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State Library Volunteers Light the Way



State Library volunteers enjoy Cliff Naylor's presentation at the volunteer appreciation event.

The North Dakota State Library (NDSL) recently held a volunteer appreciation event to honor its volunteers for their gift of time. The volunteers play a crucial role in providing services to thousands of North Dakotans who are unable to read books, magazines, and newspapers because of a visual, physical, or reading impairment.

State Library volunteers clocked almost 4,900 hours over the past year. Dave Anderson, Volunteer Coordinator

says, "Volunteers play a very vital role in the Talking Book and DRIS programs. Without the dedicated

volunteers who so generously give of their time, we would not be able to accomplish all of the things we do in these programs. Without them, these programs would not run as smoothly as they do."

The event was held at Trinity Lutheran Church in Bismarck and featured KFYR Television weathercaster and author Cliff Naylor. Naylor is the co-author of two books which feature many of the places Naylor has visited while traveling for his "Off the Beaten Path" series aired



Cliff Naylor gives volunteers a dose of what working in the news media is like.

weekly on KFYR Television. Each volunteer received a gift, a certificate of hours, and was served refreshments by the Disability Services Department staff.



Summer Reading Program Kicks Off

The Governor's Summer Reading Program and the statewide Summer Reading Program were kicked off with an all-day event at the North Dakota State Library and the North Dakota

Heritage Center. Twenty-seven students signed up for the *Paws*, *Claws*, *Scales and Tales* Summer Reading Program.



Students who stopped by the State Library were treated to a temporary reading tattoo.

The event included musical entertainment, A-mazing Adventure at the State Library, summer reading sign up, a live medieval display, Dakota Zoo animals, celebrity readers, Great Plains Assistance Dogs, ice cream from Cass Clay Creamery Inc., and much more.

According to North Dakota State Library Public Awareness
Coordinator Terri Wilhelm, "The Governor's Summer Reading
Program gives students an opportunity to keep up their reading
skills over the summer months and read books just for the fun of
it." Every student in the North Dakota Talking Book Program
was invited to attend the event.

Readers who sign up and complete the requirements of the program receive prizes and a special summer reading T-shirt for

their efforts. To find out more about the Governor's Summer Reading Program, contact the State Library Disability Services at 1-800-843-9948.

Tips of the Day (For Your Information)

- If you are receiving magazines on tape in a green or black plastic case, please turn the mail card over and send them back to the State Library, then you will be able to receive the next issue of your magazine.
- Please call us periodically to update your child's reading level as it improves.
- Because of federal regulations, we cannot accept handwritten notes inside your talking book containers. If you need to alert our staff about any problems or concerns with your talking book machine or books, please call us at 1-800-843-9948.
- Refusing library-related material including books, catalogs, and magazines may cause your service to be interrupted or suspended. Please contact the staff at the North Dakota State Library to cancel any material you are no longer interested in.

On the Shelf Locally Produced North Dakota Books Summer 2006

She must tell her father that she is not

coming home. Sequel to ND 00429

"Opal - Dakota Treasures."

NT COLOR	to Brewster" series deals with Jan who is
Name:	grimly facing middle age, and Kenny
Phone Number:	who is struggling to find a healthy balance in his life. Sequel to ND 00337 "Becoming Olivia."
☐ ND 00432	
Something Wonderful is About to	□ ND 00006
Happen: True Stories of People Who	Marcella's Once Upon a Time
Found Happiness	Stories for Grandma's and Other Kids
Author: Robin Landew Silverman	Too
This book is a collection of true	Author: S. Jaye Woodington
stories confirming the belief that life's	This collection of stories for children is
special moments are constantly	set in the Great Plains during the
available to us.	Depression years. The tales center around
	seven-year-old Marcella and her younger
ND 00431	brother, Snap.
Blood Covenant: The Michael	
Franzese Story	ND 00308
Author: Michael Franzese	Awakening Heart
Michael Franzese was a highly	Author: Melody Carlson
successful member of the mafia in New	A cruise to Papua, New Guinea, sets
York. After years of being charged with	Emma Davis on the path to self
numerous crimes, he decided to publicly	discovery, bringing her new friendship
leave the mob. He describes his life	and adventures.
following that experience.	
	■ ND 00417
ND 00430	Echoes
Amethyst; Dakotah Treasures #4	Author: Anna O. Bertinuson
Amethyst goes to Dakotah Territory to	The story of Simon and Anna, Mina,
find her father's heir. She meets retired	Mrs. Salton, and others in a community
Army officer Major Jeremiah McHenry.	of homesteaders in the western part of

ND 00401

Brewster #4

Always Jan: Coming Home to

The fourth book in the "Coming Home

North Dakota.

ND 00328 ND 00418 Growing an Inch; St. Paul Central Remember; Redemption #2 High #3 Author: Karen Kingsbury Author: Stanley Gordon West Ashley Baxter's work with Donny lost his mother, and his father has Alzheimer's patients forces her to deal a drinking problem. Donny struggles to with her past and her belief that she has keep his family together and still have failed as a mother. Landon has taken a job time to enjoy his senior year at Saint Paul with the New York City Fire Department, Central High School, Sequel to ND 00281 which puts him at Ground Zero. Sequel to "St. Paul Central High." ND 00416 "Redemption; Redemption." ND 00415 ND 00168 Letters to Ida: Farm Life in the Early Moonlight's Meridian: Nuclear Terrorism and the Undead 1900s Author: Iris Wilhelm Swenson Author: McWilliams, Carey Vampires use terrorism to eliminate Ida Boettcher married Ed Buchholz vampires of other cults. The one in March 1913. About a year later, they remaining cult will spread their beliefs moved from the lush Red River Valley worldwide. The vampires will then use of North Dakota to a flat, treeless area an interstellar ark to spread their beliefs of Montana. To relieve her loneliness. throughout the universe. her mother and sisters wrote frequent, detailed, and humorous letters to her. Ida ND 00412 saved these letters and they have now Dakota: An Autobiography of a been compiled in this book. Cowman Author: William Henry Hamilton ND 00426 Hamilton writes of the challenges that he **Against the Wind** and his family faced as pioneer ranchers Because his father is ill, 17 year-old Dan in Dakota from the 1880s to 1890s. Osborne must plow the fields of the North Dakota family homestead alone. Dan and ND 00411 his mother had staked the claim to the **Going West** homestead and bought the equipment Author: Lauren Lesmeister after his father had suffered a stroke. Short stories and poems describing a Mail this form to: version of life in transition along the North Dakota State Library "North Coast." North Dakota author. **Disability Services**

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Contains strong language, some violence,

and some explicit descriptions of sex.

Radio Reading Service Expands Eastward

Imagine going through the day without access to newspapers and magazines. This is a reality



for hundreds of reading impaired persons across North Dakota. Thanks to a partnership with the North Dakota State Library, Minnesota Talking Book Radio Reading Service (RTB), and Dakota Radio Information Service (DRIS) Board, people who live in eastern North Dakota are now able to get these services through the Minnesota RTB program.

The RTB program broadcasts many current local and national newspapers and magazines each day. If you are visually, physically, or reading impaired and live in Lisbon, Wyndmere, Hankinson, Wahpeton, Fargo, Hillsboro, Grand Forks, Drayton, Grafton, Park River, Adams, Lakota, Michigan, Aneta, Finley, Hope, Page, or Sibley, you may qualify for this program at no cost.

There are also radios available with local programming available in and around Bismarck, Minot, Dickinson, Jamestown, and Valley City. Please contact the North Dakota State Library at 1-800-843-9948 for more information about this service.

State Library Welcomes New Reader Advisor

Hannah Vanorny recently joined the Disability Services staff at the North Dakota State Library. She will assist talking book patrons in a variety of ways by placing talking book

orders, assisting patrons in finding books and authors they enjoy, helping with magazine subscriptions, and troubleshooting problems that may occur with talking book equipment or service.

Vanorny is originally from Oakes, North Dakota, and recently moved to Bismarck from Aberdeen, South Dakota. She received her Masters Degree in history from North Dakota State University, and also has undergraduate degrees in history and English from Minnesota State University in Moorhead.

Vanorny says she thinks she is a good match for her new position. "I like library work, I like Bismarck, and it is



Hannah assists talking book patrons with all of their reading needs.

fun to talk with all of the different people, especially when they are so appreciative." She is an avid reader and likes biographies, U.S. history, and light mysteries. To contact Hannah or our other reader advisor, Bernie, at the State Library, please call 1-800-843-9948, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Descriptive Videos Available for Your Pleasure

The North Dakota State Library and the North Dakota Vision Services have a variety of



descriptive videos for your viewing pleasure. Many of the movies available are great classic and blockbuster movies including a variety of titles like *Batman Begins*, *Meet the Fockers*, *Finding Neverland*, and *The Wizard of Oz*. Descriptive videos are regular, commercial films which have special narration describing the visual elements of the movie—action, characters, and costumes without interfering with a movie's dialogue. There is no charge to rent these

movies; you just need to hold a current North Dakota State Library card.

If you would like to request a descriptive video, please contact Disability Services at 1-800-843-9948.

Country Music Today Now Available

If you are a country music fan and would like to keep up-to-date on today's country music scene, why not sign up to receive *County Music Today* on cassette? Get the latest news on your favorite stars and country music program. To order your copy of *Country Music Today*, call 1-800-843-9948.

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