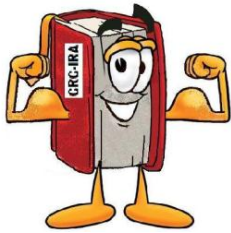


CAMINO REAL COUNCIL OF THE INTERNATIONAL READING ASSOCIATION

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.

January 2012

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear CRC-IRA Members,

I remember the moment when I realized I could look around and read anything I wanted. For me, that magical moment happened in fourth grade. That's a little later than for most readers, I realize, because I grew up in Japan, where an elementary school student can't come close to reading a newspaper – too much kanji! Once we were back in the U.S., it dawned on me that English was a whole lot easier. Just 26 letters, rearranged lots of different ways. What a delight! I loved riding in the car with my parents, reading everything I could see: signs, billboards, maps, bumper stickers. I could read them, and I knew what they meant. What joy!

Very quickly on the heels of that realization came an understanding of its political implications. I saw, read, and understood billboards about pollution, and saving the whales, things that were not talked about in Japan. I realized that, once I could read the newspaper, I could find out a whole lot of things about the world that I couldn't access as a new reader in Japan. Reading, even very early reading, is tremendously powerful. Reading makes us strong, and reading makes our country strong.

The Camino Real Council suffered a setback this fall when we had to cancel our fall event due to low enrollment. We know that finding professional development dollars is challenging right now. We will re-commit ourselves to finding ways to offer teachers resources without taxing those dollars. The good news is we had the most successful Silent Auction ever to support our international literacy project in Palomas, Mexico and the APS Title I Homeless Project, which now serves more than 7,000 children.

I hope you will find it valuable to continue your membership in your local and state reading council. The membership form is here in the Communique. Please apply for support for a Family Literacy Night at your school or for a grant to sponsor a Young Authors project. Please nominate an educator you admire for Reading Educator of the Year. Please apply for scholarship funds. Please volunteer to help at English Expo, or sent a team to compete. The deadlines and forms are all here.

We're here for you, and we want to help build your strength, and our own, as teachers and parents who love 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.

CRC Call for 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, Treasurer, Secretary, and Membership Director

Nominations due date is February 4, 2012. Please contact Cyndonna King, cyndonna@gmail.com or 250-0597 if you or a colleague is interested.



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.

Beautiful bronze medals are awarded in each contest for the top five winners in both middle and high school categories. Teachers and adult sponsors are the monitors and judges. A Guide Book with contest rubrics is available for purchase and copying at the school. Midday activities include two School Challenges where school teams register to participate in a **POETRY SLAM** or the **SPELLING BEE** to win a \$50 prize for their school, attend/compete in the **Speaking Finals**, or attend a group activity in the gym (guest speaker, movie, etc.).

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

English Expo XXIII Book List 2011-2012

In honor of the New Mexico Centennial, more of this year's books have a New Mexico connection.

Junior Division

Alchemy and Meggy Swann by Karen Cushman**
And Now Miguel by Joseph Krumgold^
Bad News for Outlaws by Vaunda Micheaux Nelson*
The Curse of the Chupacabra by Rudolfo Anaya*^
Day-Glo Brothers by Chris Barton***
Harvey Girl by Sheila Foard^
Long Night Dance by Betsy James*
Mysterious Benedict Society by Trenton Lee Stewart***
The Red Pyramid by Rick Riordan**
Savvy by Ingrid Law***

^= NM content **= current LOE nominee
* = NM Author ***= former LOE nominee

Senior Division

Bless Me Ultima by Rudolfo Anaya*^
Crazy Woman by Kate Horsley*^
Everybody Dies by Michael McGarrity*^
Face of an Angel by Denise Chavez*
Listening Woman by Tony Hillerman*^
Mexican Hat by Michael McGarrity*^
Othello by William Shakespeare*^
Rio Grande Fall by Rudolfo Anaya*^
Rio Grande Stories by Carolyn Meyer*^
Sinister Pig, A by Tony Hillerman*^

Order Your English Expo Guidebook, 2012 Edition!

A new version of the English Expo Guidebook will be published in November, 2012. It will contain:

- additional information for organizing school groups, other Expo activities, etc.
- complete rules for each contest
- sample rubrics for those contests which use rubrics
- sample questions for some contests
- information and rubric for the new Speaking Contest: Shakespearean Monologue

This new version of the *English Expo Guidebook* costs \$ 9.00 and can be ordered from Pam Wheeldon, English Expo Treasurer at 1032 Dakota St SE, Albuquerque, NM 87108-4922. **PAYABLE TO: English Expo, ORDERS MUST BE SENT BY MAIL AND PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY THE ORDER. NO PURCHASE ORDERS FOR THIS, PLEASE.** When schools purchase an *English Expo Guidebook 2011*, personnel at the school have the rights to make copies as needed. This copyright permission is granted only to one school per book.



HELP NEEDED!

Please bring cash or checkbooks to bid on our English Expo raffle. Funds raised will benefit our international literacy project in Palomas, Mexico and the APS Title I Homeless Project! The APS Title I Homeless Project has served over 7,000 students this school year.

Camino Real Council English Expo also offers a Bring-a-Book Exchange during the event. Students are invited to bring gently-used books to exchange.

Questions? Please contact Dianna Valdez at (505) 898-3587 or valdez@aps.edu

HAPPY HUNDRETH BIRTHDAY NEW MEXICO



The New Mexico Centennial

What will you do to celebrate New Mexico's 100th birthday?

Join in on the Celebration. Get some classroom ideas and other information by logging on to:

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

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

http://www.lcps.k12.nm.us/departments/Instruction/elementary/NM_Centennial.shtml



Traditional Flavors of New Mexico

http://newmexico.org/cuisine/traditional_flavors.php

NM forever stamp

<http://newsnewmexico.blogspot.com/2011/12/new-centennial-stamp-to-honor-nm.html>

What do you know about New Mexico?

Test your knowledge of New Mexico. Take this simple quiz and find out if you've got what it takes to stand up for the 47th state to enter the union.

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| <p>1) What is the capital city of New Mexico?
 a. Albuquerque
 b. Las Cruces
 c. Santa Fe</p> <p>2) What is the official state insect of New Mexico?
 a. Monarch Butterfly (<i>Danaus plexippus</i>)
 b. Firefly (<i>Poturis pensylvanica</i>)
 c. Tarantula Hawk Wasp (<i>Pepsis formosa</i>)</p> <p>3) Which of these Native Americans was born in New Mexico?
 a. Mangas Colradas
 b. Geronimo
 c. Cochise</p> <p>4) Which of these rivers does not run through New Mexico?
 a. The Rio Grande
 b. The Colorado River
 c. The Pecos River</p> <p>5) What is the red symbol in the center of the New Mexico State flag?
 a. A Maleewa
 b. A Zia
 c. A Castilla</p> | <p>6) Which of these is a nickname for New Mexico?
 a. The Silver State
 b. Land of Enchantment
 c. Land of Shining Mountains</p> <p>7) What is the highest point in New Mexico?
 a. Wheeler Peak (13,161 feet)
 b. Boundary Peak (13,140 feet)
 c. Kings Peak (13,528 feet)</p> <p>8) What is the official state question of New Mexico?
 a. Hello or goodbye?
 b. Sun or moon?
 c. Red or green?</p> <p>9) What is the motto of New Mexico?
 a. To be, rather than to seem
 b. Ever upward
 c. It grows as it goes</p> <p>10) What three states touch the NW corner of NM? This point is called Four Corners.
 a. Colorado, Utah, Arizona
 b. Colorado, Idaho, Arizona
 c. Utah, Nevada, Arizona</p> |
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ANSWERS: 1) c; 2) c; 3) a; 4) b; 5) b; 6) b; 7) a; 8) c; 9) c; 10) a

NEW MEXICO CENTENNIAL WORD SEARCH

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- BILINGUAL
- BISCOCHITO
- BLACK BEAR
- BOLO
- CENTENNIAL
- CEOLOPHYSIS
- CHILE
- NEW MEXICO
- O FAIR NEW MEXICO
- PINTO BEANS
- RED OR GREEN
- ROADRUNNER
- SANTA FE
- TORTILLA
- TURQUOISE
- YUCCA

NEW MEXICO STATE SONGS

O, Fair New Mexico words and music by Elizabeth Garrett

Under a sky of azure, where balmy breezes blow;
Kissed by the golden sunshine, is Nuevo Mejico.
Home of the Montezuma, with fiery heart aglow,
State of the deeds historic, is Nuevo Mejico.

Chorus

O, fair New Mexico, we love, we love you so
Our hearts with pride o'erflow, no matter where we go,
O, fair New Mexico, we love, we love you so,
The grandest state to know, New Mexico.

Second Verse

Rugged and high sierras, with deep canyons below;
Dotted with fertile valleys, is Nuevo Mejico.
Fields full of sweet alfalfa, richest perfumes bestow,
State of apple blossoms, is Nuevo Mejico.

Chorus

Third Verse

Days that are full of heart-dreams, nights when the moon hangs low;
Beaming its benediction, o'er Nuevo Mejico.
Land with its bright manana, coming through weal and woe;
State of our esperanza, is Nuevo Mejico.



Asi Es Nuevo Mejico words and music by Amadeo Lucero

Un canto que traigo muy dentro del alma
Lo canto a mi estado - mi tierra natal.
De flores dorada mi tierra encantada
De lindas mujeres - que no tiene igual.

CHORUS:

Asi es Nuevo Mejico
Asi es esta tierra del sol
De sierras y valles de tierras frutales
Asi es Nuevo Mejico

SECOND VERSE

El negro, el hispano, el anglo, el indio
Todos son tus hijos, todos por igual.
Tus pueblos y aldeas - mi tierra encantada
De lindas mujeres que no tiene igual.

CHORUS:

THIRD VERSE

El Rio del Norte, que es el Rio Grande,
Sus aguas corrientes fluyen hasta el mar
Y riegan tus campos
Mi tierra encantada de lindas mujeres
Que no tiene igual.

CHORUS:

FOURTH VERSE

Tus campos se visten de flores de Mayo
De lindos colores
Que Dios les doto
Tus pajaros cantan mi tierra encantada
Sus trinos de amores
Al ser celestial.

CHORUS:

FIFTH VERSE

Mi tierra encantada de historia banada
Tan linda, tan bella - sin comparacion.
Te rindo homenaje, te rindo carino
Soldado valiente - te rinde su amor.

CHORUS:

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!

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

Reading Makes Me Strong!



I am interested in helping with:



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| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership
<input type="checkbox"/> English Expo
<input type="checkbox"/> Spring Event
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<input type="checkbox"/> Secretarial
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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: 5px; margin-top: 5px;"> All options include IRA's bimonthly newspaper, <i>Reading Today</i> </div> <p>MEMBERSHIP RATES <i>with Book Club</i></p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <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: 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;">PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">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>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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NEWSPAPERS IN EDUCATION (NIE)



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 NMIRA NEW MEXICO JOURNAL OF READING (NMJOR)

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



COMMUNITY SERVICE SILENT AUCTION

Many thanks to all who participated in our Silent Auction benefiting our international literacy project in Palomas, Mexico and the APS Title I Homeless Project! The fundraiser was most successful (\$1502.00), well exceeding previous proceeds and our goal for this year. Montgomery Complex was a great venue as we were welcomed by Montgomery staff and Instructional Coaches who were there for training. We all express our deepest appreciation for support of these very worthwhile programs assisting thousands of students and their families, and teachers. Success would not have been possible without the contributions of our generous donors. A special THANK YOU with heartfelt appreciation to the following donors for their wonderful contributions.

ALBERTSON'S, Juan Tabo at Candelaria
APPLEBEE'S, Montgomery at Juan Tabo
BARNES AND NOBLE, Coronado Center
CASA VERDE SPA AND SALON
CHICK-FIL-A, Paseo del Norte
CHILI'S, Paseo del Norte
DION'S
ENCHANTED JEWELERS
FLYING STAR
HOME DEPOT

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STAPLES, Coors Bypass
STARBUCK'S, Nob Hill
SUNFLOWER MARKET
SWEET TOMATOES
TARGET
TWO FOOL'S TAVERN
UNIFIED LIBRARY, Montgomery Complex
WESTSIDE HERBS, ACUPUNCTURE,
& MASSAGE
ZIO'S ITALIAN KITCHEN

Thanks also to Bill and Barbara Carey for their tremendous help in soliciting donations.

If you would like to contribute to the APS Title I Homeless Project or the benefiting our international literacy project in Palomas, Mexico please contact Cindy at 480-3521 or Barbara at 898-1365.

We will be collecting school supplies, toiletries, books, and cash at all of our events, including English Expo on February 25, 2012. Thank you all for supporting our Community Service projects!

2010-2011 CRC-IRA 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:



- 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: April 1, 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.

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." --- **Margaret Mead**

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.

Send Applications to Sharon Sharp at Sharonwsharp@gmail.com Deadline: April 1, 2012

"Your belief determines your action and your action determines your results, but first you have to believe." --
Mark Victor Hansen



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: _____

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.

Send Applications to Sharon Sharp at Sharonwsharp@gmail.com Deadline: April 1, 2012

It is Choice not Chance that determines your destiny.

CAMINO REAL COUNCIL OF THE INTERNATIONAL READING ASSOCIATION

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2011-2012 CRC Calendar of Events

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
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

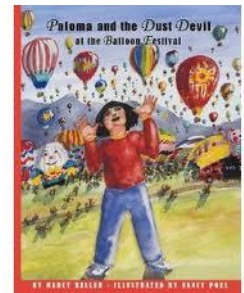
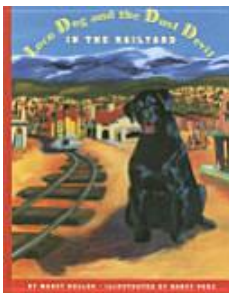
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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Come join us for the
CRC-IRA Annual Awards Banquet Dinner
Thursday May 10th
Place and time to be announced

Guest speakers: *Marcy Heller and Nancy Poes*
Author and illustrator of *Loco Dog and the Dust Devil*



Marcy Heller was born in Washington, D.C. and grew up in Maryland and in California. Her career has been in publishing from the age of twenty-two. She learned pop-up book design and production and now focuses on designing children's books. Somewhere along the way, she returned to her original love of writing and began to write children's books. She has published Just You and Me, Grandpa with Reader's Digest Books for Children in 1994, Loco Dog and the Dust Devil in the Railyard in 2008, and now in 2010, Paloma and the Dust Devil at the Balloon Fiesta. Heller has lived in Santa Fe for twenty-four years with her husband and is the mother of two children.



Nancy Poes grew up in rural New Jersey and has lived in the Bay Area, Germany, Portugal, Atlanta, Honolulu and, now, Santa Fe. In 1986, She moved with her two daughters to Honolulu where She lived for twenty years, becoming a well-known landscape and figurative painter. She came to Santa Fe to paint in the extraordinary landscape and atmosphere of northern New Mexico. 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.

Heller and Poes will discuss 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 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.