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Arizona Representative

August 2017

MPLA Activities

- Attended June 1 MPLA Board meeting
- Promoted 2018 Leadership Institute to AzLA members via email list and to Arizona library staff in general via a State Library email list
- Sought nominations for MPLA Awards via AzLA newsletter
- Sent a recruiting email to Arizona MPLA members for someone stand for election as Arizona's next MPLA Representative. (My term ends with the AzLA Annual Conference, Oct 25-27, 2017)
- Promoted NLA/MPLA Conference to AzLA membership

AzLA Activities

- Attended Summer AzLA Board meeting, Jul 21, 2017. Much of the discussion focused on how to maintain fiscal viability of the association. Our fixed expenses are outstripping current income.
- Promoted the NLA/MPLA Conference and Leadership Institute in the July Board meeting.

Arizona News

The AzLA Annual Conference will be held in Mesa, AZ (Phoenix area) from Oct 25-27, 2017. MPLA members from other states may register at in-state rates. <http://2017.azla.org/>

The largest library in Arizona, Burton Barr Central Library in Phoenix, suffered wind damage to the roof from a microburst and flooding due to a sprinkler pipe that broke with the roof damage. Each of the library's 5 one-acre large floors suffered flooding and water damage. The library is closed indefinitely. Pictures, videos, details: <http://www.phoenixpubliclibrary.org/AboutUs/Press-Room/Pages/Burton-Barr-Central-Library-Restoration-Update.aspx>



Meanwhile, one of the state's smaller libraries, McNary Community Library, was destroyed by a 2am fire.

Coincidentally, the AZ State Library had already arranged a series of Disaster Preparedness & Community Resiliency workshops to be held around the state the week of August 7-11.