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MPLA Board Meeting – North Dakota Report October 12, 2005

Beth Postema, Assistant Director at the Fargo Public Library, was chosen to attend the MPLA Ghost Ranch Institute in 2005.

At the recent North Dakota Library Association annual conference in Grand Forks 10 MPLA memberships were given away at the second General Session.

Fourteen public libraries across ND were awarded Books for Children grants from the Libri Foundation. The Libri Foundation is a nationwide non-profit organization which donates new, quality, hardcover children's books to small, rural public libraries in the United States.

In a span of 4 weeks Grand Forks and Fargo are hosting three different library conferences: Sept. 16-20th - Midwest Chapter/Medical Librarians Association Conference, Fargo Sept. 21-23rd - North Dakota Library Association Annual Conference, Grand Forks Oct. 6-7th - Mid America Association of Law Libraries Conference, Grand Forks Fortunately the blizzard only buried the western 2/3rds of the state as of Oct. 6th causing many fewer complications for the law librarians.

Jeanne Narum, the previous ND representative to MPLA, has taken over the presidency of NDLA with Beth Postema serving as her pres-elect. Next years conference will be recognizing 100 years of the North Dakota Library Association.

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