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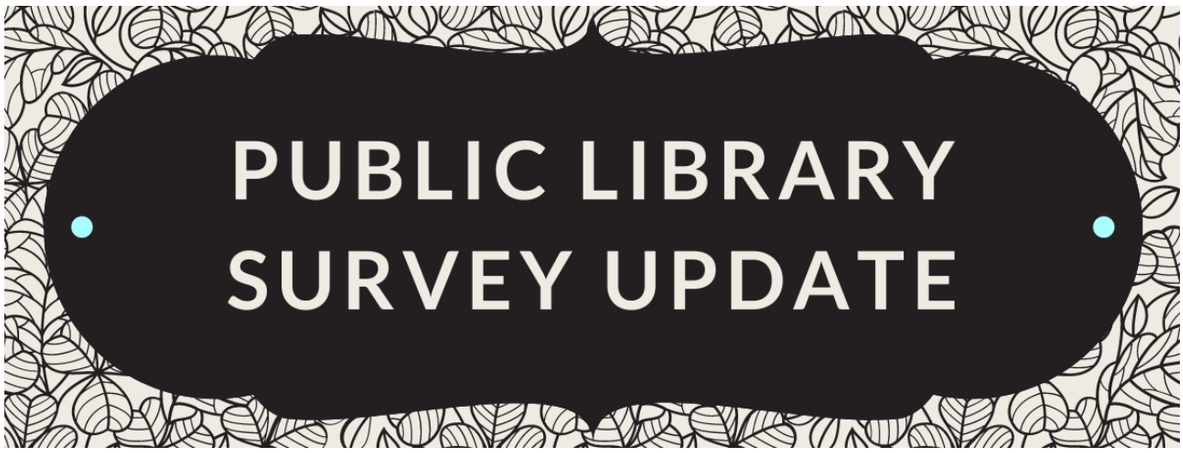
Coordinating Council Nominations Sought

The ND Library Coordinating Council (NDLCC) serves as the State Library's advisory board. The NDLCC assists with the creation and implementation of the Library Vision strategic plan, the grants, and serves as the external database review committee. The Governor appoints NDLCC members according to Century Code. Due to a vacancy, we are seeking nominations for the Special Populations seat. The person that is appointed by the Governor will serve the remainder of this term which is through 06/30/24. The Special Populations seat must be filled by a librarian or library staff working in a North Dakota Library and represent disabled, economically disadvantaged, and minority populations.

Nominations, including self-nominations, may be sent to the NDSL Administrative email at **ndsladmn@nd.gov** by December 17. The State Library will compile the list of applicants and forward it to the Governor's office. Nominees will also need to complete an application, which can be found at **https://apps.nd.gov/gov/boards/Application/PersonalInfo**.

This is an interesting and exciting opportunity to help shape library services in your state, so please consider applying. If you have questions about the NDLCC, please contact State Librarian Mary Soucie at (701)328-4654 or **msoucie@nd.gov**.



Reporting Virtual Programs on the 2021 Public Libraries Survey

As promised last week, here is additional detail on the new questions about virtual programs and their attendance. There are a total of four questions. Anything in quotes is taken directly from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS).

1. Number of Live Virtual Program Sessions

"A live virtual program session is any planned event that is streamed virtually and can be viewed live as it progresses (i.e., live-streaming.) Include program sessions hosted on Facebook Premiere that are facilitated by a staff member." "Live, virtual programs are conducted via a Web conferencing for Webinar platform such as Facebook, YouTube, or Zoom, during which a library staff member (or other party sponsored by the library) is presenting to or interacting with an audience in real-time." The recording does not need to be made at the library and a sponsored presenter can be dialing in from anywhere. If the program also has an in-person component, only count it under In-Person Sessions; do not also count it here.

2. Live Virtual Program Attendance

"The count of live attendance at virtual program sessions. Count each participant device connected to a virtual program as a single attendee. For program sessions hosted on Facebook Live, YouTube Live, or similar platforms, count peak concurrent viewers. For those hosted on videoconferencing platforms, count the maximum number of non-staff participants during the session." If you are live-streaming a program that also has in-person attendees, count the live-streaming viewers here, even though you do not count the virtual session. If you record and post the program, do not include the views of the recording here.

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Community Outreach at Your Library!

Libraries across the country are always looking for new and exciting ways to get the word out about their libraries. One of the best ways to do this is to bring the library to the community instead of waiting for people to come to the building. The **Community Outreach LibGuide** looks at different ways libraries can connect with other civic groups, communal living facilities, or even use community space to engage people who might not otherwise come into the library.

Some libraries choose to partner with local parks and swimming pools during the summer months for storytimes or larger family programs like geocaching or passport programs. Others choose to engage their business communities by providing resources at Chamber of Commerce meetings or even partnering with a local Eagles Club to provide library services at some of their events, but the sky is the limit.

Libraries can bring circulation services by materials directly to homebound patrons. Some libraries use bookmobiles or other outreach vehicles to go to other cities in their county to engage those people in library services.

There is no end to the creative ways a library can engage with the community. Look through **this LibGuide** to get your wheels spinning, and reach out to your library specialist with questions or if you are in need of support.

Continuing the Conversation

WebJunction hosted a webinar called Understanding Eviction and How Libraries Can Help, which focused on how libraries can connect people with eviction-related information and services.

WebJunction would like to invite participants to a special interactive question and answer session on this important topic. The session will begin with short presentations showcasing partnerships between libraries and community organizations that address eviction and then open the conversation for you to share your ideas or ask questions. Leaders representing law and public libraries, government agencies, and the legal aid field will be available to respond to your comments.

You are encouraged to submit your questions in the registration form or bring them to this informative and interactive session.

Event Information:
Libraries and Eviction: Continuing the Conversation
December 8, 2021
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM Central Time
Registration: **https://bit.ly/3pm05jf**

Teaching Research Using Primary Sources

Last week, I shared a checklist for creating an inclusive library collection. For Week Three, I will dig into teaching research using primary sources.

Library Journal hosted a seminar titled “Bringing Primary Sources into the Classroom: Empowering Students to Think Critically.” In this webinar, professionals in the fields of teaching and librarianship discussed the importance of using primary sources, particularly in history. To clarify, primary sources are original documents such as photographs, letters, diary entries, poems, interviews, newspaper articles, artwork, cookbooks, etc. (On a side note, unless you have ready access to museums and art galleries, most primary sources used in schools will be digitalized. This is completely ok!)

Studying primary sources allow students to “think like historians.” Primary sources tend to be richer content. They require students to dig deeper and draw conclusions about the time frames, social classes, expectations, and family dynamics. These sources also give a human touch to history, which aids in teaching students empathy. Additionally, primary sources can show students that even **they** are making history every day!

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Apply to Become a Privacy Advocate at Your Library

Want to learn about protecting patron privacy in meaningful, actionable ways as part of a supportive, social justice-minded community of practice?

Library Freedom Project is now accepting applications to our 2022 Privacy for Library Systems & Policies Crash Course. The Crash Course is free, privacy-focused two-month trainings for librarians to teach them how to become privacy champions.

In the Systems & Policies Crash Course, we're focusing on privacy in library infrastructure. Topics will include creating good privacy and data governance policies, conducting privacy audits, working with library IT, understanding vendor agreements from a privacy perspective, and more!

It'll cover some technical stuff, but it's intended for library workers without a formal technical background or role.

This Crash Course will begin in February 2022, dates TBD. The application period ends on January 15th, 2022, and applicants will be notified by February 1st. Application questions and FAQs can be found on the Library Freedom Project website.

North Dakota Libraries in the News

Fargo Public Library participating in The James Webb...

(Fargo, ND) -- The Fargo Public Library is taking part in the "NASA @ My Library's Look Up! Explore Our Universe: The James Webb Space Telescope Challenge" from December 1 to 31. The Fargo Public Library joins approximately 500 other sites across ...

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West Fargo Public Library hosting thirteenth annual...

(West Fargo, ND) -- The West Fargo Public Library is hosting its thirteenth annual Mitten Tree drive to gather winter gear for West Fargo children. From December 1 through January 3, donors can drop off new or near-new child-sized mittens,...

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Sock Tree returns to Leach library

The fifth annual Sock Tree is on display in the Leach Public Library, Wahpeton. Residents and visitors to the Twin Towns Area have until Friday, Dec. 31 to officially

Walhall Public Library News

Walhalla Public Library has been very busy. We received the greatest Christmas present from

take part in the annual donation drive to Three Rivers Crisis Center, Wahpeton. ...

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Mark Weber and Chris Conroy of The Little Book Buggy (a great nonprofit group out of Minnesota)...

https://www.cavalierchronicle.com/Cavalier-Chronicle-11242021-e-Edition/6/

New Items Added to Digital Horizons

A highlight of the items added to the various digital collections of the North Dakota State Library.

Gordon and Emma Anderson Collection

- Campus gates, North Dakota Agricultural College, circa 1935-1955
- Letter sent to Gordon Anderson from Ernest DeAlton about enlistment and vocational agriculture, 1942
- Ribbon for student livestock judging contest, NDAC, 1941

North Dakota Memories

- Boat landing at Chautauqua, Devils Lake, N.D., circa 1883-1908
- North Dakota State Building at the World's Columbian Exposition, Chicago, 1893
- Pioneer Daughters Museum, Fort Totten, N.D., 1937
- Remnants of the Minnie H steamboat, Devils Lake, N.D., circa 1920-1930

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Other News, Grants, and Webinars

INSTITUTE of Museum and Library SERVICES

Native American Library Services: Basic Grants

This program is designed to assist Native American tribes in improving core library services for their communities. Reflecting IMLS's agency-level goals of championing lifelong learning, strengthening community engagement, and advancing collections

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Academic Citations Evolve to Include Indigenous Oral...

One tenet of scientific publishing is the use of academic citations-nods to what's known or has been done before. But referencing something other than a traditional written source can feel superficial: A "personal communication" citation, for...

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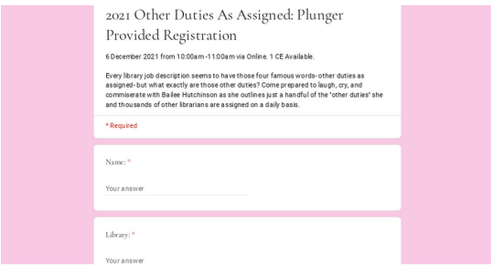

2021 Other Duties As Assigned: Plunger Provided

Every library job description seems to have those four famous words- other duties as assigned- but what exactly are those other duties? Come prepared to laugh, cry, and commiserate with Bailee Hutchinson as she outlines just a handful of the other...

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Penguin Random House Winter Book & Author Festival

Join Penguin Random House, Library Journal, and School Library Journal on December 9 for our second free, day-long virtual book and author festival as we celebrate librarians everywhere! Enjoy a day packed with author panels and interviews, book...

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Saying No: Harassment Intervention at the Library

Have you or anyone you know experienced harassment in the library such as microaggression, verbal or physical harassment, discriminatory or religious harassment, and/or other types of harassment from either library patrons or library staff? ...

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ala-events.zoom.us

Brightly Storytime LIVE: Season's Readings!

Readings by Jan Brett, Tiffany D. Jackson, Jean Reagan, Nancy Redd, Lyn Sisson-Talbert, & Paul O. Zelinsky and hosted by Ms. Linda! No matter what or who you're celebrating this holiday season, we invite you and your little readers to bundle up in...

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Library Violence Prevention and De-escalation

Patron management requires the ability to continually assess behaviors throughout these dynamic interactions, making safe and effective communication choices, while managing our own emotions. This can be challenging, and this webinar will help...

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