester. For a complete listing of upcoming courses in 2010, please visit the program website at <http://dacc.nmsu.edu/lsc>
For questions or if you need help with admissions or registering for classes please contact Nora Bernal (nobernal@nmsu.edu) or Susan Pinkerton (spinkert@nmsu.edu).

Upcoming Workshop from the Texas Trans Pecos Library System

The Summer Reading Club 2010: Catch the Reading Express with Kim Lehman

Thursday, January 21, 9:00 to 2:00, Armijo Branch Library 620 E. 7th Street

Our annual Summer Reading Club workshop brings you one of our most popular presenters – Kim Lehman. Kim will provide craft and program ideas suitable for all kids, preschool through elementary. Participants will be able to effectively plan and promote the SRC in their library and community. They will also be able to implement preschool and elementary age program ideas and develop craft activities to use with toddlers through teens. You should attend this workshop even if you're not having a Summer Reading Club.

Lunch and refreshments are \$7.

To register contact Cindy McPeters at mcpeterscx@elpasotexas.gov

January Children's Literature Study Group Meeting

7:00 p.m., Monday, January 18, 2010 at Sharon Amastae's house, 3531 Fort Blvd.

Vona Van Cleef will present "So much depends upon ... poetry"

For more information or directions to Sharon's house please contact Joy Marion at (915) 217-7690, jmarionlibadvisor@yahoo.com

Continuing Education from the Texas State Library and Archives Commission

There are several online courses currently available including:

- A Dozen Ways to Two-Step: Essential Web 2.0 Training for Texas Librarians
- LD501: Lapsit Programs for Infants and Caregivers
- LD 502a: Everyone Wins -- When School & Public Libraries Cooperate (Texas and National versions).
<http://www.tsl.state.tx.us/ld/workshops/webinars/>

Upcoming Satellite Teleconferences and Webcasts from the College of DuPage:

- Making the Best of a Shrinking Budget: Creative Practices in a New Economy, Jan. 29, 2010.
- Cataloging: Where are we now? Where are we going? February 19, 2010.
<http://www.tsl.state.tx.us/ld/workshops/teleconferences/>

*****These live satellite broadcasts may be viewed at the EPCC, Rio Campus, UTEP Library or from your own work or home computer.*****

Free Booklist Webinar on Tuesday, January 12

4:00 Eastern / 3:00 Central / 1:00 Pacific

<http://link.ixs1.net/s/ve?eli=7511123&si=y121399053&cfc=3html>

Texas Library Association Online Learning Continuing Education Corner

Success with Online Learning

with nationally-known trainer Pat Wagner

FREE webinar on getting the most from Internet-based training!

Register at: <https://secure.txla.org/secure/forms/mtgLogin.asp>

January 28 3:30-4:30 pm For school libraries
February 22 2:00-3:00 pm For public and academic libraries

Travel for training is becoming a luxury at many libraries. Fortunately, many continuing education providers are offering more and more training over the Internet. Learn how to get the most out of Internet-based training opportunities like webinars, tutorials, and online courses.

Pat Wagner is co-owner of Pattern Research, Inc., a 35-year-old research and training business. She has been working with libraries as a trainer and consultant since 1978, focusing on personnel, management, leadership, marketing, career and strategic planning issues.

Texas Library Association Strategic Initiatives Continuing Education Series

The *Texas Library Journal (TLJ)* and CE Office are teaming together to offer a new series of quarterly webinars. <http://www.txla.org/CE/index.html#CE-Webinars> Each quarter, *TLJ* will feature articles that will be broadened in coverage through live online presentations. The quarterly topics – aligned with TLA's strategic plan – are:

The fall *TLJ* articles and CE webinars featured Julie Beth Todaro, Susan Mann, and Robert Walton. The winter issue includes articles by Liz Bishoff, Alexandra Simons, Jeremy Donald, and Mayra Diaz & Leigh Ann Jones. The Winter 2010 collaboration workshops will be:

Keys to Sustainable Digital Collaboratives

Friday, February 12, 11am -12 noon

Liz Bishoff will expand her *Texas Library Journal* article by providing specific strategies and examples for developing initial and on-going work and business plans, as well as guidance on negotiating the complex process of continuing funding and energy. Learn how to make digital collaboratives an effective means of increasing user access to critical information.

Liz Bishoff is BCR's director of Digital & Preservation Services. She works with librarians, archivists, museum professionals and other cultural heritage staff to identify, plan and incorporate digital content into their programs and services...



Innovative Approaches in Partnerships between Academic Librarians and Faculty

Tuesday, February 16, 2:00 - 3:00 pm

Join **Alex Simons** and **Jeremy Donald** for a continuing education webinar on February 16 to expand on the topic of academic librarian and faculty collaboration. Alexandra Simons discusses the special nature of faculty collaboration and shares examples of activities at UH. She will also address strategies for overcoming challenges (procedures and attitudes) and assessment of efforts. Jeremy Donald will provide additional details about his instructional design model for creating assignments that meet instructors' needs, address course requirements, maximize library services and resources, and facilitate the learning process.

Alexandra (Alex) Simons is the History/Political Science/Gov Docs librarian at the University of Houston. Alex works closely with her fellow librarians on information literacy instruction for undergraduate and graduate students. She also collaborates with faculty on library instruction for subject-specific classes, as well as collection development. To complement these efforts, Alex has created several online subject and class guides...

Jeremy Donald is a Faculty Technology Liaison at Trinity University, where he formerly served as an instruction librarian. Working in tandem with instruction librarians, Jeremy's role is to work with faculty to design and implement assignments that utilize technology to achieve information literacy-related learning outcomes. He also supports Geographic Information Systems and development of the library website...

What's happening in Your Library?

Westside Branch Library, EPPL

Movie Presentation: **"Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs"**

Saturday, January 23

2:00 pm

Meeting Room

Enjoy a free movie showing for children and their families.

Westside Branch Library Book Club

Saturday, January 23

1:30 pm

Inside library

The book club meets once a month. This month they will be discussing "The Glass Castle: A Memoir" by Jeanette Wells. Copies are available for check out at the library branch. Bring your friends for exciting discussion and light refreshments.

Westside Music Café

Wednesday, January 27

6:30-7:30 pm

Meeting Room

A local trio, New Impressions, will present a free Jazz concert provided by the Friends of the Westside Libraries.

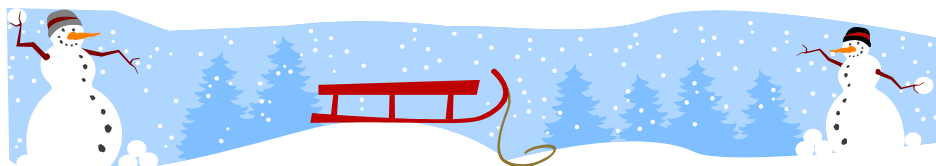
Reported by former CP Mentor, Derek Najera

Parkland HS Library will hold its second annual African American Read-In Chain on Feb 26. It is sponsored by the International Reading Association (IRA) & the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE). Featured readers will include NE City Rep, Carl Robinson; KTSM Weather Authority, Chester Lampkin; PHS Stage Rats and Speech/Debate Club and others. The idea is to celebrate Black History Month by forming a chain across America in school, public and academic libraries, community centers, etc. to read the works of African American authors. The PHS event will run from 9-4 in the Matador Reading Arena. Visitors and readers are welcome!

Reported by Parkland High School Librarian, Susan York

College Program Participant, Sandra Romero wants to share her favorite library website, ***Tammy Worcester's Tech Tip of the Week***. "Each week, Tammy will post a new tip -- a shortcut to use in PowerPoint, a cool web resource, or perhaps a new tool to try. Be sure to check back often!"

<http://www.tammyworchester.com/TipOfWeek/>

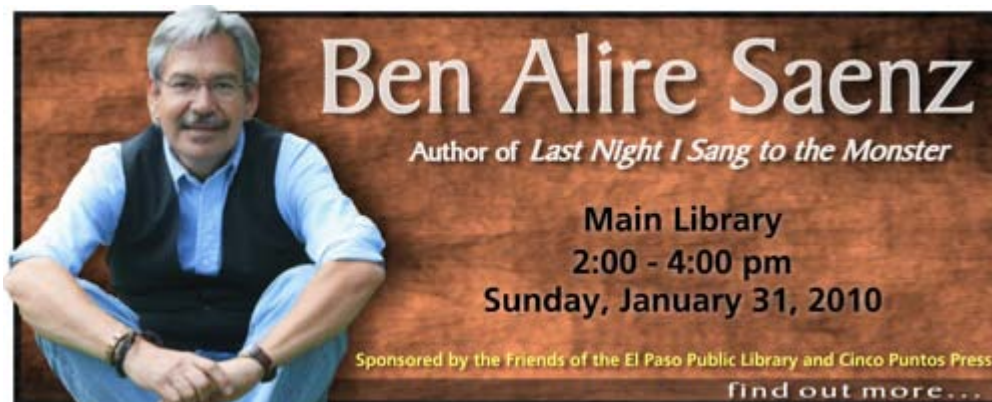


UTEP Classes for Senior Citizens at Esperanza Moreno Regional Branch Library!

Are you or is someone you know at least 50 years old? Would you like to learn new things? Do you live on the East Side of El Paso? If you answered “yes” to these questions, then you may be interested in a great new lifelong learning opportunity for you at the Esperanza Moreno Regional Branch Library.

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (a.k.a. OLLI) at UTEP will offer two classes starting in March 2010 at the Esperanza Moreno Regional Branch Library. Professor Arturo Quevedo Rivero will teach a class called “The Mexican Revolution of 1910 and the Juarez/El Paso Connection,” and Artist Romana Saenz-Hawkins will teach a class called “Repujado/Metal Embossing for Beginners.” These classes will meet once a week during Spring 2010. The fees are \$20 for each class or \$30 for both classes and scholarships will be available upon request.

The exact class schedule has not been set yet, but they will occur on weekday afternoons at the Esperanza Moreno Regional Branch Library, 12480 Pebble Hills Blvd. No previous educational background is required, and there will be no tests or credits, no report cards or diplomas. This is learning for the fun of it! Come learn, participate, make new friends, and discover new interests. Please call (915) 921-7001 as soon as possible if you would like to attend either class. Reported by College Program Mentor, Ellen Eyberg



The El Paso Public Library Presents

THE 2010 POETRY CONTEST

**Deadline is Saturday,
January 30, 2010 @ 5 pm.**

Entry forms can be picked up
& returned at any El Paso Public

Rules:

- Students in grades 1st-12th may enter
- Must be original poetry in English or Spanish. Plagiarized poems/songs will be disqualified.
- Entries become property of the Library and will not be returned.



Click here for the EPPL 2010 Poetry Contest entry form, information, and rules:
<http://www.elpasotexas.gov/library/KidsZone/poetrycontest/poetrycontest.asp>

Student Information

Don't forget!

The application deadline for all 2009 BRLA Scholarship Awards for Study in Library and Information Science is Monday, January 11, 2010. Applications and recommendation forms may be found at:
<http://www.brla.info/scholarship2009.html>

Planning to become a School Librarian?

Find out more about the test and how to register by going to the State Board for Educator Certification website at: www.sbec.state.tx.us

FYI: UNT's SLIS 5050 Trends and Practices in School Librarianship course is designed to prepare you for the test. Sharon Carr from EPISD says, "... if they answer the questions according to best practices, not necessarily the way things are in a library, they will be more successful."

Looking for a tax break from the IRS?

Find more information about the Lifetime Learning Credit at:

<http://www.walletpop.com/blog/2008/03/19/tax-tips-education-credits/>

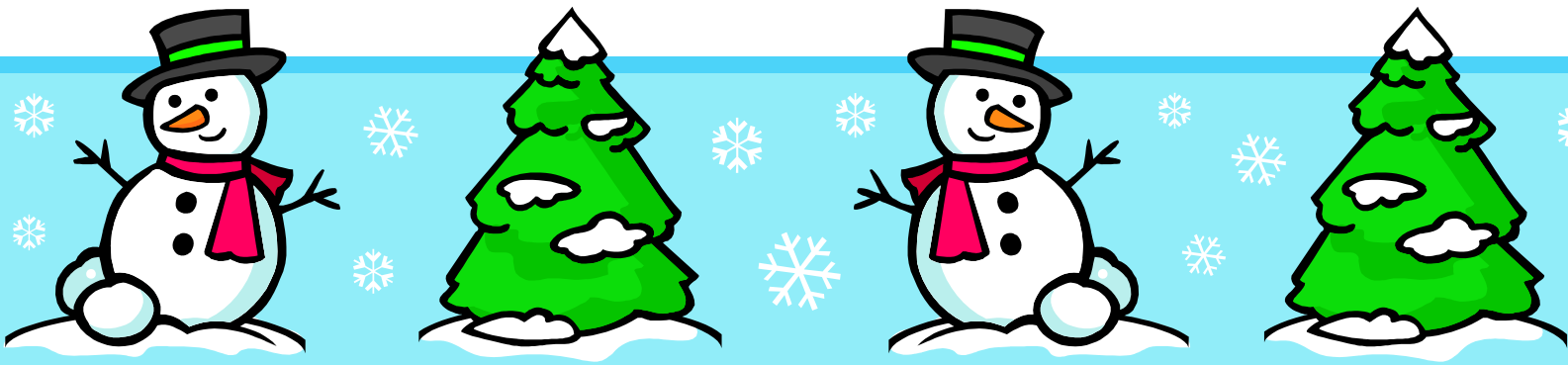
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All our best to you and yours in the coming year!

From your GOAL Program Staff,

Ruben, Ashley, and Joy



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