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The 2010 AZLA Conference will be held November 15 – 18 at the Radisson Fort McDowell Hotel in Scottsdale, Arizona. The theme *Click it Forward* highlights the ways in which Arizona libraries and library staff contribute to the profession, community, and to the world through innovations in technology, programming, services and a myriad of other ways that enhance the world in which we live. Dana Braccia will be moderating a panel discussion called *Forward Fast: It's Who You Know AND What You Know – How The Mountain Plains Library Association Can Help Build Your Leadership Skills & Expand Your Professional Network.*

The 2010 Arizona Library Leadership Academy graduation ceremony was held August 18 at the Arizona State Library. Participants from eight library systems throughout the state presented their group projects to a full house. Projects are based on a service improvement to customers and are written in LSTA grant format. State Librarian GladysAnn Wells gave the graduation address. In addition to the group project each participant works on a personal outcome to further the leadership goals. The program is coordinated by Elaine Meyers and sponsored by the Arizona State Library and Institute of Museum and Library Services.

The Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records Library Development Division is offering a daylong summit September 20th on e-readers and technology showcase. To qualify, one representative per library location registered August 10th – 13th. This opportunity gives 100 library locations across Arizona pre-selected bundle of e-readers (IPad, Nook, Sony, Kindle or Kobo) plus e-book gift cards to use at their branch. Presenters will provide an overview of current trends and issues associated with e-reader usage in libraries. Participants will then spend the afternoon in hands-on sessions where they will receive. After the conference, participants may take their e-reader bundles and gift cards back to their libraries to continue learning and sharing new skills with customers.