## **Newsletter Editor Report**

Lisa Mecklenberg Jackson (Helena, MT) July 12, 2003

First of all, let me apologize for not attending the meeting in Denver on July 12th. I am due to give birth to twins within the next few weeks and my doctor didn't think I should be flying anywhere. Imagine that?! I plan on being out on maternity leave for several months, so Jean Hatfield is looking to find a substitute editor for the MPLA newsletter for the September/October and November/December issues of the newsletter. I do hope, however, to make it to the joint conference in Lake Tahoe.

The June issue of the MPLA newsletter featured Arizona as the MPLA state of the month and also contained a profile of candidates for MPLA office. The ballots will be inserted in the August issue of the newsletter.

I will be using state representatives' reports to the board as state news for the July/August issue of the newsletter. New Mexico is the featured state in this issue. We have a new advertiser in this issue (SIRS Publishing).

Two of the six exhibitors receiving free ½ page ads in the newsletter as a result of last fall's vendor mix-up at conference have gone in the newsletter (Gumdrop Books and Dynix). The exhibitor for the June issue (Quality Books, Inc.) did not send an ad after repeated promises that they would. So, for the July issue I moved on the 4<sup>th</sup> drawn winner—North Dakota State Library.

## FEATURED STATES THAT HAVE BEEN IN THE MPLA NEWSLETTER THUS FAR:

Oklahoma Kansas Nebraska South Dakota Montana Wyoming Arizona (June 2003) New Mexico (August 2003)

Remember, the deadline for the newsletter has changed to the first of every other month. Accordingly, the next deadline will be Sept. 1, 2003. The September/October issue should contain the program schedule for the conference at Lake Tahoe.