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Upcoming events

Remember to attend the WYLD Wednesdays webinars. Watch for emails on the upcoming topics. They are every Wed. in July at 9 a.m.

Reminder

All submissions to the Outrider are due the last day of the preceding month for each issue. The Outrider deadline for the August issue is 5 p.m., July 31. Send all submissions to Tina Lyles at tina.lyles@wyo.gov.

“Outlander” Series Author, Diana Gabaldon, Speaks and Signs Books at UW



Left: Author Diana Gabaldon signs books at UW on July 6th. Below: Librarians from Sweetwater County take a moment to pose with author Diana Gabaldon during their visit to her presentation.



Diana Gabaldon, author of the “Outlander” series, spoke in Laramie on July 6 at the University of Wyoming. Gabaldon’s talk was in conjunction with the Ninth International Scott Conference “Walter Scott: Sheriff and Outlaw.”

This event was cosponsored by UW Libraries, University Bookstore, College of Arts and Sciences Department of English, and the Albany County Public Library.

According to her website, Diana Gabaldon is the author of the award-winning, #1 NYT-best-selling Outlander novels including “Outlander,” “Dragonfly in Amber,” “Voyager,” “Drums of Autumn,” “The Fiery Cross,” “A Breath of Snow and Ashes,” and “An Echo in the Bone.” The series is published in 26 countries and 23 languages, and includes a companion volume, “The Outlandish Companion,” which provides details on the settings, background, characters, research, and writing of the novels. Gabaldon has also written several books in a sub-series featuring Lord John Grey: “Lord John and the Private Matter,” “Lord John and the Brotherhood of the Blade,” and “Lord John and the Hands of the Devil.”

Gabaldon is presently working on the fourth Lord John novel, and the eighth book in the Outlander series. In addition, she is working on a contemporary mystery series, set in Phoenix, and has written Highly Scholarly Introductions to recent Modern Library editions of Sir Walter Scott’s *Ivanhoe* and Thomas Paine’s *Common Sense*.

REFORMA Conference in Denver this year

Reformistas are invited to join the largest gathering to celebrate REFORMA's 40th Anniversary and participate in our fourth annual conference. This four day event (September 15 – 18, 2011) is expected to draw over 500 participants and promises to be the best REFORMA National Conference ever.

The theme for this conference is "Elevating Latino Services to a Higher Level: Juntos in the Mile High City!" RNCIV will offer a multitude of opportunities, including timely and informative pre-conference seminars, author readings, continuing education workshops, enlightening panel discussions, vendor exhibits and fun pachangas!

So mark your calendars, save your dollars and make plans to visit the Mile High City September 15 – 18, 2011 to experience an unforgettable conference.



Wyoming Snapshot Day 2011 set for Oct. 11

Libraries have an impact on patron's lives every day. The next Wyoming Snapshot Day is planned for Oct. 11, 2011. Snapshot Day is an annual event that highlights the impact libraries have on people's lives on a daily basis. During Snapshot Day, libraries share photos, video, patron comments and statistics that show what happens in the library that day.

Your library's participation in 2011 will help make Wyoming Snapshot Day a success. Please take a minute and let us know if you will join in by taking the survey at www.surveymonkey.com/s/wyomingsnapshot or emailing Susan Mark, WSL statistics librarian, at susan.mark@wyo.gov. Learn more at wyomingsnapshot.weebly.com. You can also follow Wyoming Snapshot Day on Facebook at www.facebook.com/wyomingsnapshot.

Campbell County Public Library System celebrates two staff members.

Jackie Darnall (right) recently retired from CCPL after 30 years of service. She was one of the original employees at the present library in Gillette and managed the Circulation Department for the last 25 years.

Rebecca Steffen (below) was selected as Darnall's replacement as CCPL Circulation Department Manager. Steffen has worked at CCPL since 2008 as a Youth Services Specialist and prior to that served as Circulation Librarian at Rapid City Public Library in Rapid City, SD. She completed her Master of Library and Information Science from the University of Alabama in 2009. Steffen is a member of the Wyoming Library Association and the Mountain Plains Library Association.



Lifelong Education @ Desktop

Are you like me? Forgot that you signed up for a LE@D course? Or, were you thinking about taking one?

If you forgot about a course you signed up for, just go to <http://www.leadonline.info/> and login.

If you are interested in a class, go to <http://www.leadonline.info/> and select Courses under LE@D for Individuals. Click on the Library or School Library tab for a list of available courses.

Courses include: Reaching Reluctant Readers, Trends in Children's Literature, Improving Co-worker Relations, Leadership in Libraries, and much more.

Once you have decided, email Chris Van Burgh at the Wyoming State Library (chris.vanburgh@wyo.gov) with your course selection. I will send you the coupon code. We are asking that you complete one course before requesting another.

Library briefs

IMLS research brief explores who's using public library computers

The perception may be that public library computers exist to serve those without home access or without basic computer skills. In reality, public access computer users largely resemble the general public in terms of age and education – and even in the overall rate of home computer and Internet access.

These findings are in a new research brief from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), *Who's in the Queue? A Demographic Analysis of Public Access Computer Users and Uses in U.S. Public Libraries*. The report compares data from the University of Washington's 2009 survey and study, *Opportunity for All*, with Census data collected in the same year. Some myths and facts from the report:

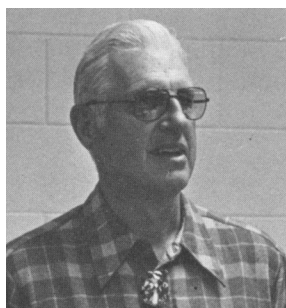
Myth: Library computer users are a small segment of the population.

Fact: One third of the American public used a library computer in 2009 – an estimated 77 million people over the age of 14. Public access computer users largely mirror the general public in terms of age and education. Young people between 14-19 were most likely to be using computers for educational purposes, users between the ages 25-54 were focused on employment and training, and older adults focused on health information.

Myth: People who use library computers to access the internet are less likely to have access to computers and the Internet at home.

Fact: The majority of library public access computer users (86 percent) reported they had “regular access to a computer and the Internet for your personal use” at home. People who lacked home access were frequent users, with 65 percent reporting that they used computers and the internet in the library at least once a week or daily.

Libraries have seen continued high patron demand for public computers even as more households have added computers and Internet access. This analysis seems to indicate that public library computers are more than a temporary bridge to technology whose need will fade over time. Instead, library computers have added value even to those with home access. Learn more at www.imls.gov/news/2011/062711.shtm.



Obituary for Long-time Library Advocate Leonard Clark

Library advocate Leonard H. Clark of Encampment died at Valley View Healthcare in Saratoga on June 29, 2011.

He was born July 24, 1931 in Forth Worth, Texas. After graduating from the University of Texas he entered the U.S. Air Force where he spent 21 years working in the Communications-Electronics field. In addition to various stateside assignments, he had tours of duty in Greenland,

Europe, Africa and Southeast Asia.

Upon retirement from the Air Force in 1973 he made his home in Encampment where he served as Mayor and then as the Emergency Management Coordinator.

He was a member of the Carbon County Library Board for 12 years. After retiring from that board he continued to serve on the Carbon County Library Foundation Board for many years. He also was a member of the Library Services and Construction Act Advisory Council at the Wyoming State Library and active in the Wyoming Library Association, serving as chair of the Trustee section.

“Leonard was one of the finest trustees I ever worked with,” said State Librarian Lesley Boughton. “He was a strong advocate for libraries, not only in Carbon County but throughout Wyoming. He gave generously of his time and provided sound advice. He was a true gentleman.”

Memorials can be sent to Saratoga Chapter #12 Order of the Eastern Star scholarship fund, Box 641, Saratoga, WY 82331.

Job

openings

Administrative Services Manager,
Albany County
Public Library,
Laramie, WY

Reference Librarian,
Natrona County
Public Library,
Casper, WY

Head of Brinkerhoff Geology Library,
University of Wyoming Libraries,
Laramie, WY

Library/Media Specialist,
Laramie Jr. High
School, Laramie,
WY

2011 Wyoming Library Laws anticipated in August

If you've been looking for the 2011 Wyoming Library Laws, publication is expected in late July or August. Publication is on hold until the State Statutes that take effect July 1, 2011 are released. In the meantime, changes may be found in the 2011 session archives. For more information, see legisweb.state.wy.us/LSOWeb/wyStatutes.aspx.

July

Please contact Jamie Markus at jamie.markus@wyo.gov if you have any questions about the events listed on this calendar.

10	11	12 9-10 a.m., The Ideal Accessible Community Computer Lab, <i>webinar</i> 12- 1 p.m., Speaking with Sizzle, Substance and Style, <i>webinar</i> 12- 1 p.m., Ten Tips for Basic Cataloging with Melissa Powell, <i>webinar</i> 12- 1 p.m., Your Board and Fundraising, <i>webinar</i>	13 9-10 a.m., WYLD Wednesday: To Be Announced, <i>Wyoming State Library webinar</i> 9-10 a.m., What's Happening with Genre Headings?, <i>webinar</i> 1-2 p.m., Connecting with your Community via Facebook - They already Like you!, <i>webinar</i>	14 11-12:15 p.m., Discover resources for Wyoming Information and History, <i>Wyoming State Library webinar</i> 12-1 p.m., Your Board and Fundraising: An Introductory Class, <i>webinar</i> 1-2 p.m., Junior Library Guild Booktalks, <i>webinar</i>	15	16
17	18	19	20 10-11 a.m., Breezing Along with the RML, <i>webinar</i> 10-11 a.m., How to Identify and Manage Critical Project Risks, <i>webinar</i> 12-1 p.m., Information Cartographer: Social Media Librarians of the Future, <i>webinar</i>	21 12-1 p.m., Killer Collections: Libraries Beyond Books, <i>webinar</i>	22	23
24	25 12- 1 p.m., Brain Bandwidth: Reducing Cognitive Load, <i>webinar</i>	26 12-1 p.m., Book Group Buzzing, <i>webinar</i> 1-2 p.m., I Didn't Know the Census Bureau Did That! Finding and Using Data from Lesser Known Census and Surveys, <i>webinar</i>	27 9-10 a.m., WYLD Wednesday: To Be Announced, <i>Wyoming State Library webinar</i> 9-10 a.m., Voice of the Customer: Designing Library Services to Meet User Expectations, <i>webinar</i> 12-1 p.m., Howdy Partners! Don't Be a Lone Ranger: Building Community Partnerships to Augment Adult Services, <i>webinar</i> 1-2 p.m., Spotlight! on National Library of Medicine Resources, <i>webinar</i>	28	29	30