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The Walrus Said...

—Judy Zelenski
MPLA President

The Caterpillar's Question

"Who are You?" said the Caterpillar.

This was not an encouraging opening for a conversation.

Alice's reply: "I—I hardly know, Sir, just at present—at least I know who I was when I got up this morning, but I think I must have been changed several times since then."

—Alice's Adventures in Wonderland

Occasionally I feel overwhelmed with the demands of the day - like today when I awoke making mental notes for this column, finished sewing curtains for grandson Tanner's room in his new house, hurriedly watered house plants because many were drooping and one had died from lack of attention (not to mention the caterpillar who had eaten almost half a fern), was reminded to get oranges and grapefruit by tonight, loaded tools and ladder into the car for curtain rod installation later today, and made it to work in time to begin a different to-do list. Like Alice, I've changed several times since I got up four hours ago.



And I'll keep changing to meet the multiple deadlines at the office, trying to keep up the same level of service with half the staff. There are few I know in the library world who don't have to manage multiple, changing, and increasing expectations with decreasing support.

So, I think it's time, both individually and professionally, to face the Caterpillar's question. Who are *You*? It, of course, demands answers on many levels. Conferences deal with it on the professional level. Boards grapple with it on an organizational level. Individually we ponder our choices for making a living. But beyond that, and before we get to the metaphysical level of existence, I think we need to remind ourselves what we love to do for fun.

At the recent MPLA board meeting I invited board members to do introductions

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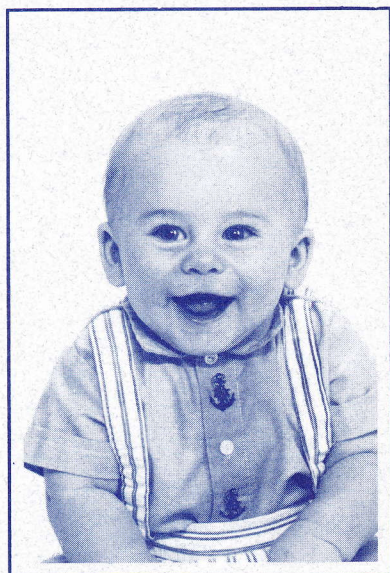
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with the usual identifications: position in MPLA, where from, title and organization. I also asked for a description of who we *really* are - that is, beyond our jobs what are our passions? What do we love to do for fun? Who are we when we don't have to conform to a "position"? I don't know what I expected, but I was amazed at the variety of our loves! We have artists, authors, a guinea pig breeder, a Harley rider, a Volksmarcher, a wilderness backpacker, a rabbit collector. We have a number of loves in common - our children, grandchildren, cats, dogs, travel, reading, and the outdoors. And more than one said their work was their passion.

Through the Caterpillar's question, I was delighted to get to know my MPLA colleagues better. It confirmed for me that there is life beyond the to-do-list. I encourage you to ask the question of yourself and others and I think you'll be delighted too.

Judy Z

The newest "presidential portrait" - our wonderful grandson Tanner at 6 months - totally happy with who he is!



MPLA Executive Board Meeting Highlights 21 September 1996

—Cynthia Berner
MPLA Recording Secretary

President Judy Zelenski called the meeting to order with 26 members present.

The board received a financial statement and membership report from Executive Secretary Joe Edelen. As of September 15th there were 680 personal members and 88 institutional members of the association.

Roseanne Bory, chair of the Preservation, Archives and Special Collections Section, presented a proposal to have that section co-sponsor a disaster preparedness workshop with the Colorado Preservation Alliance and the Preservation Section of the Colorado Library Association. The proposal was approved. Roseanne also presented revised bylaws for the Section. These were also approved.

Peggy Cook, Kathleen Todd and Carol Connor reported on the upcoming joint conference with the Oklahoma Library Association. The conference theme is "On the Frontier". It was decided that MPLA should invite candidates for ALA president to attend annual conferences and that no reimbursement other than payment of conference registration and a ticket to the main banquet be provided. Among the program sessions tentatively scheduled for the conference are a Dewey 21 preconference, a preconference of library evaluation, ergonomics in the library, pro-



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MOUNTAIN PLAINS LIBRARY ASSOCIATION AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

PLEASE PLACE A CHECK BY AWARD FOR WHICH PERSON IS BEING NOMINATED:

CARL GAUMER EXHIBITORS AWARD MPLA LEGISLATIVE LEADERSHIP AWARD MPLA LITERARY CONTRIBUTION AWARD
 MPLA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD MPLA NEWS MEDIA SUPPORT AWARD MPLA BEGINNING PROFESSIONAL AWARD

Name of Nominee: _____
Title: _____ Institution: _____
Business Address: _____ Phone: _____
Is the nominee a member of MPLA? _____ For how long has the nominee been a member? _____
What MPLA positions has this person held? _____

Nominated by: _____ Institution: _____
Business Address: _____ Business Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Please attach documentation which explains why this person/company/institution deserves an award from MPLA. Please limit length of letters of recommendation to four paragraphs, and number of letters to four.

GUIDELINES:

1. Nominations may be submitted by any MPLA member.
2. All librarians must be a current member of MPLA.
3. MPLA awards are presented when merited, and may therefore not be presented every year.
4. Normally, only one award will be given in each category; however, the Awards Committee has the option of awarding multiple awards when merited.
5. Deadline for awards is January 1, 1997.

PLEASE SEND NOMINATIONS TO:

Diane B. Lunde
Colorado State University Libraries
Fort Collins, CO 80523

DESCRIPTION OF AWARDS

CARL GAUMER EXHIBITORS AWARD: To be given to the individual or company whose positive support of the MPLA is demonstrated by constant conscientious endeavors towards libraries, library staff, trustees, and professional activities.

MPLA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD: To be given to an MPLA member who has made notable contributions to the library profession or has furthered significant development of libraries in the Mountain Plains region, or has performed exemplary service for an extended period of time. In the case of retired individuals, the nominee may be a past member of MPLA.

MPLA LEGISLATIVE LEADERSHIP AWARD: To be given to an individual or group (state legislature, city council, board of education, etc.) in recognition of exemplary legislative leadership or support for growth and development of a library or libraries in the MPLA area within the last two years.

MPLA NEWS MEDIA SUPPORT AWARD: To recognize the news media organization in the MPLA region making the strongest effort, either in a single presentation, or in on-going coverage, within the last two years, to promote libraries and library activities to the community. Criteria will include amount and effectiveness of coverage and manifestation of a positive commitment to generate public interest in a library or libraries.

MPLA LITERARY CONTRIBUTION AWARD: To be given to an author whose published writings are most successfully furthering an understanding and appreciation of the Mountain Plains region. The author need not reside in the region, and the selection may be based on either a single work or a body of works. Nominees will be evaluated on basis of literary worth, readability, and evidence of responsible research.

MPLA BEGINNING PROFESSIONAL AWARD: To recognize an MPLA member who, as a librarian/media specialist, has made a positive impact on the quality and role of library service within the last five years after receiving a library/media specialist degree. Factors such as innovative programming and planning, use of resources, and special projects will be considered.

Cool Stuff about the Library in your Neighborhood...

Lawrence Public Library (KS)

The Lawrence Public Library can now travel further down the telecommunications and information highway as a recipient of a \$10,000 grant from Southwestern Bell.

18 communities and organizations, selected from 168 applications, will receive \$136,000 in grants during this initial phase of a two-phase Kansas Community Enrichment Program.

With the grant, four online computer sites will be established for community access to the internet at city, cultural and arts organization sites in Lawrence. Additionally, arts information will be added to the CyberVillage web site.

"We were highly impressed by the application from Lawrence Public Library," said Mike Scott, SWB area manager. "This kind of community/corporate partnership is essential as Kansas positions itself for the future."

Grant application forms are available by calling 1-800-622-5078.

-Tip o' the mousy pointer to Loose Change, the newsletter of the Northeast Kansas Library System

Jefferson County (CO) Public Library Hosts "Dinosaurs in Your Own Backyard" At Nine Libraries

Kids can learn all about the "Dinosaurs in Your Own Backyard" in November. Free tickets are required at most libraries.

The family program will feature Bill McFarland from Friends of Dinosaur Ridge, who will show slides of the fossils to be seen on the



ridge and bring fossil casts of a dinosaur footprint and teeth for kids to touch. Youngsters are encouraged to ask questions and share their favorite dinosaur stories.

-Tip o' the mousy pointer to Tamra Tate, Jefferson County Library System

Pennsylvania Library follows in footsteps of Wichita (KS) Public Library

The Latrobe, PA Public Library recently opened a branch inside a supermarket in its outlying Unity township. Librarians there thought the Unity branch was the first of its kind, but then learned of a decade-old Wichita Public Library branch located in a Dillon Store.

The Wichita PL supermarket branch has consistently ranked second or third in circulation out of the nine neighborhood branch libraries in its 10 years of existence, circulating about 70,000 a year!

-Tip o' the mousy pointer to Cynthia Berner, Wichita Public Library



Farmer Leaves \$50,000 to Brookings (SD) Public Library

The Brookings Public Library's single largest benefactor, bachelor farmer Ralph Buchholz, died December 5th, 1995, and left the Library \$50,000. Buchholz, a frequent patron of the library, often left librarians a \$20 bill to buy a new book, but librarians had no idea that his final gift would be so large. The library has not yet decided what to do with the gift, but is considering a special memorial in the proposed addition of the library. The proposed expansion to the library would nearly double the library's size.

-Tip o' the mousy pointer to Sandra Korkow, The Brookings Register, Sept. 1996

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gramming and library services for homeschoolers, Oklahoma authors, outsourcing featuring a panel of vendors and librarians, and a panel including Lee Brawner speaking on crisis management for libraries. A variety of entertainment opportunities are also being planned.

Marcia Wright, Chair of the Public Relations/Membership Committee, reminded board members that they need to be actively recruiting members to the association. There was considerable discussion about ways to thank current members for promptly renewing their memberships.

Blaine Hall, Finance Committee Chair, presented a preliminary budget proposal for 1997. A formal proposal will be presented at the next meeting.

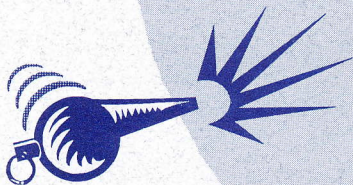
Joe Edelen reported on the developments and use of MPLA-L, MPLA-EX and the MPLA home page. Heidi Nickisch updated the board on changes to the newsletter.

Blaine Hall reported for the 50th Anniversary Commemoration Committee. Jerry Kaup, Connie Lamb and Ronelle Thompson are the other committee members. Several suggestions for ways to celebrate the anniversary were offered.

The Board voted to recommend Joe Edelen as a member for the ALA Executive Director Search Committee.

Juanita Karr reminded board members that MPLA holds caucuses at ALA midwinter and annual conferences.

The next board meeting will be held on January 25, 1997, in Denver.



Preservation, Archives, and Special Collections Section News

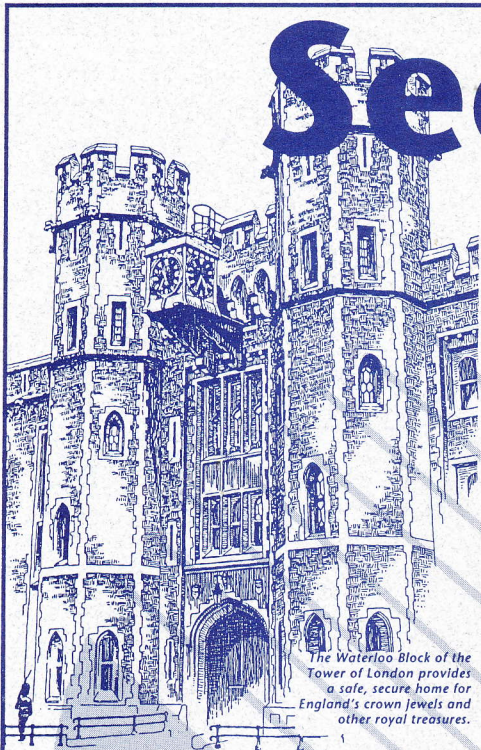
**—Roseanne B. D. Bory
Section Chair**

Subsequent to a unanimous vote of the Preservation, Archives, and Special Collections Section and with the approval of the Executive Boards, Roseanne B. D. Bory, Chair, wishes to inform everyone in MPLA that the Section Bylaws have been officially accepted and will serve to further reflect the name and objective changes that occurred in April 1996. Roseanne wants to thank the Sections, Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect, Mary Ann Thompson, and the Secretary-Treasurer, Nancy L. Jennings, for their work in helping to obtain this goal.

Mrs. Bory also wants to inform MPLA members that the Section is planning some wonderful programs and, perhaps, tours for the OLA/MPLA Spring Convention and hopes that everyone will plan to attend as many of these presentations as possible. More details about these programs will appear later on in this Newsletter.

In addition, the Preservation, Archives, and Special Collections Section will co-sponsor a Disaster Preparedness and/or Recovery Program in connection with the Colorado Preservation Alliance and the Preservation Section of the Colorado Library Association. The Alliance will host the event in the late Spring or early Summer in Denver.

Diane Lunde, Chair of MPLAs Awards Committee, is now Chair of the Colorado Preservation Alliance, so more information about the Disaster Program will be forthcoming from Diane or Roseanne.




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PLA 1997 Spring Symposium

March 20-22, 1997
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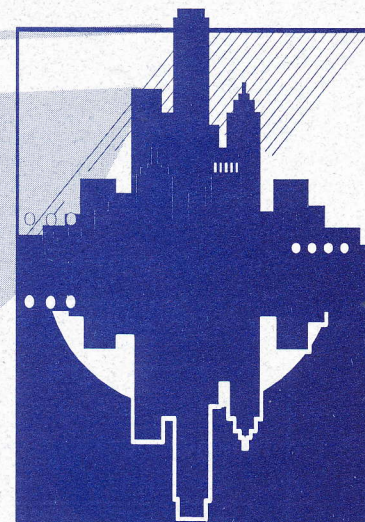
The Public Library Association's 1997 Spring Symposium (formerly known as the Chicago Cluster Workshops) will be held March 20-22, at the Palmer House Hilton Hotel, in Chicago, Illinois.

Topics for this year's symposium are:

- ① Beyond 2000: Planning for Facilities of the Future
- ① Dedicated and Driven: Strategies for Establishing a Successful Friends Group
- ① Dollars and Sense: Fundraising for Public Libraries
- ① Making it in the Middle: Advanced Skills for Middle Managers
- ① Technology and Public Policy: What Every Librarian Needs to Know
- ① Writers Live at the Library: How to Manage and Produce Successful Author Events

Registration forms will be available in late fall. PLA members will automatically receive this information; others may telephone the office at 1-800-545-2433, ext. 5PLA, to be placed on a mailing list.

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President Clinton Signs Museum and Library Services Act

United States National Commission on
Libraries and Information Science, <<http://www.nclis.gov>>

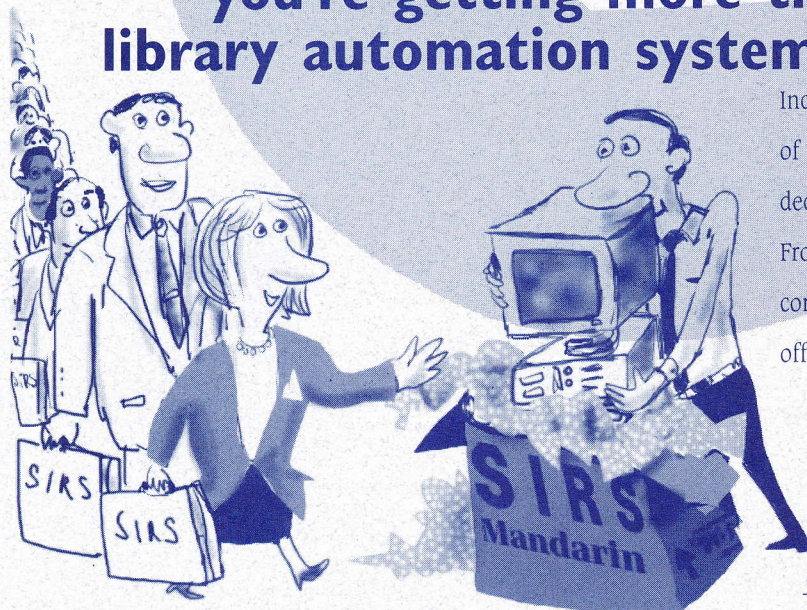
On September 30, 1996 in Washington, DC President Clinton approved legislation creating an Institute for Museum and Library Services (IMLS). Enactment of H.R. 4278 establishes IMLS to improve museum, library, and information services. The new Institute consolidates federal programs of support for museums, which are currently administered by the Institute of Museum Services (IMS) and programs supporting libraries, currently administered by the Department of Education. The legislation takes effect in FY 97 (beginning October 1, 1996), but FY 97 will clearly be a year of transition.

Under the new law, the U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Science (NCLIS) will add to its responsibilities the role of advising the Institute on general policy related to financial assistance for library and information services. The National Museum Services Board will continue to provide policy advice on museum programs.

Provisions of the Museum and Library Act of 1996 include the following:

- ◇ Authorize an annual appropriation of \$150 million for libraries and \$28.7 million for museums.
- ◇ Renew and reorganize provisions contained in the Library Services and Construction Act (LSCA) and Higher Education Act (HEA) title II into a new Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).
- ◇ All of LSTA funding to states via state library agencies.
- ◇ Provide national leadership competitive grants and contracts for education and training, research and demonstration, preservation or digitization of library materials, and model cooperative programs between museums and libraries.

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The Bibliographic Center for Research's publication *Action for Libraries (AFL)* is being published on the WWW. Just take the "BCR Publications" link off the BCR Homepage <<http://www.bcr.org/>>.

ALA Editions and Booklist on the Web...

ALA Editions and *Booklist*, two publishing units of the ALA, have recently launched WWW services.

ALA Editions' "Open Stacks" presents samplers and news about product releases and works in progress. The site is linked to proposal guidelines and other information for prospective authors. Point your browser to <<http://www.ala.org/alaeditions.html>>.

The *Booklist* site features starred reviews from January 1996 to the present and a selection of articles from recent issues. An author-title-illustrator index, beginning with the March 1, 1996 issue, is also part of the site. Find it at <<http://www.ala.org/booklist.html>>.

The Children's Book Council online with updated site...

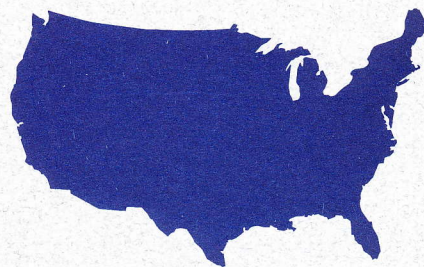
The Children's Book Council (CBC) delivers a wide range of information about children's books and literacy materials and the children's publishing industry <<http://www.cbcbooks.org>>.

Statewide Library Automation Report available from Library Hi Tech...

A special issue of *Library Hi Tech* documents the objectives and initiatives concerning multi-library automation and connectivity at the state level that are unfolding within 46 states of the United States. Each of the 46 states is addressed by a separate article devoted to that state, and all of the MPLA states are represented.

This national report appears in a special double issue of *Library Hi Tech* titled "State of the State Reports: Statewide Library Automation, Connectivity, and Resource Access Initiatives" (vol. 14, no. 2-3, consecutive issue 54-55, 1996) and is 352 pages in length.

Subscribers to *Library Hi Tech* will receive this special report as part of their normal subscription. Individual copies of the report are available for \$44 (plus s/h) from Customer Service, Pierian Press, P.O. Box 1808, Ann Arbor, MI 48106.



UPCOMING EVENTS!

December 1996

4-7 Dec – AzLA (Arizona Library Association) Annual Conference, Phoenix, AZ

February 1997

14-20 Feb – ALA Midwinter Conference, Washington, DC

February 1997

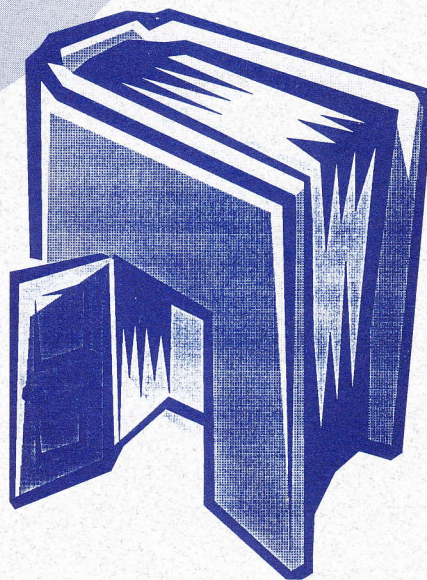
27 Feb – Colorado Library Association Legislative Workshop and Luncheon, Denver, CO

March 1997

9-13 Mar – Computers in Libraries 1997 Conference, Arlington, VA

March 1997

20-22 Mar – Public Library Association 1997 Spring Symposium, Chicago, IL



EdLibs

—Heidi M. Nickisch
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I had a horrible shock a few weeks ago when I went shopping for Halloween candy and found Christmas trees and holiday decorations instead. I've been feeling a little like the Grinch ever since. What about Thanksgiving? What about Fall? Hora fugit! In the same vein, it seems that only a short time ago that I was writing out my check to MPLA for the current year's membership. Now it's MPLA membership renewal time, too! The MPLA membership year is the calendar year, so hurry and get your renewal in before the hustle and bustle of the holiday season. You'll also find an ALA membership form on page 15. Consider joining and adding your voice to the Association!

Make it your goal this year to bring a new member into the MPLA family; make a copy of the membership form (on the back page of this newsletter) and pass it on to a colleague.



The MPLA Awards Nomination Form is on page 4 of the *Newsletter*. Please read the award descriptions carefully! Isn't there *someone* you know who has put forth the effort, made the contributions of time, energy, and expertise, who should be rewarded by the MPLA membership? Take the time to nominate a someone for his or her notable contribution to MPLA and librarianship—show your appreciation for a job well done!

New! Exciting!
Don't Miss Out! Join the
MPLA Listserv
Today!

To join, just send an email message to Joe Edelen (MPLA's Executive Secretary, and listowner of the most exhilarating listserv in town)! That's right...all you have to do is email

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and tell him you'd like to become one of the few, the proud, the MPLA Listserv Members!



Become a Star!

Become an MPLA member and let all your friends see your name in print! Simply fill out the membership form on the back of this issue and send it and your nominal contribution to our illustrious Executive Secretary.

MPLA Membership benefits are countless, and so are our reasons for having you join the MPLA family!



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

ARIZONA

Beverly Adler, Mohave Community College, Lake Havasu
Ching-hwa Chen, Arizona Western College, Yuma
Mohave County Library District, Kingman

COLORADO

Kathleen Braeckel, Jefferson County Public Library, Evergreen
Patti O'Neill, Jefferson County Public Library, Arvada

KANSAS

Jeff Alger, Kansas State University, Manhattan
Luke Edwards, Garden City High School, Garden City
Arla Jones, Johnson County Library, Shawnee Mission
Rebecca Mavity, Garfield Elementary School, Ottawa
Ted Naylor, Wichita State University, Wichita

MONTANA

Eileen Melby, Dawson County High School, Glendive
Carol Rhoads, Montana Tech, Butte

NORTH DAKOTA

Shelby Harken, North Dakota State University, Grand Forks
Laura Kalvoda, Bismarck State College, Bismarck

NEBRASKA

Cecelia Lawrence, North Platte Public Library, North Platte
Ted Smith, Norfolk Public Library, Norfolk

NEVADA

Karen Robertson, Yerington Elementary School, Yerington
Catherine Stephens, University of Nevada - Las Vegas, Las Vegas

OKLAHOMA

Cindy Gottsch, Northwest Oklahoma State University, Alva
Susan Jeffries, Northwest Oklahoma State University, Alva
Brenda Johnson, Norman Public Library, Norman
Ray Lau, Northwest Oklahoma State University, Alva
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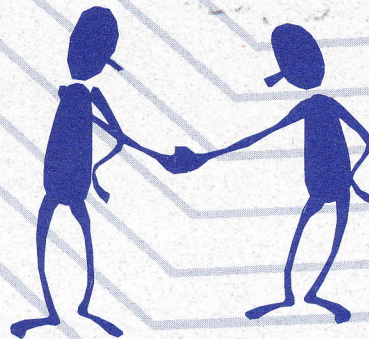
Oklahoma City
Karen Rupp-Serrano, University of Oklahoma, Norman

SOUTH DAKOTA

Maureen Battistella, Lommen Health Sciences Library, University of South Dakota, Vermillion
Steve Marquardt, South Dakota State University, Brookings

UTAH

Kathryn Payne, Weber State University, Ogden
Debra Petersen, Weber County Library, Ogden



*Take a Moment
to greet MPLA's
Rising Stars!*





MPLA Jobline

MPLA has long maintained a jobline for its members. This jobline is updated each Friday.

To call the MPLA Jobline, dial:

605/577-5757 (U.S., 24 hrs/day)

or

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

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

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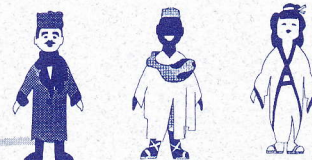


Noses In the News, or: Hail and Farewell

Joan Chambers will retire as Dean of Libraries at Colorado State University on the 1st of November. Chambers was recently elected to the Consumers Union Board of Directors.



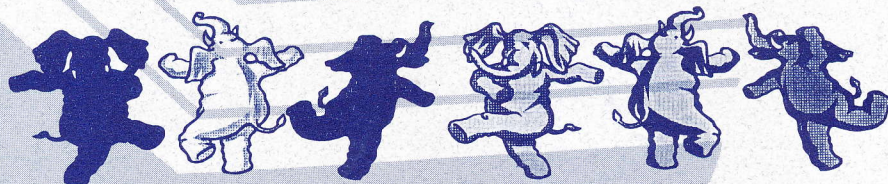
Nancy Tessman is the new Director of the Salt Lake City Public Library System. She was also recently elected to a three-year term on the Executive Board of the Public Library Association.



Elizabeth Johnson is the Interim Director of the Christian College Library in Norfolk, Nebraska.



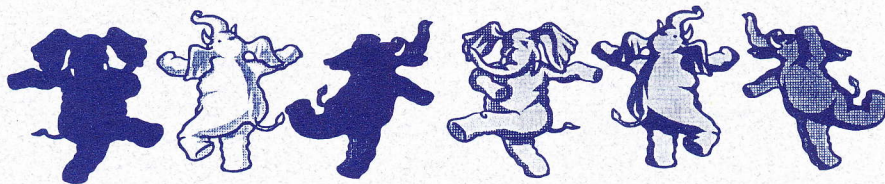
Karen Warner has been appointed by Nebraska's Governor Nelson to fill the remaining term on the Nebraska Library Commission due to a resignation. Warner is currently the Library Services Coordinator at Northeast Community College in Norfolk, Nebraska.



Come join us at the
1997 MPLA/Oklahoma Library Association
Joint Conference!



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



Job Opportunities

Academic

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA, I.D. WEEKS LIBRARY DISTANCE EDUCATION LIBRARIAN

Check out the MPLA Jobline info on
page 12!

POSITION: Faculty rank, tenure-track position. I.D. Weeks Library, University of South Dakota seeks individual to serve as the Library's distance education librarian. This librarian will identify, plan, and deliver library services in support of USD extension programs and will be responsible to provide reference assistance, library user education and referral services for programs through the Rural Development Technology Network (RDTN), including the use of satellite uplinks, Internet, and the Sioux Falls Center for Public Higher Education. Candidate will be expected to closely coordinate BI efforts with USD specialist librarians and develop initiatives in the delivery of library services to USD students. Candidate will be expected to develop Internet-based interactive learning tools and tutorials with the aim of progressively developing research skills for undergraduate and graduate students. Candidate must possess a valid driver's license. Some travel to extension sites will be expected. Additional responsibilities include working regularly scheduled hours at the reference desk and participating in the bibliographic instruction program. Individuals applying should have an interest in working with faculty and have a strong commitment to public service.

QUALIFICATIONS: Minimum qualifications include ALA-accredited MLS; knowledge and interest in educating library users; ability to work effectively with colleagues and diverse clientele; effective written and oral skills; familiarity with HTML and Web development; should be proficient in Web page construction. Additional desirable qualifications include: 1) second master's degree in a subject field (will be required for tenure and promotion); 2) reference experience either in an academic or public library; 3) experience in the delivery of Internet-based education.

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MPLA Offers Professional Development Assistance!

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NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY - YUMA LIBRARIAN - GENERALIST

POSITION: In conjunction with the staff of the Arizona Western College Library and the Cline Library at Northern Arizona University - Flagstaff, this position coordinates library services for undergraduate and graduate students of an academic center of NAU housed on a community college campus in Yuma, Arizona.

- DUTIES INCLUDE:**
1. Facilitate the integration of NAU - Yuma library needs and resources with the Arizona Western College Library. Act as key liaison to faculty, AWC Library staff, and NAU Cline Library.
 2. Develop a library instructional program for students and faculty to fully integrate research and information literacy skills into the undergraduate and graduate curricula.
 3. Provide training and assistance for students and faculty on the use of NAU Vista, the ERIC database, the AWC Library catalog, the Internet and other electronic resources. Provide reference and research assistance services for patrons.
 4. Participate in collection development efforts with AWC librarians. Consult faculty and professional sources to identify appropriate materials to add to the library collection. Oversee NAU - Yuma library budget.
 5. Supervise library assistant, senior and student assistants.
 6. Plan and evaluate library services.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: ALA-accredited MLS; knowledge of and experience with traditional and electronic information retrieval, including the Internet and OPACs; a strong student service orientation and excellent oral and written communication skills; experience in library automation and computer applications. Demonstrated sensitivity to, understanding of, and successful work experience with diverse socioeconomic, cultural, ethnic backgrounds of patrons representative of the Yuma community.

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