MPLA Technical Services Section Report
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There is little report for the Technical Services Section. Through Sandra Barstow's (Chair-Elect), good efforts, two candidates were nominated for the position of Chair-Elect, and I am excited to say that Dustin Lamore of Dakota State University, Madison, South Dakota has been elected as the in-coming Chair-Elect.

An update on the challenges in the Technical Services arena in South Dakota should be noted. SDLN (South Dakota Library Network) is in the midst of migration from PALS integrated library system to Ex Libris' Aleph. As a member of the Project Team for the state, I have learned more about Oracle tables and conversion methods than I ever imagined. The learning curve for the entire state is steep and will be ongoing until migration is completed in September 2004. This is an exciting time for us, and we are all looking forward to the installation of a dynamic and useful new integrated library system.

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