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Past President's Report  
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**Program Council Meeting:**

I attended the conference program council meeting this past weekend. There were about 26 MLA programs and 28 MPLA programs (that included MLA members in both organizations). We choose about 15 MLA and 18 from the MPLA(MLA) side. Accepted program proposals will be hearing within the next week of their acceptance into the conference.

**Schedule:** A tentative schedule has been made and here are the highlights:

Wednesday April 6<sup>th</sup>

1:00-4:00pm	MPLA Board meeting
4:30-5:30	Carters Brewery (Billings Buzz)
5:30-7:00pm	Opening Reception at Western Heritage Center

Thursday April 7<sup>th</sup>

7:00-8:00am	Joint New Member's Breakfast
12:45 – 2:00	Joint Awards Luncheon
3:45 – 4:45pm	MPLA Membership Meeting
5:00 – 6:00pm	Leadership Institute Reunion in President's Suite

Friday April 8<sup>th</sup>

8:30 – 10:30am	MPLA board meeting (New board under President Dana)
7:00 – 10:00pm	Membership Dinner (joint)
10:00pm –	Hot Tub Roundtable

(till they kick us out)

**Speakers:**

Keynote speaker is Marilyn Johnson author of *This Book is Overdue*  
Special Program with Sneed Collard  
Author Luncheon with Adriana Trigiani

It is shaping up to be a conference that will be informative, fun, and a great time for seeing old and new friends.