



# Montana Library Association

*From the Mountains to the Prairies*

## **MLA BOARD REPORTS**

Office held/Chair of: Awards and Honors

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### **Progress or Successes Since Our Last Meeting:**

The MLA Awards Committee 2018 awards recommendations conferred by MLA Board:

Montana Library Association Champion: **Ann Ewbank** and **Sara Groves**

Pat Williams Intellectual Freedom Award: **Mark Wetherington & Bitterroot Library Board**

Sheila Cates Librarian of the Year Award: **Gale Bacon**

Library of the Year: **MSU Library Bozeman**

Outstanding Support Staff of the Year: **Marlys Stark**

Jane Lopp Trustee of the Year: **Rita Henkel**

### **New Issues:**

The Awards Committee is very grateful for our outside volunteers that make the Awards Ceremony possible: Doug Kramer is making the beautiful Montana awards plaques again for us this year. Eva English is engraving the awards and names for us once again. Debbi Kramer is creating our programs. Hayley (assistant to Jodi Oberweiser) is making laminated signs for awards and timekeeping. She will also make matching name tags to attach to the signs to be placed in the table markers to ease confusion and organize the ceremony.

The Committee is hard at work pulling together this year's Ceremony. We spent \$62.95 on 2 dozen table markers (to reserve and direct award winners and their supporters) and on a large, simple, easy to operate timer to help this year's timekeepers keep the ceremony on track. The plan is for the Awards Committee's property to remain boxed and available for use each year.

The Committee is also working to support local publicizing of winners and will issue a press release on the ceremony with pictures (by Debbi Kramer and Brittany Alberson) the week after the ceremony.

### **Board Action Requested:**

None.

### **Other Comments:**

None.

**Financial Report: FY 2017 budget: \$550**

**Amount spent: estimate \$550** (we won't know until after the awards ceremony)

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