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REPORT FROM COLORADO REPRESENTATIVE

To the Mountain Plains Library Association

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Louise Treff-Gangler

Board Choice Award

I would like to nominate both Gail Dow and Gordon Barhydt, Co-Chairs of the Colorado Library Association Legislation Committee, for their work toward completing the passage of Colorado Senate Bill 085, "State Grants for Libraries," in 2000, providing state level funding for all publicly supported libraries in the Colorado.. They both put in a great deal of time and energy to influence the passage of this legislation.

Funding for Libraries

"State Grants for Libraries," Senate Bill 085, was signed on May 26, 2000 by Governor Bill Owens at the Pueblo Public Library with 200 citizens in attendance. Now for the first time there will be state funding of \$2 million for the state's libraries to purchase educational resources. The grants are based on the size of the population served. The grants will be administered by the State Library.

New CLA Office Manager

Julie Wells is the new Office Manager for the Colorado Library Association. She will work at the CLA Office at the Central Colorado Library System, 4350 Wadsworth Blvd., #340, Wheat Ridge, CO 80033. Telephone, fax, and email remain the same:

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New CLA Officers Elected

The new officers for the Colorado Library Association for 2000/2001 are:

President-Elect: Lorena Mitchell

Treasurer: George Jaramillo

MPLA Councilor: Suzanne N. Taylor

ALA Councilor: Lynn Connaway

Paralibrarian Division Chair-Elect: Shannon Cruthers

Paralibrarian Division Secretary: Lynn Redman

Technical Services & Automation Division Chair-Elect: Pat Smith  
Technical Services & Automation Division Secretary: Terri Lewis

College & University Division Chair-Elect: Joan Lamborn  
College & University Secretary: Joan Beam

Public Library Division Chair-Elect: Michelle Seipp  
Public Library Secretary: Sherry Taber

#### CLA Annual Conference

"Enhancing Information: Libraries Add Value," will be held September 14-17, 2000, at the Snowmass Conference Center. Preconferences on September 14 include: "The Meaning of Story," "How to Become a Community Activist," "Introduction to Digitization," "Learning to Lead," and "Trained Lap Dogs or Trained Watch Dogs?" (intellectual freedom). MPLA President Marilyn Hinshaw will speak at the Trustees' program, "The Role of the Trustee." Early registration deadline is August 1, 2000; the deadline for regular advance registration is August 25, 2000. After August 25th, you must register at the conference. For registration, the preliminary program, housing information, and further conference information visit the CLA website at [www.cla-web.org](http://www.cla-web.org).

#### Tattered Cover Litigation

Litigation against the Tattered Cover bookstore for refusing to release customer records to legal authorities was postponed until July 2000. The Colorado Library Association is named as a supporter on the brief with the American Booksellers Association taking the lead. There were to be hearings on July 26, 2000, with Jamie LaRue, President of CLA 1998/99, to testify.

Louise Treff-Gangler, Colorado Representative to MPLA