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MPLA Academic Section Report  
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2001 MPLA/AzLA Conference: The papers from the Academic Section's Professional Forum are available on the MPLA website. Web publishing of the proceedings eliminated some of the costs and problems of producing a printed proceedings that were incurred in past years; the e-proceedings has a much wider potential audience.

Officer candidates: The Academic Section is looking for candidates for vice chair/chair elect for next year. Interested members should contact Lisa Dunn or Jeff Belliston.

2002 MPLA/NDLA/SDLA Conference Preparation: We've selected a conference planning committee to help generate ideas, contact speakers, and manage logistics. Topics for several programs and at least one jointly sponsored program have been tentatively identified. Counterparts to MPLA's Academic Section in the NDLA and SDLA have been contacted about planning joint programs or contributing ideas to conference planning.

Additionally, here are some conference program suggestions from Academic Section members that may be of broader interest to MPLA members and conference attendees.

- Management consultants or communications consultants (conflict resolution, communication, professional relationships, etc.) to do a pre-conference program
- A speaker on regional history
- American Indian traditional performing group
- Richard Fox, USD, for a presentation on the Custer battle field

Respectfully submitted,  
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