

MPLA Activities

- I have been working with AzLA and MPLA leadership to get the Conference Contract signed.
 - I recommend the Board take a look at the contract for revision. Many of the provisions have not been enacted to the letter for years, and a *Memorandum of Understanding* may be a more appropriate document.
- I have made some comments to MPLA Leadership about the role and responsibilities of State Representatives.
 - Issues of time commitment to 2 Boards, 2 Newsletters, 3 year *solo* term, succession planning, etc., should be reevaluated.
 - As President-elect of AzLA I need to step down as MPLA Rep for Arizona. I have contacted individuals directly and sent out a blanket request for an interim Rep. So far no takers.
- Wrote articles for the AzLA Newsletter promoting MPLA co-conference in AZ, and highlighting the other State Associations involved with MPLA.
- Participated in AzLA Board Meeting and 2 AzLA Conference Planning Meetings
 - The Conference website is started:
<http://www.azla.org/?page=2014AzLAMPLA>
 - The AzLA Conference wiki (you can even just search that and find it via Google, etc. – it's open for viewing to anyone) is <http://azlaconference.wikispaces.com/>. The Wiki includes:
 - Committee Roster:
<http://azlaconference.wikispaces.com/2014+Committee+Roster>
 - Conference Timeline ****With meeting dates**** :
<http://azlaconference.wikispaces.com/Timeline>
 - Sponsorship Info:
<http://azlaconference.wikispaces.com/Sponsors>
 - A couple of MPLA-specific issues I noted:
 - AzLA does a number of Author awards and local author programming. Correct me if I'm wrong, but MPLA does *not* do a lot of author programs, correct?
 - The MPLA Literary Contribution Award takes place with the other MPLA awards, correct? There has been some interest in having the MPLA Author, perhaps do a program or panel with AzLA authors. We'll need to put Mary Ann in touch with the AzLA awards, correct?
 - AzLA is planning on offering folks who register for the Full Conference (2 days), a free registration for the Preconference

of their choice. I'm assuming that will be the majority of MPLA attendees. Since the Board usually meets on the PreConference Day, I thought you should know in case you want to move that meeting up a day.

- In order to make sure that Business Meetings get scheduled and assigned rooms, AzLA asks that such meetings go through the program application process. (You won't be turned down, but it can they need to be placed on the agenda)
- And finally, Ann Marie Leonard came up with a Conference Logo:



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