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Library Vision Survey

By Mary Soucie, State Librarian

The State Library, in partnership with the North Dakota Library Coordinating Council (NDLCC), is seeking feedback from the library community about Library Vision grants. Please consider completing the survey at **https://forms.office.com/g/5VwExygVg6** even if you have never applied for or received a Library Vision grant. The survey is short and should take fifteen minutes or less to complete.

We are hoping to get feedback on how we can improve the grant process, ideas for future grant opportunities and specifically if the match requirement is prohibitive to libraries that are applying for grants. We are hoping for a broad response to the survey so that we have as much information as possible as we consider changes to the process.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to complete the survey. Our goal is for the Library Vision grant program to be as beneficial as possible to the North Dakota Library Community, and we need your input to meet that goal.

If you have comments outside of the survey questions or would like to have a conversation with me about the Library Vision grants, please email me at **msoucie@nd.gov** or call me at (701)328-4654 (O) or (701)516-6166 (C). I look forward to receiving the feedback to share with the NDLCC, implementing meaningful changes and offering grant opportunities that meet the needs of the library community.

National Financial Literacy Month

Submitted by Shari Mosser

Welcome to APRIL! And welcome to National Financial Literacy month! Each April, organizations across the nation take part in this initiative to highlight the importance of financial literacy education for all citizens of all ages. Libraries should take this opportunity to help patrons review their finances and gradually improve them.

Money Smart Week 2022 runs from April 9-16. It is 100% virtual! There are four webinars to participate in “Spend Smart. Eat Smart,” “Credit : Build & Improve it!,” “Buying or Refinancing a Home,” and “Understanding Social Security Retirement, Spouse and Survivor Benefits.” Go to **https://www.moneysmartweek.org/** to sign up.

After that, go to Jump$tart, a non-profit coalition of organizations that share a commitment to advancing youth financial literacy. The Financial Literacy Month Toolkit is available at **https://www.jumpstart.org/what-we-do/promote-financial-literacy/toolkit/**. It has graphics to help parents worry less about “teaching” their kids about money and focus more on talking about it.

Another place you can turn is the North Dakota chapter of Jump$tart. They have a speaker’s bureau of qualified speakers that talk about financial topics. You can contact them at **ndjumpstart@gmail.com**.

National Poetry Month

Along with being School Library Month, April is also National Poetry Month. Celebrating poetry could fit easily into the celebration of your school library!

History of National Poetry Month

National Poetry Month was established in 1996 by the Academy of Poets. The goals of this celebration include:

- highlighting the extraordinary legacy and ongoing achievement of American poets,
- encouraging the reading of poems,
- assisting teachers in bringing poetry into their classrooms,
- increasing the attention paid to poetry by national and local media,
- encouraging increased publication and distribution of poetry books, and
- encouraging support for poets and poetry (National, n.d.).

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New Items Added to Digital Horizons

Submitted by Trevor Martinson

Here is a highlight of the items added to the various digital collections of the North Dakota State Library.

North Dakota Memories

- Cleveland, N.D., School Band, 1920
- Laura J. Eisenhuth, N.D. Superintendent of Public Instruction, early 1890s
- William Mitchell, N.D. Superintendent of Public Instruction, 1889-1890
- William J. Clapp, N.D. Superintendent of Public Instruction, circa 1890

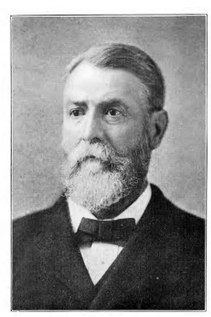
CLEVELAND, N. D., SCHOOL BAND, 1920.

North Dakota School for the Deaf

- North Dakota School for the Deaf promo video, 1993
- The Banner, 2020-2021

North Dakota State Documents

- Alternative uses considered for San Haven: options and obstacles, 1991
- Report of the N.D. Tuberculosis Sanatorium, 1964-1966
- Report of the San Haven State Hospital, 1973-1975
- Report on the impact to the economic assistance programs due to the closing of San Haven State Hospital, 1987


WILLIAM MITCHELL.
1889-1890—First Superintendent of Public Instruction.
(William Mitchell took the oath of office November 4, 1889; deceased March 10, 1890. F. W. Cathro, as acting superintendent, remained in charge of office until April 19, 1890.)

Find thousands of images, documents, videos, and oral histories depicting life on the Northern Plains from the late 1800s to today at **http://digitalhorizonsonline.org/**.

North Dakota Library Tidbits

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West Fargo Library offering paid internships

WEST FARGO - West Fargo Public Library accepting applications for paid summer teen internship positions The West Fargo Public Library is now accepting applications for new summer teen internship opportunities. Applications are due Friday, April...

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Friends of the JRVLS launch membership drive

The Friends of the James River Valley Library System is holding Library Patron Appreciation Day from 2 to 4 p.m. Thursday, April 7, at Alfred Dickey Public Library. The organization will celebrate the day with cake and coffee. The Friends of the...

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www.jamestownsun.com

NDSU to help Fargo Air Museum create digital archive for ...

FARGO - The Fargo Air Museum and North Dakota State University are partnering to preserve the museum's photo and document collection, a news release announced Tuesday, April 5. NDSU will share the museum's collection with the public via its...

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'Americans and the Holocaust' traveling exhibit coming...

Americans and the Holocaust , a traveling exhibition that examines the motives, pressures and fears that shaped Americans' responses to Nazism, war and genocide in Europe during the 1930s and 1940s, is coming to Bismarck. Bismarck Veterans...

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Bakken Elementary hosts STEM Night for families

Bakken Elementary became a center for science on Tuesday evening, thanks to North Dakota's Gateway to Science Center in Bismarck. Library Media Specialist Brandi Mehlhoff was contacted by the Center, who had a grant to take some of their stations ...

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Minot area libraries are gearing up to celebrate...

MINOT, N.D. (KMOT) - Starting April 3 through April 9 is National Library Week and the Minot Public Library is planning big ways to celebrate. Minot Public library will be giving away gifts, prizes, hosting contests and will dress up for a spirit ...

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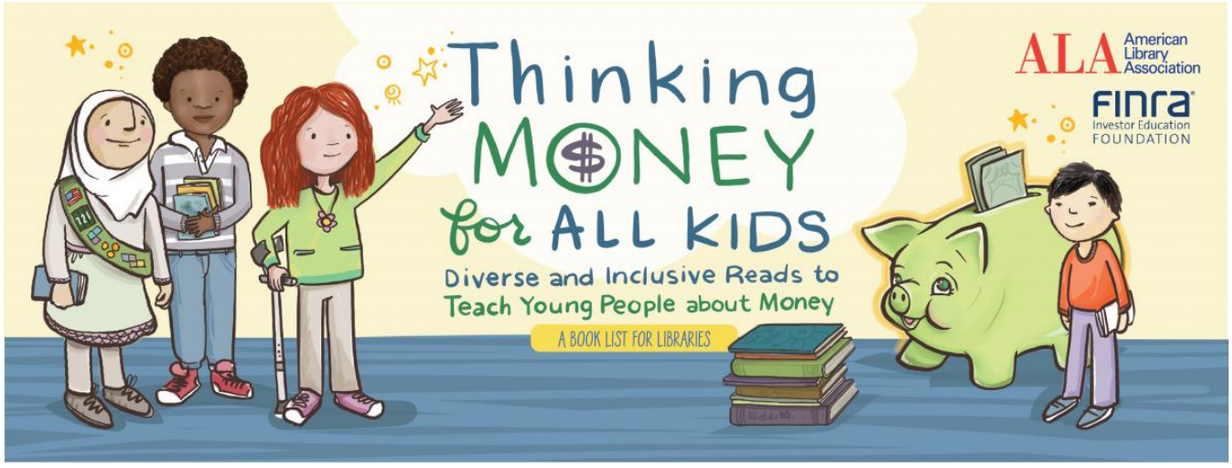
www.willistonherald.com

www.kfyrtv.com



The American Library Association (ALA), in collaboration with the FINRA Investor Education Foundation (FINRA Foundation), has released Thinking Money for All Kids: Diverse and Inclusive Reads to Teach Young People About Money, a **free resource** for library workers.

Available now as a PDF download, the guide highlights 40 recommended titles selected by a team of librarian advisors. The guide was developed to eschew stereotypes and embrace diversity in telling stories and sharing skills related to personal finance and financial capability for children.

"The FINRA Foundation and the American Library Association have worked together for more than 15 years to help public libraries meet the financial education needs of communities across the country," said Gerri Walsh, president of the FINRA Foundation. "Thinking Money for All Kids: Diverse and Inclusive Reads to Teach Young People about Money is a much-needed guide full of ideas and books to help young people see themselves in stories while gaining the skills to make smart financial choices."

The guide also includes sections on how to build a diverse financial education collection, program ideas, resources, and tips.

Take a Virtual Field Trip

Submitted by Shari Mosser

Armchair Travels – Many of us have taken trips in our lives. A lovely, warm sandy beach where you meet the love of your life. A castle on a windswept moor where you are trying to find Sir Cumber's ghost. The surface of Mars where you are going to fix the Opportunity Mars Exploration Rover.

Well, maybe those are just unique to me. I'm used to having my imagination take me on journeys to places I've never been. However, sometimes it helps to have something on which to base those journeys. Google Expeditions was a wonderful item to come out because of Covid. I could visit so many different countries and historical places. Unfortunately, the app is no longer available.

However, there is good news! Many (but not all) expeditions can be found on Google Arts and Culture. Google Arts and Culture is a website and an app with virtual tours of art museums around the world, natural habitats, and so much more!

Visit **https://artsandculture.google.com/story/QgUxjvIk7ChgnQ** to view information about virtual field trips to plan where you want to adventure today! Or look at the entire list, organized by subject, at **https://artsandculture.google.com/project/expeditions**.

Personal Finance 101 - How to Manage Your Money & Debt Reduction

Submitted by Al Peterson

Has the rise in inflation and increasing costs of goods and services got you thinking about managing your money better? Check out these two classes from Universal Class for help with straightening your finances for your financial health and peace of mind. These courses can be found under the Finance tab in Universal Class.

Personal Finance 101 - How to Manage your Money will teach the ins and outs of your financial journey, written interestingly as a travel itinerary. This fun, unique presentation breaks down your financial trip into three parts: planning, executing, and traveling. You will learn how to maintain checking and savings accounts, manage debt and credit scores, balance accounts, and build wealth. The goal is to start living your life, generating wealth, retiring debt, and achieving financial freedom.

Debt Reduction goes into more detail on debt by teaching the concept of debt reduction and showing how to manage credit and personal debt. The steps taught in this course help achieve financial freedom and peace of mind. This course will teach you how to recognize debt traps, develop a debt reduction plan, deal with debt management agencies, track a budget, and other valuable topics.

Both of these courses and many more can be found in Universal Class at **https://northdakotastatend.universalclass.com/**.

Other News, Grants, and Free Webinars

NATIONAL SKILLS COALITION
Every worker. Every industry. A strong economy.

Free Webinar: Gearing Up for the Digital Equity Act with ...

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act includes a historic investment in advancing digital equity, and an opportunity for libraries to leverage and expand their roles in that work. In particular, the Digital Equity Act provisions include a ...

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us06web.zoom.us

NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

NDDPI Inviting Applicants for the Library Standards...

The North Dakota Department of Public Instruction is inviting applicants from businesses and industry, community leaders, parents, and teachers to serve as a member of the review committee responsible for reviewing content and providing comments...

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Free Webinar: Fighting Fake News through Public Libraries

Fake news has become a new constant. Whether it's propaganda, advertainment, or literal fake news, misinformation is not going away. In a world where you can't

SHLB
SCHOOLS, HEALTH & LIBRARIES BROADBAND COALITION

SHLB Announces Broadband Policy Priorities for 2022

Today the Schools, Health & Libraries Broadband (SHLB) Coalition published its 2022 Policy Roadmap, outlining the 10 policy priorities that shape its advocacy this year. While the issues in the Policy Roadmap range from building infrastructure to ...

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trust everything you read, where can you turn? Unsurprisingly, many people turn to...

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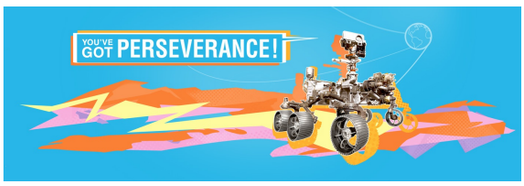

You've Got Perseverance!

The "You've Got Perseverance!" opportunity is for students who have demonstrated perseverance in their academic pursuits. Teachers, educators, and community leaders are encouraged to nominate students who've shown that nothing will deter them...

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mars.nasa.gov

We Can't Go It Alone: Community-Centered Collaborations...

Libraries, archives, and museums have adapted their facilities, services, and programs in response to community needs during the COVID-19 pandemic. Many found they didn't have to do it alone. Building networks that foster information exchange and ...

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