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EDUCATION

Administrative Services Credential - Fresno Pacific University 2000

Library Media Credential - Fresno Pacific University - 1997

Teaching Credential - California State University, Fresno - 1991

Master of Library Science - University of Arizona - 1984

Bachelor of Arts - Yale University - Major: History of Art. Minor: English and American Literature.

CREDENTIALS

California Administrative Services Credential

California Library Media Teacher Credential

California Multiple Subject Credential

California Single Subject Credential in English Language and Literature

Cross-cultural Language and Academic Development Certificate

California Community College Librarian Credential

California Community College Instructor Credential - Library Science

LIBRARY EXPERIENCE

District Library Media Technology Manager (administrative position), April 2001 – Present, Visalia Unified School District

- Administer Visalia Learning Center including up to 4 library technicians and collection of 60,000 items.
- Purchase books for district and school libraries (budget has been up to \$750,000, now much smaller.)
- Arrange and coordinate author visits for schools.
- Oversee library services to 32 schools.
- Consult with teachers and administrators about curriculum resources. Purchase resources and technology subscriptions for all schools.
- Maintain several web sites.

Library Media Technology Specialist (administrative position), 1998-2001, **Library Media Technology Teacher**, 1996-1998, Tulare County Office of Education.

- Supply library services to 35 school districts in Tulare and Kings Counties.
- Supply media services to 110 schools. Visit schools regularly.
- Oversee technology intern program. Hire, evaluate, and mentor employees.
- Director, State Learning Resources Display Center #30. Advise teachers and administrators about resources and state textbook law.

Librarian II, Children's Services Coordinator, Tulare County Library, Visalia, CA 1985-1990.

In charge of all children's and young adult programming, book ordering, publicity, and staff training in 17 branches.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Professor, College of the Sequoias, Visalia, CA, and Fresno Pacific College - Library Technology Certificate Classes, Children's Literature classes

Library Media Teacher, Tulare County Office of Education, 3 years

English Teacher, High School, 2 years

English Teacher, Junior High, 1 year

Teacher of English as a Second Language, Sequoia High School, 1 semester

Teacher of technology classes for teachers, Tulare County Office of Education

Workshop leader, California Association of Teachers of English, California School Counselor's Association, California Reading Association, California School Library Association, and others.

TECHNOLOGY EXPERIENCE

- Windows, Word, Excel, Publisher, PowerPoint, FrontPage, Outlook, WordPerfect, – experienced user and teacher.
- Others: Inspiration, PaintShop Pro, many other educational programs – use and teach.
- Library programs: Athena, Follett, Alexandria, Dynix, Medianet, MitiNet, InfoCentre, MARC Magician, Z-MARC, OCLC searching
- Teach Internet searching (beginning to advanced), research strategies, Internet site evaluation, copyright/plagiarism, and media evaluation.
- Advise schools on computer lab and library set-up and use.

COMMUNICATIONS EXPERIENCE

Publications

- *Sody Saleratus and Other Tales Retold by George Pilling*, CD of storytelling published in 2007
- *Misery, Folktales Retold by George Pilling*, CD of storytelling published in 1998
- Web sites: <http://visalia.k12.ca.us/library>, www.tucolib.info, www.storysales.com, www.readforlife.org
- Reviewer of media and recordings for *School Library Journal* and *Multimedia Schools*
- Various writing for *The Valley Voice* Newspaper
- Articles published in *CSLA Journal*, *Fine Woodworking Magazine*, *American Forests*, *The Mother Earth News*, and others
- ERIC document, “Folklore Reference Sources”

Speaking

- Presenter of workshops on Copyright and on Web site evaluation at American Association of School Libraries, California School Library Association and Computer Using Educators conferences
- Professional Storyteller - Presenter of programs to schools and other organizations including California School Library Association, California Reading Association, California Association of Teachers of English. Teach storytelling techniques to community, college, and school classes.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- California School Library Association, Past Vice President, Professional Development; technology
- Calibk12 listserv moderator
- American Library Association, American Association of School Librarians
- Computer Using Educators
- National Storytelling Association

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Committee Member – Visalia Waterways and Trails Commission. Advocates and advises City Government on issues concerning access for non-motorized recreation and transportation within Visalia.

Board Member - Read for Life. Group enhances literacy by teaching parents to read to their children and giving away picture books to new parents.

Past President - The Enchanted Playhouse. Non-profit group produces five family plays each year, plus workshops about acting for children.

Member, former Board member - Four Creeks Land Trust. Trust operates Kaweah Oaks Preserve, a remnant habitat of the San Joaquin Valley, and several other properties in Tulare County.

Member, Tulare County Audubon Society, Friends of Scicon, Kaweah Fly Fishers (in charge of Trout in the Classroom program)

