

# THE BROADSHEET

*The newsletter of New Mexico Press Women*



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## A Message from the President

**BY SHERRI BURR**

Greetings and welcome to this edition of the Broadsheet, edited by Léonie Rosenstiel. Having capably led a group of our members through a snowstorm to get to the March Farmington Conference, I am confident that Léonie will successfully navigate the process of preparing Broadsheets for the coming year. Our board met in September and planned out our forthcoming year of contests and conferencing.

Welcome returning and new board members: Adam Biederwolf (Communicator of Achievement Chair), Brandon Larranaga (Scholarship Chair), Colleen Keene (Member at Large), Carolyn Carlson (Communications Contest), Damien Willis (Las Cruces Chapter Representative), Karen Wentworth (Albuquerque Chapter Representative), Léonie Rosenstiel (Vice President), Loretta Hall (Treasurer), Ludella Awad (Social Media Chair), Lynne Hinton (Secretary), Margaret Cheasebro (High School Outreach Coordinator), Pamela Ofori-Boateng (Website Coordinator), Robert Flinkman (Historian). After many decades of service to New Mexico Press Women, Anne Hillerman is passing the baton of leading the Northern Chapter to Pat Hodapp to pursue new ventures. Thank you, Anne, and welcome Pat.

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# President

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It takes a village of volunteers to run a not-for-profit organization with no paid staff, and it is an honor to have all of these capable folks on our board. October 1 launches the Communications Contest. We are looking for a Zia Award Chair to oversee the process with three judges already

committed. If you are interested in this position, please contact me at [president@newmexicopresswomen.org](mailto:president@newmexicopresswomen.org).

As the Board also begins works on the Spring Conference, we are looking forward to a dynamic year that supports our members.

## NMPW members attended the NFPW conference

BY LORETTA HALL



2021 NMPW Communicator of Achievement and President Sherri Burr  
[Courtesy Photo]

Four NMPW members attended the National Federation of Press Women conference in June. The president of each NFPW state affiliate is expected to attend the annual conference, and Sherri Burr once again fulfilled that commitment. Treasurer Loretta Hall also attended to help Sherri cover national committee meetings that often take place at the same time. NMPW Communicator of Achievement Margaret Cheasebro represented our state in the national COA recognition event. This was the first time Margaret and fellow Farmington resident Traci Hales-Vass had attended an NFPW conference. The NMPW delegation enjoyed getting a glimpse of the culture and a taste of the cuisine of Fargo, North Dakota.

Next year's national conference will be held June 22-24 in Cincinnati, Ohio. NFPW members get a registration discount, but nonmembers can also attend the event. It's a great way to learn more about our parent organization and network with other professional communicators from all over the country. Additionally, first-time attendees to the national conference are eligible for grants to cover part or all of the registration fees.



*“A word after a word after a word is power.”*

*—Margaret Atwood*

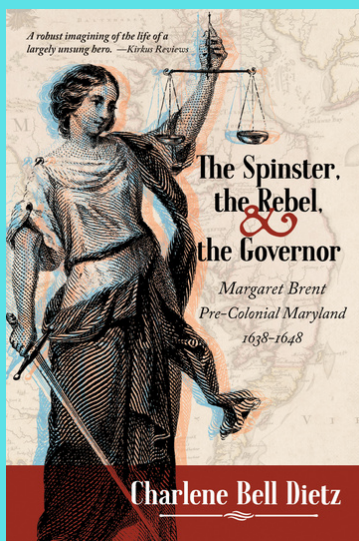


## Member News

**Sonja Dewing's** novel, *Castoffs of the Gods* is a finalist in the Silver Falchion award for Action/Adventure at Killer Nashville. Winners will be announced at the Killer Nashville banquet on August 20. In *Castoffs of the Gods*, Adventurer Leslie Kicklighter and Mystery Sleuth AJ Bluehorse reluctantly head back into the Amazon jungle in search for their friend John Holbrook. They'll face hungry caiman, treacherous teammates, and a demi-god with anger issues.



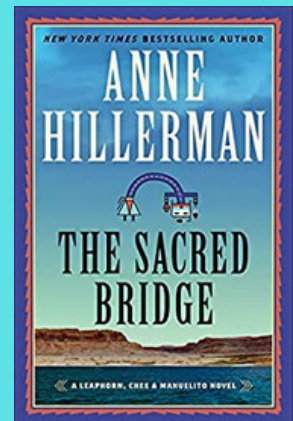
**Charlene Bell Dietz**, award-winning author, has a new book coming out on September 2, 2022. *The Spinster, the Rebel, and the Governor*, published by Quill Mark Press will be available at Independent Bookstores and on Amazon.com and Barnes&Noble.Com. A historical mystery full of suspense, secrets and scandalous actions, the author begins to unravel the life of a fascinating and brave woman who was also one of the first female attorneys in America.



North chapter member **Anne Hillerman** is pleased to announce that:

- HarperCollins has scheduled her eighth novel, *The Way of the Bear*, for release April 25, 2023.
- The paperback version of *The Sacred Bridge* will be released in January, 2023.

She's delighted that the AMC television series based on her and her father Tony Hillerman's stories and characters will be back for a second season next year. The series, *Dark Winds*, was filmed largely in New Mexico and was the most watched of all the new AMC productions in 2022.



**Dianne Layden**, a semi-retired college professor and writer in Albuquerque, will be portraying Ruth Bader Ginsburg for the New Mexico Humanities Council Chautauqua program, drawn from three years of research about her life and work. In 2021, she attended the opera Scalia/Ginsburg in Las Vegas, NV, and will present fresh material about Ginsburg's years in Santa Fe and at the Santa Fe Opera. Upcoming free events:

"Ruth Bader Ginsburg: Notorious RBG"

Clovis-Carver Public Library  
701 N. Main Street  
Clovis, New Mexico

New Mexico Jewish Historical Society  
Santa Fe TBA  
Early spring 2023  
Maybe in-person + Zoom  
TBA

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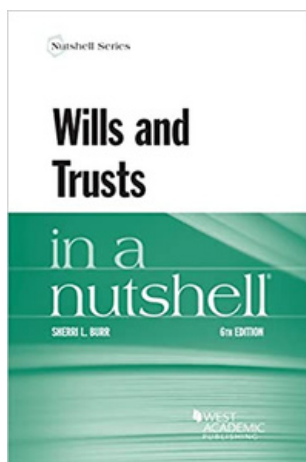
**Tierna Unruh-Enos** is happy to announce that The Paper won first place for its right wing extremism coverage from the Association of Alternative Newsweeklies.

The series began just one day after the Capitol riot with the story Cowboys for Trump Leader Calls For New Rally With “Blood Running From the Building.”



**Léonie Rosenstiel**, bestselling and multi-award-winning author, and NMPW's current vice president, is happy to say that her book *Protecting Mama* has won first place from the 2022 Arizona and New Mexico Book Awards Competition in the category of Parenting & Family Relationships. It also won third place from NMPW's Communications Contest this year.

The book covers the background of, as well as developments during and after her mothers heavily publicized New Mexico guardianship case.



**Sherri Burr**, NMPW's current president, is delighted to announce the appearance of the new (6th!) edition of her book *Trusts and Wills in a nutshell*.

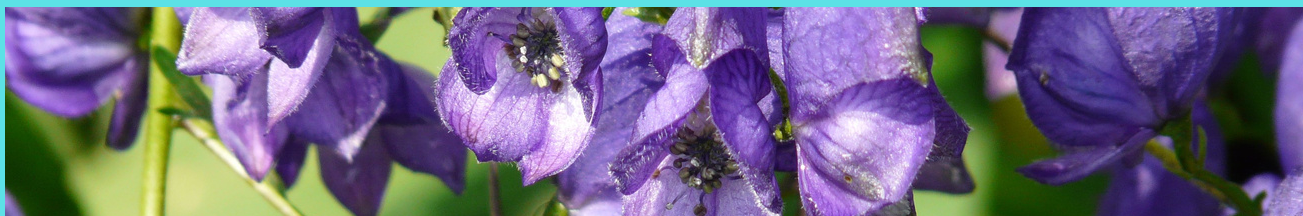
Her text explains the concepts involved in these somewhat esoteric legal subjects so that non-attorneys can understand them.



## Conference and Competition News

The NMPW Board is pleased to announce that the 2023 Conference will be held the weekend of March 11-12, at the Isleta Resort and Hotel, a beautiful facility. The resort has given our members and friends a discounted rate for those checking in on March 11 or March 12, or both. Here's the code to get the \$149 rate at the conference: NMP0423. All those reserving a hotel room by December 1 of this year will be entered into a drawing to receive an upgraded room for the conference. We will do the drawing at our December board meeting. The Isleta Resort has also waived all resort fees for our conference attendees, so those staying in the hotel will be to take advantage of their indoor/outdoor pool and receive golf concessions for carts at not additional cost.

After the December Board meeting, the board will announce the theme of the conference and speakers. Please note that the Zia Award Luncheon and the Communications Contest Banquet will both be held on Saturday, March 11, at the Isleta Resort. Both contests are now open to entries.



For more information on the Zia Award (for children's books, this year) and for the Communications Contest, *please consult the NMPW Website* at:  
<https://newmexicopresswomen.org/new-mexico-communication-contest>



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