

MPLA Board Report
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MPLA Activities

- Publicized the 2013 Tri-Conference in our March ULA Newsletter (will be online soon)
- Contacted all the former MPLA members in Utah that had not (as yet) renewed their MPLA membership and encouraged them to renew
- As MPLA rep, attended ULA's Board Meeting on Mar 1st

Utah News

- The Utah Library Association invites all MPLA members to our 2013 Conference: "Aim for the Future, On Target with Vision and Advocacy."
 - The Conference will be held May 1-3 in the new Utah Valley Convention Center. Early bird registration is open until April 5th. Full conference information is available on our website: www.ula.org
 - Keynote Speaker will be Marci Merola, ALA's Director of the Office for Library Advocacy
 - Author and librarian Josh Hanagarne, The World's Strongest Librarian, will be our Thurs luncheon speaker
- Library Day at the State Capitol
 - ULA had a booth at Utah's Non-Profit Day with our State Legislators on Feb 12
 - Many ULA members, including President Adriane Juarez, had the opportunity to meet with Utah's State Senators and Representatives and speak about important library issues, especially funding.
- Banned Book returned to the shelves
 - Through the efforts of ULA's Intellectual Freedom chair, Wanda Huffaker, and ALA's IF Committee, the children's book, "In Our Mother's House," was returned to the regular shelves at a Davis County elementary school. This is the first book in Utah to be banned in many years.

Respectfully submitted,

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