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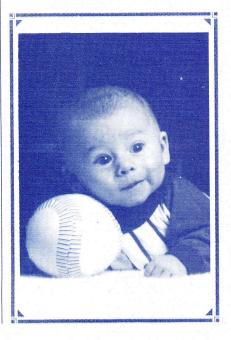
—Judy Zelenski MPLA President

When interviewing applicants for the newsletter editor position, we asked how each envisioned the newsletter. Heidi, our new editor, was full of ideas. But when she insisted on a message from the president, I protested. They're spacetakers, boring, and pretentious, I argued. She countered with ways they could be otherwise, and why they are important. It was easy to agree then, when I wasn't president. But now the time has come. "Show a little of the person behind the MPLA president," Heidi requested. So, here are some bits which might explain how I work.

> I'm impatient with rules, most particularly the kind that make it hard to DO anything. I'm also impatient with excessive words. If you think presidents' messages are boring, read by-laws. What I really want is to see results.



Since we explain ourselves by numbers and letters and codes and passwords these days, you should know I'm an INFP (Introvert, iNtuitive, Feeling, Perceiving) - of the extreme sort. That's why you won't find me leading conga lines at conference social events.



I like to TRY new things, and have decided that some things are worth doing badly. If I had only allowed myself to do what I could perform well, I would never have experienced the fun of adult ballet classes (remember the hippos and ostriches in *Fantasia*?).

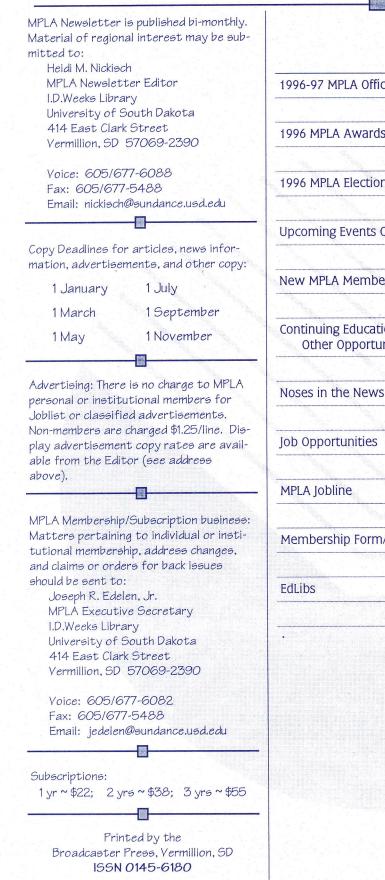
I need to LAUGH.

So, join with me to help the Mountain Plains Library Association DO, TRY, and LAUGH - and will someone else please handle the conga lines.

Judy Z

P.S. Jim and I are very proud new grandparents - so instead of a pretentious presidential portrait, here's a picture of our beloved grandson Tanner at 3 months.

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# Wichita Wanderings...

*—Lori Andreason* State Representative from Utah



As I packed for the MPLA Conference in Wichita, I wondered to myself why I hadn't been smart enough to have the position of State Representative to MPLA when the conference was in Snowmass, CO, or Lake Tahoe, NV. But I had

a job to do, so I was going to Wichita, and I was going to have fun. After all, I had had a great time in Sioux Falls, SD, and the last time I'd seen Kansas was from I-70 in 1978.

I arrived in Wichita a couple of days before the conference. This gave me plenty of time to scope out the area and find interesting places and people along the way. Being out of cigarettes and needing to make copies of my report for the MPLA Board meeting, my adventure began.

An after-dark arrival, coupled with a (de)tour of the Freeway Facelift Facility (construction area) on Hwy...something or other, and winning the "One-Way Street Maze," I had little time for sight-seeing on my way from the airport to the hotel. Thus, I hadn't noticed the historic buildings in downtown Wichita on my drive in. Each building has its own degree of uniqueness and architectural beauty. Other "historic" places downtown include several used-book stores, an antique mall, and the Coleman Outlet Store (as in, Coleman camping stuff). Note: Tobacco supplier located.

Several of the locals inquired as to my opinion of "Big Dog Motorcycles." Being an avid motorcycle enthusiast (biker), I couldn't let them know I had never heard of them. So I did what library folks always do...I asked for more information. Turns out that they're a local product built by The Biker's Edge Cycle. (Check out their web page at http:// www.kars.com/bikers-edge/)

Local bands could be heard at several locations throughout the city. Most of the fine dining establishments and the micro-brewery were found on the "other side of the tracks" in Old Town. The downtown area was busy preparing for a Blues festival. Note: Copy place located.

And as if all this wasn't enough...there was a terrific conference, too. Topics such as HTML, getting the most

"book" for your buck, and setting priorities were all there. Wichita is a great little place! I'm so glad I was smart enough to have this position now instead of having to go to Snowmass, CO or Lake Tahoe, NV like my predecessor did. Thanks, Wichita!

# MPLA Executive Board Meeting Highlights

----Cynthia Berner MPLA Recording Secretary

### 4/10/96

Created a standing committee to be called the Electronic Communications Committee and appointed Brian Greene to chair the committee

Appointed Heidi Nickisch as the newsletter editor

Established a 50th Anniversary Commemoration Committee to begin planning for the celebration of MPLA's 50 years of existence during the 1998 joint conference in Utah

Reappointed Joe Edelen as the Association's Executive Secretary

#### 4/12/96

Welcomed newly elected and appointed members to the Board

ୡ Appointed Peggy Cook (Oklahoma) as the State Representative member of the Finance Committee

Supported a request to rename the Preservation Section to the Preservation, Archives, and Special Collections Section (Editor's note: see story page 4)

Required newly created Electronic Communications Committee to include a representative from each member state

ୡ Approved a meeting schedule for the upcoming year − board meetings will be held in Denver on September 21, 1996, and January 25, 1997

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# The Preservation Section is Re-Named!

-Roseanne B. D. Bory Chair, MPLA Preservation, Archives, and Special Collections Section

After consultation with the Executive Board and with the members present at the Preservation Section Business Meeting at the Wichita Conference, Roseanne B. D. Bory, Chair, and Mary Ann Thompson, Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect, wish to inform everyone in MPLA that the Section now has a new name to reflect the need to expand membership participation in the Section, provide a wider selection of officers for the Section, and promote a greater variety of programs to be presented by the Section at the yearly conferences.

The Section will now be known as the Preservation, Archives, and Special Collections Section. Everyone who is interested in joining the Section should contact Joe Edelen, Executive Secretary of MPLA, at: PHONE: (605)677-6082; FAX: (605)677-5488; or E-MAIL: jedelen@sundance.usd.edu to let him know of your interest. Membership in MPLA automatically entitles everyone to free section memberships, but section memberships need to be recorded with the Executive Secretary.

Individuals who are already members of the Preservation Section need not contact Joe as it will be assumed that they will continue as members. Preservation Section members who wish to change their section membership should contact Joe.



Individuals interested in receiving more information about the Section, or who have suggestions for the Section should contact Roseanne B. D. Bory at: PHONE: 719/549-2475; FAX: 719/549-2738.

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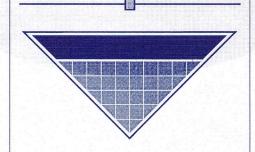
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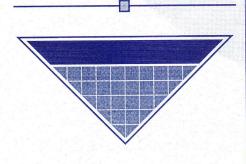
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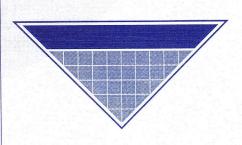
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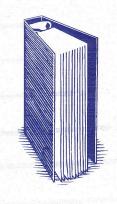
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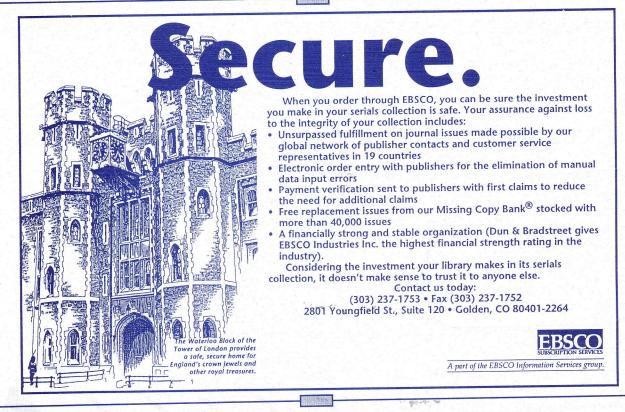
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# 1996 MPLA Awards

--- Vince Anderson Past Chair, MPLA Awards Committee

The Mountain Plains Library Association honored three people at its joint meeting with the Kansas Library Association in Wichita, Kansas, on April 11, 1996.

### LITERARY CONTRIBUTION AWARD

To Tony Hillerman for his portrayal of the beauty and mystery of the Southwest and of its native people and their culture. The nomination for this award came from Margaret Nicholls in Tucson, Arizona, with support from a variety of other librarians in Arizona.

### BEGINNING PROFESSIONAL AWARD

To Venice Beske, Wyoming State Library, for her ability to address major projects and to see them to a completion that draws positive attention to her library, and for her demonstrated leadership within the community of librarians in Wyoming. Four nominations, all arriving in the same week, were submitted by her colleagues at both the Wyoming State Library and other libraries throughout Wyoming.

### NEWS MEDIA SUPPORT AWARD

To Phoenix Newspapers, Inc., for spectacular coverage of the opening of the Phoenix Public Library's new Central Library facility. The nomination came from Merrilyn Ridgeway with support from near many other MPLA members in Arizona. There were full page color articles almost every other day; a full size insert section showing floor layouts, etc., on the day of opening; and numerous follow-up articles including one showing the effect of the sun on the roof support columns at the beginning of the summer solstice.

# **Call For Research Forum Papers**

# MPLA/Oklahoma Library Association Joint Conference

April 30 - May 3, 1997 Shangri-La, Oklahoma

Papers to be presented at the conference will be selected by a jury of peers. A panel of judges will award a prize of \$100.00 to the best presentation. The abstract of the winning presentation will be published in the *MPLA Newsletter*.

Guidelines for Submission:

- Authors must be current members of MPLA
- Papers must be original (not published or presented elsewhere)
- Selected authors will make a 20 minute presentation at the conference in Oklahoma
- Submit an abstract of 11/2 4 pages in length

Abstracts that do not meet the guidelines will not be considered by the judges

DEADLINE FOR ABSTRACTS: NOVEMBER 15, 1996

Send abstracts to: Vicky York Montana State University Libraries Bozeman, MT 59717

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# UPCOMING EVENTS!

#### **JULY 1996**

4-10 Jul – American Library Association, New York, New York

#### August 1996

15-18 Aug – Colorado Library Association/Colorado Educational Media Association Conference, Denver, Colorado

#### September 1996

24-28 Sept – Midcontinental Chapter of the Medical Library Association Annual Meeting, Snowbird, Utah 26-28 Sept – North Dakota Library Association, Bismarck, ND 26-28 Sept – 23rd Plains International Reading Association Regional Conference, Bismarck, ND



#### October 1996

2-5 Oct – Wyoming Library Association, Casper, Wyoming 9-12 – South Dakota Library Association, Spearfish, SD

11-13 Oct – Nevada Library Association, Laughlin, NV

13-16 Oct – LITA/LAMA (Library Information and Technology Association/Library Administration and Management Association) National Conference, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

# **EdLibs**

### —Heidi M. Nickisch MPLA Newsletter Editor

Hora fugit. It seems that only yesterday I was preparing my application for this position and packing my bags for Wichita. Today I find myself putting the finishing touches on "my" first issue of the *MPLA Newsletter*. I would like to thank Jim Dertien, the previous editor, for his years of hard work on the Newsletter. I know how much work it is to put an issue together, and I also know that this is a labor of love. Thanks, Jim!

By way of introduction, I am the Interlibrary Loan/Reference Librarian at the University of South Dakota's I.D. Weeks Library, where I also write Web pages and teach Internet classes. I started working in a library when I was in college; I realized today that I've been working in libraries for nearly 10 years, and I have been lucky enough to hold varied positions in several different types of libraries. I have worked in a public library, a special collection, and in specialized academic collections as well as general academic libraries. I've worked in small libraries, large libraries, and libraries in between. I've worked in rich libraries (OK, not very many of those!), and I've even worked in a library that had no book budget for over a year. And I've had the honor to work for and with some of the best librarians in the western hemisphere.

Oh, and if I expect you, gentle reader, to get a feel for who I am at all, I should tell you that I'm a dyed-in-the-wool Nebraska Cornhusker fan (hey, it's not one of those things you choose—it just happens!). Feel free to check out http://www.usd.edu/~nickisch/ for a bit more about me and the things I like.

What I'd really like to have you know is that I want your input on this Newsletter. The Newsletter is the primary means of communication for the MPLA membership. Please email me, call me, fax me, or send me any and all information you'd like to see in the Newsletter. Your library got a grant to provide free Internet access to your patrons? You have a new job? Your summer reading program was the most successful one you've had? Let MPLA members share in your excitement! I foresee some exciting changes for the newsletter, and I need your help, too. Watch for more state information, columns, and a few surprises!

I can be contacted at: I.D. Weeks Library 414 East Clark Street University of South Dakota Vermillion, SD 57069

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# Mikkelsen Library Receives \$150,000

Augustana College, Sioux Falls, SD, has received a grant of \$150,000 for the Mikkelsen Library from the Arthur Vining Davis Foundations of Jacksonville, FL. Grant funds will be used to enhance the library's technological resources and to upgrade the student computer lab in the library.

"We are delighted that Augustana's library is the beneficiary of the grant funds awarded by the Arthur Vining Davis Foundations," said Ronelle Thompson, Director, Mikkelsen Library and project director for the grant. "Their decision affirms the strength of Augustana College–its leadership and its fiscal stability."

The grant is the third awarded Augustana by the Arthur Vining Davis Foundations. In the 1970s a challenge grant helped Augustana develop a base of alumni giving and in the 1980s an award supported development of the college's innovative Capstone program.

Begun in 1952, the Arthur Vining Davis Foundations seek to provide financial assistance to select educational, cultural, scientific and religious institutions. Arthur Vining Davis graduated at the top of his class from Amherst College in 1888 and went on to become president and chairman of the board of Alcoa. Davis died in 1962 at the age of 95.

# Welcome! Bienvenidos! Willkommen! New Members Join the MPLA Family

### Arizona

Sharon Seymour, Prescott Public Library Charles Dymond, Tucson Sarah Ashton, University of Arizona Jennalyn Tellman, University of Arizona

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# Electronic Continuing Education Calendar

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> For each continuing education program, course, or workshop include the following: date; title of program; cost; site; c.e. credit; and contact (include name, address, phone, fax, and email address).

> For library meetings, conferences, tours, or dinners include the following; date; name of the group (spell out the name–do NOT use acronyms); place; time; contact (include name, address, phone, fax, and email address); speaker/ program.

Submissions may also be send via U.S. mail to: P. Auflick, AHEC, 2501 E. Elm St., Tucson, AZ 85716.

> Deadlines for the publication are July 26, August 23, September 23, October 25, November 25, and December 16, 1996.

# MPLA Offers Professional Development Assistance!

Association members are encouraged to apply for grants, mini-grants, and international grants, all of which may be used for formal college or university classroom work, independent study programs, attendance at workshops, conferences or seminars, or participation in any other activity that will benefit libraries and the library community in our region. (Members are eligible after one full year of membership.)

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Plan ahead now for your 1997 continuing education opportunities!

# **1996 MPLA Election Results**

### **Officer Elections**

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### Academic Section

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Shelby Harken

Marlene Ware

Iane Hatch

Brian Greene

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Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect

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Secretary

Secretary

Public Library/Trustees Section Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect

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Vicki Terbovich Margaret Miller

Sharon Osenga

#### Children's and School Section

Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect Secretary

Basha Hartley Marquita Boehnke

### Preservation Section

(Preservation, Archives, and Special Collections Section) Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect Mary Ann Thompson Secretary Nancy L. Jennings

### **Government Documents Section**

Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect Secretary

Betty Gard **Ronald Haselhuhn** 

## **Other Items**

**Dues Proposal** 

All changes approved by the membership (For new dues schedule, please see the back of your newsletter!)

**Bylaws Changes** 

All changes approved by the membership

# Continuing Education and **Other Opportunities**

#### 24-28 September 1996 Midcontinental Chapter of the Medical Library Association Annual Meeting, Snowbird, Utah

CE classes include "NP 622, Developing the Hospital's Information Management Plan," "Navigating the Internet," and more!

For more information, contact Kathleen McCloskey, voice: 801/585-5743, fax: 801/581-3632, email: kmc@ecclab.med.utah.edu, URL: http://www-medlib.med.utah.edu/mcmla96/

### Fulbright Librarian Award for 1997-98 Deadline: 1 August 1996

The Fulbright Commission in London is offering a fellowship for applicants who are U.S. citizens, hold an MLS, and who are experienced in building electronic links and information services. The person selected for the award will help develop materials relating to 6,700 American airmen based in the Norfolk/Suffolk area who were killed between 1942-45

For more information about this and other awards in other countries within the Fulbright program, send an email request to we6@ciesnet.cies.org or call 202/686-7878.

27 September 1996 Intellectual Freedom Training - See story, page 14.

### Webster Definition for "shangri-la"

Shan.gri-la \.shan-gri-'la:\ n [Shangri-La, imaginary land depicted in the novel Lost Horizon by James Hilton 1: a remote beautiful imaginary place where life approaches perfection: UTOPIA 2: a remote usu. idyllic hideaway

> ----from the Hypertext Webster's Dictionary at http://c.qp.cs.cmu.edu:5103/prog/webster/

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# Noses In the News, or: Where Are They Now?

James Minges, formerly Library Development Director at the Nebraska Library Commission, is the new Director for the Northeast Kansas Library System.

After 24 years as Dean of Libraries at South Dakota State University, Leon Raney is retiring.

Dr. Raney's replacement, **Steve Marquardt**, currently the director of libraries for the University of Wisconsin Eau Claire, will take over the position beginning July 1st.

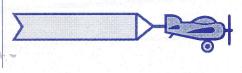
Desiree Sallee is the new electronic information librarian for the Wyoming State Library.

Arlene Bansal, Arizona State Librarian, retired May 31st.

Mel Cantor is the new director of the North Las Vegas Library District.

# SD Libraries Receive On-Line Grant

The South Dakota Library Network has been chosen to participate with the Microsoft Corporation in a pilot project aimed to increase access to the information superhighway in rural America. The South Dakota State Library will receive approximately \$100,000 in direct cash assistance from Microsoft. Additionally, software packages and technical assistance will be provided free of charge. The State Library will use the assistance to upgrade existing links, purchase personal computers for its existing sites, and extend Internet access to rural libraries.



ATTENTION ARIZONA AND NEVADA LIBRARIANS!

Regional Leadership Development Institute on Intellectual Freedom

On September 27, 1996, the American Library Association will join with Arizona, Nevada, California, Hawaii, and New Mexico Librarians to create intellectual freedom training opportunities for library staff. This Institute is a direct outgrowth of training held in November of 1994 by the ALAs Office for Intellectual Freedom, and will be held in Reno, Nevada.

Library Staff from these five states who are interested in how to deal with intellectual freedom issues and how to train others should attend. The agenda features discussions



by Judith Krug, Director of ALAS Office of Intellectual Freedom, Dr. Gene Lanier, Professor of Library Science at East Carolina University and longtime IF advocate, and others! All participants must make a commitment to return to their home state and present similar training opportunities.

Fees: There is no registration fee, but participants will pay their own travel, lodging, meals, and \$10 for lunch and refreshments. To register or for more information, please contact: Jacque Kasper at College of Law Library, University of Arizona, P.O. Box 210176, Tucson, AZ 85721-0176. Voice: 520/621-1547, fax: 520/621-3138. Other MPLA Librarians: Watch for News of up-Coming insti-Tutes in your Area!

# Job Opportunities

#### Academic

Northern Arizona University, 2 positions Principal Catalog Librarian

Under the direction of the Head of Bibliographic Services, the Plincipal Catalog Librarian performs original and copy cataloging for all formats (except serials); supervises, trains and directs the activities of classified staff in cataloging, serves as a resource person for cataloging issues and questions, interprets and disseminates bibliographic rules and practices of the Library, participates in catalog maintenance of the Library's integrated system, participates in the departmental management group; performs collection development, participates in Library committees, and represents the Library, as appropriate, in campus, state and national meetings.

#### Minimum Qualifications:

*Required:* ALA-accredited MLS, 3-5 years of original cataloging experience, including at least two years of supervisory experience. Knowledge of and experience with AACR2R, LCSH, LC schedules, MARC formats and other relevant cataloging tools. Experience with a major cataloging utility, either OCLC, RLIN, or WLN. Experience with an automated library system. Demonstrated ability to interact productively with members of the library team in problem solving, work flow analysis and decision making. Experience in resolving issues in an environment of supportive change. Strong commitment to library service. Strong interest in emerging technologies and their use in bibliographic control. *Desired:* Experience cataloging special formats. *Minimum Salary:* \$32,000. *Closing Date:* July 26, 1996.

#### Serials Catalog Librarian

Under the direction of the Head of Bibliographic Services, the Principal Catalog Librarian performs original and edit cataloging, via OCLC, with an emphasis in the serials format; advises, and trains employees in the holdings and bibliographic portions of the serials acquisitions' record; assists in the training and operational performance of classified staff, supervises 1 FTE, participates in the departmental management group; performs collection development responsibilities, participates in Library committees, and represents the Library, as appropriate, in campus, state and national meetings.

*Minimum Qualifications: Required:* ALA-accredited MLS, 1-2 years of cataloging experience, with an emphasis in serials' cataloging. Knowledge of and experience with AACR2R, LCSH, LC schedules, MARC formats and other relevant cataloging tools. Experience with a major cataloging utility, either OCLC, RLIN, or WLN. Experience with an automated library system. Demonstrated ability to interact productively with members of the library team in problem solving, work flow analysis and decision making. Experience in resolving issues in an environment of supportive change. Strong commitment to library service. Strong interest in emerging technologies and their use in bibliographic control.

*Desired:* Supervisory experience and library acquisitions experience. *Minimum Salary:* \$29,000 DOE. *Closing Date:* July 26, 1996.

To apply for either of the above positions, send résumé, letter of application addressing each of the requirements above, and the names, telephone numbers and addresses of three references to:

Maggie Horn, Head of Bibliographic Services Cline Library, Northern Arizona University Box 6022, Flagstaff, AZ 86011

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<u>800/356-7820</u> from any of the eleven MPLA member states 24 hrs/day.

To submit an announcement to the MPLA Jobline, send it to:

Joseph R. Edelen, Jr. MPLA Executive Secretary I.D.Weeks Library University of South Dakota 414 East Clark Street Vermillion, SD 57069-2390

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