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MPLA Academic Section Report 10/2002

2002 MPLA/NDLA/SDLA Conference:

The Academic Section sponsored or co-sponsored five sessions at the Tri- Conference in Fargo this year:

- A Taste of Merlot: Peer Reviewed Online Teaching Materials
- Mapping a Nation: A History Portrayed Cartographically (with the GovDocs Section)
- They're Learning What? Information Literacy Competencies and Assessment in Academic Libraries
- Gold Rush: A New Pathway to Databases and Journals
- Outside the Boundaries: Academic Librarians and Non-Traditional Research

The Professional Forum did not receive any submission this year and was cancelled. The Section is looking at ways to promote the Forum for next year's conference. The abstracts from the 1999 and 2000 Forum proceedings are available on the MPLA website.

The Section Business Meeting was held on Oct. 3; the agenda included discussion of next year's conference, promotion of the Professional Forum, and outreach to new members.

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