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Henderson, NV - In addition to their already varied services, Henderson Libraries will begin offering downloadable audio books and videos through a contract with OverDrive Inc. The materials are available for download at <http://mypubliclibrary.lib.overdrive.com>, and include popular and classic book titles for adults and children as well as documentaries and other educational videos.

At a time when technology and convenience are key, Henderson Libraries is stepping up to meet the needs of its community. "OverDrive allows Henderson Libraries to offer downloadable audio books and videos to our patrons 24/7 from home, office, or anywhere in the world as long as they have their library card and PIN," states Thomas Fay, Henderson Libraries Director.-

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The downloadable audio books and videos are easy to use. A library patron can download the materials on their computer, and enjoy videos and audio books from the comfort of home. The digital titles can also be transferred to hundreds of supported portable devices (not currently compatible with iPod) and some audio books can be burned to a CD to listen to in the car or on any standard CD player.

Henderson Libraries will also be offering Creative MuVo V100 MP3 players for checkout. Patrons can checkout the MP3 player and load the audio books onto it themselves, or they can request the MP3 player with a specific title pre-loaded onto it.

"By offering downloadable audio books and videos through OverDrive, we continue to meet our goal of bringing library materials to our residents in a convenient, on time, on demand manner" said Fay. This new service is funded, in part, with a federal Library Services and Technology Act subgrant, administered by the Nevada State Library and Archives.

With four library locations, plus their Mobile Extension Library, Henderson Libraries offers services to patrons throughout Henderson. For more information about Henderson Libraries, visit their homepage at www.mypubliclibrary.com.

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NLAList

NLAList is an important communication tool that we use to keep everyone informed as to what is happening in Nevada and provide a forum for discussion. I would like to encourage all librarians and/or library users to sign-up so you can receive up-to-date information quickly!

NLALIST is an electronic list designed to provide information and a forum for discussion among individuals interested in libraries and librarianship in the state of Nevada. It is an open list with no moderator, which welcomes anyone with an interest in libraries and library services.

NLALIST will provide a place where topics of interest to librarians in Nevada can be discussed in a timely fashion. Announcements of meetings, conferences and continuing education courses are welcome, as well as job postings, roommate searches for conferences, reference questions or any other library-related subjects.

To subscribe to NLALIST, send an email to listserv@nevada.edu please leave the subject line blank, and type the following within the body/ message portion of the e-mail.

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Messages that you want to go to the list (and consequently to all subscribers) should be sent to the address: nlalist@nevada.edu.

After you have subscribed, please provide a brief introduction to the list, including your name, library affiliation and position (if any) and any other pertinent data you wish so that we might get to know each other better.

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Searching Patents: Getting Started / Related Services in Nevada Libraries

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Anyone with access to the World Wide Web can conduct a preliminary patent search. This type of search will allow one to identify United States patents and published patent applications related to a field of technology or design. U.S. Patent & Trademark Office databases on the Web include the full-text of patents from 1976 to the current week and images (searchable only by class or number) from 1790 to the current week, plus published applications from 2001 to present.

By conducting a preliminary search, an inventor or other researcher may find his/her invention & decide not to file a patent application. A preliminary patent search does not include non-U.S. patents or other literature that may be pertinent to one's interest, such as journal articles and product catalogs. As such, it cannot reveal all existing inventions (or prior art) necessary to determine if one's invention is truly new. For further suggestions on searching U.S. patents and other sources, users can check a desired class and subclass at *USPTO Patents Search Templates* at www.uspto.gov/web/patents/searchtemplates.

Following is a seven-step strategy for searching U.S. patents on the Web. To view scanned images, you will need a free Web browser plug-in, which is available at www.uspto.gov/patft/help/images.htm:

1. **Search the *Index to the U.S. Patent Classification*** (www.uspto.gov/web/patents/classification/uspindex/indextouspc.htm). Begin with this alphabetical subject index. Look for common terms describing the invention and its function, effect, end-product, structure, and use. Note the class and subclass numbers associated with the terms you select.
2. **Search the *Manual of Classification*** (www.uspto.gov/web/patents/classification). Locate class and subclass numbers in the *Manual*. Note where the terms fall within the U.S. Patent Classification System. Scan the entire class schedule, paying attention to the dot indents. Revise your search strategy as needed.
3. **Search the *Classification Definitions*** (www.uspto.gov/web/patents/classification). Read the definitions to establish the scope of classes and subclasses relevant to your search.
4. **Browse Titles and Abstracts of patents and applications.** Retrieve and browse through titles of patents and published applications in the given class and subclass. Or, if the patents you find do not reflect your own invention or idea, redirect your search: search on new keywords, retrieve lists of patents and published applications; note their class and subclass numbers and go back to Step 2.
5. **Retrieve all patents and applications with your desired subclasses.** Once you have identified the relevant classes and subclasses, obtain a list of all patent numbers granted from 1790 to the present and all published applications from 2001 to the present for every class and subclass to be searched.
6. **Read the front page of each patent and application retrieved.** Check the patents and applications for exemplary claim(s) and a representative drawing for all patents on the list(s) to eliminate patents unrelated to your invention.
7. **Retrieve complete patent documents.** After you have eliminated patents and applications unrelated to your invention, read the complete text and examine drawing(s) of the most closely related documents to determine how different they are from your invention.

To be continued in the fall issue: Researching the copyright status of a work

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Indian Census Rolls for Nevada

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The Nevada State Library and Archives is receiving many visits, phone calls and emails from Western Shoshone people these days because, with the resolution of the Treaty of Ruby Valley, tribal members must prove their blood percentage to receive payments. The citation to the final rule is in the Federal Register: 72 FR 9836 "Preparation of Rolls of Indians" Monday March 5, 2007.

The State Library purchased "all" the Indian Census Rolls for tribal persons in Nevada and the surrounding states where Nevada Indians might have migrated. The finding aid to our microfilm is online at: <http://dmla.clan.lib.nv.us/docs/nsla/fedpubs/IndianCensusRolls.htm>

The microfilm in question is officially "National Archives and Records Series M 595: Indian Census Rolls 1885-1940." The description from the National Archives states:

"These census rolls were usually submitted each year by agents or superintendents in charge of Indian reservations, as required by an act of July 4, 1884 (23 Stat.98). The data on the rolls vary to some extent, but usually given are the English and/or Indian name of the person, roll number, age or date of birth, sex, and relationship to head of family. Beginning in 1930, the rolls also show the degree of Indian blood, marital status, ward status, place of residence, and sometimes other information. For certain years--including 1935, 1936, 1938, and 1939--only supplemental rolls of additions and deletions were compiled. Most of the 1940 rolls have been retained by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and are not included in this series. There is not a census for every reservation or group of Indians for every year. Only persons who maintained a formal affiliation with a tribe under federal supervision are listed on these census rolls."

The NSLA reference staff does not review these rolls for people because family and individual names change and you really need to have personal information to make this work. The searchers are very welcome to come to the Nevada State Library and Archives; 100 N. Stewart Street; Carson City, NV 89701; 8-5 M-F. We do not Interlibrary Loan these reels. We have excellent reader-printers and will help people get oriented. We charge 10¢ per copy for the copies that work, we recycle the lousy copies.

There are three microfilm rolls of Western Shoshone Censuses at the Elko County Library in Elko in their Nevada Reference Section: 317.3 UNI. A photocopy of the Census for 1937 is available at Austin, Battle Mountain, Beowawe, Carlin, Crescent Valley, Eureka, Jackpot, Wells, and West Wendover Libraries. The 1940 rolls are only available at the Bureau of Indian Affairs offices.

The Nevada State Archives only has records of Nevada state agencies and elected officials; Indian census rolls are federal records. Those records are available on microfilm at the National Archives branches in northern and southern California. I believe the northern branch has records of northern Nevada Indian agencies but I think the census rolls are also available in southern California. For more information see the National Archives web pages:

Laguna Niguel (southern California): <http://www.archives.gov/pacific/laguna/index.html>
 San Bruno (northern California): <http://www.archives.gov/pacific/san-francisco/index.html>

The University of Nevada, Las Vegas Library also has copies of the Indian Census rolls, 1885-1940. They are cataloged as E99.P2 U55x—Microfilm Reel. They also have rolls for "certain tribes in Oregon and Washington."

The catalog for the University of Nevada, Reno does not indicate that they own these microfilm rolls.



Step Up to the Plate @ your Library

Baseball and libraries team up for end-of-the-school-year program. Did you ever notice that as the weather gets warmer, attention spans get shorter? If you're looking for a way to keep your students engaged through the end of the school year, join AASL, ALA and the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Step Up to the Plate @ your library.

The program brings together two of America's favorite pastimes -baseball and libraries -to encourage reading. Children and young adults between the ages of 9 to 18 years of age are invited to go to their library, check out a book about baseball and describe how their favorite character inspired them. One grand prize winner will receive a trip to the Hall of Fame in October 2007. The program Web site at www.ala.org/baseball offers free promotional tools to help libraries sponsor the program locally. Tools include program logos in both English and Spanish and a toolkit that includes sample press materials and programming ideas.

Kids are not the only winners in Step Up to the Plate. The library that brings in the most entries will win a \$100 bookstore gift certificate, and three runners up will be awarded a \$50 ALA Graphics gift certificate. All four will also receive a copy of Lawrence Hogan's *Shades of Glory: The Negro Leagues and the Story of African-American Baseball* (published by National Geographic Society).

The Step Up to the Plate @ your library program was officially launched during National Library Week in Peoria, Ill. with program spokespeople and Hall of Famers Ryne Sandberg and Ozzie Smith. Sandberg is the manager of the Minor League team the Peoria Chiefs and helped kick off the program at Morton Junior High School in Morton, Ill.

The program concludes September 1, 2007.

First-place prize packages also will be awarded (five in each of four age categories: age 9-11; 12-14; 15-16 and 17-18) and include a commemorative hardbound copy of the Hall of Fame Yearbook; Hall of Fame t-shirt; commemorative set of 20 Hall of Fame baseball cards; DVD copy of the classic baseball movie, "The Sandlot;" miniature souvenir Akadema Pro baseball glove; and a Jackie Robinson History Lives poster from ALA Graphics. Step Up to the Plate is part of The Campaign for America's Libraries, ALA's public awareness and advocacy campaign about the value of libraries and librarians in the 21st century. The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum is a Campaign Founding Partner. Supporters of the Step Up to the Plate program include the American Association of School Librarians (AASL); the Association of Library Services to Children (ALSC); the Public Library Association (PLA); the Black Caucus of the American Library Association; and REFORMA, the Association to Promote Library and Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish Speaking, an affiliate of the ALA. Contact: Megan McFarlane 312-280-2148 mmcfarlane@ala.org

NLA Shirt Order Form

Please show your support for NLA by ordering one of these shirts. Shirt orders will be placed frequently. Final deadline is October 31, 2007. **Please send your order forms to:**

Debbie Jacobs, NLA
10580 N. McCarran Blvd. #115-111
Reno, NV 89503

Both shirts will have the NLA logo embroidered above the pocket in dark green. For an extra \$5.00, you may have up to 3 lines embroidered, 4 inches across on the opposite side. For example, you could choose to have your name on line 1, your job title on line 2 and your school or library on line 3.



Long Sleeve Denim Shirt

Lightweight, only 1/10 of an ounce heavier than a tee shirt. Light blue color with green embroidery.
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 \$19.00 3XL
 \$5.00 for extra 3 lines embroidery



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 \$5.00 for extra 3 lines embroidery



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