

SAMPLE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcement of Free Membership Drawing Winners at State Conference

_____ names were drawn at _____ Conference to receive a free year of membership in the Mountain Plains Library Association. The lucky winners were:

List each recipients name and institution here

Please join me in saying “Congratulations and welcome to MPLA!”

Announcements for Next Joint Conference

The dates for the _____ joint conference between the _____ Library Association and the Mountain Plains Library Association were announced today as _____ - _____. It will be held at the _____ with the _____ serving as the conference hotel at a rate of _____ per night. Mark your calendars and make a date to join us in the (insert state nickname here). The complete conference program is in the current MPLA Newsletter which is also on the web site at (insert web link). Online conference registration and lodging information is also available on the MPLA website at _____. The current registration fee for the full conference is _____, but this will increase after _____.

Thanks and see you in the (insert state nickname)!

Announcements for Leadership Institute

The _____ Mountain Plains Library Association Leadership Institute will be held _____ through _____ at Ghost Ranch, New Mexico. The application form and other information about this exciting opportunity are available on the MPLA web page at <http://www.mpla.us/leadership/index.html>.

Professional Development Grants

Contemplating your application to the Mountain Plains Library Association Leadership Institute?

Keep in mind that a continuing education grant could be available from the _(state)_____ Library Association to help with the cost. Check out the association web site at _____ for additional information. For information about MPLA grants, see <http://www.mpla.us/committees/profdev/grants.html>.

Call for Nominations for MPLA Awards

MPLA members are encouraged to submit nominations for the following awards which will be presented at the MPLA- Joint Conference in _(date). Submit nominations to _____, MPLA Awards Committee Chair, (insert email address of current committee chair). For detailed information on awards see <http://www.mpla.us/documents/procedures/sec6.pdf> on the MPLA web site.

REMINDERS

Renewal Message to Winners of Free Membership at Last State Conference

In preparing for the upcoming conference in _____, I was reminded that you were a winner of the complimentary, 1-year membership to the Mountain Plains Library Association last year. I hope that you enjoyed it and are planning to renew for _____. MPLA is a great organization because of good members like you. Please let me know if you have any questions or anything else that I might be able to help with.

Deadlines for Leadership and Professional grants

Two very important deadlines that are fast approaching!

First, applications for the Mountain Plains Leadership Institute to be held ____ - _____ are due before midnight on _____. The application form and additional information about this incredible opportunity for both professional and personal growth is available on the MPLA web site at <http://www.mpla.us/leadership/index.html>.

Second, the next application deadline for an MPLA professional development grant is _____. Forms, application criteria, etc. are also available from the site at <http://www.mpla.us/committees/profdev/grants.html>.

Still considering whether to apply? See what _____ had to say about her experience at the _____ Institute:

“(Insert testimonial here)”

SOLICITATION FOR ITEMS FOR NEWSLETTER AND MPLA STORIES

If you would like to submit news items and press releases about your library, please go to this URL for further information: <http://www.mpla.us/documents/newsletter/index.html> This will provide you with information regarding submission deadlines and email address for the editor, Judy Zelenski (judyz@operamail.com).

A new feature, MPLA Stories, is a way you can share news and stories about your library. Go to this URL: <http://www.mpla.us/stories/index.html> to find out more about this exciting new feature of the newsletter.