

New Mexico Representative MPLA Board Report

- 2007 Joint Conference – Plans are well underway for the 2007 Joint NMLA/MPLA conference. New Mexico librarians are looking forward to sharing this conference with attendees from the Mountain Plains region. The NMLA Administrator, Lorie Christen, has been busy working with vendors for the conference, and is pleased with the large number of vendors who are registered to attend at this early date. At the October 12th NMLA board meeting, members approved conference fees for the 2007 conference. The early bird cost for NMLA and MPLA members will be \$75, early bird cost for non-members will be \$100. After early bird, NMLA and MPLA members will pay \$100 and non-members will pay \$125. NMLA is interested in finding “fun” vendors for the exhibit area – vendors selling jewelry, ornaments, etc. For the latest conference information, visit the official website at: <http://www.nmla.org/abq2007/confhome.htm>
- 2006 Mini Conference – The New Mexico Library Association held its annual Mini Conference on October 12-13 in Silver City at Western New Mexico University. The conference was much larger than expected with over 130 people registered for the event.
- New Mexico GO Bond – The New Mexico Library Association is supporting the GO Bond “C” in 2006. The \$9 million bond will be on the New Mexico ballot on November 7th. Bond funds will support public, school, and academic libraries. For more information visit the GO Bond website at: http://www.nmla.org/about_nmla/Legislation/GO_Bond.htm
- New Mexico State Library – The hiring freeze at the New Mexico State Library has been lifted and several job postings will be appearing shortly on the New Mexico State Personal Office website: <http://www.state.nm.us/spo/> Jobs are usually listed for two weeks.

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