

Director's Report
Great Falls Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting
April 21, 2014

1. Please join me in congratulating **Mitch** for receiving the 2014 MLA Champion Award from the Montana Library Association. The award is given to a legislator who champions the cause of MLA and the libraries it supports. Mitch's work on increasing state aid to public libraries during the last session was a success and is much appreciated by all Association members. Congratulations Mitch!

2. Your packet contains the current **By-laws** of the Great Falls Public Library Board of Trustees. Please bring any suggestions for review/revision to our meeting. Approval of the by-laws will be an action item on the agenda. Current by-laws will then be distributed to city offices.

3. We have 3 completed **Little Free Libraries** in the garage, with the remaining 6 at the high schools in the process of being painted. I will be meeting with each of the Neighborhood Council chairs this month to determine exactly where they will be placed. Placement will be in 9 parks: Meadowlark Park, Rhodes Park, Jaycee Park, Heren Park, Russell Park, Sunnyside Park, Carter Park, North Kiwanis Park and Lion's Park.

4. We are reviewing some of our **fees** and will be bringing you suggestions at May's meeting for increases in certain areas. With the tight budget we are working with, we want to be sure that we are covering costs that certain services incur.

5. You should all be receiving an **invitation** to the Library Foundation's reception on May 2. The reception will include light refreshments, music and the opportunity to meet authors Jamie Ford, David Abrams and Saif Alsaigh. The reception will be followed with readings from the authors. I hope to see you there.