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ILEAD USA NORTH DAKOTA: ON OUR WAY

The first in-person meeting of ILEAD USA North Dakota was held March 23rd-26th at the Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library. We have three teams participating in ILEAD USA. ILEADers, mentors, and instructors stepped forth from the Minot Public, Ward County, Minot Air Force Base, Mayville State University, North Dakota State Library, Divide County, and University of South Dakota libraries, as well as the Kitchigami Regional Library System and Minnesota State Library Services.

What's it all about? ILEAD stands for Innovative Librarians Explore, Apply, and Discover. It's a continuing education immersion program for library workers. ILEAD cultivates leadership, project management, collaboration, and participatory technology skills in order to improve and expand the community service librarians provide. Each team identified a community need to address and they're developing a means of meeting it through teamwork, planning, community feedback, development, and grant funding. The arc of ILEAD extends over the course of nine months and future in-person meetings of our cohort will take place in June and October. Ten states are participating in ILEAD USA this year.

The three teams in North Dakota's cohort are Team Econtent Leaders, Team Robot Minot, and Team Unicorn. Econtent Leaders is our tri-state team, consisting of Mary Soucie, Emily Kissane, Stephanie Langer, and Daniel Burniston, with Stacey Goldade mentoring. They're exploring ways to provide easy-access ongoing training and support on downloadable electronic content and devices. Robot Minot consists of librarians from the Minot area, including Paulette Nelson, Kerri Tyler, Pam Carswell, and Julie Reiten; Aubrey Madler is serving as their mentor. They're developing circulating Makerboxes with all the materials patrons will need to design and build robots. Our final team consists of State Library staff: Shari Mosser, Krista Kurtz, Jessica Robinson, and Danielle Paiz, who are being mentored by Traci Lund. They're also developing a circulating kit focused on video production and editing, with an eye to include a quadcopter and Go Pro camera. You can watch the teams' project trailers on the ILEAD USA ND site.

ILEAD USA was funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services through a grant written by the Illinois State Library. Local arrangements, planning, instruction, and additional funding and support are provided by the North Dakota State Library. The Bismarck Veterans Memorial Library is graciously hosting our in-person meetings throughout the duration. Our instructor corps includes Steven Axtman, Kristin Byram, Kristin Kitko, Ryan Kroh, and BreAnne Meier. Eric Stroshane is the Project Director and BreAnne Meier is the Assistant Project Director for ILEAD USA North Dakota.

The keynotes from our first session, featuring the likes of David Lankes, Eli Neiburger, and Sina Bahram, are available for viewing on the ILEAD USA YouTube Channel.

Learn more and follow our teams' progress at: https://ileadusanorthdakota.wordpress.com/.

News and Thoughts...

from State Librarian Mary J. Soucie

Recently, there was a discussion on PUBLIB about what to do with volunteers. PUBLIB is a mailing list for public librarians from all across the US and even some international librarians. It's one of my favorite resources! I love mail lists… or as I still think of them, listservs. I've been a member of PUBLIB ever since I became a librarian 20+ years ago. It seems sometimes that topics cycle through again and again. But I don't really mind- as the list members ebb and flow and practices change, so do the answers to the queries. Even if they don't change all that much, it's still helpful to look at the issues through fresh eyes.

One of the topics that I've seen discussed in many different forums over the years is how to best utilize volunteers. It seems like libraries are approached often by volunteers. They seem to fall into one of a few categories: a high school student looking for service hours for National Honor Society, the Spanish Club, or whatever; a special needs student or adult, often with their caregiver, looking for an opportunity to do something meaningful; a person looking to complete court ordered community service; or someone who loves the library and just wants to help. The first and last categories are my favorite to say yes to. Whenever I would receive a call from a parent looking to set up volunteer hours for their teenager, I would politely but firmly tell them that I would be happy to do so, once the teen called me directly. Some parents accepted this graciously, others not as well. I always felt that it was the duty of the person needing the hours to call, though.

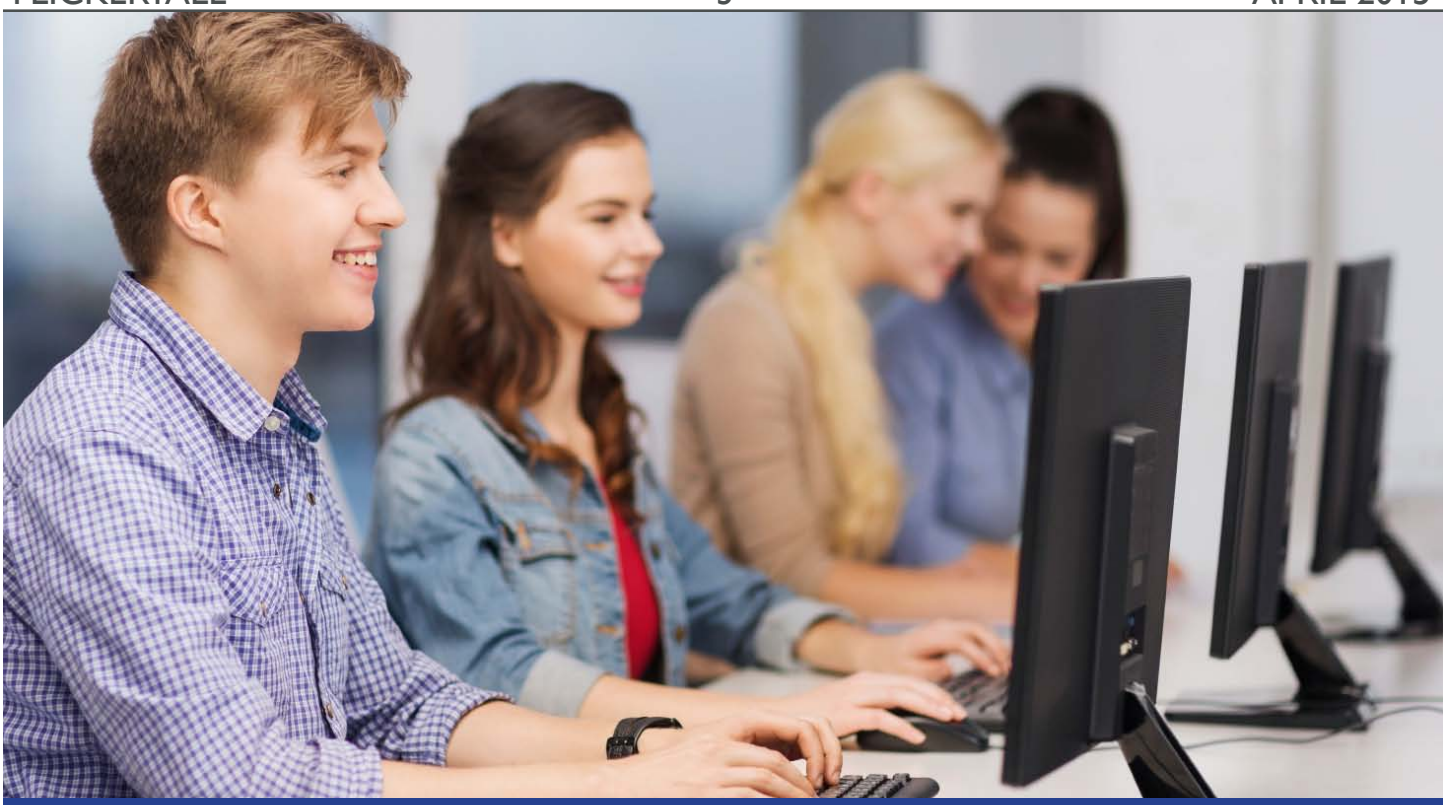
One of the challenges of accepting volunteers is what meaningful tasks or projects do you have for them to work on that won't require too much training and/or supervising. After all, the whole point of volunteers is to lighten the load for staff, not increase it.

At one of the libraries I worked at, we had an Eagle Scout complete his Eagle project at our library by converting our magazine room to a teen room. That was a great project, and not just because the Eagle Scout was my son. Our library really needed a teen area and we didn't have the manpower to accomplish the project. We were approached by another Eagle Scout to create a reading nook outside with pavers and benches for patrons to relax on a beautiful day. Unfortunately, that project never came to fruition and it was still on my list of projects when I left that library.

We lucked out a few times with volunteers who were able to work on their own, once we spent a little bit of time training them. We had one volunteer that helped us process our DVD collection when we changed from just putting an accession number on the call number to a true Dewey call number. Boy were we happy to have that volunteer!

Other projects that I've successfully used volunteers for in the past include cleaning DVDs and CDs; dusting and straightening shelves; assisting with programs; delivering materials to homebound patrons; and Adopt-A-Shelf volunteer, taking responsibility for shelf reading a certain section of shelves. In one community that I worked, the Garden Club decorated the library at Christmas, including making the ornaments for the tree each year; the library always looked spectacular. The best thing was they came and took everything down too!

These are just a few of the ways that I've utilized volunteers in the past. This doesn't touch on Friends of the Library at all of course; that will be a topic for another article. I would love to hear how you use volunteers in your library. Please feel free to share your ideas with me at msoucie@nd.gov. I'll collage them and post the ideas on our Library Development blog.



2015 Summer Class for 1 graduate credit:

Do you need graduate credits for your library or teaching credentials?

The North Dakota State Library is offering a summer class for one graduate credit on June 8 & 9, 2015. The class is 15 hours long and lasts two days. It will be held at the North Dakota State Library in Bismarck. Although it is not required, please feel free to bring a laptop or tablet as the classroom has access to a wireless (Wi-Fi) local network.

Description:

K-12 Research

Students can be savvy Web users, but still have problems finding, evaluating, and using information for research. In this age of spin, it is especially crucial that teachers reinforce student critical thinking and research skills. This course explores and compares tools used for educational research: Internet search engines; the subscription databases; and the ODIN and WorldCat catalogs used for requesting items. The course will focus on research as a process of inquiry and not just fact-finding.

Note: The content for the 2015 class has been revised, so feel free to register, even if you have previously taken the North Dakota State Library summer course.

- Credit is available for Library Media Specialists from VCSU
- Credit for the summer class is available for teachers from MSU, NDSU, and UND
- The cost for the credit is $50.00 (payable to the university granting the credit)
- The class can also be taken for no credit, free of charge

For more information, please visit http://library.nd.gov/traininglibraries.html
or contact Steve at 1-800-472-2104 or saxtman@nd.gov.

CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY

MASTER OF LIBRARY SCIENCE GRANT

Apply now for an $8,500 grant to become a professional librarian!

The North Dakota State Library is now accepting applications through May 31, 2015 for an ALA/MLS training grant. Forty North Dakota librarians have accepted this offer in the last 12 years, and are now delivering exceptional professional information and library services in school, public, and academic libraries statewide. Please go to http://1.usa.gov/1nK3akx to learn the what, where, why, and hows to apply for the ALA/MLS training grant and become a Master of Library Science degreed professional.

Digital ScanDay

What is a Digital ScanDay? It is a day to bring in tidbits of personal history in order to enhance our understanding of our state's history. The State Library Digital Initiatives Department held an event in March at the Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library, where we had brought 2 flatbed scanners and a camera. Patrons signed up for time slots and brought in pictures, documents and objects that were scanned, described and saved. The patrons received a JPG copy of their items on a flash drive and we kept a high resolution copy to add to Digital Horizons.

Those who participated were very enthusiastic about their contributions. They brought in photos, artwork, posters, documents and objects-- like a county constable badge. It is a great way to collect and access local history. You can see some of the new images in our North Dakota Memories Collection http://bit.ly/1yAms1L. Check out Digital Horizons at http://digitalhorizonsonline.org/.

Is your library interested in hosting one of these events? Have questions? Contact Stephanie Kom sbaltzer@nd.gov 328-4629 or Kristin Byram kbyram@nd.gov 328-4656.

Title: Young girl on confirmation day

Image Date: 1900-1930's

Digital Horizon Link: http://bit.ly/1FhGMKf

Title: School Day

Image Date: 1913

Digital Horizon Link: http://bit.ly/1NBCoYo

Title: Wedding Portrait

Image Date: 1900-1920's

Digital Horizon Link: http://bit.ly/1Hja7ny

ONLINE LIBRARY RESOURCE

NoveList Plus & NoveList K-8 Plus

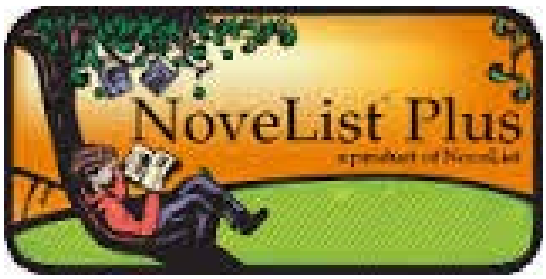
NoveList Plus and NoveList K-8 Plus are readers' advisory tools created by librarians and educational experts to help connect readers to books. The "Plus" means that in addition to fiction, there are also nonfiction titles. Nonfiction is popular with teachers, parents, and also readers who read for pleasure. The nonfiction titles in NoveList Plus include biographies and narrative nonfiction, but no textbooks or instructional how-to books. Both databases have similar features but NoveList K-8 Plus is targeted to a younger audience.

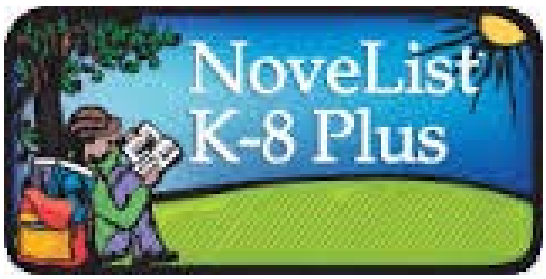
Key Features of NoveList and NoveList Plus:

- Recommended reading lists for fiction and nonfiction
- Find what book is next in a series
- Find read-alikes
- Award winners
- Book reviews from Booklist, Kirkus, Library Journal, Publishers Weekly, and School Library Journal
- Reader book reviews from Goodreads
- Book discussion guides
- Books to movies lists
- Genre overviews
- Search by Lexile reading level
- Citation formats

For librarians, NoveList Plus and NoveList K-8 Plus are valuable tools that will help you serve your readers. If collection development is part of your work, search by Dewey range to beef up weak sections of your library. Teachers will find resources to help teach reading and writing skills and connect books to your curriculum. Readers who are looking for good stuff to read will find a variety of tools to help them find their next book.

If you would like more information, contact Steve at 1-800-472-2104 or saxtman@nd.gov





Summer SUMMIT

Save the Date

August 5: Grand Forks
August 6: West Fargo
August 10: Jamestown
August 11: Bismarck
August 13: Minot

REGISTER http://bit.ly/1NyXEU4

New Librarian Resources at the State Library

- Reading at risk [electronic resource] : a survey of literary reading in America
- American reference books annual (2014 ed.)
- Library and book trade almanac (2014 ed.)
- The portable MLIS : insights from the experts
- Libraries connect communities 3 : public library funding & technology access study
- Perceptions of libraries, 2010 : context and community : a report to the OCLC membership
- Democracy of sound : music piracy and the remaking of American copyright in the twentieth century
- The watchman in pieces : surveillance, literature, and liberal personhood
- The dream of the great American novel
- Thrill of the chaste : the allure of Amish romance novels
- Sears list of subject headings (21st ed.)
- Public library core collection : Nonfiction (15th ed.)
- The copyright wars : three centuries of trans-Atlantic battle
- Genreflecting : a guide to popular reading interests (7th ed.)

Free books/DVDs to public libraries for making a display for Stuttering Awareness Week May 10 - 16, 2015

If you are interested in making a display for Stuttering Awareness Week (May 10 - 16) free books and DVD's are available for display at your library. Informational brochures, a downloadable poster of famous people who stutter, and streaming videos are available at www.StutteringHelp.org. If you would like any of the resources below, please fill out this form and email to info@stutteringhelp.org.

Resources available to Public Libraries free of any charges:

Books

_____ 0009 Advice to Those Who Stutter 2nd ed., 158 pgs.

_____ 0011 If Your Child Stutters: A Guide for Parents 8th ed., 64 pgs.

_____ 0012 Self-Therapy for the Stutterer 11th ed., 192 pgs

_____ 0015 Si su niño tartamudea: guía para padres, 57 pgs.

_____ 0021 Do You Stutter: A Guide for Teens 4th ed., 72 pgs.

_____ 0022 Stuttering and Your Child: Q&A 4th ed., 64 pgs.

_____ 0030 Tartamudeas?: Una guía para adolescentes, 64 pgs.

_____ 0031 Sometimes I Just Stutter, 40 pgs.

DVDs

_____ 0073 Stuttering and Your Child: Help for Parents English & Spanish 30 minutes.

_____ 0080 Kids Who Stutter: Parents Speak 16 minutes

_____ 0126 Stuttering: Straight Talk for Teachers 18 minutes

_____ 9172 Stuttering: For Kids, By Kids English & Spanish 12 minutes

_____ 1076 Stuttering: Straight Talk for Teens 30 minutes

_____ 1079 Therapy in Action: The School-Age Child Who Stutters 38 minutes

_____ 1083 If You Stutter: Advice for Adults 55 minutes

Library Name _____

Attention _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zipcode _____

Library web site and email _____

Local newspaper name and email so we can send them a press release

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FREE TRAINING WEBINARS

These webinars are free, live, and interactive. You will be connected to audio using a headset or speakers. If you do not have a microphone, you can use chat to ask questions. You can find more webinars and training opportunities on our Facebook page under the events tab! http://on.fb.me/1xOGaLB

Freegal Suite (NDSL)

REGISTER: http://bit.ly/1BQyWUg

Friday, April 17, 2015, 10:30-11:30 AM Central Time

The Freegal suite includes: Freegal Music, Freegal Movies, Freading, and Rocket Languages. Users must login with a recognized personal library card number and password. This webinar will navigate each module, view site features and content, and discuss logins, accounts, and apps.

Points of View Reference Center (Minitex)

REGISTER: http://bit.ly/1oQjjKZ

Thursday, April 23, 2015, 3:00-4:00 PM Central Time

Join Minitex Reference Outreach & Instruction staff as we investigate Points of View Reference Center, which provides pro vs. con articles on current and controversial topics. We'll explore the layout, search, and browse features. The webinar's target audience is anyone who works with students in grades 6-12.

NoveList (NDSL)

REGISTER: http://bit.ly/1OZhPbS

Thursday, April 23, 2015, 10:30-11:30 AM Central Time

NoveList K-8 Plus and NoveList Plus are readers' advisory tools for fiction and nonfiction that connect readers to books. Content is created by librarians and educational specialists. View recommended reading lists by age, genre, fiction, or nonfiction. Find titles, authors, series or read-alikes. You can also search by Lexile reading level and Dewey range. This webinar is an overview of both resources.

TutorND (NDSL)

REGISTER: http://bit.ly/1F2CSCt

Thursday, April 30, 2015, 3:30-4:30 PM Central Time

TutorND offers free online K-college tutoring for all ND residents. Get live, one-to-one help from carefully screened professional tutors in major academic subjects like math, science, social studies, and English. Get help with writing and grammar or boost your career with resume and job search assistance. TutorND can be accessed from any device with Internet access. This webinar is an overview of TutorND.

Freegal Suite (NDSL)

REGISTER: http://bit.ly/1OZhSo0

Friday, May 8, 2015, 10:30-11:30 AM Central Time

The Freegal suite includes: Freegal Music, Freegal Movies, Freading, and Rocket Languages. Users must login with a recognized personal library card number and password. This webinar will navigate each module, view site features and content, and discuss logins, accounts, and apps.

Zinio (NDSL)

REGISTER: http://bit.ly/1DphNas

Wednesday, May 13, 2015, 3:30-4:30 PM Central Time

Access over 100 popular full color digital magazines via any smart device. There are no holds, no checkout periods, and no limit to the number of magazines you can download. Learn how to connect, browse, create an account, and add magazines to your personal collection.

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Thank You!

To all the participants in the 2015 spring workshop!

Thanks for attending the North Dakota State Library 2015 Spring Workshop!

The goals of the workshop are to provide opportunities to explore a variety of relevant library issues, build community among librarians, and enhance learning.

This link takes you to the Spring Workshop archives where you can view slideshows and resources from the presenters: http://library.nd.gov/workshoparchives.html

Your comments will help us plan the 2016 workshop. Please take a few minutes to complete this brief survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/9XFM79W

SCHOOL AND LIBRARY GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

LOIS LENSKI COVEY FOUNDATION — DEADLINE: MAY 29

The Lois Lenski Covey Foundation annually awards grants to libraries for purchasing books published for young people preschool through grade 8. School libraries, non-traditional libraries operated by charitable [501(c)(3)] and other non-taxable agencies, and bookmobile programs are eligible. The Foundation provides grants to libraries or organizations that serve economically or socially at-risk children, have limited book budgets, and demonstrate real need.

To find out more information: http://bit.ly/KllmQe

PATTERSON'S $1.25 MILLION PLEDGE TO LIBRARIES — DEADLINE: MAY 31

James Patterson is offering school libraries a total of $1.25 million in grants, which will be available in awards ranging from $1,000 to $10,000. All schools in the U.S. that serve students from Pre-K through 12th grade are eligible. Applications can be made by principals, teachers, librarians, parents, administrators, and students, but they must always be made on behalf of a school.

To find out more or apply, visit their site at: http://bit.ly/1I6YyjK

PATHWAYS WITHIN – ROADS TO READING INITIATIVE — DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 25

This grant provides books for circulation and story time in school and public libraries, remedial reading programs in schools, afterschool programs and community centers. Their giving preference is for programs that provide remedial reading instruction that are structured and libraries in small communities.

To find out more or apply, visit their site at: http://bit.ly/1ykA8TP

NORTH DAKOTA HUMANITIES COUNCIL DAKOTA DISCUSSION GRANTS — DEADLINE: JULY 1

Dakota Discussion Grants support program costs (up to $2,000) of humanities-based book and/or film discussion projects. Grant awards are based on the quality of books and/or films selected and their ability to fulfill the NDHC's mission and vision. The goal of the Dakota Discussion program is to create spaces that encourage the exchange of ideas. Any nonprofit organization in North Dakota may apply, including schools, churches, community service groups, museums, historical societies, libraries, colleges, governmental or tribal entities, and ad hoc groups formed for the purpose of a specific project. It is not necessary for the sponsor to be incorporated or to have tax-exempt status. Preference will be given to underserved, rural communities. All awards must be matched by cash or in-kind contributions.

To find out more or apply, visit their site at: http://bit.ly/1Ev3eRv

BASIN ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE — DEADLINE: ONGOING

Basin Electric Power Cooperative and its subsidiaries are community-focused. Each year their Charitable Giving Program donations are dispersed in the Basin membership's nine-state service territory. Basin focuses on the following categories for contributions: Education, Health and Human Services, Civic and Community Betterment, Cultural and Arts.

To find out more or apply, visit their site at: http://bit.ly/1PDUTzt

North Dakota Library Tidbits

- The McKenzie County Public Library has joined the Library2Go consortium.
- The Harry L. Petrie Public Library received a $200 donation from the Linton American Legion Auxiliary.
- The Lidgerwood American Legion donated $4,500 to the Lidgerwood Public Library for a handicap accessible bathroom.
- Local teen author Charity Balyeat signed books at the Underwood Public Library in March.
- Judy Frueh signed books at both the Casselton City Library and Heart of America Library in Rugby in March.
- The James River Valley System Library Board approved the purchase of a new bookmobile.
- The Cavalier City Council has voted to support a new building, which will nearly double the size of the library.
- The Hankinson Public Library received a Community Grant Award from the North Dakota Masonic Foundation.
- Carol Cooper is the new librarian at the Mohall Public Library.
- In March, the Walhalla Public Library hosted Virgil Benoit, a French professor at UND, who discussed French-Canadian heritage in North Dakota.

Cavalier County Library is getting new carpets! See the remodel pictures at: http://on.fb.me/1FOoW11

The McVille Community Library hosted an Elderspeak program featuring Ellen McKinnon, the Outreach Specialist for the Supportive Services for Veteran Families.

The Carnegie Regional Library in Grafton hosted the Walsh County Head Start class for story time.

DiGiTAL DELiGHTS

Here is a photo that is available as a result of our Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library ScanDay event in March. This is the Per Sivle Lodge in Simcoe, North Dakota from the 1920's. Check out the North Dakota Memories Collection on Digital Horizons to see some of the other photos we scanned.

Credit Line: North Dakota ScanDay Collection

Check out the website at http://digitalhorizonsonline.org/ —see how many digital North Dakota gems you can find! Check out our new landing page.

Link to image: http://bit.ly/1HjanCZ

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