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MPLA Activities

- Submitted an article to MPLA newsletter.
- Submitted an article to NDLA newsletter.

NDLA News

• The North Dakota Library Association hired a new Executive Secretary, Laurie Robertsdahl.

North Dakota News

- The North Dakota State Library's biennial budget was approved as one of the final acts of our 63<sup>rd</sup> Legislative Assembly. The final version of the budget included a \$266,500 increase in State Aid to Public Libraries.
- The State Library held their annual Spring Workshops on April 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> in Bismarck. This year's workshops had a focus on children and youth services. Archived presentations are available here: http://library.nd.gov/workshoparchives.html
- Registration is now open for the State Library's day-long seminar on library management. This year's seminar is on strategic planning, and it will be held at six locations throughout the state.
- The ODIN library consortium will soon be transitioning from using VuFind as their catalog front-end to using Primo (Ex Libris).

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