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Wyoming State Representative Report MPLA Board Meeting January 4, 2003 By Patty Patterson

Kay Carlson, Director of Northwest College Library, is the new president of Wyoming Library Association.

Lesley Boughton, Wyoming State Librarian, has been elected president of the Bibliographical Center for Research (BCR) Board. She will also serve on the 2002-03 executive committee.

The WLA Legislative Reception will be in Cheyenne at the Plains Hotel on January 29, 2003. This is popular with the legislators due to the homemade food provided by the staff of all Wyoming Libraries.

The Doris and Neil McMurray family of Casper were honored as the Wyoming Family of the Year by the Associated Parents- University of Wyoming. The family was cited for their commitment and devotion to the university and the state. Seven family members are UW graduates and daughters Carol, Susan and Gayle are responsible for establishing the McMurray Library Endowment Fund.

A collaboration among Fremont County Library, Fremont County School District 21, the Shoshone tribe and the Fort Washakie community is making a new addition to the school possible. The new addition will have space to offer library services to school children and work as an outreach center for Fremont County Library offering evening and weekend hours.

The Wyoming Medical Center held an open house in mid-November to celebrate the new Community Medical Library.

The Sheridan County Public Library System reports the library is now a Foundation Center Cooperating Library.

Jill Rourke is the newest member of the State Library staff. She starting work on Oct. 1, 2002, as the continuing education librarian in the Library Development office. She is already involved in an update to the trustees' handbook, scheduling video conferences and preparing a CE survey for distribution in the next few months.