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Montana State Board Report

Suzanne Schwichtenberg, Reference librarian at Lewis and Clark Public Library in Helena, has taken the position of *MLA Focus* newsletter editor. She replaces John Finn, who held that position for 5 years.

The *MLA* fall board retreat will be held at Salish Kootenai College in Pablo, MT August 2 – 4.

Lois Fitzpatrick, director of Corette Library at Carroll College in Helena, retired in May. At a ceremony she was honored with a resolution and nominated for lifetime membership in *MLA*. She was chair of the Government Affairs committee, acted as the association's parliamentarian, and was an active member of the Sheila Cates Scholarship committee.

Eva English will take the position of *MLA* President in July.

Great Falls Public Library director Jim Heckel is retiring after 21 years there, and 40 years in the library world. He has served on the MT ACLU board, worked with Humanities Montana and was *MLA* president.