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GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS SECTION REPORT
OCTOBER 2002

MPLA/NDLA/SDLA 2000 Tri-Conference Programming

Three programs sponsored by the Government Documents Section have been scheduled for the MPLA/NDLA/SDLA 2000 Tri-Conference:

1. "How to Find the Census Data You Need" -- a half day Preconference, Wednesday, October 2, 8:00 - 1:00, on the NDSU campus, presented by Jerry O'Donnell of the U.S. Census Bureau Regional Office in Denver.
2. "Mapping a Nation: A History Portrayed Cartographically," Thursday, October 3, 12:00-1:30 p.m., an examination of some of the maps that accompany the development of our nation through the pages of the American State Papers and the U.S. Congressional Serial Set, presented by Donna Koepp, Head of Government Documents, Harvard (formerly Map Librarian, University of Kansas). Co-sponsored by the MPLA Academic Section and the Preservation, Archives, and Special Collections Section.
3. "Patents, Trademarks, Copyrights and Trade Secrets: Introductory Strategies for Reference Service," Friday, October 4, 12:30-1:30 p.m., by Nan Myers, Government Documents, Patents, and Trademarks Librarian, Wichita State University. UNFORTUNATELY, THIS PROGRAM WAS CANCELLED DUE TO LACK OF TRAVEL FUNDING FOR MS. MYERS.

ByLaws Revision

The Government Documents Section Chair and Chair-Elect have drafted revised wording of the MPLA Bylaws for the Government Documents Section. We have sent the new version out to the section membership via MPLA-L. The section will vote at the Tri-Conference GovDoc business meeting on Thursday, Oct. 3, 7:30 a.m.. If approved, the section will present the revisions at the 2nd Executive Board meeting at the Tri-Conference.

Elections

Venice Beske, Wyoming State Library, manager of the Statewide Information Services section, was elected as Government Documents Section Chair-Elect for 2002/2003; Chair 2003/2004.

Louise Treff-Gangler
Chair