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President Board Report
Mountain Plains Library Association
President's Report Activities Jan June 2005
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1. Contacted the committee chairs, state reps and section chairs to review assignments and long range plan projects for the year:
2. Gathered information from regional groups on dues structures.
3. Accepted resignation of Patti Butcher as chair of the Leadership Institute, Lisa Mecklenberg Jackson as Newsletter editor, and Kay Lowell, State Representative for Colorado. Worked with Patti to find her replacement, who I am happy to announce is Marilyn Hinshaw. Judy Zelinski has agreed to temporarily take over the editors job. I have talked with Kathleen Noland, Executive Director of the Colorado Association of Libraries, about a replacement for Kay.
4. Wrote columns for MPLA newsletter: June issue published; August copy submitted.
5. Wrote welcome letter for the joint WyLA. MPLA Conference in Jackson this October.
6. Spoke at the Oklahoma Library Association meeting. Helped staff the MPLA information table. As I said in my June column it was wonderful to meet so many MPLA members and to gain ten new members through our membership drawing. The members who staffed the booth were great representatives of what it is to be a MPLA member.
7. Contacted Drexel University and indicated that we would not be a sponsor for their distance program in our area.
8. Prepared agenda for July Board meeting; contacted committee chairs about reports/action items in addition to usual participants. Held conference call with past president and vice-president to discuss action items.