## Utah State Representative Report January 2009 Board Meeting Dorothy Horan

The Utah Library Association has been busy since my last report under the direction of President Ruby Cheesman. Some of the Utah Library Association Utah Library Association actions and activities that have taken place since September are:

The ULA 2010 Conference Committee has been busy planning the conference. It will take place May 12-14, 2010 at the Dixie Center in St. George, Utah. The theme is "Come together... for Utah Libraries". The conference hotel will be the Hilton Garden Inn St. George, which is located adjacent to the Dixie Center. Pre-conferences will be offered on Wednesday, with two full days of programs on Thursday and Friday.

The Program Board has selected programs for pre-conferences, speakers, presentations, and poster sessions. The keynote speaker will be ALA president, Camila Alire, who will also be presenting a pre-conference workshop about bilingual services. The film "Hollywood Librarian", which was shown at ALA a few years ago will be shown as part of this year's Presidents' Reception. Mystery author Rosemary Harris will speak at one of the luncheons. Registration for conference has begun. Meals will be included with registration for the conference. Program details, registration fees, hotel rates and details, will be added to the ULA website: www.ula.org.

The ULA Continuing Education Committee sponsored the 2009 ULA Fall Workshop was held on September 25, in Fillmore, Utah. Entitled "Build on Your Professional Training", the workshop took advantage of the history present in the town which was the original state capitol of Utah. The workshop began in the Utah Territorial Statehouse and a quiz about local history and Utah library history began the day. Discussions dealt with the economy and how to share resources and deal with problem patrons. During lunch, Carl Camp, curator of the Territorial Statehouse Museum, spoke about the history of the Fillmore area. especially as the capitol of the Utah Territory for about eight years. Breakout sessions were about family history research, books for teens and children, job searching, serving older adults and baby boomers, staff issues, bilingual emergent literacy. Tours were given of the Territorial Statehouse and various pioneer homes in Fillmore. About 45 people attended the workshop.

ULA presidents, former, present and future, have submitted a list of MPLA Leadership Institute candidates. We were excited to have a slate of strong candidates.

The ULA election is underway. New officers should be announced near the time of the conference.