

MPLA Board Report March 2013 Submitted by Leslie H. Langley

MPLA Activities:

- Submitted an article for the MPLA newsletter.
- Attended OLA Executive Board Meetings monthly as MPLA Representative
- Contacted Oklahoma MPLA members who had not yet renewed

OLA News:

- Annual conference to be held in two weeks in Ardmore, OK.
- The Information Technology Round Table's plan for iCon, the 3rd of a biennial series of tech conferences, was approved by the Executive Board. Special guest speakers will be George Needham, Vice President Member Services OCLC and Michael Wooten from Google. Scheduled program dates are August 1 and August 2, 2013.
- OLA Legislative Day is planned for April 16. As is the norm for Oklahoma, there are several budget threatening bills wending their ways through the House and Senate that would affect funding. One in particular with no fiscal impact can change the library board structure for multi-county public library systems. Currently towns with public libraries have board representation only if they meet a population requirement. This bill would eliminate that requirement and give each town with a public library a board member.

Respectfully submitted, Leslie Langley