Be on the lookout for the new MPLA logo. The MPLA Executive voted to adopt the new logo at the July 2007 meeting.

The joint MPLA/ULA Conference will be in Salt Lake City, UT April 29-May 2, 2008. The conference theme is “Where Paths Meet: Connecting Libraries and Communities.” This is the 60th birthday for MPLA and plans are for a celebration on the roof of the Salt Lake City Public Library.

The Carl Gaumer Library Champion Award, the MPLA Distinguished Service Award, MPLA Literary Contribution Award, and the MPLA Beginning Professional Award are the only awards that will be given by MPLA. All other awards will be discontinued because of duplication of the awards by the member states.

There was an electronic vote to clarify who exactly are the voting members of the MPLA Executive Board. Results will be published after the tally.

MPLA Electronic Communities have been discontinued. They will be replaced with community portals listed off the MPLA website to facilitate member interaction and resource sharing. There is an implementation group working on exactly how this will look/work.

Respectfully submitted,
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