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### **The San Diego Public Library Hosts an Author Talk by Danalee Buhler** *Running from Coyote: A White Family Among the Navajo*

**SAN DIEGO** – The San Diego Public Library will host an author talk by Danalee Buhler on her new book *Running from Coyote: A White Family Among the Navajo*. Danalee Buhler will read from her book at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, June 30 in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Wangenheim Room of the Central Library, located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego. This event is free to the public.

According to Navajo myth if a coyote crosses your path you should turn back and not continue your journey or something terrible will happen. Danalee Buhler, a San Diego resident, was born in Uvalde, Texas. The inspiration for her new release, *Running From Coyote: A White Family Among the Navajo*, came from her own unusual childhood on the Navajo Indian reservation in the four corners area of New Mexico. Living in Shiprock, New Mexico from 1958 to 1962, the author and her four sisters learn Navajo myths and taboos, wander in and out of the local trading post, and wear moccasins to school everyday. In August of 1959 her family adopts a 14-month old Navajo boy and eight months later, an 11-month old Navajo boy.

Award-winning author Tony Hillerman praises Ms. Buhler's work, "...a remarkable book, a brilliant example of how a writer can use memories of her own childhood to introduce the world to another culture. Not only does Ms. Buhler provide a clear view of the Navajo people, my own favorite Native American culture, she also tells a wonderful story of a white girl growing up between the Sacred Mountains."

*Running from Coyote: A White Family Among the Navajo* will be available for sale right after the presentation.

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