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The New Mexico librarians are gearing up for the NMLA annual conference on April 22-24 at the Albuquerque Convention Center. We are expecting 500 or so librarians to attend this conference along with a variety of vendors. A variety of programs will be presented along with a pre-conference on "Hands-on Blogging", which has sold out! Our opening session will have Toni Garvey, Director of Phoenix Public Library, deliver the keynote address titled "10 Things We Know to be True". We will have a variety of sessions throughout the two day conference. Lynette Schurdevin, NM MPLA representative will have a session on "MPLA – What Does That Mean?"

Cassandra Osterloh, NMLA President will be representing Lynette Schurdevin at the MPLA board meeting in Wichita, Kansas. Lynette will be attending the PLA Symposium April 1 – 5 in Nashville, TN.

Excerpt from the NMLA January/February newsletter:

A call for proposals has gone out for the 2009 National Streams of language, Memory, and Lifeways Conference for Tribal Archives, Libraries, and Museums. The conference is to be held in Portland Oregon from October 19 to 22, 2009.

There are two ways in which to submit a proposal: online application through the conference website at [www.tribalconference.org](http://www.tribalconference.org) ; or download the application and mail a hard copy to:

Maryann Campbell, Tribal Programs Co-chair, Oregon  
Historical Society, 1200 SW Park Avenue, Portland, OR 97205

The deadline is February 2, 2009.

Former NMLA President, Joe Sabatini, retired after a 35 year library career at Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Library System. He continues to volunteer his time by continuing his work with the Legislative Committee of the New Mexico Library Association.

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