

## MPLA Continuing Education Committee Report 7/2004

### Pre-Conference Grants

Since the Committee's January report, the Committee received and approved the following pre-conference grant applications:

- Blaze New Trails . . . at Lake Las Vegas, a pre-conference to be held Wednesday, 11 August 2004, prior to the Nevada Library Association Conference in Lake Las Vegas, Nevada. The grant was approved for \$200.
- Delivering Excellent Customer Service to Library Users, a pre-conference to be held Wednesday, 22 September 2004, prior to the North Dakota Library Association Conference in Minot, North Dakota. The grant was approved for \$400.
- Outrageous Customer Service, a pre-conference to be held Tuesday, 30 November 2004, prior to the Arizona Library Association Conference in Tucson, Arizona. The grant was approved for \$400.

The Committee has not yet received the evaluative report of the pre-conference held in connection with the Oklahoma Library Association Conference for which an approved pre-conference grant application was reported in the January report.

We continue to remind State Reps to make the respective state associations aware of the opportunity to receive such grants. They are easy to apply for using the web form available on the Association's web site.

### CE Clearinghouse

The Committee met in two virtual meetings to discuss the CE clearinghouse. With input from many on the Committee member, Dan Stanton did a superb job putting together a web page. We would like input on this page (<http://www.public.asu.edu/~iddjs/help/MPLA/MPLA%20CE.htm>) from Board members before having Dan Chaney make it part of MPLA's web site.

Please submit your comments to me at [jeffrey\\_belliston@byu.edu](mailto:jeffrey_belliston@byu.edu).

### Budget Request

At the Committee's 2nd virtual meeting on 14 May 2004, we discussed the success in attracting applications for pre-conference grants. Those able to attend the meeting were unanimous in their belief that this is an excellent program and would like to see it grow. The Committee split the approved \$1,500 between 4 applications this year. We respectfully request that the Board consider increasing the budget for pre-conference grant applications to \$3,000.

Respectfully submitted,  
C. Jeffrey Belliston  
Chair