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South Dakota Library Association
Mountain Plains Library Association Report, January 2007
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SDLA to host Legislative Reception January 16, 2007 at South Dakota Capitol Rotunda and an Open House for Legislators at the SD State Library.

SDLA will host the Legislative Reception in the Capitol Rotunda for State Legislators, State Employees, and visitors to the Capitol and the Legislative Sessions. An historical display, depicting SDLA history and service to South Dakota libraries, will be shown in the reception area.

The Open House at the State Library for Legislators will be held the evening of January 16. Librarians throughout the state have been contacting legislators from their local communities to invite the legislators to attend the Open House.

SDLA will submit a request to the 2007 South Dakota Legislature for the Dakota Digital Library.

SDLA will propose the Dakota Digital Library initiative which will provide SD schools with access to information resources, online card catalog for SD libraries, and electronic databases. The Dakota Digital Library will provide academic support to students statewide helping to address the mandates of No Child Left Behind. This initiative will provide funding for remote membership in SDLN (South Dakota Library Network) for all publicly funded school libraries, providing interlibrary loan, database access and a staff person to offer support and training.

SDLA will hold a Leadership Development and Organizational review.

Ginny Nelson of Nelson Consulting will lead the workshop and assist SD librarians in their search for solutions to these questions.

- How can SDLA use limited resources to maximize communications & publications for the membership? How will the association evaluate the return on investment of the information?
- Are the elected or appointed positions, committees or sections able to fill appointments for established goals that achieve outcomes to meet the member's interests?
- How can SDLA collaborate with other partners for continuing education as a tool for cost effective and timely delivery that could include certification credits?
- How will SDLA evaluate the use of resources, i.e. contracted labor, volunteers and finances as related to the strategic plan?
- What should be the size of the Board and why?

Jump Start Summer Reading Program Workshops to be held in South Dakota.

Jump Start Workshops will be held in 5 locations across South Dakota. The workshop will 'Jump Start' Children's Librarians into developing their plans for the 2007 Summer Reading Program. The theme will be "Get a Clue @ Your Library/YNK @ Your Library." Program ideas, resources, prizes, presenters, etc. will be shared among participants.