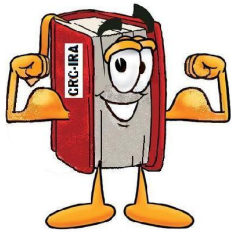


CAMINO REAL COUNCIL OF THE INTERNATIONAL READING ASSOCIATION

Reading Makes Me Strong!



THE COMMUNIQUE

Serving reading educators in the Central Rio Grande Valley of NM.

CRC-IRA Mission Statement: The Camino Real Council, an affiliate of the New Mexico International Reading Association, is a professional organization which provides information, supports opportunities for professional growth, and offers service to all concerned with the development of literacy and the promotion of the life-long love of reading.

Fall 2011

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear CRC-IRA Members,

I took my boys to the Outdoor Expo today (thank you New Mexico Department of Game and Fish), where I got to hold, lift, aim and fire a pistol, a rifle and a shotgun for the very first time in my life. I felt strong, engaged, and open to learn something new.

I can't say it came easy. I missed the target far more than I hit it. It was harder than I expected. Fortunately, I was supported in my learning by experts standing right next to me.

What a fascinating metaphor for reading. As I stood in the hot sun today, I realized I feel that same strength, engagement and openness when I open a new book. Reading makes me strong.

We are lucky that we get to be the experts who sit next to a child when he or she opens a new book, or a book for the first time.

I hope the Camino Real Council will be useful to you in your teaching practice this year. We are bringing Smokey Daniels back to Albuquerque on Saturday October 22, 2011 at La Cueva High School, to offer teachers and parents hands-on strategies for improving their literacy instruction. Stay for lunch this year -- it's Powdrell's barbeque!

For many years, the Camino Real Council has sponsored the English Expo, a literacy competition for middle and high school students.

I am very pleased to introduce a new officer for our board this year, Marisol Fraga, who teaches at the School on Wheels. She has joined the board as President-Elect. It's very satisfying to have a board with a good mix of newcomers and old-timers. I am so grateful to all the hard-working volunteers who make CRC events a success year after year.

So take aim and fire at your target this year! Share the power of reading.

Respectfully,

Katy Hammel, CRC-IRA President for 2011-2012



CRC-IRA ... WHO ARE WE???

Camino Real Council is an Honor Council affiliate of the NMIRA and International Reading Association. This organization supports literacy development in the Central Rio Grande area. It offers professional development opportunities for teachers and parents through an annual Literacy Mini-Conference, support for school Family Literacy Nights, Young Authors Mini-grants to schools, NIE subscriptions, a scholarship for a advanced studies in Reading, Language Arts, English, and it honors a Reading Educator of the Year and a Literacy Award annually, as well as providing information about all of NMIRA awards and benefits. It supports the Title 1 Homeless Project as the local philanthropy and provides support for the Palomas Elementary School in Mexico as an International Community Service Project. Four newsletters are published per year, so accurate registration information is imperative.

As a member of CRC-IRA and NMIRA you receive **The New Mexico Journal of Reading**. The NMJOR is a peer-reviewed journal published primarily for classroom teachers, reading teachers, reading specialists, interested parents, university instructors, and school administrators. THE NMJOR is an open forum for all types of articles about reading for all ages of people. If you are interested in submitting an article to the NMJOR, *Please* contact NMIRA **NM Journal of Reading** Editor Michael F. Shaughnessy for details. Michael.Shaughnessy@enmu.edu



MEET YOUR 2011-2012 CRC OFFICERS

President, Katy Hammel

Katy teaches special education gifted classes at Edward Gonzales Elementary School on Albuquerque's west side. Katy got her Master's in Education from the College of Santa Fe in 2008, after practicing civil rights law in New Mexico for 15 years. She and her husband have two children, twelve-year-old Ben and ten-year-old Henry. Katy's favorite author for children's books is Elise Broach, her college roommate! Her favorite "beach-reading" author is Jennifer Crusie.

President Elect, MariSol Fraga

MariSol Fraga is an English, TESOL, and Social Studies teacher at School on Wheels Alternative High School. She has taught for seven years at the middle school and high school level. She attended UNM where she attained a Masters degree in Secondary Education. She is from Albuquerque, New Mexico. She lives with a significant other, an Australian Shepard named Ash, and a red heeler named Ruby that loves to chew up hoses in the back yard. Her favorite author is Kurt Vonnegut. She grew up reading Judy Blume, Roald Dahl, and Mercer Mayer. One of her favorite books as a child was Liza Lou and the Yeller Belly Swamp by Mercer Mayer. She joined CRC because she believes in and wanted to support all the great things that CRC does for students, teachers, and the community.

*There is a difference between making a
LIVING and making a LIFE...*

Treasurer, Catherine Kemp

Catherine is a second grade teacher at Chelwood Elementary School. Her favorite author is Eric Carle. Her favorite things to do are to travel and to read. This last summer was spent reading about traveling! Catherine recommends re-reading Anna Karenina by Tolstoy for a realistic fiction get-away.

Director of Membership Development, Pam Wheeldon

Pam is a 1st grade teacher at St Charles School. She has been a teacher for 37 years. Her favorite reading genre is historical or Christian fiction. Her hobbies are scrapbooking and gardening. Teaching has always been her first passion and enjoys sharing ideas with new teachers.

Secretary, Sharon Sharp

Sharon is a 5th grade teacher at Chelwood Elementary School. She has been a teacher for 10 years. Before that she was a lawyer. Sharon lived in Switzerland for 9 years and has 2 children who are now 20 and 23. She loves United States history, but her favorite book is John Irving's "A Prayer for Owen Meany."

Immediate Past President, Cyndonna King

Cyndonna is a retired secondary English and history teacher who now works as a Curriculum Consultant. She enjoys spending time with her children and grandchildren, and other family who live close-by. In the summer she likes to camp, hike, and paddle around a lake. In the winter she likes to ski. She enjoys reading every day and particularly likes historical fiction or narrative non-fiction

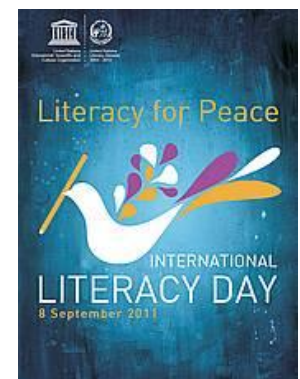
INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY-September 08, 2011

On International Literacy Day each year, UNESCO reminds the international community of the status of literacy and adult learning globally. September 8 was proclaimed International Literacy Day by UNESCO on November 17, 1965. It was first celebrated in 1966. Its aim is to highlight the importance of literacy to individuals, communities and societies. On International Literacy Day each year, UNESCO reminds the international community of the status of literacy and adult learning globally. Celebrations take place around the world.

Despite many and varied efforts, literacy remains an elusive target: some 796 million adults lack minimum literacy skills which means that about one in six adults is still not literate; 67.4 million children are out-of-school and many more attend irregularly or drop out.

For International Literacy Day Activity ideas log on to:

or <http://www.reading.org/General/Conferences/InternationalLiteracyDay.aspx>





CAMINO REAL COUNCIL OF THE IRA PROUDLY SPONSORS

ENGLISH EXPO XXIII! February 25, 2012 @ La Cueva HS...Albuquerque, NM

ALL TEACHERS AND PARENTS---

A SPONSOR'S MEMBERSHIP IN CRC-IRA MAKES YOUR SCHOOL ELIGIBLE TO ENTER STUDENT COMPETITORS FROM GRADES 6-12. JOIN or RENEW YOUR CRC MEMBERSHIP AND SPONSOR AN EXPO TEAM THIS YEAR.

Watch for an information flyer at your middle school or high school.

CRC needs help to make Expo a success, EVEN if you're not entering contestants, work at the elementary level, or don't teach at all.

It's a great way to support literacy and academic achievement.

Please contact Dianna Valdez, valdez@aps.edu, to do a small part...

judging (if you're not bringing a team), selling t-shirts and pencils, making school signs, working on the medals (pick up, labels, packaging, delivering), collating contest packets, writing questions for this year's books, or updating contests

Log on to www.nmira.org/english-expo (available in October 2011) for the English Expo XXII 2011-2012 Book List, Information brochures and registration materials.
To Purchase an English Expo Guidebook contact: Pamela Wheeldon at pkwheeldon@gmail.com



The Newspapers in Education (NIE) program supports and encourages the use of newspapers as an integral component in teaching today's students in the classroom, in addition to promoting excellence in teaching and lifelong learning. To find out how to get NIE general information, suggestions for running your school Spelling Bee as well as newspaper activities Log on to the Newspapers in Education website. NIE has a storeroom full of teacher materials!

All guides have been matched to New Mexico State Educations Standards. NIE also arranges classroom presentations on various newspaper industry topics: production, editing, reporting, photojournalism, etc. Please call 823-3506 to arrange for a guest speaker or presentation. NIE also sends daily email activities based on the current Albuquerque Journal. Teachers who participate in NIE can get FREE on-line subscriptions to the Alb. Journal Newspaper in Ed. Website at <http://www.abqnie.com> Local Contact: Margaret Hime 293-2213 hime@aps.edu

Developing Comprehension and Research Skills with the Newspaper

This guide, which was developed by the Newspaper Association of America (NAA) Foundation for NIE Week, supports teacher efforts to encourage students to explore the full range of information in the newspaper. The guide offers 15 lesson plans, each with a student activity that helps students develop comprehension and research skills through newspaper content. To down load guide log on to: <http://web.timesrecordnews.com/nie/pdf/2009NIEWeekguide.pdf>



The New Mexico Centennial

What will you do to celebrate New Mexico's 100th birthday? Start planning early. Join in on the Celebration. Get some classroom ideas by logging on to:

<http://www.apples4theteacher.com/usa-states/new-mexico>

<http://www.newmexico.org/learn/timeline/statehood.php>



CRC-IRA (Camino Real Council) MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name (First) _____ (Last) _____ International Membership # _____

Home Address (Number/Street) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ - _____

Home E-mail _____ School E-mail _____

School _____ Phone (home) _____ Phone (school) _____

Position _____ Student Teacher(*circle one*) Yes No College: _____

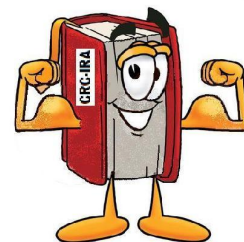
Membership Status: New Renewal ... I am a member of Camino Real Council #34100

I am an IRA member IRA Member # _____

Please fill out and return to CRC-IRA Treasurer:
 Catherine Kemp PO Box 35816 Albuquerque, NM 87176-5816

Membership Cost: \$20.00

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I am interested in helping with:



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| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership
<input type="checkbox"/> English Expo
<input type="checkbox"/> Spring Event
<input type="checkbox"/> Phone Tree
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<input type="checkbox"/> Fall Event
<input type="checkbox"/> Secretarial
<input type="checkbox"/> Local Conferences
<input type="checkbox"/> Local Events |
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IRA (International Reading Association) Membership Form

Are you an IRA international member? No Yes, my international number is _____.

If you would like to join IRA or Renew your IRA Membership complete the following membership form.

<p>INTERNATIONAL Reading Association PO Box 6021, Newark, DE 19714-6021, USA</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Individual Membership</p> <p>PLEASE CHECK JOURNALS:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>The Reading Teacher</i> (learners up to age 12)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>Journal of Adolescent & Adult Literacy</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>Reading Research Quarterly</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>Lectura y Vida</i> (Spanish)</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; font-size: small;"> All options include IRA's bimonthly newspaper, <i>Reading Today</i> </div> <p>MEMBERSHIP RATES <i>with Book Club</i></p> <table style="width: 100%; font-size: x-small;"> <tr> <td>One Journal</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> \$69</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> \$208</td></tr> <tr> <td>Two Journals</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> \$99</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> \$238</td></tr> <tr> <td>Three Journals</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> \$129</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> \$268</td></tr> <tr> <td>Four Journals</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> \$159</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> \$298</td></tr> <tr> <td>Basic Membership</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> \$39</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> \$178</td></tr> </table> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Book Club members automatically get 9 new IRA books during their membership year, AT SAVINGS OF MORE THAN \$80!</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">PLEASE ALLOW 4-6 WEEKS FOR PROCESSING. PRICES SUBJECT TO CHANGE</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> RENEWAL <input type="checkbox"/> UPGRADE <input type="checkbox"/> 2-YR <input type="checkbox"/> 3-YR</p> <p>MEMBERSHIP # _____</p> <p>PLEASE TOTAL DUES: </p>	One Journal	<input type="checkbox"/> \$69	<input type="checkbox"/> \$208	Two Journals	<input type="checkbox"/> \$99	<input type="checkbox"/> \$238	Three Journals	<input type="checkbox"/> \$129	<input type="checkbox"/> \$268	Four Journals	<input type="checkbox"/> \$159	<input type="checkbox"/> \$298	Basic Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> \$39	<input type="checkbox"/> \$178	<p style="text-align: center; background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px;">PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY: MACF</p> <p>FIRST NAME INITIAL LAST NAME</p> <p>STREET ADDRESS</p> <p>CITY AND STATE/PROVINCE</p> <p>COUNTRY ZIP/POSTAL CODE</p> <p>E-MAIL ADDRESS _____</p> <p>TEL. _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> Office LOCAL COUNCIL # _____</p> <p style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px;">4 EASY WAYS TO CONTACT IRA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CALL 800-336-7323, weekdays 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. EST Outside the U.S. and Canada: 302-731-1600 E-MAIL to customerservice@reading.org FAX to 302-737-0878 ONLINE at www.reading.org <p>CREDIT CARD ACCOUNT NUMBER (VISA, MASTERCARD, AMEX)</p> <p>CREDIT CARD EXPIRATION DATE _____</p> <p>SIGNATURE _____</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Amounts are quoted in U.S. dollars. Memberships may be paid by international money order, credit card, or check drawn on a U.S. or Canadian bank. Checks drawn on a Canadian bank must be payable in U.S. or equivalent Canadian funds (based on the current exchange rate). Make check payable to IRA.</p>
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**No matter where
you are in your career,
IRA is there for you
every step of the way.**

TOP 5 BENEFITS OF IRA MEMBERSHIP

1. Practical teaching tools you can use in the classroom
2. Access to top-rated journals, innovative research, and best practices
3. Being part of a community of reading professionals
4. Discounts on IRA publications and other professional development resources
5. Reduced conference registration rates

For more information about the Benefits of Membership contact Pam Wheeldon at pkwheeldon@gmail.com

FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT

CRC-IRA Family Literacy Night Application 2011-2012 (Elementary Schools Only)

Application must be mailed to Lou Ann Shafer, PO Box 528,
Cedar Crest, NM 87008 or e-mailed to LouAKinder@aol.com
by Deadline: November 10, 2011

School _____

Phone _____

Address _____ Zip _____

CRCIRA member and Contact person

(At least one certified staff member must be a member of CRC-IRA
to be eligible for this grant.)

CRC-IRA will furnish up to 250 books (one per child attending with an adult). In addition, some puppet making materials and art supplies, door prizes are available. We will meet with your school and provide some help with your evening. (No money is given for the project.) A poster or banner is provided to indicate books were given by CRCIRA.

In the past years there have been activities involving making puppets, making bookmarks, storytellers, and college and high school athletes talking about importance of academics and character traits, and students reading books for parents. Be creative in ways to involve families in literacy. Family Literacy Night must be held by May 1st, 2012.

Grant application questions:

1. What is the focus of your school's Family Literacy Night?
2. What impact would a Family Literacy Night have on your school community?
3. Indicate the commitment of the staff to help with the family literacy night.

Please limit your application to two pages and attach to this form. Your principal's signature is required below. We ask that you do not mention your school's name in the response for evaluation purposes.

Principal's signature _____

School _____ Date _____

COMMUNITY SERVICE

The CRC-IRA Community Service Committee continues to collect cash donations, school supplies, small toiletries, and books **Community Service Raises Funds for Local and International Literacy Projects**

The CRC-IRA Literacy Event Conference and Silent Auction are set for October 22 at La Cueva High School in Albuquerque. The Silent Auction benefits the APS Title I Homeless Project and Palomas Mexico International Literacy. Our mission is to secure donations of services and products such as crafts, retail or restaurant gift cards, cosmetics, gift baskets. All donations are tax deductible and are publicly acknowledged at the conference and in the quarterly newsletter. If you have a donation or know of businesses who can contribute, please contact Cindy Clarke at cclarke624@q.com

Also please bring cash donations, school supplies, small toiletries and books (including bilingual and Spanish) to the Literacy Event Conference to benefit the same two projects.

THANK YOU for your generous support of these worthwhile community service projects.

START PLANNING!

YOUNG AUTHOR'S AWARD

It's that time of year! The Camino Real Council of the International Reading Association will be awarding a \$100 grant toward the support and celebration of young authors. Be sure to look further down in this issue of the Communiqué for details on how you can apply for this Award. It is a great opportunity to motivate and inspire the young authors in your classroom or school.

2010-2011 CRC SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Requirements:

Applicants must be enrolled in a program with a Reading, Language Arts, English and/or ESL emphasis at a New Mexico college or institution of higher education.

Application: In order to be considered the application must include the following:

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- A letter of interest
- Identifying information to include name, address, phone number, and current email address
- Enrolled course of study
- A letter of recommendation from a mentor and/or advisor employed by a New Mexico college or institution of higher education

Deadline: March 20, 2012

Send Applications to:

Cyndonna King, CRC Scholarship Chair
P.O. Box 35816
Albuquerque, NM 87176-5816

For further questions please feel free to contact Cyndonna King at cyndonna@gmail.com
The \$500 scholarship will be awarded at the CRCIRA Awards Banquet on April 15, 2012

CALL FOR CRC-IRA OFFICERS

Networking with educators from around the world at the International Reading Association Conference is a wonderful experience. Consider becoming an officer in CRC-IRA. Officers will be given funds for conference and travel fees for upcoming IRA conferences, state, and local events. Take advantage of this opportunity to become actively involved in a professional organization that provides information, grants, and professional growth in the areas of literacy. The CRC Executive Board is looking for interested/willing members for the 2012-2013 slate of officers. Available positions are:

President-elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership Director

Nominations due date is February 4, 2012. Please contact Cyndonna King, cyndonna@gmail.com or 250-0597 if you have questions, are interested or know someone that maybe interested in becoming a board member.

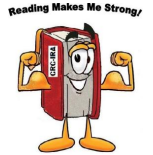
CRC-IRA READING TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Do you know someone who should be recognized for an outstanding contribution to the teaching of reading?

CRCIRA Reading Teacher of the Year Award application form

Name of person being nominated: _____
School/Work Location: _____ Position of Nominee: _____
Member Nominating: _____ Phone: _____ School/Work Location _____
Position: _____

Please attach a detailed statement why this person is an excellent candidate for the CRCIRA Reading Teacher of the year award. (Candidate does not need to be a member to be considered.) Include how the nominee promotes reading in the school, with students, and with faculty and staff. The person nominating this very passionate teacher must be a member of CRCIRA.



Applications are due by March 4, 2012 and can be sent to Sharon Sharp at sharonwsharp@gmail.com

CRC-IRA LITERACY AWARD

Do you know an individual, agency or institution that has made contributions to the promotion of literacy in the community?

CRCIRA Literacy Award of the Year Award application form

Name of person being nominated: _____
School/Work Location: _____ Position of Nominee: _____
Member Nominating: _____ Phone: _____ School/Work Location _____
Position: _____

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Please attach a detailed statement why this person or organization is an excellent candidate for the CRCIRA Literacy Award. (Candidate does not need to be a member to be considered.) Winner will be recognized at the CRC-IRA Banquet.

Applications are due by March 4, 2012 and can be sent to Sharon Sharp at Sharonwsharp@gmail.com

Young Authors' Grants \$100 toward your classroom or School

The Camino Real Council of the International Reading Association is awarding a \$100 grant towards the support and celebration of young authors. This grant is available to fund celebrations and writing based literacy activities for your classroom or school.

Grant Requirements:

1. Applicants must be active members of CRCIRA.
2. Entries are due by Thursday **November 10, 2011**
3. Grant awardees will be notified by **November 20th 2011.**
4. Letters of application should outline how your activity will benefit your young authors. There needs to be a description on how the grant money will be spent.

Send grant applications via e-mail, or interschool mail to:

Shannon Dickson/Chelwood Elementary School

dickson_s@aps.edu

Examples of Young Authors' Grant Activities:

- Invite an author to visit
 - Present Awards to your young authors
 - Publish a literacy magazine.
 - Hold a special event showcasing your young authors
 - Visit a theater to experience playwriting in action
 - Purchase technology to aide in the success of your young authors
- Be as creative as you would like to foster excellence in your young authors.*

Please apply for a grant to benefit your young authors, today!
CRC IRA

To Apply for **CRC's Young Authors' Grant** send the following information to
Shannon Dickson/Chelwood Elementary School dickson_s@aps.edu

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State: _____ Zip Code: _____

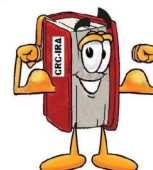
Home Phone #: _____ School Phone #: _____ Email: _____

School: _____ Position: _____

CRC Membership: _____

1. Description of Young Authors' Proposed Activity
2. Description of how this Activity will this benefit your young authors?
3. Description how the grant money will be spent.

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Land of Enchantment Book Award

Begun in 1981 as a joint effort with the New Mexico International Reading Association and the New Mexico Library Association in conjunction with the New Mexico State Library as New Mexico's Children's Choice Award. Until the year 2000, there was only one list to read from and only one winner chosen. In 2000, it was decided to have 2 lists – one for Children and one for Young Adults to allow students to make better choices.

Criteria – Students must read **at least 3** books from one list (We prefer you read more) to be eligible to vote in April. If you wish to vote on both lists, you must read **at least 3** books from each list. Don't read 2 from one list and 1 from another and expect to be able to vote. **Ballot/Votes due April 30, 2012** to Land of Enchantment Book Award Ballots attn: Meredith Bowers 1001 N Monterey Ave Farmington, NM 97401 or by FAX 1-505-634-3584 or 1-505-330-1474 meredith_bowers@bsin.k12.nm.us

The lists for next year's **New Mexico Land of Enchantment** are:

Picture Narrative List -- 2011/2012

Miss Brooks Loves books (And I Don't)
by Barbara Bottner
14 Cows for America by Carmen Deedy
Very Improbable Story by Einhorn, Edward
Spuds by Karen Hesse
How to Clean a Hippopotamus by Steve Jenkins
Coretta Scott by Shange Ntozake
Sit-in : How Four Friends Stood Up by Sitting Down
by Andrea Davis Pinkney
Mirror, Mirror : A book of Reversible Verse by
Marilyn Singer

Children's List -- 2011/2012

A Dog on His Own by Mary Jane Auch
Adventures According to Humphrey
by Betty G. Birney
Extra Credit by Andrew Clements
Family Reminders by Julie Danneberg
In Memory of Gorfman T. Frog by Gail Donovan
The Birthday Ball by Lois Lowry
Bad to the Bone by Lucy Nolan
Captain Nobody by Dean Pitchford

Young Adult List 2011/2012

Faith, Hope and Ivy June by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
The Frog Scientist by Pamela S. Turner
Skeleton Creek by Patrick Carman
The Best Bad Luck I Ever Had by Kristin Levine
The True Meaning of Smekday by Adam Rex
Sammy Keyes and the Cold Hard Cash
by Wendelin Van Draanen
The Red Pyramid by Rick Riordan
Alchemy and Meggie Swan by Karen Cushman

Log on to the LOE website

<http://www.loebookaward.com> for more information
about the LOE Book Award and a POWERPOINT
Presentation to help you advertise the lists and the reading!

2010-2011 LOE Winners Are:

Picture Book Winner: *What Really Happened to
Humpty?* by Jeanie Franz Ransom
YA Winner: *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins.
Children's Winner had a tie!
Stolen Children by Peg Kehret *AND*
Raymond and Graham Rule the School
by Mike Knudson

We are bound by who we are ... Until we let it go!!!

Read for the Record

Millions of children in low-income neighborhoods are at risk of school failure before they even start kindergarten. Jumpstart's Read for the Record®, presented in partnership with the Pearson Foundation, allows Americans to demand that all children receive the quality early education they deserve.

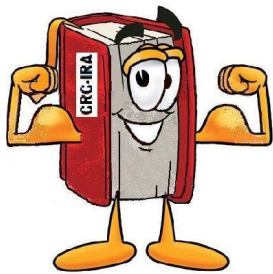
On October 6, 2011, **more than 2 million voices** will call for an end to America's early education achievement gap by reading *Llama Llama Red Pajama* by Anna Dewdney – setting a world record in the process! Sit down to read in your community. You'll be standing up for children everywhere! For more information log on to http://www.jstart.org/site/PageServer?pagename=readfortherecord_about

Pledge to Read

The Camino Real Council of the International Reading Association
presents the

Reading Makes Me Strong! **2011 Fall Literacy MINI-CONFERENCE**

Saturday, October 22, 2011

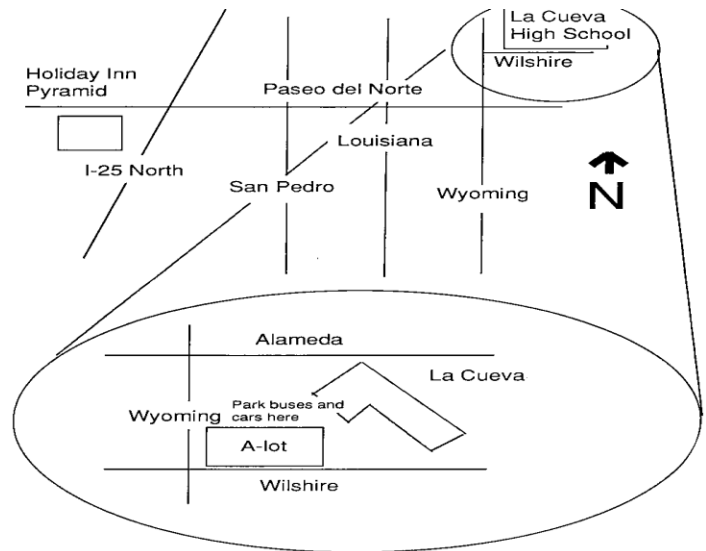


La Cueva High School
7801 Wilshire Avenue NE Albuquerque, NM

We are privileged to feature



Keynote Speaker:
**Harvey "Smokey"
Daniels**



8:00	Registration, Exhibits, Silent Auction (breakfast available for purchase at school concession)
8:45-9:00	General Session
9:00-10:30	Harvey "Smokey" Daniels – ideas, facilitated group activities
10:30-10:45	Break
10:45- 11:30	Author and Workshop break-out Sessions, Exhibits
11:30-11:45	Exhibits , last chance for silent auction
12:00	Luncheon - Speaker: Author Marcy Heller <i>Loco Dog and the Dust Devil in the Railyard</i> and <i>Paloma and the Dust Devil at the Balloon Fiesta</i>
	Door Prizes, Evaluations (IRA membership drawing), Silent Auction Retrieval



CRC-IRA members also receive membership to the state, NMIRA, which provides scholarships, Classroom Literacy Grants, the NM Journal of Reading and much more.

Door prizes will be awarded! Exhibitors will highlight their newest books and materials!
Bring cash or checks for on-site purchases and winning Silent Auction bids.

Bring school supplies and/or toiletries to donate to the APS Title I Homeless Project.

**** Registration is limited to 400 registrants, so register early.**

See attached or go to <http://www.nmira.org/camino-real-council-crc.html>

Contacts & information: Marisol Fraga fraga@aps.edu or Catherine Kemp, Treasurer, kemp_c@aps.edu

MINI-CONFERENCE EVENT PROGRAM

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Harvey "Smokey" Daniels received all of his degrees--B.A., M.A. and Ph.D.--from Northwestern University, which finally urged him to leave campus and get a real job.

He began teaching at Westinghouse Vocational High School on Chicago's West Side, later moving to Lake Forest High School. Smokey is currently on leave from National-Louis University in Chicago to work with schools and teachers around the country on literacy-centered school improvement projects. In these efforts, he serves as a guest teacher in classrooms, leads seminars and workshops for teachers, and consults with school leaders on long-term change efforts.

Smokey has authored or coauthored thirteen books on language, literacy, and education. Among these are *Literature Circles: Voice and Choice in Book Clubs and Reading Groups* and *Teaching the Best Practice Way*. Smokey has been struck by the range of the "book club boom" that his book helped initiate. "Not only have literature circles spread through U.S. schools," he notes, "they have taken root in schools around the world, including Japan, where there is no cultural precedent of adult reading groups to build on. In fact, some Japanese parents are now learning about book clubs from their school age kids and starting reading groups of their own. That's pretty amazing."

After living in Chicago for many years, Smokey and his wife, Elaine, moved to New Mexico where they enjoy seeing the sky again, walking the desert at dawn, and hoarding green chili peppers for the winter.

LUNCHEON SPEAKERS

Marcy Heller was born in Washington, D.C. and grew up in Maryland and in California. As a child, she always wanted to become a writer. Her mother was a school librarian and brought home stacks and stacks of books for her to read. And, when she wasn't roaming the farms and woods of then-rural Maryland, that's exactly what she did. Her father was a research scientist with the U.S. Forest Service and taught Heller how to fly at a young age. Her love of flying and the sky continues to this day. Heller has lived in Santa Fe for twenty-six years with her husband and is the mother of two children. The landscapes and stories of New Mexico have captivated her for all of these years and continue to do so.



Nancy Poes grew up in rural New Jersey and has lived in the Bay Area, Germany, Portugal, Atlanta, Honolulu and, now, Santa Fe. She has a degree in history from the University of California at Berkeley and did graduate work in Illustration at the Georgia State University School of Art and Design. In 1986, She moved with her two daughters to Honolulu where She lived for twenty years, becoming a well-known landscape and figurative painter. Hawaii offered infinite opportunities for plein-air painting where she taught this discipline at the Honolulu Academy of Arts. Poes is represented in Honolulu by the Fine Art Associates, an art consultant firm, and by Nohea Gallery. She came to Santa Fe to paint in the extraordinary landscape and atmosphere of northern New Mexico. But more than that, she is looking for a much broader audience for her work, both representational and the deeper, more meaningful work in figurative abstractions. Poes is a prodigious painter and has investigated and worked in most media. She adores painting and the creative process and spends most hours of the day at work in her studio.



They will share a Powerpoint presentation about their first book together, *Loco Dog and the Dust Devil in the Railyard*. This book won a first in the Children's Book Category in the 2008 New Mexico Book Show. Presentation shows the Heller's storyboard created and Poes' beautiful art in juxtaposition. Heller's humorous storyboard consists of stick figures and Poes' art is full-blown gorgeous gouache paintings.

Heller and Poes will discuss their second book, *Paloma and the Dust Devil at the Balloon Fiesta*. This book recently won a design prize in the Children's Book Category in the new New Mexico Book Association Book Show and the 2010 New Mexico Book Show.

AUTHOR AND SPEAKER BREAK-OUT SESSIONS



Tracing Route 66 Across New Mexico - presented by Dr. David Kammer

Come approach New Mexico studies in a different way. Dr. Kammer's photographs, writings, and information about the "Main Street of America", the "Mother Road" can provide a unique thematic perspective for your class.



Finding Your Journey Story - presented by Dr. Jeanne Whitehouse Peterson

Jeanne Whitehouse Peterson has been presenting ideas about the impact of literature on young readers to in all types of New Mexico communities for more than 30 years. Her stories come from the heart.



Writing What You Know - presented by Cristina Ortega

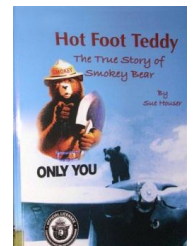
Cristina Ortega's parents moved from Santa Fe, NM to Albuquerque, and she graduated from Menaul High School. She retired from the Albuquerque Public Schools after 29+ years. The author tells a stories based on the very real master weaver, Juan Melquiades Ortega... her grandfather in Chimayo, NM. Her books are wonderful stories about growing up in New Mexico. They're full of strong family ties and New Mexico culture.



A First Book: Start to Finish presented by Sue Houser

Ms. Houser's first book was written after attending Smokey Bear's 60th birthday celebration in Capitan, New Mexico. She is a native New Mexican, who grew up on a farm in the Estancia Valley. After retiring from a social work/counseling career, she took writing classes and joined writing organizations. She has published several personal essays in the *Albuquerque Journal*.

Sue Houser put together the message of the Smokey Bear Program in her story. She successfully conveyed historical data concerning the rescuing by fire fighters, nursing back to health by the Bell family, and transforming the black bear cub into a living symbol for Smokey Bear. --Don Bell



Theresa Lucero Working with ELL (English Language Learners

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Cogito ergo sum. (I think, therefore I am.)

René Descartes

HOW WILL ATTENDING THE CRC-IRA MINI-CONFERENCE ON OCT. 22ND MAKE YOU STRONG?

YOU WILL:

- ✓ **Beef up** some Networking with literacy-minded colleagues
- ✓ **Pump up** your teaching skills ...Select professional development topics of your choosing
- ✓ **Maximize Training time** ... visit with notable local authors
- ✓ **Work out** while browsing the extensive exhibits (Publishers, trade book providers, and arts & crafts, jewelry and just plain fun ones.)
- ✓ **Strengthen** your knowledge of what Membership provides. Local, State and International advantages are available (grants, scholarships, pd etc.
- ✓ Increase your **Stamina**: Enjoy a tasty lunch catered by an Albuquerque treasure ... Mr. Powdrell's BBQ House
- ✓ **Bulk up** literacy knowledge: Take advantage of the opportunity to hear and work with nationally-noted author Harvey "Smokey" Daniels
- ✓ Show your bidding **Muscle**: by winning a fabulous Silent Action item
- ✓ **Exercise** your luck: Win one of many great Door prizes, or a NIE classroom subscription, or a new IRA Membership (*not a renewal*)

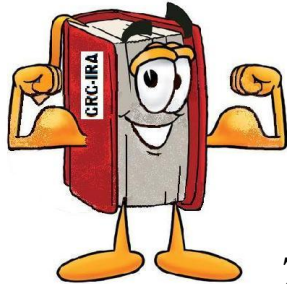
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REGISTRATION FORM

CAMINO REAL COUNCIL/of the INTERNATIONAL READING ASSOCIATION 2011 Fall Event Literacy MINI-CONFERENCE

Reading Makes Me Strong!



with Harvey "Smokey" Daniels

Saturday, October 22, 2011

La Cueva High School

7801 Wilshire NE Albuquerque, NM
(between Wyoming and Wilshire, north of Paseo del Norte)

Registration opens at 8:00 am.

A form must be completed for each registrant.

This registration form is your invoice. Please keep a copy.

Name _____

Home Address _____

Street (include St, Dr, Ave. etc. NE, SE, NW, SW, apt. #) _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ e-mail _____

School _____ Position _____

Membership Status: ___ New ___ Renewal ... I am a member of Camino Real Council #34100
_____ I am an IRA Member **IRA Member #** _____ **Expiration Date** _____

___ I do not give permission for photographs to be used, and I understand that it is my responsibility to remove myself from photographs as they are being taken.

Registration Fees (Registration includes all conference fees, CRC-IRA and NM-IRA memberships, Keynote address with Harvey "Smokey" Daniels, hands-on work session with Mr. Daniels, a catered lunch from Powdrell's BBQ with Luncheon Speaker: Author Marcy Heller, choice of Author and Speaker Break-out/Workshop sessions, door prizes, Silent Auction, and exceptional exhibits.)

Regular Registration \$55 _____
(postmarked by October 15)*

Full Time Student/Student Teacher \$40 _____
(Undergraduate/licensure students only; postmarked by October 15)*

**Registration and payment must be postmarked by October 15, 2011
and be received by October 18, 2011 in order to guarantee lunch.**

**Make checks payable to CRCIRA and mail to PO Box 35816
Albuquerque, NM 87176-5816**

APS schools: use vendor #10460 for PO's.

Registrations through school purchase orders must include the R# _____.

Unfortunately, as a non-profit organization, CRC cannot afford to process credit card registrations.

* Confirmations for registrations received by October 18th will be posted on the website by October 19th, but earlier e-mail queries are welcome.

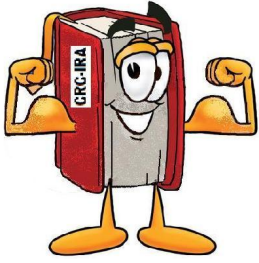
** Space and materials are dependent on deadline count, so on-site registrations may be limited.

Contacts & information: [http:// www.nmira.org/camino-real-council-crc.html](http://www.nmira.org/camino-real-council-crc.html)

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EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

You and your company are invited to be part of the largest Literacy event in the Central Rio Grande Metro area. The event is always a premier professional development venue for educators and exhibitor participation is a key piece of the excitement. The conferees look forward to seeing and talking with the exhibitors, previewing materials, and sharing ideas.

More **EXHIBITOR** Information and an **EXHIBITOR Registration Form** is available at

<http://www.nmira.org/camino-real-council-crc.html>
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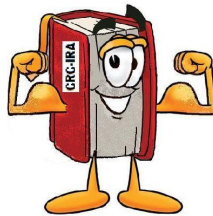
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2011-2012 CRC Calendar of Events

September 8	International Literacy Day
September 21,	Natural History Museum Teachers Open House 5:30-8:00 p.m.
October 7	APS and Rio Rancho Fall Break
October 15	NMIRA Board Meeting OnLine "Go to Mtg"
October 17	CRC Brd Mtg 4:30 @ TBA
October 17	Communique Newsletter Submissions Deadline
October 22	CRC Fall Literacy Mini-Conference
October 31	IRA Local Council Community Service Award application deadline

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**Fall Event Literacy
MINI-CONFERENCE**
with Harvey "Smokey" Daniels
La Cueva High School – Oct. 22, 2011
7801 Wilshire NE Albuquerque, NM

November 10	Family Literacy Night applications deadline
November 10	Young Authors Grant applications deadline
November 11	Veterans Day Holiday
November 20	Family Literacy Night winner announced
November 20	Young Authors Grant winner announced
November 23-25	Thanksgiving Holiday
December 19-30	APS and Rio Rancho Winter Break
January 4	APS and Rio Rancho classes resume
January 9	CRC Brd Mtg 4:30 @ TBA
January 9	Communique Newsletter Submissions Deadline
January 15	NMIRA Classroom Literacy Grant applications deadline
January 16	Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday
January 20-21	NMIRA State Conference
	NMIRA Board Mtg and Delegates Assembly
February 20	Presidents' Day Holiday
February 25	English Expo, La Cueva High School
March 1	IRA Honor Council/ Award of Excellence submission due
March 2	Dr. Seuss' B-day/ Read Across America Day
March 5	CRC Brd Mtg 4:30 @ TBA
March 5	Communique Newsletter Submissions Deadline
March 12-16	APS and Rio Rancho Spring Break
March 20	NMIRA Scholarship applications due
April 1	Deadline to apply/nominate: Reading Educator, Literacy, Scholarship
April TBA	NMIRA Board Meeting
April 6	APS Vernal Holiday
April 15	Reading Educator, Literacy and Scholarship winners announced
April 29- May 2	IRA Conf. McCormick Place-W Bldg Chicago, IL
April 30	Land of Enchantment votes deadline
May 7-13	National Children's Book Week
May 10	CRC Spring Awards Banquet-TBA
May 23	Rio Rancho last day of classes
May 25	APS last day of classes

NMIRA State Conference January 20-21, 2012

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WHICH FAIRY TALE IS THIS?

Read it out loud.

Wants pawn term dare worsted ladie gull hoe lift
wetter murder inner ladle cordage honor itch
offer lodge, dock, florist. Disk ladle gull orphan
worry putty ladle rat cluck wetter ladle rat hut,
an fur disk raisin pimple colder Ladle Rat Rotten
Hut.

Answer: On the bottom of page one

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Five Honorary Literary Posts named in honor of the upcoming Statehood Centennial 1912-2012

The New Mexico State Library and the Department of Cultural Affairs today announced the official New Mexico Centennial Poet, Author, Children's Author and Storyteller. They are: *Poet:* Levi Romero, *Author:* Don Bullis, *Children's Author:* Vaunda Micheaux Nelson, *Storyteller:* Joe Hayes.

<http://nmcentennial.org/2010/12/new-mexico-state-library-announces-centennial-poet-author-children%E2%80%99s-author-storyteller-and-distinguished-writer/>

Hello Book!

by N.M. Bodecker

Hello book!
What are you up to?
Keeping yourself to yourself,
shut in between your covers,
a prisoner high on a shelf.
come in book!
What is your story?
Haven't you ever been read?
Did you think
I would just pass by you
And pick me a comic instead?
No way book!
I'm your reader
I open you up.
Set you free.
Listen, I know a secret!
Will you share your secrets with me?

Reading Makes Me Strong!



Books

I like books
Big books
Little books
Happy books
Sad books
Books with pictures
Books with words
I like books



October is International School Library Month

Bookmark Project

The ISLM Bookmark Project involves matched schools making homemade bookmarks (any style, shape, etc - be creative) that reflects the

International School Library Month theme.

The theme for 2011 is *"School Libraries Empower Learners for Life"*

CRC WORD SEARCH

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

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