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MPLA Executive Board Meeting
July 23, 2005

State Agencies, Cooperatives, & Systems Section

The Section will be sponsoring two programs during the upcoming conference. The first program will be on Friday, October 14th and will feature Stephen Abram by himself speaking on the theme "Repurposing libraries today beyond Google's influence with inspiration, innovation and imagination" the target audience will be library folks concerned about the encroachment of Google Inc. on library services

The second program (just approved) will feature a panel of "experts" who will react to Stephen Abram's speech. It is not decided whether or not Abrams will be a part of this panel. Still under development, the topics might include: hot topics virtual reference, knowledge management, content usability, etc. Suggestions for appropriate panel members are being sought.

The section used MemberClicks to solicit candidates for the Chair-elect position and had an excellent response. Using a combination of email and MemberClicks we had more people volunteer that were needed. Two excellent candidates have had their names placed on the ballot: Stephanie Gerding , Arizona State Library, and Colleen Kirby, South Dakota State Library. Stephanie is a Ghost Ranch graduate.

Submitted
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Chair