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South Dakota State Representative

July 2013

### **MPLA Activities**

- Attended MPLA executive board meeting via conference call on May 24.
- Attended the SD Library Association conference call about tri-conference planning
  - SDLA will be selling chances on an iPad during the conference (\$10 each or 3 for \$25) to raise money for the Leon Raney Endowment Fund. They also want to do something similar to MPLA (president suite reception) to welcome new SDLA members.
- Sent a message to all SD listservs referencing an article from *American Libraries Direct* on the value of state association membership (but I included an MPLA push too)
- Sent SD news to the editor for the upcoming MPLA newsletter
- Participated in MPLA membership committee discussions
- Sent info to all SD lists about Leadership Institute
- Participated in conference call meeting between LI and state reps

### **South Dakota news:**

- Overdrive's Digital Bookmobile visited South Dakota, June 21 at Rawlins Municipal Library in Pierre and June 22 at Watertown Regional Library.
- The South Dakota State Library celebrated its' 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in conjunction with the Digital Bookmobile in Pierre on June 21.
- The South Dakota State Library held its' annual Library Institute on the campus of Northern State University in Aberdeen June 3-7.
- The SD State Library will hold its' second annual School Library Boot Camp on the campus of the University of SD in Vermillion July 21-24.
- Major leaking closed Deadwood Carnegie Library in May. The building is 108 years old and leaking began when hail stones broke through a spray-on seal which had been applied while the library awaits a new roof.
- The South Dakota Department of Education, in partnership with MetaMetrics®, coordinated a summer reading initiative to bolster student reading achievement during summer break. Read! SD will raise awareness of the summer loss epidemic, share compelling research on the importance of personalized reading activities and provide access to a variety of free resources to support targeted reading and the initiative as a whole. The SD State Library is a division of the SD DOE. <http://doe.sd.gov/octe/readsd.aspx>

Respectfully submitted,  
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