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Message from the Chair

Musings from the Chair,

I want to welcome any new members, say "hello" to old friends, and wish everyone a prosperous and fulfilling year! We are going to be busy!!! First, we have a Spring Meeting coming up on March 15, 2006. The theme for this year's meeting is Encourage someone @ your library! The section will host a couple of well-known local speakers Dr. Rebecca Pasco, Karen Frank, and La Raine Cihak, and with the help of the Nebraska Library Commission nationally known speaker Cindi Hickey. Information about the Spring Meeting is contained elsewhere in this newsletter so I won't belabor you with the details here. It will be a great program. Plan to attend and bring a friend!

We are already talking about upcoming events for Fall Conference! A wonderful opportunity has presented itself. The Paraprofessional Section will be co-sponsoring a pre-conference featuring Ann Seidl.

Another topic I would like to discuss here is one that will be contentious and may actually offend some people. I have heard stirrings of discontent over the name of our section. Some do not want to be called paraprofessionals, some resent the title. According to The New International Webster's College Dictionary of the English Language (2002) a paraprofessional is defined as "One who assists professionals, as teachers or physicians, by performing tasks not requiring professional skills." It begs to wonder what people who do not have a professional degree, but are the director of a public library in this state consider themselves. How can this section reach out to all library workers, and not alienate anyone simply by the name of the section? How can the section reach out to all library workers? Is a name change needed?

The board of the paraprofessional section has been wrestling with this dilemma for some time now. Some of the proposed names are Library Workers Section or Library Staff Section. I am hoping that we can work together to come up with a solution to this dilemma. I would invite anyone in library land to forward suggestions on this issue to me at mrohde@mail.unomaha.edu. I will try to keep an open mind, prepare a recommendation to the section board. It is the board's fervent hope that we not offend or alienate anyone. Anyone who works in a library or at a library-related job is welcome to be a member of the section, so we need to help define how we

*KEYNOTE: 'a prime or crucial element' American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language

want to present ourselves to people in the profession around the state and nationally. Or, if you have a suggestion as to what the section should be doing, please feel free to contact any board member. I hope to see everyone at the Spring Meeting!

Thanks, Matt Rhode,
Paraprofessional Chair

Paraprofessional Annual Report for 2004-2005

Recent Activities

The Paraprofessional Section had its fall general meeting at the NLA Fall Conference on September 30, 2005. New officers were installed: Matt Rohde (incoming chair), Gale Roberts (vice-chair/chair-elect) and Jenni Puchalla (treasurer). A Fiesta Basket raffle was held for a fundraiser for the section and raised \$237.07. The Spring Meeting scheduled for March 15, 2006 was discussed and the theme is “Encourage Someone @ *your library*TM.” The Paraprofessional section will cosponsor “The Hollywood Librarian” 2006 preconference.

Summary of Spring Conference

The March 16, 2005 spring conference was held as a teleconference and was well attended both in Lincoln and via satellite across the state with a total of 38 in attendance. The topics were: “Distance Education: Materials and Access for Your Library”, “Teens and Computers: Room for All”, “You Don’t Have Books on That?: Collection Development”. A videotape of the sessions is available from the Nebraska Library Commission (NLC).

2005 Fall Conference, Lincoln

Paraprofessional of the Year award was given to Jenni Puchalla. Jenni is the Administrative Assistant for the Southeast Library System, a member of NLA and treasurer for the Paraprofessional section. The Paraprofessional section cosponsored the “Caring for the Mind @ your library” preconference. Three well-attended seminars were sponsored by the Paraprofessional Section for the 2005 Fall Conference: “Cultural Beliefs,” “Map to a Successful Meeting,” “Library Jeopardy.” The Paraprofessional Section had a booth in the nonprofit area where it handed out candy and pens with the Keynote logo on them to anyone interested.

Membership

Membership in the Paraprofessional Section has grown to 52 members this past year. A lot of this has been due to the efforts of the membership committee chairperson. Lots of time has been used sending correspondence to the new members of the section, reminders to members who did not renew and the chairperson has even developed a bookmark with the top ten reasons to join.

Respectfully Submitted,
Maria Medrano-Nehls
2004-2005 Paraprofessional Section Chair

Paraprofessional of the Year

The Paraprofessional Section of NLA is now accepting nominations for the Paraprofessional of the Year Award. Nominations are due on July 31, 2006. The award will be presented at the NLA/NEMA Fall Conference in Omaha.

The awardee will receive a one-year paid membership to NLA, in the Paraprofessional Section and \$50. Please consider a deserving individual in your library or media center for this award. You may go to the Paraprofessional Section website for information and the nomination form. <http://www.nebraskalibraries.org/PARA/paraofyear.html>

It is important to be recognized for exceptional work and involvement in library service and for leadership in professional organizations. There are many deserving individuals and I encourage nominations for this award. Don't wait for the deadline - do it today!

Thank you,
Nancy Meyer
Citations Committee Chair

Special thanks to a Committee Chair

Thank you to Maria Medrano-Nehls for her work as Membership Chair for the Paraprofessional Section. Maria has worked diligently to increase membership and encourage active participation in our section.

Thank you,
Nancy Meyer
Citations Committee Chair

Minutes from the Paraprofessional Fall General Meeting

Paraprofessional General Meeting Minutes from September 30, 2005

Call to order - Meeting was called to order by Chair Maria Medrano-Nehls

Agenda - Jenni Puchalla made a motion to accept the agenda & Nancy Meyer seconded. Motion approved

Minutes - Matt Rohde made a motion to approve the minutes & Jennifer Wrampe seconded.
Motion approved

Fiesta Basket Raffle Drawing – Winner: Denise Lawver from Wahoo Public Library

Para Raffle Drawing:

Decorated Picture Frame – Jacque Crocker, Nebraska Library Commission

T-Shirt – Linda McElvain

Reports

A. Citation for Para of the Year, 2005 was presented Jenni Puchalla, Southeast Library System Administrator's Assistant. Nancy Meyer, Citations Chair, gave Jenni an excellent introduction and proceeded to present the certificate, \$50 already awarded, one year NLA membership will be paid at the end of the year.

B. Bylaws, Jacque Crocker, Bylaws Chair, reported on how hard the board worked on doing cosmetic changes and 2 substantial changes to the bylaws. All meeting attendees had copies of the Bylaws in their meeting packet & they were in the Summer/Fall issue of the Keynote. There were no questions. Jacque made a motion to accept the changes in their entirety, motion approved.

C. Name Change, Jenni Puchalla reported on the true nature of who our section represents the fact that we're having a larger voice in NLA, and more and more of our members are doing a wider range of library duties. Jenni had written an article for the Keynote on this topic and it was reprinted for the meeting packet. We then had a discussion about what kind of person do we expect as a member, what do we consider is the nature of our current members. Some suggestions for a new name were: Library Specialist, Support Personnel, Library Staff Specialists, along with what was in the article. Carol Lechner suggested that we develop a task force to look into the topic. Carol Lechner told Matt that she would be on a committee or task force to look into a section name change. If Matt wants Carol to lead it and "conscript" volunteers, she would be willing to do that. Carol suggested we create some way to be able to talk about this topic amongst our members, perhaps a Blog or a separate email group from the NLA one. Matt moved that we table the discussion until the next General Meeting in March of 2006 at our Spring Meeting; in the meantime he will appoint a committee to look into the topic.

D. Spring Program, Janet Greser, Chair of the 2006 Spring meeting reported that the date will be March 15, 2006, the theme will be "Encourage Someone @ your library ®". We have contacted our 3 speakers who have agreed to present. The spring meeting will once again be held as a videoconference. Details will be placed on the Para Web Site after conference.

E. 2006 Preconference, Maria will be chairing the preconference for the Para section along with members from the NLA Diversity Committee, NMRT, TUFSS, and the Nebraska Library Commission (NLC). Ann Seidl, Hollywood Librarian, will be our speaker. NLC received a grant so the registration will be free, topics will be Recruitment & Retention, Self-Esteem, and Customer Service. We may be previewing Ann's movie on Wednesday evening at the Orpheum

Theatre in Omaha. A flyer for this event was included in everyone's NLA packet. More details on this will go out as plans are set.

F. Chair Report, Maria reported that 36 people attended the Caring for the Mind @ your library preconference. Our NLA sessions were well attended, Cultural Beliefs had 65 attendees; Library Jeopardy had 32 attendees; Map to a Successful Meeting had 12 attendees; and lunch and the general meeting had 19 attendees. Our Spring Conference was well attended with 36 Attendees and 7 sites. We've become very visible in the past couple of years with 2 excellent preconferences and our Spring Conferences being well attended.

G. Citation for Outgoing Chair, Nancy gave Maria some well deserved praise and said she was a very good representative of our section when she presented her with the outgoing Chair Citation.

H. Treasurer's Report, Jenni detailed out the report, and answered questions from the meeting attendees, all of whom had a copy.

I. Carol Lechner, Para rep on the Scholarship Committee, encouraged us, as a section, to donate to the scholarship fund. Maria stated that a letter had just arrived and she would pass it on to Matt for consideration at his first board meeting.

New Business

A. Baskets every year, Jennifer Wrampe asked if the group liked the basket idea, and it was well received. Jennifer said that from the 5 email questions she sent out she got 70-80 responses. She talked about doing different baskets themes each year, literary characters and what they'd eat, 7 deadly sins, Pina Colada, Hawaiian, and so on. Nancy moved that we let the Publicity Chair decide on the Basket Theme each year, motion approved.

B. Tracy Bicknell-Holmes, Past Chair of NLA, spoke with us on the NLA Financial Committee. This committee put aside \$10,000 to the planned giving account that will now reside at the Nebraska Community Foundation. Tracy talked about sections/roundtables donating to the fund annually like we do the Scholarship Fund. The fund will be set up for Retention & Recruitment. There was an email sent out on 6/20/05: *"Thanks to the generosity of NLA members, we have reached our goal of an initial \$10,000 to start a planned giving endowment account. Although it may be awhile before we get the account up and producing spendable income, the NLA Finance Committee is developing criteria for how the fund should be spent, and we need your help. If you recall when we started this project, the idea was to develop an endowment that would provide educational activities related to library and information science, and promotional programs that might contribute to recruitment to the profession and financial and other types of support for libraries in Nebraska. These are pretty broad categories. What ideas do you have about the types of educational and recruitment activities that this fund might support? What activities might have broad reach among our members? What activities in these areas are currently under funded? Some of the ideas already raised are : * Bringing in speakers for our annual conference, * Helping support the cost of speakers for section and round table spring meetings, * Sponsoring workshops in the state, * Funding the development of public service announcements to promote the profession and recruit to the profession."*

C. Installation of new officers, Maria installed our 3 new officers: Jenni Puchalla as treasurer, Matt Rohde as chair, and Gayle Roberts as vice chair/chair elect.

Next 3 NLA Fall Conventions:

Oct. 25-27, 2006, Omaha, Qwest Convention Center & Hilton Hotel

Oct. 24-26, 2007, Kearney, Holiday Inn

Oct. 15-17, 2008, Lincoln, Cornhusker

As our new Chair, Matt adjourned the meeting.

Janet Greser, Interim Section Secretary

Scholarships from the Para Section

Are you a member of the NLA Paraprofessional Section?

Have you ever wanted to attend Legislative Day?

Would you like to attend this year?

The Paraprofessional Section is currently offering two scholarships to NLA Paras to attend NLA Legislative Day, Feb. 14. We are hoping to encourage Paras to be more active in government issues and make them aware of how legislative issues can affect libraries. For more information on Legislative day, go here <http://www.nlc.state.ne.us/system/sesys/legday06.pdf>. The scholarship recipients will be asked to submit an article about their experience to the Paras newsletter. If you are interested submit a request to jwrampe@nlc.state.ne.us, please include your name, address, email, phone, and library affiliation.

Jennifer Wrampe,
Publicity Chair

Pictures from Para's Fall Conference Events

Go to the Para Web site, <http://www.nebraskalibraries.org/PARA/index.html>, and click on the Pictures link to check out the pictures from Fall Conference. Enjoy!

Jennifer Wrampe
Paraprofessional Publicity Chair

Spring Meeting 2006

Nebraska Library Association



Paraprofessional Section 2006 Spring Meeting Schedule

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Wednesday, March 15, 2006 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. CT

Paraprofessionals Spring General Meeting 1:00 - 1:45 p.m.

Programs (3 sessions, each one 50 minutes with a 5-10 minute break between):

- **Checkin** 9:45 - 10:00 a.m.
- **Welcome from Para Chair, Matt Rohde** 10:00 - 10:05 a.m.
- **Session I** - Encouraging Community Participation in our Library
Speakers: Karen Frank, Greenwood Public Library; and La Raine Cihak, Gilbert Public Library in Friend
- **Session II** - Encouraging From Within
Speaker: Becky Pasco, University of Nebraska at Omaha
- **Session III** - Encouraging Through Mentoring
Speaker: Cindi Hickey, Library Consultant

Paraprofessionals Spring General Meeting 1:00 - 1:45 p.m.

Matt Rohde, Chair of Paraprofessionals, will guide us through our annual spring general meeting. Those who have paid for lunch at the Lincoln or Omaha site will have lunch at this time.

Sites:

This year's meeting will be telecast to several sites across the state (we will cancel any sites not having at least one participant by the registration deadline-see below). **If you have questions on sites please contact the [Spring Program Chair](#).** If you want to talk and network with people, then come to Lincoln!

Beatrice, Beatrice Public Library, 100 North 16th Street

Columbus, Room 205, West Education Center, Central Community College, 4500 63rd St

Kearney, Buffalo Co Ext Office, 1400 East 34th Street, walk in Main (South) Door

Lincoln, NET (Nebraska Educational Telecommunications), 1800 North 33rd

Norfolk, Northeast Community College, 801 E. Benjamin, Lifelong Learning Center, ESU Room

North Platte, McKinley Education Center, 301 West F Street, Room 103

Omaha, Douglas/Sarpy County Extension, 8015 W Center Rd

Scottsbluff, Conference Room B, ESU 13, 4215 Ave. I
Sidney, ESU 13, 1114 Toledo

Registration deadline is Wednesday, March 8, 2006

This is a firm date. Late or onsite registrations will not be accepted.

Registration form -- please print and snail mail (faxes will not be accepted) to:

Jennifer Wrampe, Documents Staff Assistant, Nebraska Library Commission, The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Suite 120, Lincoln, NE 68508-2023, 402-471-3217, 800-307-2665, [email](#).

If you cannot make payment by registration deadline please inform our [contact](#) person.

Registrant's Name: _____

Library: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

I will attend the Para Conference at this [site](#): _____

My fee is (check one and make check payable to the **Paraprofessional Section, if payment cannot be made by the [deadline](#) date please call the [contact](#)):**

- \$12 - **Para** member (includes lunch* at the Lincoln or Omaha site)
- \$9 without lunch* (at any site)
- \$14 - **member of NLA or NEMA or a library student** (includes lunch* at the Lincoln or Omaha site)
- \$11 without lunch* (at any site)
- \$17 - **non-member of NLA or NEMA** (includes lunch* at the Lincoln or Omaha site)
- \$14 without lunch* (at any site)

***Lunch** is served at Lincoln and Omaha during the Paraprofessional Spring General Meeting, you may bring your own lunch/snacks if you prefer and still stay for the meeting from 1 - 1:45 p.m.

Notes:

No refunds.

Continuing Education (CE) credits will be 3 hours for the day (you will need to attend all three sessions to receive this).

Videotapes will be available for loan after the conference as in [past years](#).

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Upcoming Events

2006 Paraprofessional Spring Meeting See pages 7-8

Other NLA Spring Meetings:

- Information Technology and Access Round Table, March 24 in Omaha & site visits in Western NE
- College & University Spring Meeting, May 12 , 2006, University of Nebraska – Lincoln
- Public Library Section/Trustees Users and Friends Section: May 22, 2006, Gering Public Library; May 24, 2006, Lexington Public Library; and May 25, 2006, LaVista Public Library

2006 Blockbuster Marketing with the Hollywood Librarian Pre-Conference Sponsored by: NLA Diversity Committee; NLA Paraprofessional and Trustees, Users, Friends Sections; New Members Roundtable; and the Nebraska Library Commission Oct. 25, 2006

<http://www.nlc.state.ne.us/comp/para/2006preconf/2006preconference.html>

Nebraska Library Association/ Nebraska Educational Media Association 2006 Conference October 25-26-27, 2006 Qwest Center, Omaha

<http://www.papillion.ne.us/~nla-nema2006/>

Para Raffle at Fall Conference

Remember the Fiesta Basket the Paras raffled off at last year's Conference? Well, this year we will have another fun and exciting basket to be raffled. So be on the lookout, we'll have more details for you soon!!

Jennifer Wrampe,
Publicity Chair

Scholarship Winners from 2005 Fall NLA Conference

The Paraprofessional Section offered 4 - \$50 Scholarships to the 2005 Fall Conference. These awards were scooped up fast by: Carol Lechner, La Raine Cihak, Karen Frank, and Robin Brooks.

Carol Lechner

A big Thank You to the Paraprofessional Section of NLA for giving me a scholarship to attend this year's NLA conference. I have attended NLA each fall for many years, but this is the first time I have benefited from financial assistance. I attended several presentations, but these three were for me the most memorable.

“Under the Radar: New Children’s and Teen Books to Know About” Presented by Sally Snyder.

Although I work in an academic library, I am a Grandmother, so, naturally, I was interested in learning about new children’s books. I always enjoy hearing about children’s literature and have attended many books talks given by Mary Jackson and other children and young adults’ librarians in years past. I was able to note several titles that would be appropriate for the age levels and interests of my Grandchildren, a big help toward their Christmas gifts this year! I find it a lot of fun when I get to see what public and SCYP librarians do, certainly different from my everyday duties at UNL.

“Libraries – Mind, heart, and soul of the community” Presented by Barbara Stripling

Barbara Stripling presented the Thursday key note address. Her talk stressed that libraries “empower the mind” and spoke about how we must meet the literacy needs for 21st century learners. As library staff, our obligation is to assist users to learn new skills, to teach information gathering, not just do the gathering for others.

Ms. Stripling emphasized learning skills and described each in detail. Continuity of information, learning fluency, basic literacy, critical thinking skills, and the ability to evaluate and interpret information are the proficiencies modern customers need. It is part of our mission to help patrons develop these skills.

Mr. Stripling accentuated the objectives of library service. Libraries must stand up for values, equity, access, diversity, and empowerment. We must be “change agents” to successfully guide customers to become proficient seekers and efficient interpreters of information.

“Surviving an F4 Tornado: Norris Public Schools” Presented by Nancy Martin and Bev Doeschot

My oldest Grandson attends Norris School, so I had some first hand knowledge of the disaster and the after-affects. But there was no way I was aware of the extent of the horror and destruction faced by the school that was shown in Nancy and Bev’s slideshow. There were several general slides documenting inside and outside damage of the grounds and each building. Looking at the slides, I found it miraculous that the school was able to open at all for the fall semester, just a little over three months after the tornado hit. The three libraries were all damaged; probably the high school library took the biggest hit because of water damage. The middle school library was deep inside the building and the grade school library furthest away from the brunt of the tornado; however, all three units suffered major damage and loss of material, equipment, shelves and furniture.

Nancy and Bev talked about the company contracted to salvage some of the material which was shipped to Chicago and put through different drying and preservation procedures. Several thousand items were damaged beyond repair, so the librarians waded through piles of damaged books retrieving book labels so they could have a starting point for ordering replacements. Insurance money enabled the purchase of many replacements; however, they found many titles out of print and irreplaceable.

Para lunch and meeting:

The high point of the conference was the Paraprofessional lunch and meeting. I enjoyed the company and the meal, and was happy to see that the section had strong leadership and some new members.

LaRaine Cihak

This year's NLA Fall Conference was a very informative, fun and exciting event for me. It was great to see people I normally don't get to visit with, and meet new people. The hardest thing was to narrow down all the wonderful choices for each session. It seemed there were always more than one class I wanted to attend at each session. Each session I attended was full of great ideas, information, interaction and loads of things to bring back for our library. As a new librarian I am always looking for new, or old, ways to do things, or a different perspective on something. Conference is a great way to fill my brain with loads of information, ideas, and creative solutions and to feel the support the library community gives to all librarians.

I would like to thank the Paraprofessional section for the scholarship which helped make this years conference an even better experience.

Karen Frank

The Paraprofessional Scholarship was greatly appreciated by myself and the Greenwood public library. Like any library we are always searching for ways to save money. Even though the library paid for the main part of the NLA/NEMA conference, the scholarship helped with the little things. The benefits from the \$50.00 scholarship given by the Para Section were used by me to cover gas, parking fees, and some small expenditure at the Conference. Providing scholarships is an excellent way to encourage paraprofessionals to attend a conference.

You could be on this list next time check out the article on applying for a Legislative Day Scholarship from the Para Section!

Let's Meet Our Officers

Paraprofessional Membership Chair: Karen Frank, Greenwood Public Library

My name is Karen Frank. I am the Director/Librarian of the Greenwood Public Library in Greenwood, NE. The population of our town is 544 but we believe in a strong Library. I am on the Southeast Library System Board, I am Chair of the NLA Membership Committee, I am on the One Book One Nebraska Committee, I am a member of the SELS Friends Committee (and a dues paying SELS Friend) and I am on the Paraprofessional Board. My own Library

Board encourages active participation in Library activities outside of our Village because they believe it makes for a better Library in Greenwood because of all the ideas shared and recognition of available resources.

In my spare time I enjoy fishing, gardening, cooking and of course reading. My favorite genre is mysteries but I also enjoy reading historical novels, a few romance authors and some adventures.

News Items

New Scholarships Available!

The Nebraska Library Commission established the 21st Century Librarian Scholarships to provide financial support to eligible Nebraskans seeking masters, bachelors, or associate degrees in library science or school library media. These scholarships fulfill the requirements of the grant awarded to the Nebraska Library Commission by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) to recruit and educate the next generation of librarians.

The Library Commission will award scholarships of \$1,000 for students working at the bachelor's or the associate level and \$2,500 each year for students working on master's degrees. Scholarship funds can be used for tuition, course-related materials, and fees associated with the degree programs.

To apply, see Nebraska Library Commission Scholarship Web page (<http://www.nlc.state.ne.us/libdev/scholarship.html>). For information about the 21st Century Librarian Scholarship Program, contact Pam Scott, Nebraska Library Commission Continuing Education Coordinator, 800-307-2665, 402-471-2694 or Kit Keller, Nebraska Library Commission Planning & Data Services Coordinator, 800-307-2665, 402-471-3216.

Cynthia Taylor
Nebraska Library Commission

National Library Workers Day is Tuesday, April 4, 2006

National Library Workers Day, a time to recognize the valuable employees of our nation's libraries. What can your library do to honor librarians and library support staff? Give the public an opportunity to meet those people behind the scenes who make your library's services possible. It's a great time to see who works @ your library!

Article by a Guest Paraprofessional

Are you looking for a way to learn more, at your convenience, at your location, and inexpensively! In my opinion, here's the Web site for you.

Free SirsiDynix Institute Web Seminars, <http://www.dynix.com/institute/>, introducing a conference series you can attend while sitting at your desk!

The SirsiDynix Institute is an ongoing forum for professional development in the library community. By providing free access to industry-leading speakers and events, our mission is to support librarianship and advance the work of librarians around the world.

Attend our biweekly Web seminars as the SirsiDynix Institute presents compelling speakers selected from among leaders in librarianship and information technology.

I've watched several of these seminars at my desk while relaxing and eating my lunch, they're informative and entertaining. They last 60 minutes and that's about the time I have set aside for such things. I highly recommend this series to anyone looking to add more to their knowledge base of the "library world" around them.

Janet Greser
Keynote editor

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