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**To:** Commission Members  
**From:** Darlene Staffeldt, State Librarian  
**Date:** January 31, 2007  
**Re:** Montana Library Association Conference

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Please know that the details regarding the Montana Library Association conference are now available online at <http://www.mtlib.org/conf/mla2007>. The opening paragraphs are printed below:

Montana Library Association (MLA)  
Conference 2007 Helena  
Red Lion Colonial Hotel  
April 25-28, 2007

This year, the theme of the annual Montana Library Association Conference is "The Tipping Point: Moving Montana Libraries from Good to Great." We already know we're doing good things in our library, but with a little help from some excellent speakers and presenters, we can quickly move to great! Speaking of excellent speakers, we are very pleased to announce two national speakers and writers that will be joining us for the MLA Conference this year. Nancy Pearl, of Booklust fame (and the shushing librarian action figure model) will be our keynote speaker. On Saturday, April 28, we are pleased to have renowned author Neil Gaiman join us for a special program, author's lunch, and public event.

And there's lots of other great stuff including tours, receptions, a myriad of excellent programs, great food, and even better companionship. Come get a little "tipsy" in Helena as we work on moving our libraries from good to great!

If you would like us to provide paper copies of any of the details please let Julie Stewart or myself know. We have enclosed here the registration form and if you want us to register you as a Commissioner for the conference, please fill it out and bring it to us at the February 14<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting.