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WELCOME TO BILLINGS

MPLA

invites you to make an investment in your future by joining us, and laying the foundation for your career development. And participating in this process with MPLA's present membership — all active leaders in our region's outstanding libraries.

What you can gain

Your investment in MPLA will bring you the opportunity to be eligible for participation in any of our education-oriented programs. The Association is able, we are happy to say, to encounter your needs with no rigid limits on the type of assistance we can provide. Our programs are known for their flexibility, thus we can be truly **responsive** to your needs.



How to become a member

Your membership in MPLA indicates your confidence in and support of a much needed regional association, as well as improving your status as a librarian. Your active support is needed to carry out the goals of the Association.

Membership dues apply to the calendar year in which they are paid (dues received after September 1 gives you paid membership status beginning January 1 of the following year). With your membership you will receive the informative **MPLA Newsletter** and other mailings.

DUES SCHEDULE

(Membership year is calendar year.)

- _____ **Personal Membership.** Open to anyone interested in library service. \$12.00 per year for those salaried at \$12,000 or less. Add \$1.00 for EACH \$1,000 ABOVE \$12,000. (No ceiling.)
- _____ **Retirees', students', trustees' membership.** \$8.00 per year.
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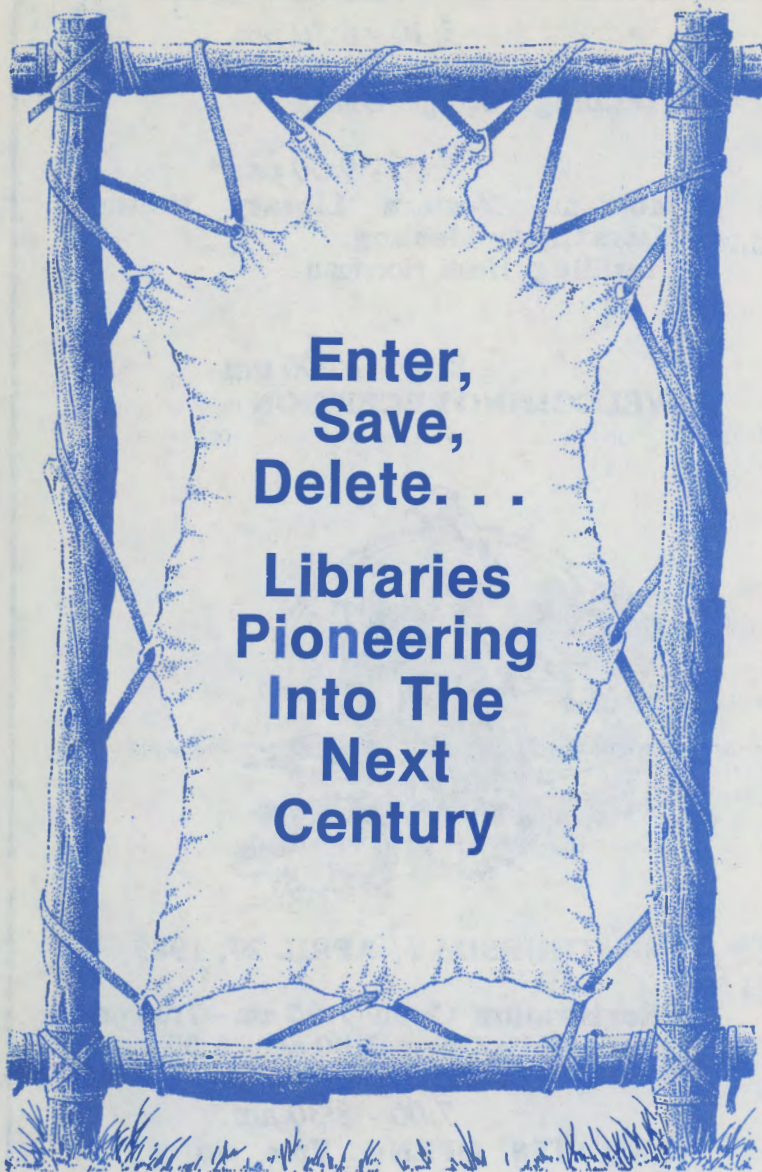
(It is important that you indicate section preferences if you would like to vote for section officers.)

I am interested in serving on _____ Committee(s) of the Mountain Plains Library Association (this preference will be passed along to the incoming President of MPLA for next year's committee appointments).

Please mail to: Joseph R. Edelen, Jr.
MPLA Executive Secretary
c/o I.D. Weeks Library
University of South Dakota
Vermillion, SD 57069

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**1989
Joint
Conference**

**Mountain Plains
Library Association**

**Montana Library
Association**

**Billings, MT
April 26-29**

PRECONFERENCE DAY

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 1989
Registration Open 8:00 am - 8:00 pm**

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Humanities Programs for Libraries

Speakers: Margaret Kingsland, Montana Committee for the Humanities; and Tom Phelps, National Endowment for the Humanities

Sponsor: MPLA

This program will inform participants about the variety of programs available from the National Endowment for the Humanities and state Humanities Councils. Exemplary library programs will be highlighted and grant writing for the humanities will be covered in detail.

Target Audience: general

Fee: \$25 (includes lunch)

9:00 am - 5:00 pm

**Make Yourself Memorable:
Communication with Style and Skill**

Speaker: Kare Anderson, expert on communication, persuasion and influence strategies

Sponsor: MLA

Learn a successful approach to strengthening your most powerful natural communication style, both in the words you use and the unspoken talk of your body language. Make an impression that is positive and long lasting.

Target Audience: general

Fee: \$45 (includes lunch)

Fund Raising for Libraries

Speaker: Albert Milano, Senior VP, C.W. Shaver & Co., Inc., New York, former Managing Director of the Cleveland Play House, former Development Director for the NYPL

Sponsor: MPLA

Will include direct solicitation, mail solicitation, structure of fund raising committee, major donor solicitation, solicitation techniques.

Target Audience: Administrators and trustees

Fee: \$ 85-- MLA or MPLA members
\$110-- ALA members (not MLA-MPLA)
\$135-- non-members
(fee includes lunch)

Census Information for Libraries

Speaker: Jerry O'Donnell, U.S. Bureau of the Census, Lakewood, Colorado

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee

This workshop is designed to provide basic and fundamental information necessary for using, locating and understanding data from the largest statistical information agency in the world--the U.S. Bureau of the Census. Through exercises and discussions, the participants will improve their skills in answering their patrons' requests for population and economic data.

Target Audience: Reference and public service librarians

Fee: \$25 (includes lunch)

Public Services under Pressure: Improving the Response

Speakers: Anne G. Lipow, Library Education Officer, and Suzanne Gallup, Head of Cooperative Services, University of California, Berkeley

Sponsor: Montana ACRL Chapter

Learn principles and techniques of providing consistent high-quality, professional service, regardless of the patron's personality or the staff member's mood of the moment.

Target Audience: Library staff working directly with patrons: reference, circulation, information, referral services.

Fee: \$35 (includes lunch)

Montana Library Services Advisory Council meeting

Presiding: Rita Schmidt

5:00 - 8:30 pm

MPLA Board meeting

Presiding: Jerry Kaup

5:30 - 8:30 pm

MLA Executive Board meeting

Presiding: Georgia Lomax

7:00 - 9:00 pm

Montana Western Library Network Users Group Meeting

Presiding: Heidi Hoerman

8:30 - 10:00 pm

WELCOMING RECEPTION



THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 1989

Registration Open 7:00 am - 7:00 pm

Exhibits Open 7:00 am - 6:00 pm

7:00 - 8:30 am

EXHIBITS OPEN-- Free coffee and danish

MLA Academic & Special Libraries Division meeting

Presiding: David Girshick

MLA School Library Media Division meeting

Presiding: Dale R. Alger

MLA Government Documents Interest Group meeting

Presiding: Nancy Dahy

7:30 - 8:30 am

MPLA Technical Services Section and Discussion Group

Presiding: Patricia A. Eskoz

Business meeting, followed by an informal discussion: "Facing Change: don't be dragged kicking and screaming into the 21st century."

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Availability

In Print: Eighteen monthly and semi-monthly issues with quarterly cumulations; annual cumulative volume. Retrospective coverage from 1900 to date; annual subscription: \$140 U.S. and Canada, \$155 other countries.

Online & CD-ROM: Coverage from 1/83. CD-ROM annual subscription \$1,095.

Abridged Readers' Guide to Periodical Literature

Ideal for smaller libraries, *Abridged Readers' Guide* indexes sixty of the most popular general interest magazines covered by the unabridged *Readers' Guide*. Subscribers receive exactly the same timely, thorough indexing and convenient format provided by the unabridged version, at about half the price.

Availability

In Print: Nine monthly issues with three cumulations; annual cumulative volume. Retrospective coverage from 1960 to date; annual subscription: \$70 U.S. and Canada, \$80 other countries.

Online & CD-ROM: Coverage from 1/83. CD-ROM annual subscription \$1095.

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Available in both microfiche and print versions, as well as online and on CD-ROM, *Readers' Guide Abstracts* allows readers to decide at a glance whether the full text of an indexed article will meet their needs. Conveying the tone and content of an article indexed in *Readers' Guide*, the *RGA* helps researchers pinpoint information directly from the abstracts. The microfiche version of *RGA* is typeset to replicate the printed *Readers' Guide*, with row and column headings, bold face and italic type, making it easier to read than the computer print-out type style of comparable services.

Availability

On Microfiche: Eight cumulated issues (each issue contains at least one year of coverage, each annual volume contains two full years of coverage); durable display/storage kit supplied with each volume; each issue arrives shrink-wrapped and already filled with alphabetical dividers; 48X magnification; retrospective coverage from 9/84 to date; annual subscription: \$675 U.S. & Canada, \$750 other countries.

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Attendees are invited to share their own experiences and brainstorm on effective ways to handle change.

MLA Public Library Division meeting

Presiding: June Phillips

Business meeting, followed by an Internal Revenue Service presentation on the use of tax forms, with time for discussion of the problems of tax forms in libraries.

8:00 - 8:30 am

MPLA Preservation Section meeting

Presiding: Martha Hanscom

MPLA Junior Members Roundtable meeting

Presiding: Nancy Deyoe

8:30 - 9:30 am

OPENING GENERAL SESSION

Presiding: Jerry Kaup, MPLA President, & Georgia Lomax, MLA President

Welcome to Billings

Introduction of Exhibitors

Keynote Speaker: Kare Anderson

9:30 - 10:30 am

EXHIBITS TIME

10:30 - 12:00 noon

Taking Charge of Your Time and Your Life



Dimich

Speaker: Jean Dimich of Boyer and Dimich Associates, Billings, career consultant

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee
Juggling multiple roles while maintaining a sense of self is an often overwhelming task. In this workshop, you will learn how to turn procrastination into prioritization, identify major obstacles to time management and how to overcome them. A simple, foolproof three-step method of daily goal setting will be introduced.
Target Audience: general

Library Automation Round Table

Sponsor: MLA Academic & Special Libraries Division, MPLA Technical Services Section
Library software systems for small or special libraries will be discussed in this vendor forum.
Target Audience: Staff from small or special libraries, or anyone contemplating automation

Reorganization in Academic Libraries: Grand Design or Illusions of Progress?

Speakers: John Beecher, Director of Libraries at North Dakota State University, and Robert Migneault, Dean of Library Services at University of New Mexico

Sponsor: MPLA Academic Section

Two library administrators discuss the philosophy, planning and implementation of recent reorganization in their libraries.

Target Audience: Academic librarians

Young Adult Programs

Speakers: Bettye DeBruyne Ammon and Gale W. Sherman, Pocatello Public Library

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee

A presentation of library programs designed to meet the needs of today's teen. Topics will include a baby sitting clinic, teen parent outreach, and book talking festivals.

Target Audience: School and children's librarians

Humor for the Health of It



Weldon

Speakers: Dr. Fred Weldon, Director of the Counseling Center, University of Montana

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee

Humor has a positive influence on the state of your health. Learn some helpful and healthful ways for taking your job seriously and yourself lightly.

Target Audience: all

The Basics of Video Librarianship, or Could I Have Two Aspirin, Please?

Speaker: Randy Pitman, editor of *Video Librarian*, video coordinator for the Kitsap Regional Library, Bremerton, WA

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee
This workshop will focus on the nuts and bolts



WELCOME TO BILLINGS

Montana's largest city blends western hospitality with modern facilities. The center of recreational paradise, Billings offers quick access to the best trout fishing streams in the country, golfing on championship 18 hole courses, backpacking, or soaring the beautiful big sky in a hot air balloon ride.

TRANSPORTATION

Billings Logan International Airport is located 5 minutes north of downtown Billings and is served by United, Northwest, Delta, Continental, Northwest AirlinK and Skywest. Billings is also served by three bus lines. While visiting the city enjoy a elegant touch of the Old West with a ride in the Red Velvet Carriage. This authentic horse and carriage ride adds western flavor to sight seeing around Billings.

Several car rental agencies are available:

Thrifty Car Rental
Airport Road
1144 N. 27 th
Telephone: 800-367-2277

American International
Courtesy Phone #14 in
baggage claim area at airport
Telephone: 800-527-0202

Avis Rent-a-car
Billings Logan Field
Telephone: 800-331-1212

Hertz
2924 1st Ave. N.
& at the Airport
Telephone: 800-654-3131

Big Sky Car Rental
1046 N. 27th
Telephone: 406-252-2992

DINING

First class restaurants offer a variety of dining choices. If it is Greek, Chinese, Mexican, Japanese, Italian or just a good prime rib or steak, Billings has it. There are several excellent restaurants within walking distance of the convention site. La Toque features elegant French cuisine in a casual atmosphere, view Yellowstone Valley and the Beartooth mountains from atop the Sheraton in the Lucky Diamond where the prime rib is the best in the country, enjoy flaming tableside dishes and elegant desserts in the beautiful Golden Belle at the Radisson Northern. The Rex features fresh seafood, steak and prime rib. Jakes, across from the Sheraton, offers excellent dining, and Casey's on Broadway features cajun food plus Blues and Jazz music. In addition, there are many other fine dining and entertainment spots located around the city.

ENTERTAINMENT

Classical, jazz and country music, dancing, dinner theater are available in the city. Three dinner theaters provide entertainment each week-end. Musical Comedy, variety and western are some of the plays offered. Calamity Jane's, Stage Right, and der Schwartzwald offer fun for everyone. Yellowstone Art Center shows the depth and diversity of both contemporary and historic art from the region. The Western Heritage Center, The Moss Mansion present interesting history in the area.

SHOPPING

Billings offers a wide variety of stores. Hart-Albins, The Cricket & Market Square all are located within walking distance of the convention center. Buffalo Chips Indian Trading Post, on South 24th across from Rimrock Mall, features Indian arts and gifts. At Accent on Montana, 1940 Grand Ave., you will find Montana hand crafted items.

Other motels near the convention area:

Best Western Ponderosa Inn
2511 1st Ave. North 259-5511

Imperial 400
2601 4th Ave. N.
245-6646

Dude Rancher Lodge
415 N. 29th 259-5561

The Billings Inn
880 N. 29th 252-6800

Cherry Tree Inn
823 N. Broadway 252-5603

PJ's Bed & Breakfast
722 N. 29th 259-3300



Pittman

of video librarianship, including selecting, processing, circulation, and repairing videocassettes. In addition, some of the more pressing issues in video librarianship will be covered, such as whether or not to charge, access by minors, and public performance.

Target Audience: Public library directors, media specialists, trustees

The Center for the Book: National and State Efforts



Cole

Speaker: John Cole, Director, Center for the Book, Library of Congress

Sponsor: MPLA Public Library /Trustee Section
The program will describe the efforts and programs of the Library of Congress's Center for the Book and the Centers for the Book of the MPLA states. Information on setting up a state center will be included.

Target Audience: all

12:00 - 1:30 pm

ACADEMIC LUNCHEON



Boone

Speaker: Rebecca A. Boone, Assistant Dean of College of Arts and Sciences, University of Arizona

The Library's Role in the Curricular Process

The challenges and opportunities for libraries from the perspective of a campus administrator and former librarian.

BUFFET LUNCHEON - TACO BAR
Lunch in the exhibit area

1:30 - 3:00 pm

Cemeteries: Digging up the Past

Speakers: Paulette Parpart, Missoula Public Library

Sponsor: MLA Indexing Special Interest Group and MLA Continuing Education Committee

A workshop for field techniques and gathering data from local sources, such as cemeteries, mortuaries, and newspapers. Don't bury the data that is gathered! Build an index (card or computer).

Target Audience: Public librarians or others interested in using local historical data.

Creative Problem Solving: Conflict Resolution



Quinn-Campbell

Speaker: Dr. Kathleen Quinn-Campbell, management consultant, Billings

Sponsor: MLA Academic & Special Library Division

Learn to be a more effective problem solver by recognizing problems when and where they exist, generate and evaluate possible solutions and monitor future problems.

Target Audience: all

Comic Books as a Unique Part of our Culture



Coats

Speaker: Daryl Coats, Assistant Professor of

English, Northwest Community College, Powell, WY

Sponsor: MPLA Public Library / Trustee Section

An entertaining program on comics as a unique form of literature and the effect they have had on society.

Target Audience: all

Automated Library Networks in the Dakotas

Speakers: Jane Kolbe, State Librarian of South Dakota; Ethelle Bean, Dakota State College; Frank Slater, University of North Dakota Library; and Dale Vetter, University of North Dakota Computer Center

Sponsor: MPLA Academic Section

South Dakota and North Dakota share a common vendor (UNISYS), but have followed different paths in developing multitype library networks.

Target Audience: all

Illiteracy: the Hidden Disability and How Libraries Can Help

Speaker: Chloe Fessler, coordinator of Literacy Volunteers of America, Missoula, MT

Sponsor: Montana State Library

An overview of the illiteracy problem, how it affects individuals and communities, and how libraries can get involved in promoting adult literacy.

Target Audience: all

1:30 - 5:00 pm

Asking Questions - Guiding Student Learning



Yoder

Speaker: Dr. Nancy Yoder, Director, Education Intervention Associates

Sponsor: MLA School Library Media Division Librarians and teachers answer questions. To do that, though, they also have to ask questions. In this workshop, participants will examine and practice the art of questioning.

Target Audience: School librarians

Grant Writing Strategies: Proposal Planning, Proposal Writing, and the Search for Funds

Speakers: Megan Fite, community college technical writing instructor; Kathy Moolohan, grant writer, Montana Office of Public Instruction

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee Planning and writing a proposal using the format adopted by many government agencies and private foundations. Power words--a strategy for success.

Target Audience: all

3:30 - 5:00 pm

Staying Afloat in a Sea of Change

Speaker: Jean Dimich of Boyer and Dimich Associates, Billings, career consultant

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee

We're living in a time of accelerating change--and if you think it's going to let up, you're kidding yourself. In this workshop you will learn basic "how to's" for developing the important survival skills of flexibility, adaptability, creativity, and the ability to live with ambiguity and uncertainty.

Target Audience: all

Dealing with Difficult People

Speaker: Dr. Fred Weldon, University of Montana

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee Methods for resolving complaints and defusing anger.

Target Audience: all

Collection Development Concepts and Issues



Bushing

Speaker: Mary C. Bushing, Montana State Library

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee Discussion of the concepts and issues associated with collection development as compared to the traditional concepts of selection and weeding.

Target Audience: Librarians, staff, trustees

Information Power: Overview and Implementation

Speaker: Dr. Janis H. Bruwelheide, Montana State University

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee
An overview of the new AASL/AECT school library media center guidelines with strategies and planning for implementation.

Target Audience: School library media specialists

Pulling Together : Public Library / School Library Cooperation

Speakers: Bettye DeBruyne Ammon & Gale W. Sherman, Pocatello Public Library

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee
Cooperative efforts between public and school libraries have a positive impact on library use. Successful cooperative events will be discussed.

Target Audience: School and public librarians

Library tours

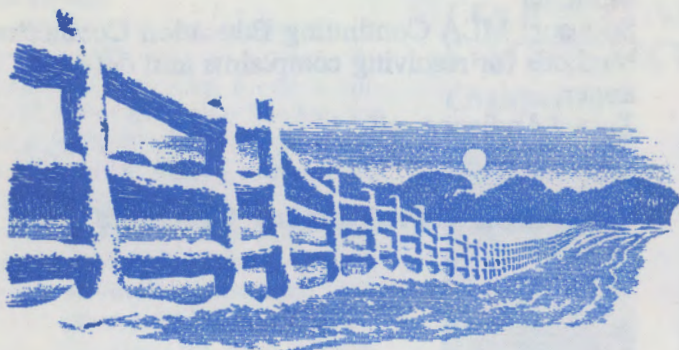
Tours of two Billings libraries--Rocky Mountain College and Eastern Montana College

5:00 - 6:00 pm

CHAMPAGNE RECEPTION WITH EXHIBITORS

7:00 - 9:00 pm

ALA DINNER



FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 1989

Registration Open 7:00 am - 5:00 pm
Exhibits Open 7:00 am - 3:30 pm

7:00 - 8:30 am

EXHIBITS OPEN--free coffee and muffins

MLA Trustees & Friends Division meeting

Presiding: Louise Nieskens

MLA Library Development Committee meeting

Presiding: Carol Brett

MLA Services to Children and Youth Interest Group meeting

Presiding: Cora Austin

7:30 - 8:30 am

MPLA Academic Section meeting

Presiding: Doug Birdsall

MLA Intellectual Freedom Committee meeting

Presiding: Janet Nickoloff

Interlibrary Loan Update and Discussion

Speaker: Virginia Boucher, Head, Interlibrary Cooperation, University of Colorado

Sponsor: MPLA ILL Interest Group

Target Audience: Interlibrary loan personnel

8:30 - 9:15 am

MPLA BUSINESS MEETING

Presiding: Jerry Kaup

9:15 - 10:00 am

MLA BUSINESS MEETING

Presiding: Georgia Lomax

10:00 - 10:30 am

EXHIBITS TIME

9:00 - 4:30 pm

Working with Boards...Enhancing Board Effectiveness

Speakers: Barbara J. Bader and Steven Carr, Community Systems, Bozeman, MT

Sponsor: MLA Trustee Division and MPLA State Agency Committee

A one day special session for trustees and library staff who work with boards. This nationally acclaimed program addresses major issues in board development and suggests specific strategies for helping boards improve their effectiveness.

Target Audience: Trustees and public librarians (limited to 40 people)

10:30 - 12:00 noon

Regional Certification and Accreditation Panel Discussion

Speakers: Representatives from as many of the MPLA states as possible

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee

Target Audience: School libraries

MPLA Academic Section's Research Forum

Sponsor: MPLA Academic Section

Target Audience: Academic libraries and others

Preservation Workshop

Speaker: Diana Oedekoven

Sponsor: MPLA Preservation Interest Group

Bibliographic Instruction and Computers: CD-ROM Databases and the Macintosh

Speakers: Kathleen A. Hall, Eastern Montana College and Parmly Billings Library; Bunny Morrison, Skyview High School; Todd Miller, Information Access Company

Sponsor: MLA Academic & Special Libraries Division

Bibliographic instruction on CD-ROM subject databases in an academic library, teaching high school students to use a compact-disc catalog, computer games on bibliographic instruction on the Macintosh, industry's point of view in bibliographic decisions on databases.

Target Audience: all

Collection Assessment and its Applications



Forcier



MacLean



Powell

Speakers: Peggy Cummings Forcier, Pacific Northwest Conspectus Database Project

Director: Barbara MacLean, Z.J. Loussac Public Library, Anchorage, AK; Nancy Powell, Oregon State University Library

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee
Panel discussion on collection assessment, especially as it has developed in the Northwest; ideas on the use of assessment data; the value of collection assessment.

Target Audience: all

1989 Montana Legislative Session



Schlesinger

Speaker: Debbie Schlesinger, Director, Lewis & Clark Public Library, Helena, MT

Sponsor: MLA Legislative Committee

An analysis of the 1989 Montana Legislative session: successes, failures, what happened and why.

Target Audience: all

Library Displays for a State Centennial

Speaker: Kathleen Olson, Missoula, MT

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee

Target Audience: Public, academic & school librarians

Montana Friends of the Library business meeting

Presiding: Pat Palagi

(To be held at Parmly Billings Library)

10:30 - 12:00, 1:30 - 3:00 pm

The Book and Media Connection



Weiss

Speaker: Dr. Jerry Weiss, distinguished service professor at Jersey City State College

Sponsor: MPLA Children's/School Section

New books and videos and how to use these materials to entice young people to read.

Target Audience: School and children's librarians

12:00 - 1:30 pm

MLA / MPLA AWARDS LUNCHEON

Presiding: Helen Higby and Arlis Bidwell

1:30 - 3:00 pm

Book Selection and Censorship

Speakers: Bettye DeBruyne Ammon and Gale W. Sherman, Pocatello Public Library

Sponsor: MPLA Intellectual Freedom Committee and MLA Continuing Education Committee

Using recognized book selection tools to build a collection without restricting intellectual freedom or access to materials.

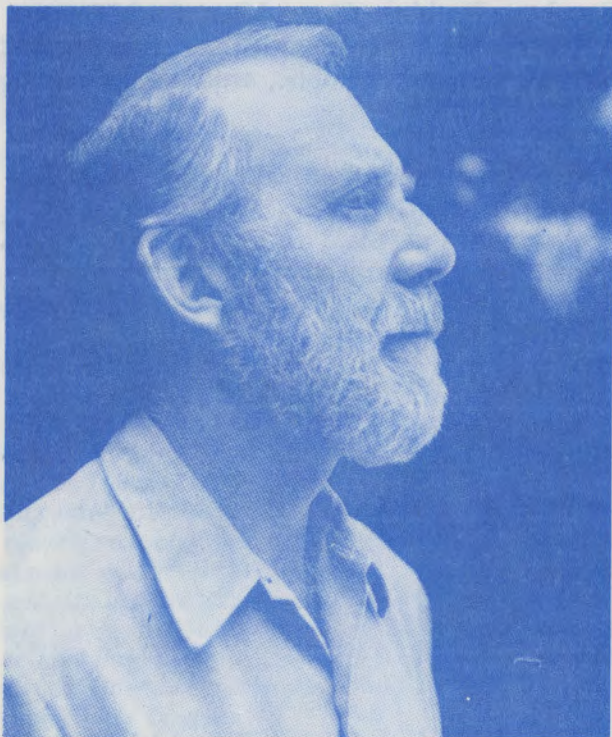
Target Audience: School and children's librarians

Montana Fax Project

Speakers: Lucille Gordon, Hamilton Public Library, Montana and Florence Kettering, Lewistown Public Library

Discussion of problems, fees and concerns for the libraries who won Faxnet grants, and other public library fax users.

Target Audience: Public librarians and other telefax users



Doig

Voices a Writer Hears in the Library

Speaker: Ivan Doig, fiction and nonfiction author.

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee
Ivan Doig will talk about his use of libraries in the U.S. and the British Isles, and how the library materials he has used have ended up in his books.

Target Audience: all

Information Needs and the Business Community

Speakers: Joan B. Fiscella, Head of Business Relations, Auraria Library; Helen B. Josephine, Information Manager, FIRST, Arizona State University; and Raelene Williard, Information Broker, Information Now, Butte, MT

Sponsor: MPLA Academic Section

It's information that greases the wheels of commerce, and libraries and librarians have responded in a variety of ways. This panel discussion showcases individuals who are involved with programs that serve the business community.

Target Audience: Academic, public and special librarians

1:30 - 5:00 pm

Library Construction: Preventing and Dealing with Problems, an Architectural and Legal Perspective



Hunkins



Richardson

Speakers: Ray Hunkins, attorney, Jones, Jones, Vines & Hunkins; Ken Richardson, architect, Dehnert-Richardson Assoc.

Sponsor: MPLA Public Library/Trustee Section
Measures that can be taken to prepare or minimize construction problems.

Target Audience: All libraries with construction projects

Managing Meetings



Ezell

Speaker: Charlaine Ezell, independent

consultant on public speaking, public relations and library marketing

Sponsor: MPLA Junior Members Roundtable and MLA Continuing Education Committee
Learn about setting agendas, seating techniques, roles of a meeting leader, and small group facilitation techniques that will make your meetings work.

Target Audience: all

3:00 - 3:15 pm

**MPLA Children's / School Section
business meeting**
Presiding: Marilyn Grosshans

3:30 - 5:00 pm

Pioneering Curriculum in Montana



Lott & Curdy

Speakers: Dr. Carolyn Lott, school librarian, and Gloria Curdy

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee
The recursive steps to a successful curriculum review for library media centers and a continual in-service program for librarians will be described. Come with your program in mind to evaluate and critique.

Target Audience: Library media specialists and administrators

**Don't Plan For Yesterday;
Telecommunications for Education and
Information**



Knapp

Speaker: Stuart E. Knapp, Montana State University

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee
Overview of current and projected activity in telecommunications in Montana and the MPLA region.

Target Audience: Library administrators and others interested in telecommunications

A Storyteller's Safari



McNeil McQuarie

Speaker: Heather McNeil McQuarie

Sponsor: MPLA Public Library / Trustee Section
In February 1987 and July 1988 professional storyteller Heather McNeil McQuarie travelled to Kenya to collect stories from 10 different East African tribes. Her multimedia program about this unique safari combines slides, music, and storytelling to take her audience into the savannah and villages of Kenya.

Target Audience: School and children's librarians.

**Activities Occurring in the States with
the Help of or In Spite of the Regional
and/or State Libraries**

Speakers: People from state libraries

Sponsor: Montana State Library

This will be a roll call of the MPLA states to hear success stories of activities within state regional systems or statewide. It will be followed by a brief business meeting of the MPLA State Agency / Cooperatives Section.

Target Audience: all

**Collection Development Policies: Why,
What & How**

Speaker: Mary C. Bushing, Montana State Library

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee
The rationale, the components and the process of preparing a collection development policy.

Target Audience: all

**MLA Health Sciences Interest Group
meeting**

Presiding: Koy Sheets

(At St. Vincent Hospital Library, dinner following at a local restaurant)

Library Tours

Tours of two Billings libraries -- Skyview High School and Parmly Billings Library

5:30 - 6:30 pm

RECEPTION AT PARMLY
BILLINGS LIBRARY

8:30 pm



M.L. & B.C.

ENTERTAINMENT: Montana Logging and Ballet Company

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 1989

Registration Open 8:00 - 11:00 am

7:00 - 8:30 am

MLA Executive Board Meeting
Presiding: Georgia Lomax

MPLA Board Meeting
Presiding: Jerry Kaup

9:00 - 11:00 am

MLA Bookmobile Interest Group meeting
Presiding: Gloria Langstaff

9:00 - 12:00 noon

Get Set, Get Ready, Go! Children's Program

Speakers: Cora Austin, Children's Librarian, Lewistown Public Library, and Gaye Walters, Children's Librarian, Parmly Billings Library, Billings, Montana

Sponsor: MLA Continuing Education Committee

Preparing and presenting programs for children

and reference services for children. This workshop will cover storytelling, programs of various types and getting started.

Target Audience: Public and school librarians
Fee: \$15

What's It all about ? An update of AACR2 1/2 Cataloging



Peterson



Saylor

Speakers: Elaine Peterson, head catalog librarian, Gonzaga University; and Louise Saylor, Eastern Washington University

Sponsor: Montana ACRL Chapter

An overview of the changes of AACR2 Revised with a question and answer session. Includes AACR2 updates as they affect the cataloging code, format integration, choice of access points, form of access points and descriptive cataloging.

Target Audience: catalogers

Fee: \$10

9:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Reading the Water/Flailing the Line:

A Librarian's Excursion into the World of Fly Casting & Fishing Bibliography

Speakers: Curt Collins, fishing guide, Billings, MT & Jim Dertien, MPLA Newsletter editor.

Spend the day learning a little about the literature and media of fly fishing and learning a lot more about fly fishing gear and how to cast a fly. You will have an opportunity to enjoy Montana outdoors, with a trip to the nearby Yellowstone. A one-day fishing license is provided. No experience or equipment required, however, if you own fly fishing tackle, please bring it.

Target Audience: Anyone yearning to learn fly fishing, or wishing to learn to talk fly fishing (to impress customers).

Fee: \$40 (includes lunch & fishing permit).

9:00 - 5:00 pm

Going it Alone: Managing the One Person Library

Speaker: Guy St. Clair, author, lecturer and consultant on one person libraries.

Sponsor: MLA Health Sciences Interest Group and Special Libraries Association

For the manager of a one person or small staff library involved in unique management challenges. Offers a day of lecture, case-study, and group exercises on: 1) work sharing, use of volunteers, status and stereotyping, 2) line of authority and role of management, 3) relationships with library board or committee, management staff and library users, 4) budgeting, planning and fiscal responsibility, 5) public relations, promotion and entrepreneurship.

Target Audience: Librarians from small or special libraries

Fee: \$85 (includes lunch) Earn .6 CEU from SLA

11:30 - 5:00 pm

Montana State Library Commission meeting

Presiding: Mary Hudspeth

12:00 - 1:30 pm

MLA Continuing Education Committee meeting

Presiding: Marilyn R. LeBlond

PROGRAM CHAIRS:

MPLA Jerry Kaup
Minot Public Library
Minot, ND

MLA Karen Hatcher
University of Montana
Missoula, MT

LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS:

Jane Howell
Eastern Montana College
Billings, MT

Bunny Morrison
Skyview High School
Billings, MT

TREASURER:

Thurman Smith
Parmly Billings Library
Billings, MT

EXHIBITS:

Ed Neroda
Eastern Montana College
Billings, MT

**ADDED WORKSHOP: Thursday,
1:30 - 3:00 pm**

A Tour of Libraries in China: an International Professional Development Grant Project

Speaker: Elnora Mercado, Head of Cataloging Department, Auraria Library, Denver

Sponsor: MPLA Professional Development Committee

A visual tour of libraries in China by the winner of the MPLA international grant.

Program Highlights

Preconference Day



Phelps

Participants will learn what constitutes a humanities program, how to write grand proposals, and how to properly plan and make use of available local and state resources in the humanities.

Thomas Phelps is the Senior Program Officer for Humanities Projects in the Libraries and Archives Program. Before coming to the Endowment, he was the Deputy Director at the Salt Lake City Public Library. He was instrumental in implementation of the Independent Study and Guidance project at the Salt Lake Library with support from the National Endowment. He has, over the last eight years, been involved with over 300 adult programs through libraries or archives and other cultural institutions throughout the United States. He is a past member of the Mountain Plains Library Association.



Kingsland

Humanities Programming for Libraries

Thomas Phelps, Assistant Director of the Division of General Programs at the National Endowment for the Humanities, and Margaret Kingsland, Executive Director of the Montana Committee for the Humanities, will present a preconference on "Humanities Programming in Libraries."

The program will focus on writing quality grant requests, model programming within the MPLA region, a review of NEH programs, budgeting, criteria to be used in evaluating proposals, and project implementation considerations.



Anderson

Make Yourself Memorable

Kare Anderson is our keynote speaker and the presenter for the preconference, "Make Yourself Memorable: Communication with Style and Skill."

Kare is the author of two books: *Make Yourself Memorable* and *Cutting Deals with Unlikely Allies*. She has received extensive media coverage for both works, as well as an Emmy Award for her series of televised political com-

mentaries on KRON-TV in San Francisco.

Kare's training in journalism and political science prepared her to win a prestigious Coro Fellowship for the study of public affairs. She went on to work as UPI's first full-time woman reporter in Western Europe, winning awards from the French newspaper *Le Mond* for her reporting. She was also a Fellow with the *Wall Street Journal*.

A Phi Beta Kappa graduate from the University of Oregon and Stanford University, she earned a Masters in Urban Planning from Occidental College and a Certificate of Economics for Practicing Journalists from the London School of Economics.

Kare Anderson is an internationally known keynote speaker and seminar leader. She is an expert in communication, persuasion and influence strategies for everyday life. Anderson conveys her message in a fast-paced and wittily irreverent style. Anderson has given keynote speeches and in-house seminars for eight years to over 1,000 companies and organizations. Her techniques are used by groups as diverse as IBM, TRW, The Sierra Club, The American Council of Bishops, and the Dallas Cowboys.

Fund Raising for Libraries

Albert C. Milano, Senior Vice President of C.W. Shaver & Company, Inc., New York City, will present the Fund Raising for Libraries Preconference. Mr. Milano conducts feasibility and management studies and direct capital campaigns for this leading national non-profit management consultant and development consulting firm.

He has extensive experience in capital campaign, major gift and direct-response fund raising, and organizational and facilities management. In addition he has experience in marketing, finance, public relations, management consulting and public speaking.

Mr. Milano has been highly successful in fund raising throughout his professional career: Managing Director of the Cleveland Playhouse, General Manager of the Dallas Theater Center, Managing Director of the Dallas Orchestra, and Director of Development for the New York Public Library.

Fund Raising for Libraries will increase the awareness of librarians, trustees and friends to the benefits and techniques of private sector fund raising. Participants will examine potential sources of income including major gifts from foundations and corporations; learn how to prepare a fund raising plan, identifying potential donors; explore major fund raising approaches; and critique existing plans and analyze direct mail. Time will be allowed for questions and answer periods.

Samples of library fund raising literature will be critiqued by Milano, and participants will receive copies of the literature to study when they return to their respective institutions.

A minimum audience of 50 registrants is needed. The target audience is administrators, development officers, trustees, friends and managers from all types of libraries who are contemplating or conducting a fund raising program. This preconference is for participants from small, medium and large libraries; public, academic and special libraries; and for both novice and experience persons.

Testimonial: "I have attended three preconferences presented by Al Milano and each time I have learned more about fund raising and new approaches to raising funds. The practical information on fund raising provided by Mr. Milano helped make our capital fund drive a big success." —Jerry Kaup

Samples Needed

Sample copies of fund raising letters, plans, solicitation forms and related fund raising materials are needed for this preconference. Send your material to: Jerry Kaup, Minot Public Library, 516 2nd Avenue SW, Minot, ND 58701. Send 50 copies if you can spare them. Mr. Milano will critique these samples for the benefit of all participants.

Census Information for Libraries

Presented by Jerry O'Donnell, U.S. Bureau of the Census, this workshop is designed to provide basic and fundamental information necessary for



O'Donnell

understanding, locating, and using data from the largest statistical information agency in the world — the U.S. Bureau of the Census. Through exercises and discussions the participants will improve their skills in answering their patrons request for population and economic data.

Mr. O'Donnell has had twenty years of experience designing data products and information materials for the public, co-authored the *Census Users' Guide*, and has written numerous chapters on accessing public data in such publications as the *U.S. Industrial Outlook*, the *U.S. Chamber of Commerce Research Book*, and the *Statistical Abstract of the U.S.*

Public Service Under Pressure

This one-day workshop deals with the problem endemic to public service: the difficult encounter between library staff and patron that results in an unsatisfactory outcome. The intended audience is library staff who work directly with patrons — in reference, circulation, information, referral services — and supervisors of public service staff.

The workshop seeks to teach principals and techniques of providing consistent high-quality "professional" service, regardless of the patron's personality or the staff member's mood of the moment; to reduce the level of stress experienced by staff in public service who deal with a wide and unpredictable range of patron needs, personalities, and circumstances; and to understand the importance of co-workers, supervisors, and managers working as a team to improve the library's ability to provide consistent quality service.

Working in small groups and large,

participants discuss and practice dealing with a variety of situations, using examples from our day-to-day experiences (for example, the pushy patron or the VIP who refuses to accept a library policy); or the bizarre-appearing patron; dealing with a tough reference problem under adverse conditions, such as long lines, closing time; communicating with a hard-to-understand patron — and more. The limits of professional conduct will be explored with questions such as "When is it OK to get angry at the patron?" "Do I have to take abuse from the patron?" Participants will begin planning follow-up activity to achieve both momentary and long-term relief from problems they choose to work on, using the techniques and ideas of the workshop. NOTE: This workshop does NOT deal with the mentally disturbed patron.



Lipow



Gallup

Presentors are Anne Lipow and Susan Gallup from the University of California, Berkeley. An ACRL grant provides a major part of the support for this workshop.

Humor for the Health of It

Presented by Dr. Fred Weldon, Director of the Counseling Center, University of Montana, this workshop is designed for those of us needing to take our job seriously and ourselves lightly. Humor and health play a dual role in living, working, and being well. Participants will be provided with ample opportunities for bringing humor, health, and creativity into focus. Such a workshop can offer the gift of self-renewal and a wonderful excuse to better celebrate life.

Basics of Video Librarianship, or Could I have Two Aspirin, Please?

Randy Pittman is the Editor of *Video Librarian*, a columnist for *Wilson Library Bulletin*, and Video Coordinator for the Kitsap Regional Library in Bremerton, Washington. He recently wrote the screen play for ALA's *The Librarian's Video Primer*.

This workshop will focus on the nuts and bolts of video librarianship, including selecting, processing, circulating, and repairing videocassettes. Emphasis will be on the practical aspects of running a video department. In addition, some of the more pressing issues in video librarianship will be covered, such as whether or not to charge, access by minors, and public performance. Plenty of time will be allotted for questions.

Center for the Book

Presenting a program on national and state efforts to set up Centers for the Book will be John Y. Cole, who became in 1977 the first director of the Center for the Book at the Library of Congress. The Center at the Library of Congress exists to promote books and reading, and to encourage the study of books.

Dr. Cole is a graduate of the University of Washington, the Johns Hopkins University, and the George Washington University, where he received a Ph.D. in American Civilization in 1971.

He has published three books and many articles about the history of the Library of Congress and the role of

books, reading, and libraries in our society. In addition, he has edited ten publications for the Center for the Book, the most recent being *Books in Our Future: Perspectives and Proposals*.

Library's Role in the Curricular Process

Rebecca A. Boone has been Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, University of Arizona, since 1984. She is presenting a talk on the challenges and opportunities for libraries from the perspective of a campus administrator and former librarian. She is currently on a one-year leave to be Administrative Intern with the Arizona Board of Regents.

Her library background includes six years as a reference librarian at Princeton University and Head of the Central Reference Department at the University of Arizona Library from 1976-1983. Ms. Boone is part president of ALA's Reference and Adult Services Division and is currently serving on the Division's Board of Directors. She was elected to a term as ALA Councilor in 1988.

Comic Books as a Unique Part of Our Culture

Daryl Coats, Assistant Professor of English, Northwest Community College, Powell, Wyoming, provides an entertaining program on comics and the effect they have had on society.

He has his Ph.D. from the University of Mississippi, with teaching experience at the University of Southern Mississippi, the University of Mississippi, and Northwest Mississippi Community College. He is professionally interested in Victorian literature; popular culture (especially in the areas of comics and horror); gothicism; film studies; history and development of the English language; Colonial American literature.

Illiteracy: the Hidden Disability and How Libraries Can Help

Chloe Fessler, Missoula Public Library, is Coordinator, Literacy Volunteers of America-Missoula, and

Literacy Project Coordinator for the Montana State Library.

Presented will be an overview of the illiteracy problem, how it affects individuals and communities, and how libraries can get involved in promoting adult literacy. The workshop will include a video presentation which will discuss illiteracy from an adult illiterate's perspective; information on what libraries are currently doing to address the problem; and information and discussion on how libraries can become involved in helping to alleviate the problem. Discussion will include how to start a library or community-based literacy group as well as ways libraries can contribute without starting or providing literacy-tutoring services.

Asking Questions/Guiding Student Learning

Dr. Nancy Yoder is Director of Intervention Associates in Decatur, Georgia. She has broad experience in professional education, having taught English and education for four-year colleges and community colleges, English and reading in traditional public secondary schools, a private girls' school, a remedial center, and an Indian contract school. Dr. Yoder has been asking questions since she was old enough to talk. Librarians and teachers answer questions. To do that, though, they also have to ask questions. What kinds of questions they ask — and when, and how, and why — powerfully affect what students learn. In this workshop participants will examine and practice aspects of the art of questioning. What do you want your students to learn? Then what do you need to ask them?

Grantwriting Strategies

"Grantwriting Strategies: Proposal Planning, Proposal Writing, and Searching for Funds" is a three-hour presentation utilizing a proposal format adopted by many governmental agencies and private foundations. Included is a handout, *Tips for Proposal Writers*. Power words, a strategic success, is discussed. The session concludes with a description of how to find grant money matched to local needs and projects, with sources of funding.

Megan Fite is an English teacher, media specialist, and community college technical writing instructor. Kathy Mollohan is a grantwriter, judge of grants, and staff member of the Montana Office of Public Instruction.

Staying Afloat in a Sea of Change

Jean Dimich is a Billings-based career consultant who presents seminars on career change, time management and other topics. She has been involved in career counseling and adult education and development for twenty years.

We're living in a time of accelerating change — and if you think it's going to "let up," you're kidding yourself. The people who will thrive in the 90's are those with their heads out of the sand, their antennas up, and their eyes wide open. In this workshop, you will learn basic "how to's" for developing the important survival skills of flexibility, adaptability, creativity, and the ability to live with ambiguity and uncertainty.

Pulling Together: Public Library/School Library Cooperation

All libraries are concerned with books and readers. Cooperative efforts between public and school libraries have a positive impact on library use. Concrete information will be provided concerning successful cooperative events.

Bette Ammon is a young adult librarian, co-author of *Young Reader's Choice Award Handbook* (an annual publication), reviewer of books for *KLIATT*, and an instructor in children's literature at Idaho State University.

Gale Sherman, an early childhood librarian, is co-author of the *Young Reader's Choice Award Handbook*, reviewer of books for *School Library Journal*, serves on a citizen's review committee representing the community at large for a private school library, and a past instructor in children's literature at Idaho State University.

Collection Development Policies: Why, What & How

Mary C. Bushing, Montana State Library, will discuss the rationale, components and the process for preparing a collection development policy.

Her presentation is an outstanding nuts and bolts approach, and Mary has developed quite a following. What makes her approach particularly strong is her belief that even a library with a miniscule budget can use it effectively.

Library Tours

Thursday, April 27, 3:30-5:00 p.m.

This group tour visits Yellowstone Country's two academic libraries, Rocky Mountain College Library and Eastern Montana College Library. Rocky's collection was begun nearly 100 years ago. It has an outstanding collection in geology and a good selection in religion. The library also houses Information Access' *Academic Index* Library director Jan Jelinek is in the process of automating the circulation system.

Eastern's library is a document depository for the federal and state governments. The grants collection and a special collection on Montana history are unique in the area. EMC has been able to purchase 8 CD-ROM systems for public use, as well as Information

Access' *Business Collection*.

Friday, April 28, 3:30-5:00 p.m.

This tour includes Skyview High School Library and Parmly Billings City-County Library. Skyview's card catalog is entirely on Lasercat, with 11 work stations. The librarian, Bunny Morrison, designed the library in the new school placing the library in the center of the academic area. This state-of-the-art library also includes a Winnebago automated circulation system.

Parmly is the largest public library in Montana and is the "last copy fiction" depository for the state. Parmly's Montana Room is a major collection of Western history and Custeriana. Dynix is the new automated circulation system; eventually the library will have public access terminals. During our visit, "Printing and the French Revolution" will be on exhibit, sponsored by ALA and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

ALA Dinner

Traditionally a special meal and social event at Montana Library Association, this year's ALA Dinner will be held in the Skytop Room of the Sheraton Hotel. The breathtaking view includes Sacrifice Cliff, focal point of a tragic and romantic local legend, a view of the Yellowstone River, and several mountain ranges. Primarily a social event, the ALA Dinner features brief programs; introductions of celebrities such as Councilors, new members, and library world dignitaries; and endorsements of ALA candidates. Menu choices are chicken cordon bleu and Big Sky slow roasted prime rib. This event is Thursday, April 27, 7-9 p.m. Limited to 120 people.

Friday

Working With Boards. . . Enhancing Board Effectiveness

Dr. Barbara Bader and Steven Carr are the Directors of Community Systems, Bozeman, Montana. They are researchers, community and organiza-

tional consultants, teachers, and trainers who work with public and non-profit organizations and their boards nationally.

This one-day workshop combines brief presentations, assessments, and discussions with problem-solving and planning designed for "back home"

applications. Participants assess the problems and needs of their boards/committees and create an action plan for development. This limited enrollment (40) workshop offers extensive individual consultation along with outstanding materials.

Bibliographic Instruction & Computers: CD-ROM Databases and the Macintosh.

The presenters for this program will be Kathleen A. Hall (Eastern Montana College & Parmly Billings City-County Library), Bunny Morrison (Skyview High School Library, Billings), and Todd Miller (Information Access Company).

This panel presentation will be followed by a questions and answer session and a poster session. Ms. Hall will describe bibliographic instruction on CD-ROM subject databases in an academic library. Mrs. Morrison will present her approach to teaching high school students to use Skyview's compact-disc catalog. Ms. Hall will talk about writing and implementing a computer game on bibliographic instruction on the Macintosh. Mr. Miller will present the industry's point of view in bibliographic decisions on databases, especially with regard to the end-user.

Collection Assessment and Its Applications

This panel discussion on collection assessment, especially developed in the Northwest, will present ideas on the use of assessment data and the value of collection assessment.

The panel members have all been extensively involved with collection assessment in the Northwest and elsewhere. Peggy Forcier has been Project Director of the LIRN-funded Pacific Northwest Conspectus Database since its inception in 1985. She speaks well and knowledgeably on the topic. Barbara McLean has worked as a collection development specialist in Alaska for some years. She has played a key role in assessment, collection development and cooperative collection projects in Alaska. Nancy Powell, currently in the Reference Department at Oregon State University, has had extensive collection assessment experience as a trainer and team leader in the LIRN project, as a consultant to PNCD, and as Collection Development Officer at Oregon State University.

Book Selection and Censorship

Bette DeBruyne Ammon and Gale W. Sherman, both with the Pocatello, Idaho, Public Library, will discuss the value of using recognized book selection tools to build a collection without

restricting intellectual freedom or access to materials. Practical advice concerning censorship attempts will be included.

Ms. Ammon is a young adult librarian, co-author of *Young Reader's Choice Award Handbook* (an annual publication), reviewer of books for *KLIATT*, and an instructor in children's literature at Idaho State University.

Ms. Sherman, an early childhood librarian, is co-author of the *Young Reader's Choice Award Handbook*, reviewer of books for *School Library Journal*, serves on a citizen's review committee representing the community at large for a private school library, and a past instructor in children's literature at Idaho State University.

Voices a Writer Hears in the Library

Ivan Doig will talk about his use of libraries in the U.S. and the British Isles, and how the library materials he has used have ended up in his books.

Ivan Doig was born in Montana in 1939, and grew up along the Rocky Mountain Front where his novel *Dancing at the Rascal Fair* takes place. He has worked as a ranch hand, newspaperman, and magazine editor and writer. His first book *This House of Sky*, was nominated for the National Book Award in contemporary thought. "The language begins in western territory and experience, but in the hands of an artist it touches all landscape and all life," Robert Kirsch wrote in the *Los Angeles Times*. "Doig is such an artist." In its review of *Dancing at the Rascal Fair*, *Publishers Weekly* reported. "America's frontier history comes vividly to life in this absorbing saga filled with memorable characters." Doig now lives in Seattle, where he is at work on the final novel of his trilogy about the fictional McCaskill family and their Two Medicine country.

Managing Meetings

Charlaine Ezell is an independent consultant on topics including public speaking, public relations and library marketing. Her program on "Making Effective Presentations" at MLA in 1988 was a sell-out. She received the Michigan Library Association's "Outstanding Educator of the Year" award in 1987, and a John Cotton Dana Award for public relations in 1985.

Learn about setting agendas, seating techniques, roles of a meeting leader,

and small group facilitation techniques that will make your meetings work.

Don't Plan for Yesterday

Subtitled Telecommunications for Education and Information, this will be an overview of current and projected activity in telecommunications in Montana and the region, on the part of libraries, hospitals, schools, and others, to assist in maximum utilization of technology.

Dr. Stuart Knapp, a Montana State University professor, is subcommittee chair of "HJR 58" Task Force on Education and Economic Needs and Opportunities. The task force is charged with looking into what is going on in the state currently, and with making recommendations for the future. Topics covered can include cooperatives that are developing that would enhance the use of telecommunications; different kinds of delivery systems as well as different types of information being delivered; and a discussion of the Annenberg Project in Kentucky, which specifically involves libraries in telecommunications planning.

A Storyteller's Safari

In February, 1987 and July, 1988, professional storyteller, Heather McNeil McQuarie, traveled to Kenya, East Africa to collect stories from ten different tribes, financially assisted through a Professional Development Grant from MPLA. Her multimedia program about this unique safari combines slides, music, and storytelling to take her audience into the savannah and villages of Kenya. The animals, the countryside and, above all, the people come alive through her interpretations, photographs, and stories.

Heather is Head of Children's and Young Adult Services, Edwin A. Bemis Public Library, Littleton, Colorado.

Montana Logging & Ballet Company

Friday evening, our entertainment will be the Montana Logging & Ballet Company, a group born on the back ridges of western Montana, reared on fresh air and flapjacks, and growing off the land like wheatgrass through a rusty hubcap.

The four men in the group were raised in Montana, furthered their educational horizons at Rocky Mountain College in Billings, and emerged

"borderline educable" and dying to sing.

The M.L.&B.C., consisting of four technically advanced yet musically inadequate gentlemen, has been called "the most exotic mixture of talent, humor, and misinformation known to the western world," by some renowned publication that has since gone toes up. (The Christian Science Monitor refused to comment, as did the Helena Independent Record and the

Molt Monthly Buzz.)

This music and comedy group has appeared on Johnny Carson, Laugh-In, Jonathan Winters, Joey Bishop, Jerry Lewis Telethon and other national and regional TV and radio shows in the 1970's, and has appeared before many national and regional conferences and meetings.

The four men formed the group in 1977 to tour Montana, Wyoming and

Washington as a recruiting gimmick for Rocky Mountain College. It worked, and despite two marriages within the group (none to each other), a trip to Europe, and a temporary loss of the sense of humor caused by intimate contact with American politics, the four regrouped in 1981.

The M.L.&B.C. is dedicated to social justice, political satire, the Seattle Mariners and other lost causes.

Saturday

Reading the Water/Flailing the Line

This post-conference workshop is subtitled: "A Librarian's Excursion Into the World of Fly Casting & Fishing Bibliography."

Curt Collins, a professional fishing guide from Billings will provide an all-day Saturday opportunity to learn about fly fishing and to actually learn to fly cast, together with a trip to the nearby Yellowstone River to practice and, perhaps, catch fish. Included will be a one-day Montana fishing permit.

An essential element (which will help justify your library's support for this training) will be a bibliographic excursion provided by *MPLA Newsletter* editor, Jim Dertien. He will describe important books, periodicals, films and videocassettes which should be on the shelves of libraries.

Learn to talk fly casting so you can impress your customers, plus enjoy Montana outdoors. It is not necessary that you own fly fishing gear, but if you have it, bring it along. Bring outdoor clothing and rubber boots. Door prizes will be provided by 3M Scientific Anglers and other firms.

Enrollment will be limited to 30 persons. The first 15 registering will be allowed full participation (includes actual work with rods and reels), while the next 15 will only be allowed to watch and listen (and will receive a refund of 50% of their registration fee). Fees include lunch and materials.

Going It Alone: Managing the One-Person Library

For the manager of a one-person or small staff library involved in unique

management challenges, "Going It Alone" offers a day of lecture, case-study, and group exercises on 1) work sharing, use of volunteers, status and stereotyping; 2) line of authority and role of management; 3) relationships with library board/committee, management, and user; 4) budgeting, fiscal responsibility, value of planning; 5) public relations, promotion, and entrepreneurship. Participants will examine the challenges and rewards of one-person librarianship, discover new solutions to problems, and learn specific techniques for increasing effectiveness.

Guy St. Clair is an author, lecturer and consultant on one-person libraries. He is the publisher of the newsletter, *The One-Person Library*, and co-author of *Managing the One-Person Library*, 1986. He has been an officer of SLA and a teacher of their workshops.

Special Information

Conference Registration Notice

Written requests for refunds will be accepted if received within two weeks of the conference. A \$5.00 handling fee will be withheld for refunds. Requests postmarked after April 5, 1989 will not be accepted.

Registration Desk Hours

Wednesday, April 26 . . . 8 a.m.-8 p.m.
Thursday, April 27 . . . 7 a.m.-6 p.m.
Friday, April 28 7 a.m.-5 p.m.
Saturday, April 29 . . . 8 a.m.-11 a.m.

Exhibit Hours

Thursday, April 27 . . . 7 a.m.-6 p.m.
Friday, April 28 . . . 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

How Small Business Can Profit from Information

A half-day workshop will be given on Tuesday, April 25 from 1-4 p.m., preceding the MLA/MPLA joint conference. The Census Bureau, in cooperation with the Montana Business Industry Data Center, will present in-

formation on key data resources available to small businesses, ways to use government information and techniques of using data to help your business succeed. Although this workshop is aimed at the small business owner or manager, library and information staff working with small businesses will also find it profitable.

To register for this workshop (fee: \$5.00) contact Jeanne Moeller, Forward Billings, Billings Chamber of Commerce, 200 N. 34th Street, Billings, MT 59101. (406) 248-7979.

Big Sky Libraries

Montana libraries are paradoxical. They learned independence through geographic isolation. From independence came diversity in appearances, collections and roles of libraries in the state. Nevertheless, the libraries in Montana have, in recent years, grown more and more interdependent. Libraries have developed an efficient system of resource sharing to cope with shrinking revenues caused by freezing of property taxes, cuts in coal severance taxes, and loss of federal funds.

Resource sharing has become a matter of survival among Montana libraries. Montana's overall public library average per capita interlibrary loan lending rate of .038 in 1988 appears to be unusually high when compared with other states' public library per capita lending rates. Library federations are strong facilitators and promoters of this cooperative system which has sprung from a history of statewide independent library development.

The Montana spirit of independence, of making the most of limited resources is evident in so many of our libraries. There are many success stories, past and present, to celebrate this centennial year.

One such success story is the Rocky Mountain Laboratories Library in Hamilton. The laboratories grew out of the necessity to deal with a horrible

onslaught of Black Death in the Bitterroot Valley at the turn of the century. The Laboratories were established in a one-room shack to house research of the Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever that was devastating the valley. Today the Laboratories have grown to nine buildings and the library's collection of 27,000 bound volumes, 10,000 books and 287 periodical subscriptions reflect the Laboratories emphasis on infectious diseases.

There are public libraries with unusual beginnings, too. The people of Bridger (population 724), in need of a public library and with no building in which to house such an institution, looked around the surrounding area, found a suitable structure and brought it back to town. That building, an old schoolhouse out of use for decades, now serves as the Bridger Public Library.

Recently, another small town, Seeley Lake, was left without public library service because of budget cuts eliminating bookmobile service in its country. The townspeople raised over \$11,000 to expand the school library to incorporate public library service.

From a history of independently making the best uses of limited resources libraries have learned to share these resources, thus strengthening the state as a whole. A marriage of independent spirit and resource sharing distinguishes Montana libraries.

Conference Meals

Wednesday, April 26

Luncheon for all day workshops at Radisson Northern \$9.50

Tomatoes with basil vinaigrette-flank steak, oven roasted potatoes, fresh vegetables, rolls, butter, dessert.

Luncheon for all day workshops at Sheraton \$9.80

Garden greens with tomato and chopped eggs, London Broil, vegetable du jour, rolls, butter, dessert, beverage.

Reception in the Skytop Room

No host bar — variety of alcoholic beverages, juices, and soft drinks. Wontons, chips and dips.

Thursday, April 27

Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors No Charge

Assorted danish rolls, various juices, coffee and tea.

chicken cordon bleu, rice pilaf, medley of vegetables, rolls, creme de menthe parfait, beverage

or

Salad with choice of dressing, prime rib, baked potato, medley of vegetables, rolls, creme de menthe parfait, beverage.

Friday, April 28

Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors No Charge

Muffins, juices, coffee or tea.

MLA/MPLA Awards Luncheon at the Radisson Northern Hotel . . . \$9.00

Toss green salad, breast of chicken stuffed with ham and cheddar cheese sauce, rice with almonds, vegetables, rolls, dessert, beverages.

Saturday, April 29

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Taco Bar — taco shells, taco meat, cheese, lettuce, tomato, nacho chips, nacho cheese, soft shelled burritos, sopapillas, guacamole, coffee, tea, milk.

Reception in Exhibition Area

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Dinner of Indian tacos, dessert, beverage

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China Symposium and Beyond

MPLA Professional
Development Grant Report

by Elnora M. Mercado
Auraria Library
University of Colorado at Denver

Presenting a paper in an international symposium and chairing a session on miscellaneous uses of computers in libraries are exciting enough experiences for any librarian. Add to this the thrill of learning new things, meeting new friends from different countries, and seeing fabulous places in China — what else can one wish?

During the week of Sept. 8-11, more than 100 participants from many countries and China met and discussed new technological developments and their applications in libraries. The sharing of expertise and experiences by various presentors and scholars provided valuable insights. Without doubt, Chinese librarians and libraries are rapidly developing, are closing the gap, and catching up with developed countries in terms of automation and applications of latest technologies.

The International Symposium on New Techniques and Applications in Libraries was held in Xi'an an Jiaotong University, a comprehensive university of natural science, with engineering as its main area of study. The library has about 1.5 million volumes and 8,000 periodical titles. Xi'an, the capital of 11 historic dynasties in China, is one of China's most ancient cities. It has restored and preserved the walled city built in the Ming Dynasty over 600 years ago.

Sponsored jointly by Xi'an Jiaotong University and Ohio University, with the cooperation of Kanazawa Institute of Technology, Japan, the Symposium covered a number of topics. Some interesting ones include library education through technology, implications of technology for new library facilities, expert systems, application of CD-ROM, computer cataloging and circulation systems, book preservation, networking, online information retrieval systems, role of government in providing information, international cooperation, impact of these on library services and many more. My paper was on CD-ROM cataloging systems: "Next best to online access." My primary aim was to compare three CD-ROM cataloging systems: BiblioFile, LaserQuest, and LaserCat and to suggest

these systems to be viable alternatives to online systems particularly in libraries in developing countries which do not have access to bibliographic utilities.

The highlight of the Symposium was the presentation by Dr. Ching-chih Chen, Simmons College. Using an extraordinary combination of latest technologies including microcomputer and videodiscs, resource files such as Dictionary, Bibliography, Maps, and immediate full text retrieval of documents. In her presentation, Dr. Chen captured a very important period of Chinese history and she called it Project Emperor I. Around 200 B.C., Emperor Qin Shi Huang Di implemented a unified written script, connected strategic portions of the Great Wall, unified warring states, and built his magnificent tomb which contained thousands of terracotta warriors and horses. This tomb was discovered in 1974 and is considered one of the most significant archaeological finds of this century. What made it more fascinating was the realization that we were on the site — Xi'an. After Dr. Chen's presentation, we visited the archaeological site and actually saw these terracotta warriors, each one with different facial expressions and costumes, wonderfully preserved after more than 2,200 years.

The organizers of the symposium planned an interesting program for the participants: local sightseeing, including a tour to the Hua Qin Hot Springs, and Big Wild Goose Pagoda, a cultural presentation, and two official banquets. Despite the near mishaps and some shortcomings which were beyond the control of the organizers, the Symposium was a great success, especially because of the hospitality and warmth of the hosts and the friendships and common bonds of interests developed among the participants.

From Xi'an, some of us proceeded to Beijing, the capital of the People's Republic of China for a brief tour. There can be no argument about what is the most readily recognized symbol of China — the Great Wall. One can see its striking image — a snakelike line rising up and down mountain ranges — on huge posters, T-shirts, postcards, calendars. To experience the local atmosphere, I joined a native tour, taking

the bus to the Great Wall, enjoying the early morning sunlight. Once free of Beijing's suburbs, the countryside spread out in endless waves; glades of pomegranate trees bearing red fruit grew along the highway. The effect was colorful, festive; the atmosphere full of anticipation for something exciting. Climbing up the Great Wall, I imagined the desperate courage and efforts of thousands of laborers who built the structure for years and years. On top of the highest point, I savored the spectacular view — layers and layers of blue mountain ranges fading into gray. The rest of the world may be rushing full speed ahead but for me, time stopped for that moment.

Other fabulous spots we saw were the Ming Tombs, the Forbidden City, and Beijing City itself. Beijing is characterized by distinctive architectural styles and wide streets lined with trees. There are very few private cars. The common people either walk to work, bike, or take the crowded buses.

The National Library of China in Beijing was the culmination of my tour. This new building, opened in October 1987, features a modern architectural style with landscaped courtyards and gardens. The lobbies are decorated with potted plants. Advanced equipment and devices have been imported and installed, including a simultaneous interpretation system in a lecture hall (1200 seats), audio-visual rooms, CD-ROM workstations, an automatic fire alarm and extinguishing system, air conditioning, dust and air pollution control, call slip and conveying system, and an integrated acquisition, cataloging, and retrieval system which is capable of processing materials in Chinese, Western, Japanese, and Russian characters. They still have card catalogs for the different collections. The Library has a collection of more than 13 million volumes, 22,841 periodicals, 637 newspaper titles in Chinese and foreign languages, and a fabulous collection of rare materials inherited from the various imperial libraries.

Definitely, it was a marvelous experience for me. I thank the Mountain Plains Library Association for giving me this opportunity to visit this wonderful country and hope other members will have the same chance.

CANDIDATES 1989

Vice President/President Elect



Byers

Ed Byers

Ed has been a member of MPLA since 1978. He has been the Director of the Laramie County Library System (Cheyenne) since 1977. He is currently the chair of the Public Library/Trustee Section and has served three terms as chair of the MPLA Finance Committee.

Ed's primary concerns for MPLA are continuation of our annual conferences at the present level of excellence; membership benefits (newsletter, professional development grants, etc.); and activities that can beneficially be done at a regional level such as our recent school/media certification effort.



Day

J. Dennis Day

Dennis is the director of the Salt Lake City (Utah) Public Library and an MPLA member since 1977. His library background includes founding the MPLA Intellectual Freedom Committee and he has also been the chair of the Public Library Section. Dennis has also served as the president of the Utah Library Association and the Ohio Library Association. His ALA involvement includes chair of the ALA Intellectual Freedom Committee and president of the Freedom to Read Foundation. Dennis is currently serving on the ALA Executive Board.

In his statement of concerns for MPLA Dennis states: "My immediate concern as Vice President will be planning, with the help of all committees and sections, a top-notch MPLA/ULA Joint Conference for 1991 in Salt Lake City. As President, I pledge to carry the MPLA flag to each of our states conferences to meet with members. The major theme of my presidency will be: 'Building Bridges With New Allies.' "



Recording Secretary

Nancy Knepel

Nancy has been a member of MPLA since 1980. She is currently the director of the High Plains Regional Library Service System in Greeley, Colorado.

Following is Nancy's statement of concern: "I'm usually skeptical about people who run for an office and who have been relatively inactive in that organization. The position of recording secretary, though, is an exception because it will allow me to learn about MPLA from a unique vantage point, while not necessarily requiring much input on my part. I will bring to the Board twenty years' experience in libraries, a command of the English language, and a sincere commitment to making MPLA an excellent provider of continuing education and support."

Sarah Watson

Sarah has belonged to MPLA since 1986. Her official title at the Omaha Public Library is community Services Librarian.

In her statement of concern and background, Sarah states: "I have worked as librarian in a private school and as children's librarian in a branch of the Omaha Public Library. Currently I handle publicity for the library system and supervise outreach services. I am a member of ALA and Nebraska Library Association. I have been a member of MPLA for one year and have served as Local Arrangements Chair for the 1988 convention in Omaha. I would like to see MPLA's activities become better known through the region, especially the fine conventions."

Section Offices

ACADEMIC SECTION CHAIRPERSON

Curley C. Jones

Currently a reference librarian of the University of Utah Marriott Library, Curley has been a member of MPLA since 1974.

Curley C. Jones received his BA from Tougaloo College; M.L.S. Suny at Geneseo, New York; M.E.D. University of Utah; C.A.S. University of Illinois. Professional affiliations include ALA Life Member, ACRL, EMERT, LAMA, RASD, MPLA, ULA. Goals: I would work towards developing a forum which will bring together all MPLA member states who assist users in dissemination of information and, to encourage networking among MPAL Membership Libraries.



Olsen

Randy J. Olsen

Randy has been a member of MPLA since 1981. His current position is Assistant University Librarian for Collection Development at Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah.

In his statement of concern, Randy indicates the following: "Having worked in technical services, public services and library administration, I am concerned that the Academic Section provide programs that are relevant to librarians in different positions and different size institutions. I believe the Chair of the Academic Section should gather input from a cross section of the association's membership before planning conference programs. If elected, I would work to ensure that meetings of the Academic Section justify membership in MPLA and attendance at its conferences."

Secretary



Gustafson

Nancy M. Gustafson

Nancy is currently the Principal Serials Cataloger/Senior Assistant Librarian at the University of Wyoming at Laramie. She has been a member of MPLA since 1986.

Nancy's statement follows: "My affiliation with the University of Wyoming Libraries began in 1974; my current responsibilities include serials cataloging and training. During this time, I have had the opportunity to witness tremendous change in academic libraries precipitated by new technologies in information delivery and bibliographic control. If elected secretary, I will take the opportunity to become more actively involved in MPLA and work toward creating awareness of the problems and potential that academic libraries have today."

Anna L. Price

Anna has been a member of MPLA since 1984. She is the serials librarian at Montana State University in Bozeman.

Anna's background and statement of concern states: "My work in libraries began as a cataloger in a North Carolina college. I then moved to a cataloging position at SEMO State College in Missouri before coming to Montana 18 years ago. As a comparatively new member of MPLA, I have not yet attended any of the meetings, but do hope to attend the one in Billings and become knowledgeable about MPLA's members and goals to see where I might be able to contribute."



Price

CHILDREN'S AND SCHOOL SECTION

Chairperson



Talbert

Don Reynolds

A member of MPLA since 1983, Don is the assistant administrator of the Central Kansas Library System, a 17-county area. Active in ALA, Don served on the 1988 committee to select "Nothin' But the Best: Best of the Best Books for Young Adults, 1066-1986."

Dorothy Talbert

Dorothy is currently the Assistant Regional Librarian responsible for children's and young adult services at Salt Lake County (Utah) Library System.

Her previous positions include children's librarian at the Los Angeles County Library and reference librarian at the Chicago Public Library and Union College (Barbourville, Kentucky). Dorothy has been active in the Utah Library Association for 15 years and has chaired the children's/young adult section. She has also been a presenter at ULA conferences including a program, "Science for Tots." Dorothy has also been active in MPLA and ALA.

Dorothy's statement of concerns states: "Working with children/YA we must continually have a growing edge of new ideas and skills which promote reading and library use. As Information specialists we are in a position to be a positive influence on the future of user skills. It is through such professional organizations as MPLA and its programs and the "rubbing of elbows" with other professionals that this "growing edge" is kept alive and well."

Secretary



Hempstead



Kuehn

John is currently the School Library Media/Children's Services consultant at the Colorado State Library.

A new member (1988) of MPLA, the following are John's concerns: "As chair of the MPLA Special Committee on School Library Media Programs, I would like the committee to be more involved in the issues of professional certification, program accreditation and INFORMATION POWER guidelines implementation. As coordinator of Colorado's growing Summer Reading Program, I would like summer reading to be promoted throughout the region."

Melody Kuehn

Melody Kuehn has been the librarian at Minot High School Central Campus in Minot, North Dakota for the past seven years. Prior to 1981, she held various positions at the Minot Public Library including Assistant Director. Her MPLA membership dates from 1972 and she has served MPLA as the North Dakota State Representative and as a committee person on the awards, publicity, and nominations committee. She readily supports MPLA in its efforts to support the region's librarians politically, educationally and socially.

PRESERVATION SECTION Chairperson



Moon



Walter

Myra Jo Moon

Myra Jo's background and concerns statement indicates: "I've worked at the Colorado State University Libraries since 1965 where I began as a cataloger, then headed the Preparations Department which included catalog maintenance, card production and processing, bindery preparation, marking and mending. My preservation interest began in 1976 and was named Preservation Librarian in July of 1982. Preservation training has come from a three month internship at Johns Hopkins University and workshops available nationally. I have been active on the state level in disaster recovery planning. MLS University of Oklahoma.

Katherine L. Walter

An MPLA member since 1981, Katherine is the Chair of the Serials Department at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln.

Her background and concern statement states: "I have chaired UNL Libraries Preservation Committee since 1985. This committee has presented preservation programs to staff, and has developed preservation policies and procedures for the Libraries. Recently, I have begun editing the *Nebraska Preservation Newsletter* for the Nebraska Conservation Committee, and have been active in cooperative preservation planning for the state of Nebraska, serving as chair of the Nebraska Documents Preservation Advisory Council (NDPAC)."

Vice-Chairperson/Chairperson Elect



McCleary



Thompson

Linda Caldwell McCleary

An MPLA member since 1987, Linda's background and concern statement says: "I am currently the Genealogy Librarian at the Arizona Department of Library, Archives and Public Records, and have held that position since 1980. Prior to this, I was a Law/Arizona Research Librarian for the same department, and a high school librarian in Indiana. I am a member of the ALA, MPLA, as well as state and local library and genealogical associations. If elected, my primary concern would be to develop a preservation sharing network to highlight needs, opportunities and concerns of the MPLA Preservation members."

Mary Ann Thompson

Mary Ann has belonged to MPLA since 1984 and is currently at the Hays Public Library. Her background and concerns statement indicates: "I received my MLS from the University of Denver, specializing in archives. While a student at Denver I joined MPLA and have been a member ever since. As the

Kansas Room Librarian I have cataloged our photograph collection and have written an Emergency Preparedness policy for the library. The Preservation Section has an opportunity to demonstrate the preservation needs of not only special collections but of all types of libraries as well.

Secretary



Ring



Saunders

Jamie Childs Ring

An MPLA member since 1983, Jamie's background and concerns statement states: "I have worked with Special Collections since 1980 and since 1986 have been the Wyoming History Specialist. In 1987 I attended the Western Archives Institute in Los Angeles. A member of MPLA since 1984, I have not been very active, but I have served on the WLA Legislative Committee since 1986 and am presently Secretary of the Academic Section. If elected I would endeavor to provide accurate, accessible information regarding the meetings and activities of the Preservation Section of MPLA."

Laverna Saunders

Laverna is currently the Head of Technical Services at Dickinson Library, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Her statement indicates: "Since completing my MLS at Rutgers in 1976, I have held professional positions in New Jersey, Kentucky, Indiana and Nevada. I have been an MPLA member since 1985. If elected to the position of secretary of the MPLA preservation section, I would participate in program planning which would meet the needs of practicing librarians: disaster preparedness, stack management, mending, binding, microforms management and patron education."



PUBLIC LIBRARY SECTION Vice-chair/Chair-elect



Dow

Gail M. Dow

Gail graduated from the University of Denver with an MLS in 1968. She worked at the University of Denver as Interlibrary Loan Librarian and as Head of References Services (from 1970) before moving to the Denver Public Library in 1972 as Coordinator of Regional Courier Service. In 1973 she took charge of acquisitions at DPL, then became Head of Technical Services in 1982.

Gail has been active on the MPLA Technical Services Committee and was Colorado's state representative in 1985-86. She has been a member of MPLA since 1970. She is very interested in emphasizing relationships between public service and technical service operations.

Karen Liebert

A graduate of the University of Louisville, with an MLA from the University of Kentucky, Karen is currently Head of Extension Services for the Sioux Falls (SD) Public Library. She is new to MPLA, having joined since moving to South Dakota in 1988.

Her past work experience includes being Head of the Children's Department for the New Albany-Floyd County Public Library and as an Assistant Branch Librarian for the Tampa-Hillsborough County Public Library. Her previous library association work has been with the Florida Library Association. "I joined MPLA immediately upon arriving in the region. Its fresh, member-oriented style caught my attention. MPLA challenged me to discover what it could do for me, and in offering my name to this candidacy I accept that challenge."

Secretary

Sandra Long

Sandra is Systems Librarian and Consultant for the Utah State Library. With a B.A. from the University of Wyoming and an MLS from Emporia State



Liebert

University, she has been a branch librarian with the Davis County Library, then cataloger and reference librarian. She has been at the Utah State Library for eight years.

She is currently secretary of MPLA's State Agency, Cooperative and Systems section. She has been a member of MPLA since 1975. In ULA she has chaired the News Perspective Roundtable and the Technology Roundtable.



Long

Gwen Page

Gwen has been a member of MPLA since 1984. She is Associate Librarian at the Salt Lake City Public Library. She has an Associate Degree from the LDS College, and a degree in Childhood Development from Utah State University. She has been at the Salt Lake City Public Library for all 12 years of her professional career.

STATE AGENCY, COOPERATIVE AND SYSTEMS SECTION

Chairperson



Stewart

Vikki Stewart

Vikki is the director of the Kansas State Library Literacy Program and has been a member of MPLA since 1988.

Vikki's statement follows: "Promoted local libraries whether institutional, public, or school when developing a community-based literacy effort. I served as the Pre-Conference on Literacy Chair, MPLA 1987 at Bismarck, ND. I serve as a member of the Association of State Literacy Directors and am a volunteer in Technical Assistance (VITA) for Literacy Volunteers of America, a national pro-



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gram. I am interested in further developing a coalition of MPLA State Agencies and broadening the scope through ad hoc special committees."

Judy Zelenski

Judy has been a member of MPLA since 1979. She is currently the assistant director of the Central Colorado Library System, Wheatridge.

In her statement, Judy indicates: "I have worked with a large multitype system since 1981. Previously worked in libraries in Wyoming, Arizona, and Colorado. Have served MPLA as Colorado's representative, chair of children's and school section, on PR committee, and on 1986 conference committee. I would like the section to encourage collegiality among staff members in the region, especially through opportunities at conferences to learn, socialize, and exchange ideas. I would work to increase membership by encouraging opportunities for involvement in the entire Association.

Secretary



Mundell

Dorothy Liegl

Dorothy has been a member of MPLA since 1973, and is a former president of MPLA. She is currently the Deputy State Librarian, South Dakota State Library

Jacqueline Mundell

A member of MPLA since 1987, Jacqueline is currently the director of Information Services and NEBASE at the Nebraska Library Commission.

She states: "I have been director of Information Services at the NE Library Commission for two years. This past July I also became director of NE's OCLC network, NEBASE. Previously, I served as supervisor of Reference/Interlibrary Loan at the University Library, University of Nebraska at Omaha. As a member of MPLA and the State Agency Section for several years, I have been increasingly aware of the natural forum the organization provides for regional cooperation and exchange of ideas. I think we have barely begun to tap the potential benefits of working together."

TECHNICAL SERVICES

SECTION

Chairperson

Margaret Blue

Margaret is currently the Assistant Director for Access Services and Automated Systems at North Dakota State University Libraries, Fargo.

In her statement, Margaret indicates: "Technical Services Section is a vital forum to share information, research opportunities, and problems and solutions concerning catalogs, acquisitions and preservation of materials. My interest is improvement and expansion of traditional technical services by utilizing the power of automation and by enhancing personnel productivity. My career began in Nebraska, with MPLA Academic Section membership; soon I migrated to Illinois and technical services; and in 1985, upon moving to NDSU, I resumed MPLA participation.



Shields

Dorothy M. Shields

A member of MPLA since 1978, Dorothy is currently an associate professor, School of Library and Information Services, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah.

Dorothy's statement of background and concerns states: "In addition to teaching in a library school, experience in libraries in New Zealand, Tonga, Massachusetts, Ohio, and Hawaii. Education: Ed.D. from BYU; MSLS from Western Reserve University; BA from Muskingum College. Current ALA committees: RTSD; CCS; Cataloging of Children's Materials Committee; AASL. Awards: Frances Henne Award Subcommittee. Currently on board of Utah Educational Library Media Association. No current MPLA assignments. Strong working relationship between library professionals and association within the MPLA are essential to our progress in all phases of librarianship."

Secretary

Rosario Garza

An MPLA member since 1986, Rosario is the Senior Member Services Librarian at BCR in Denver.

She states: "I have been involved in library work since 1973 and have worked as a cataloger since 1978. In addition to my cataloging work, I have also taught cataloging and classification, and while at BCR, have conducted many workshops on cataloging and automation and other related topics. I have been an MPLA member since moving to this region and have enjoyed attending the conferences and meeting with my colleagues across the region. I hope to serve the Technical Services Section membership again as Secretary."



Ellingson

Linda Ellingson

Linda's membership in MPLA began in 1985. Her statement of background and concern indicates: "Since graduation from Minot State University, my work experience includes all levels of educational libraries, district librarian for Fairbanks, Alaska on-base schools, and currently as technical services librarian at the Minot Public Library. I hold membership in the Souris Valley Library Association, and have held a two-year term as secretary of the Public Library Section of NDLA. Having been a member of MPLA for four years, I would welcome the opportunity to become more involved with the workings and concerns of the Technical Services Section.



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JUNIOR MEMBERS

ROUND TABLE

Chairperson

Gail Egbers

Gail, an MPLA member since 1985, is the User Education Coordinator at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln.

Her statement of background and concerns states: "I have worked as Circulation Librarian, Reference Librarian and BI Coordinator at Wayne State College, Wayne, Nebraska. I moved to

UNL in June 1988. My position is within the Central Reference Department so I work Reference Desk plus coordinate Library Instruction. I have been involved with MPLA off and on for 16 years. MPLA fills the gap between the smaller, state group and the huge ALA. I enjoy the camaraderie at the conference and elsewhere."

Anita Gordon-Gilmore

An MPLA member since 1986, Anita works at the Farrell Library, Kansas State University, Manhattan.

Secretary



Kirby

Colleen Kirby

Colleen has been involved in MPLA since 1982. In her background and concerns statement she indicates: "I am currently Technical Services Librarian at the South Dakota State Library. Prior to my present position I was Assistant Cataloger at South Dakota State University for four years. I have been a member of MPLA since 1984, and am currently serving as Secretary of the Academic Section. I believe JMRT provides an opportunity for new MPLA members to become actively involved in the association. I would welcome the opportunity to serve as Secretary of JMRT."

Carol Neighbor

An MPLA member since 1987, Carol is the Music Librarian at Wichita Public Library (Kansas). Her background and concern statement states: "I received my MLS from Emporia State University in 1987 and was the MPLA B&T/JMRT Grassroots Grant recipient that year. In Bismarck, I was elected Secretary of the new Preservation section and have served also as the chair of the section's 1988 Nominating Committee. My experiences in MPLA have resulted in a broader understanding of the many facets of librarianship and have given me opportunities for service in the profession. As Secretary of JMRT, I would encourage membership and participation among new librarians, and conscientiously perform the record keeping and correspondence duties of the office."



Neighbor

MPLA an Association that works for you

When considering membership in an Association, you naturally ask, "What will it do for me?" When you join MPLA, we say, "What can we do for you?"

Members of the Mountain Plains Library Association can tell you that it is one Association that places member needs first, with outstanding results.

MPLA offers members

- * Information exchange and educational programs on technological developments and innovative library programming undertaken by MPLA libraries;
- * Professional Development Grants to members for coursework, institutes and workshops;
- * A variety of continuing education opportunities including conference workshops and special seminars;
Through its newsletter information about continuing education available throughout the region, and information about outstanding library programs through news and feature articles;
- * Support of regional bibliographic efforts;
- * Sponsorship of an annual convention to provide a forum for personal contact among members and with national leaders in the profession;
- * Joint annual conferences with member states;
- * Recognition of outstanding contributions to local, state and regional library services;
- * Publication of an annual membership directory;
- * Access to JOBLINE, a telephone-accessed listing of library vacancies in our region;
- * Special Project Grants, to fund research on ways to develop and improve library services;
- * Grants to states for pre-conference and continuing education programs.

MPLA

is a ten-state regional association of libraries and friends of libraries in Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah and Wyoming, with a primary purpose of improving present and future library services in the Mountain Plains region through development of librarians, trustees, and library employees.

MPLA

bases its success on an active, enthusiastic, sharing membership. Where our people are so few and distances so great, each librarian and each library is a vital resource to be shared.

MPLA

invites you to make an investment in your future by joining us, and laying the foundation for your career development. And participating in this process with MPLA's present membership — all active leaders in our region's outstanding libraries.



MPLA News

WHCLIST Delegates Include MPLA Members

These MPLA members were by November 1988 designated as delegates for planning the 2nd White House Conference.

Richard Rademacher, Director, Wichita (KS) Public Library

Genevieve Beery, Wolf Point, MT
Jane Kolbe, State Librarian, South Dakota

Dorothie Mahoney, Rapid City, SD

Tape of Billington, et al. Available for Loan

As a project of the Continuing Education Committee, the afternoon presentation which James Billington and his Library of Congress colleagues made at the Omaha Tri-Conference is available on videotape. The topic was "The Library of Congress and the 21st Century," and the session comprised interaction with an LC panel and the audience.

A copy of the tape may be borrowed through Joe Edelen, and may be duplicated.

Lower BCR OCLC Pricing

A recently announced reduction in BCR network prices for OCLC products and services was implemented on the first of February, and the effect should be quite noticeable to member libraries. It is estimated that the new pricing will save BCR member libraries approximately \$103,000 in the remainder of FY 1988-1989. The price cuts include reduction of five cents on all first-time produce and first-time update transactions, as well as volume discount on FTU, FUP, and interlibrary loan transactions.

BCR Hosts Toxic Chemical Release Inventory Workshops

Dianne Groh, from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Region VIII office, will be at BCR twice in March to introduce librarians to the new Toxic Chemical Release Inventory Database (TRI). Available from the National Library Medicine, TRI will cover reports from industry on chemical releases into the environment.

The Toxic Chemical Release Inventory is mandated by Title III of the Superfund Amendments, otherwise known as the Emergency Planning and Right-to-Know Law. This law requires manufacturers to report their annual releases of certain chemicals to air, water and land. The company's annual report will also include the amounts of these chemicals discharged to sewage treatment plants or other offsite waste treatment facilities. Some data in TRI has been collected for the first time, since some of the chemical discharges the company must report are not presently regulated by any government agencies.

The TRI will become available to the public in May 1989, on the NLM's TOXNET system. Other complementary toxicology files are available there now.

About You

Mary Coffin, Director of the Custer County (SD) Library, has resigned to begin M.L.S. studies at the University of Arizona.

J. Dennis Day, Director, Salt Lake City Public Library, will be the keynote speaker for MIDCON VI in Phoenix, AZ on April 14.

Leroy Gattin, Director, South Central Kansas Library System has won a Microsoft CD-ROM Library Scholarship, which will provide him with an opportunity to have an active voice in the development of CD-ROM products. **Merilyn Grosshans**, librarian at Las Vegas High School, was the 1988 recipient of the first Special Achievement Award presented by the Children's/School Division of the Nevada Library Association.

Alice Meister, Director of the Sheridan County Fulmer Public Library, Sheridan, WY, was named Sheridan's

Outstanding Woman by the Business and Professional Women's Club.

Robert Nash, Collection Development Librarian, University of Nebraska at Omaha, had the opportunity to present a paper at the Fifteenth Annual Western Conference on British Studies held in New Orleans.

Amy Niswanger has been named Director of the Eagle (CO) County Public Library. She was formerly the library's children's librarian/assistant director.

Martha Stucky, Technical Services Librarian, Bethel College Library North Newton, KS, has retired. She has been Director of that library from 1975 to 1984.

MPLA Welcomes These New Members

Sylvia Batenhorst, Big Horn County Library, Basin, WY

Richard Bauer, Arapahoe Library District, Littleton, CO

Larry Benson, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT

Mona Carmack, Johnson County Library, Shawnee Mission, KS

John Chapple, Mitchell Public Library, Mitchell, SD

Jane Forkner, Topeka Public Library, Topeka KS

Judy Fredenberg, University of Montana, Missoula

William Gerlach, North Dakota State University, Fargo

Linda Heermann, Northeast Colorado BOCES, Haxtun, CO

Lee Johnsen, Social Issues Resources Series, Boca Raton, FL

Kay Keblesh, Omaha Public Library, Omaha, NE

Greta B. Knutson, McLean-Mercer Regional Library, Riverdale, ND (Winner, Free Membership Drawing)

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 Gail Wanner, Dynix, Inc., Provo, UT
 Shelly Woodruff, Colby Community College, Colby, KS
 Pat Zoerink, Lommen Health Sciences Library, VA Center, Sioux Falls, SD

Continuing Education

April 20-21, 1989

The Business of Acquisitions

Sponsor: Resources and Technical Services Division, American Library Association

Location: Berkeley Conference Center, Berkeley, CA

The institute will focus on basic acquisitions of monographs, serials, and media and the relationships among librarians, library book-sellers, subscription agents, and publishers.

Cost: \$150 ALA/RTSD members; \$175 ALA personal member; \$210 non-ALA member.

For more information contact: RTSD Acquisitions Regional Institute, ALA, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611.

April 29, 1989

The Young Adult Literature Conference

Location: Auraria Campus, Downtown Denver

Sponsors: Jefferson County Public Library and Metropolitan State College

Features: Todd Strasser, Author of *Angel Dust Blue*, *Friends Till the End*, *Rock N' Roll Nights*, *A Very Touchy Subject*.

Jone Bodart-Talbot, young adult specialist and nationally known book talker.

Regional authors, educators, and experts in young adult literature.

Cost: \$25, students \$15, \$30 after April 1 (Registration includes workshops, lunch, parking, admission to exhibits and book signings.)

Contact: Central Colorado Library System, 3805 Marshall Street, Suite 204, Wheat Ridge, CO 80033. (303) 422-1150

May 11-12, 1989

20th ILL Workshop

Location: Glenwood Springs' Hotel Colorado

Sponsor: Colorado Interlibrary Loan Committee

Programs include: basic and advanced ILL workshops; a skit and keynote speech by JoAn Segal of ACRL; CARL serials; telefax; and special libraries panel. Thursday night's banquet will feature a retrospective of the last 20 years in interlibrary loan. Special t-shirts may be purchased and there will be contests with fun prizes.

For more information contact Ed Volz, Denver Public Library (303) 571-2033.

May 15-16, 1989

Short Course in Library Administration

Sponsors: University of Arizona, University of Wyoming, Wyoming State Library

Location: University of Wyoming campus, Laramie

This course may be taken for three credits from the University of Arizona (credit which may be applied toward the ALA-accredited MLS degree) or for three credits from the University of Wyoming (credit which may be applied toward an MLS degree there).

Courses offered at the University of Wyoming by the University of Arizona Graduate Library School are a part of coursework leading toward an ALA-accredited degree program. The American Library Association does not accredit specific courses, only programs. The University of Arizona Graduate Library School MLS program is fully accredited by the American Library Association.

The course may be taken with *Trends in U.S. Government Publications in Libraries*, a one-credit course scheduled immediately after this one.

This course is an overview of all aspects of library administration and management. The instructor is Dr. John Budd, assistant professor, University of Arizona Graduate Library School.

Costs: \$67/credit U.A. or \$45/credit U.W., plus room and meals.

Contact: Corky Walters, Wyoming State Library, Supreme Court Bldg., Cheyenne, WY 82002. (307) 777-7281.

May 30-June 3, 1989

Trends in U.S. Government Publications in Libraries

Sponsors: Same as above

Location: Same as above

Description: The same credit information applies as above. The course may be taken with *Short Course in Library Administration*, a three credit course scheduled immediately prior to this one.

This is an introductory course covering all aspects of present procedures for dealing with government documents. The instructor is Dr. Charles Seavey, University of Arizona Graduate Library School.

Costs: Same as above.

Contact: Same as above.

June 10-15, 1989 **SLA Annual Conference**, New York, NY

June 24-29, 1989 **ALA Annual Conference**, Dallas, TX

October 19-22, 1989 **American Association of School Librarians National Convention**, Salt Lake City, Utah

October 29-November 3, 1989

Advanced Management Skills Institute
 Sponsor: Association of Research Libraries

Location: Denver, CO

The 5½ day Advanced Library Management Skills Institute focuses on the individual's ability to have a positive influence on the overall performance of the organization. Through simulation of a library organization, participants are able to observe the effects of various interventions on the system as a whole. This institute emphasizes skill-building and proficiency in observing, diagnosing, and action

planning for solving organizational problems and for capitalizing on organizational opportunities.

Cost: \$550

For more information contact: Association of Research Libraries, Office of Management Services, 1527 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20036.

December 5-8, 1989

Resource Management Institute: Financial Skills for Librarians

Sponsor: Association of Research Libraries

Location: Scottsdale, AZ

This 3½ day institute explores the actual and potential roles of financial management systems in improving organizational performance in libraries. Recognizing there are as many systems for monitoring and allocating financial resources as there are libraries, the primary goal of this institute is to help library managers make more sound resource decisions using financial tools which are already available.

Costs: \$450

For more information contact: Association of Research Libraries, Office of Management Services, 1527 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20036.

Joblist

Deadline: March 15, 1989

Serials Librarian

Salary: \$22,000 minimum

Library: South Dakota State University

Duties: Holds administrative responsibility for a serials department with 3,200 current subscriptions and three support staff plus students. Trains and supervises staff, maintains serials records and automated serials holding list. Will implement serials subsystem of South Dakota PALS (statewide integrated library system).

Qualifications: ALA/MLS, two years academic or research library experience involved with technical services, preferably emphasizing serials, supervisory experience, and demonstrated communication skills. Desirable qualifications include: second master's, experience with online cataloging systems and with

SPECIAL JOBLINE INFORMATION

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Jobs from institutions outside the MPLA region can be listed for \$10/week.

The **Jobline** updates its listing each Thursday evening.

Send listings to Joe Edelen, I.D. Weeks Library, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, SD 57069. 605/677-6082.

JOBLINE #s

The following numbers may be used in calling the MPLA **Jobline**: 605/677-5757 nationwide 800/356-7820 MPLA member state outside South Dakota 0-677-5757, dial tone or operator, then 8765—within South Dakota (free call)

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MPLA Institutional members may place job advertisements in this newsletter's **Joblist** section at no charge.

All other institutions may list jobs at \$1.25/line.

Send **Joblist** ads to Jim Dertien, MPLA Newsletter, Sioux Falls Public Library, 201 N. Main Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57102.

cataloging serials and reference service.

Send resume and have academic credentials and three recent letters of recommendation sent directly to: Susan L. Richards, Chair, Search Committee, South Dakota State University Library, Box 2115, Brookings, SD 57707.

EOE/AA employer. Immigration Reform & Control Act, 1986, eligibility required.

Deadline: Open

NEBASE Network OCLC Services Coordinator

Salary: \$20,800-\$25,000

Library: Nebraska Library Commission

Duties: (Librarian III) Assist Nebraska's

OCLC libraries by providing training, technical assistance, and OCLC product and service information. Work with NEBASE team to develop training and promotion plans. Write articles for network publications. Travel approximately 20%.

Qualifications: Successful candidate will have MLS or equivalent, 2-3 years library experience, excellent communication skills, recent experience with at least one OCLC subsystem, teaching or training background, familiarity with microcomputers, and desire to provide excellent service.

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Send application letter and resume listing no less than 3 professional references to Doreen Kuhlmann, Administrative Assistant, Nebraska Library Commission, 1420 P Street, Lincoln, NE 68508.

EOE/AA employer.

Deadline: May 1, 1989; position available July 1, 1989

Learning Resources/Reference Librarian

Temporary, 12-month position, with possibility of continued employment.

Salary: \$19,500

Library: I.D. Weeks Library, University of South Dakota

Duties: Selects and catalogs materials and develops media collection; circulates AV and K-12 curricular materials; supervises word processing lab; supervises 1½ paraprofessional staff plus student assts. Additionally works at main Reference Desk; provides library instruction to undergraduate and graduate students.

Qualifications: ALA-accredited masters Applicants should submit letter of ap-

plication, resume, and names and telephone numbers of three references to: John Van Balen, Chair, Search Committee, I.D. Weeks Library, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, South Dakota 57069.



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Group Represented: Montana Library & Mountain Plains
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