

Library Development Department

LDD Goal 10: Montana public librarians and trustees have easy access to the training that they need to provide quality library services to their communities.

Attended Sagebrush (Baker), South Central (Lewistown), and Pathfinder (Belt) federation meetings.

Attended MPLA Leadership Institute at Ghost Ranch New Mexico in November.

Approved continuing education programs and applications for certification as part of the Montana Certification Program.

Attended Library Development Department planning retreat in Helena in October.

Attended MSL Commission meeting in Miles City.

Presented training on change in the workplace and website design at the MEA/MFT annual conference in Billings in October.

Attended Fall Workshop in Lewistown. LDD staff presented workshops on change in the workplace, library policies and procedures, the statewide marketing campaign, CIPA and filtering, and the future of libraries.

Attended LSTA Coordinators' annual conference in Washington, DC in November.

Attended MLA's Academic and Special Library Division/Public Library Division annual retreat in Chico in October.

Attended MLA Conference Planning Committee meeting in Bozeman in October.

Finalized arrangements at MSU-Bozeman campus for June 2004 Summer Institute.

Provided information about the Professional Education and Employment for Librarians (PEEL) grant scholarship funds and prepared for the Grant Advisory Committee's first meeting in December.

Coordinated College of DuPage library teleconference series for Montana libraries.

Rebuilt MSL's laptop lab to prepare it for training uses.

Consulting on:

Anti-virus software

Automation

Board issues

Budget issues

CatExpress

Certification program

Challenges/Censorship

Change in workplace

CIPA

Collection development
and management

Computer maintenance
and repair
Computer software and
hardware purchasing
Computer
troubleshooting
Continuing education
Copyright law
Databases
E-rate
Fall workshop

Federation issues
Filtering
Gates computers
Grants
InfoTrac
Internet safety
Laptop lab
LaserCat
Library laws
Library policies
MLA

MLN
Montana Shared Catalog
NCIPA
OCLC
Personnel issues
Spam
Statistics
Trustee training
Young adult service

Consulted with:

Anaconda
Baker
Belgrade
Belt
Big Timber
Billings
Boulder
Bozeman
Broadus
Cascade
Cascade Schools
Chinook
Choteau
Colstrip
Columbus
Conrad
Culbertson
Darby
Deer Lodge
Dillon
Drummond
Dutton
Ekalaka
Fairfield
Fallon County High
School

Fort Peck Tribal College
Garfield County School
Glasgow
Glendive
Great Falls
Hamilton
Harlem
Havre
Joliet
Jordan
Kalispell
Laurel
Lewistown
Libby
Malta
Miles City
Missoula
Park High School
Philipsburg
Plains
Plentywood
Polson
Rocky Mountain College
Scobey
Shelby

Sheridan
Sidney
St. Ignatius
Stanford
Stevensville
Thompson Falls
Twin Bridges
Valier
West Yellowstone
Whitehall
White Sulphur Springs
Wolf Point

Made onsite visits to:

Alberton	Forsyth	Moore
Baker	Fort Benton	Red Lodge
Belt	Glendive	Roundup
Cascade	Harlowton	Seeley Lake
Choteau	Jordan	Sidney
Circle	Libby	Stanford
Colstrip	Livingston	Superior
Denton	Montana School for the	Terry
Dutton	Deaf and the Blind	Thompson Falls
Ekalaka		Twin Bridges
		Wibaux
		Winnett

LDD Goal 11: To improve library services to citizens by establishing an adequate and stable taxing district.

Provided training on trustee and board issues at Bridger, Fort Benton, Libby and Winnett.

LDD Goal 12: To ensure that all Montana citizens have access to quality library services.

Worked with Federation Futures Task Force at three meetings.

Toured Lake County Bookmobile when it visited Helena.

LDD Goal 13: Montana citizens will understand, value, and use the services of Montana's libraries.

Presented workshop on Statewide marketing campaign at federation meetings and Fall workshop.

Survey of librarians via wired-mt to see how using the statewide @ your library campaign.

LDD Goal 14: Montana citizens have easy and complete access to the information that they need at their libraries.

Request for Information done for purchasing a statewide automotive repair database. When a vendor is selected, this resource will be offered to Gale/InfoTrac subscribers.

Request for Information has been submitted for purchasing a statewide online/cooperative/virtual reference application.

As of November 24, the total number of libraries enrolling in the Gale/Infotrac program is as follows:

	# Currently Listed in Directory	Enrolled 2003	2001	1999
Academic Libraries:	25	20	19	18
Public & Branch	108	73	70	70
Schools	562	264	273	305
Special & Inst	47	22	14	18
Total	742	379	376	411

LDD Goal 15: Citizens and students have easy access to and use multiple electronic information resources through their libraries.

Arranged InfoTrac training for Central Montana (Havre and Helena) for December.

Attended Montana Shared Catalog meeting in Lewistown.

Provided training on CatExpress at Belt, Cascade and Dutton; MLN Gateway at Twin Bridges); InfoTrac databases at Libby and Twin Bridges; Web ILL at Montana School for the Deaf and the Blind; using Internet Explorer and Outlook Express at Great Falls, and Internet safety at Billings.

LDD Goal 16: Montana citizens can easily access the holdings of all Montana and OCLC libraries and online electronic resources through their libraries.

Met with OCLC representatives to discuss future directions of MSL's statewide partnership.

Began process of moving the Montana Shared Catalog server to a more Sirsi-preferred platform in order to have a more robust server infrastructure in 2004.

Arranged Connexion training for Montana Shared Catalog librarians in November.

Began final phase of mounting a new MLN homepage that will provide one-click access to all Gale databases and simplify access to other material.

LDD Goal17: Montana citizens and students will have dependable access to electronic information services at their libraries by the end of 2007.

Provided E-Rate, CIPA and NCIPA information/consulting to libraries.

LDD Goal 18: Montana citizens, local and state government officials, legislators, library staff members, and trustees will have accurate and current information about the condition of Montana's public libraries buildings by the beginning of 2004. They will use this information to determine state and local solutions to problems identified.

Attended elevator dedication at the Chouteau County Public Library in Fort Benton in October.