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NEVADA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

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· HENDERSON DISTRICT PUBLIC LIBRARIES - HENDERSON, NV

Current library facilities in Henderson were designed to serve a population of under 100,000, but our latest population count is double that, nearly 200,000. Although the new Paseo Verde Library opened its doors in August, Henderson is not keeping up with the growth of our community. The Paseo Verde Library is the first free-standing library built in Henderson since the James I. Gibson Library opened 13 years ago in 1989.

This November, the Henderson Library District will ask voters to approve a tax initiative that will use an increase in property tax to finance much-needed local libraries. Henderson residents currently pay the lowest tax rate for libraries of any other county residents. The proposed increase will mean an additional \$21 per year for the owner of a \$150,000 house. This small amount per family will add six new libraries over the next ten years in Henderson neighborhoods.

We're inviting you on a bike tour of Henderson's libraries and future library sites. Proceeds will support construction of new libraries in Henderson neighborhoods.

Saturday, October 26th, 2002: 50-Mile Ride - 8:00 am; 25-Mile Ride - 8:30 am; 10-Mile Fun Ride - 9:00 am

50-Mile and 25-Mile Rides- \$35; 10-Mile Fun Ride - \$5; (free to those 12 and younger)

Rest stops will be located at each of the Henderson Library stops with a great selection of fresh fruit, energy bars and energy drink. Drinks will also be provided along the route as well as technical support.

All participants and spectators are invited to enjoy the Bike Tour and scheduled events at each of the libraries from 7 am-11 am. Please make sure you visit the vendors' tables to learn more about their services.

For more information, call the Paseo Verde Library at 702.492.7252 or Debi Raffi at 702.456.3000.

· LAS VEGAS, NV --

The Vegas Valley Book Festival - the first major public event to celebrate and promote literature and reading in southern Nevada - is set for November 1 and 2, 2002. The Festival - which features renowned novelists John Irving and Tom Robbins as keynote speakers - will be an annual community program of readings, lectures and panel discussions with programming for all

ages, and will include an outdoor book fair with over 50 booksellers. Programming will take place at multiple venues, including the new City of Henderson Promenade at Liberty Point and Paseo Verde library complex, currently under construction.

· GREAT BASIN BOOK FESTIVAL - RENO, NV  
SEPTEMBER 18-21, 2002

Bilingual Readings by Gary Soto

Wednesday, September 18, 3:30-5 p.m., Sierra View Library Western Women Writers and Artists: Open Your Eyes and Ears to the Sights and Sounds of the Land We Call Home

Wednesday, September 18, 6:30 p.m., McKinley Arts and Culture Center  
Carolyn Dufurrena, Linda M. Hasselstrom, Linda Husa, Diane Josephy Peavey, Linda Dufurrena and Sophie Sheppard Ernest Gaines, Author of "A Lesson Before Dying"

Friday, September 20, 7:30 p.m., Nightingale Concert Hall, University of Nevada, Reno Campus in conjunction with Read Washoe Read <http://www.readwashoeread.com/>

Booksellers Marketplace: Readings, Discussions, Children's Activities and Signings by Over 30 Writers

Saturday, September 21, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m., Wingfield Park, Downtown Reno Participating authors include: Dale Brown, Terri Farley, William Hill, Jimmy Lerner and Mary Sojourner Leonard Nimoy, illustrated presentation of "Shekhina"

Saturday, September 21,  
7:30 a.m. Nightingale Concert Hall, Church Fine Arts, University of Nevada, Reno Campus. \$10

READ, WASHOE, READ - RENO, NV

A Lesson Before Dying by Ernest Gaines has been selected for the Washoe County Community Read. What is a community read? Read. Washoe. Read. is designed to energize an appreciation of literature and discussion in the greater Washoe County community. Modeled after successful programs in other cities, this project seeks to bring our community together around a single great book. The book chosen is Ernest Gaines' "A Lesson Before Dying". Set in the south of the 1940's, this simple yet powerful book tells a story about the lives of two families and their small community; a story about right and wrong and family bonds; a story about power, struggle, dignity, honor, and redemption; a story that's hard to put down.

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS - LAS VEGAS, NV

SLIS Web Institute-Las Vegas

For the fall of 2002, the University of North Texas School of Library and Information Sciences will offer the following courses in the Web Institute format in Las Vegas: · SLIS 4000/5000 Introduction to the Information Profession September 6, 2002 9:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M. · SLIS 4600/5600 Introduction to Information Access and Retrieval September 7-9, 2002 8:00

A.M.-5:00 P.M.

<http://www.unt.edu/slis/webinstitute/lasvegasfall02/index.htm>