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## MPLA/SDLA/NDLA 2013 Tri-conference Update:

There have been no meetings of the Tri-Conference Planning Committee since my last report. Below are some reminders about the rapidly approaching Tri-Conference which will be held in Sioux Falls on September 25<sup>th</sup> through the 27<sup>th</sup>. Please be sure to attend!

# Registration

Conference registration is open! See a PDF and online version from the SDLA home page <a href="http://www.sdlibraryassociation.org/displaycommon.cfm?an=1&subarticlenbr=31#LAC">http://www.sdlibraryassociation.org/displaycommon.cfm?an=1&subarticlenbr=31#LAC</a>

## Lodging

Lodging and the conference venue for the 2013 SDLA/NDLA/MPLA Tri-Conference will be at the <u>Best Western Ramkota</u>. Book your room(s) by September 1<sup>st</sup> and specify you're with the Library Tri-Conference to receive the special \$99 rate. Make your reservations by calling 605-336-0650.

#### Agenda

The Tri-Conference has an agenda full of terrific programs. Go to <a href="http://www.sdlibraryassociation.org/associations/11979/files/2013%20Triconference%20Schedule%20in%20Color.pdf">http://www.sdlibraryassociation.org/associations/11979/files/2013%20Triconference%20Schedule%20in%20Color.pdf</a> to download a copy of the program agenda.

This promises to be an information-packed conference with over 50 breakout sessions, several keynote and luncheon speakers, socials, and much more.

There are 3 pre-conferences on Wednesday, including an all-day session called "Story Time Slime", which focuses on STEM curriculum. There is also a morning session on diversity and an afternoon session about leadership.

There will also be a library tours event on Wednesday evening, concurrent with some Board meetings.

Business meetings for MPLA, NDLA, and SDLA will be held simultaneously as breakfast meetings at 7:30 am on Thursday. State association section meetings will be held simultaneously at 4:15 on Thursday.

#### **Poster Sessions**

Poster sessions will be featured concurrently with a social on Thursday evening, Sept 26<sup>th</sup>, from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Proposals are encouraged from anyone with an idea to share and from any library type.

Submit your proposal via this Web form: <a href="http://bit.ly/tri-posters">http://bit.ly/tri-posters</a> by Friday, June 14. Notifications of acceptance will be out by June 28th.

Contact Danielle Jager-Loftus <u>dloftus@usd.edu</u> with any questions regarding poster sessions and proposals.

I look forward to seeing you all in Sioux Falls!

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