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Roundup

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MLA Board Update

The MLA Board met on Friday, June 21st. The approved minutes from the previous month's meeting may be found [here](#). The agenda from each meeting is posted on the Board of Directors page several days prior to the meeting. Board meetings are open to the public and members are encouraged to attend.

Registration opens July 15 for the 2019 MLA Annual Conference

September 19 & 20, 2019 at Mystic Lake Center

The [2019 MLA Annual Conference](#) will take place September 19 and 20, 2019 at Mystic Lake Center. Join us in Prior Lake (<http://www.mysticlakecenter.com/>) to celebrate all the ways libraries and communities are Stronger Together!

Support the association's move forward with its new strategic [plan](#), designed to help accomplish together what none can do alone.

Donate to the [silent auction](#)!!! (see announcement below).

Check out the Local Arrangement [Blog](#) to explore all that Scott County has to offer!!

Silent Auction Items Needed for 2019 Conference

The 2019 MLA Conference is just around the corner, and that means it's time to KonMari your stuff in order to find the very best things for the Silent Auction! Anything that you are able to donate, no matter how large or small, is truly appreciated. For more information, or to download the donation form, please go [here](#).

Save the Date-August 13th Legislative Event

The 2019 MLA Legislative Forum will take place August 13, in Saint Cloud. Agenda and format to be determined. Please save the date.

The incoming legislative chair is responsible for organizing the forum. Jami Trenam, Associate Director-Collection Development at Great River Regional Library, is the incoming legislative chair. Jami has been soliciting feedback and suggestions as she develops the plans for the day. Watch for an upcoming survey from her via the Legislative Newsletter and other avenues. Additionally, comments and ideas can be directed to jamit@grrl.lib.mn.us

Sign up for the Legislative eNewsletter to stay up to date with breaking news and Legislative Committee activities. All MLA and ITEM members are automatically added using the email address provided with your registration. Consider signing up [here](#) with all your email addresses so you never miss the news!

Nominations for MLA Awards Due August 1st

Libraries are full of people making positive contributions to their patrons, students, and communities. Share your colleagues' inspiring work and nominate them for an MLA Award!

Each year the Minnesota Library Association recognizes members who make outstanding contributions to library services. Help MLA celebrate those who move library services forward and defend intellectual freedom by nominating a person or group for one of the following awards:

- William G. Asp Distinguished Career Award
- MLA Above & Beyond Award
- Lars Steltzner Intellectual Freedom Award

The deadline for nominations is August 1st, 2019 and you can submit more than one! It's easy with the convenient online nomination [form](#)!

Read about criteria and eligibility [here](#). See past recipients [here](#).

ARLD Elections

ARLD elections will open soon. If you're interested in running or nominating someone, take a look at the position [descriptions](#). Open positions are Chair-Elect (three-year term), Secretary (two-year term), Legislative Liaison (two-year term), and Member-at-Large (two-year term).

Proposals for Electronic Resources MN Conference Due by July 1st

The [Electronic Resources MN \(ERMN\) Conference](#) will be held on October 4, 2019 in St. Paul, MN at the University of Minnesota Continuing Education and Conference Center.

The ERMN Conference planning committee is seeking proposals for 50- and 15-minute sessions on e-resource related topics. Submissions are due by July 1, 2019.

For more information and to submit a proposal, visit
<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/Events/Conferences/ERMN/Proposals.aspx>.

Welcome New Members!

Elena Spagnolie
Michael Marciniak

Thank You Renewing Members!

Cydnee Peterson, Annaliese Werner Thomas, Matt Lee, Gerri Moeller, Emily Joan Smith, Janis Shearer, Annie Larson, Jess Lind, Lori Godin, Hannah Buckland, Wendy Johnson, Valerie Horton, Joyce Yukawa, Sarah Hawkins, Megan Kocher, LeAnn Suchy, Cindy Gruwell, Mollie Stanford, Linda Kramer, Elaine Settergren, Rachel McGee, Brian Lind, Donovan Lambright, Maureen Bell, Anne Mackereth, Janet Bergeson

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