

## Around the State

The Lakota Library received a donation from the State Bank of Lakota and a matching grant from the Libri Foundation to purchase new children's books for their library recently.

Valley City/Barnes County Public Library held a Chocolate Day to raise money to purchase materials for the children's library.

### Dates

- Jan 10 Marketplace, Grand Forks
- Jan 12-17 ALA Midwinter, DC
- Jan 14-15 Coordinating Council, Jamestown
- Jan 21 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, NDSL Closed

## Reference Corner

It is the time of the year when students begin searching for information about careers. The State Library has added materials on different careers. For example, Careers in Focus. Engineering explores the top twenty-one careers in engineering. There are also several websites that are very useful. North Dakota Career Outlook and Occupational Outlook Handbook are just two of the websites that can be located on the Recommended Internet Resources list located on the home page of the State Library. To access these and other websites click on the Employment Resources section of the Recommended Internet Resources list.

## State Librarian Hired

Doris Ott has been hired as the North Dakota State Librarian effective January 1, 2002. Doris has been with the State Library for 15 years and has been the Assistant State Librarian for 9 years.

Doris is a native of North Dakota, a graduate of Dickinson State University with a degree in Elementary Education. She has a Masters of Library Science from George Peabody College, Nashville, Tennessee. Prior to her employment at the North Dakota State Library she was an elementary school media center specialist, head of technical services at a public library, a high school media specialist, and Assistant Professor of Library Science at Dickinson State University.



Doris is experienced in all aspects of libraries. Dr. Wayne Sanstead, Superintendent of Public Instruction, says he is looking forward to Doris's leadership in developing State Library services for North Dakota.

## Grants Awarded

The North Dakota State Library and the North Dakota Coordinating Council awarded grants totaling over \$132,000 dollars to seven North Dakota libraries this past November.

The libraries that received these grants will use the money to assist in automating their libraries. Once a library completes their automation project, patrons are able to electronically access that libraries records 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. They are also able to put holds on library material and access patron records.

The following libraries were recipients of the November grants:

Carrington Public School	\$17,880
Hillsboro Public School	\$ 6,390
Mandan Public Schools	\$70,037
Minot Bishop Ryan	\$13,710
Napoleon High School	\$ 5,232
Velva School & Public Library	\$30,401
West Fargo Public Library	<u>\$58,801</u>
Total Awarded	\$132,414

The grants are funded through the federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) and Library Vision 2004 (LV 2004). LV 2004 is a long-range plan that was created by libraries across the state to facilitate resource sharing and improve library services to the citizens of North Dakota. The next round of grants will be awarded January 15, 2002.

## State Library Accomplishes Goals

The North Dakota State Library is committed to enhancing the quality of life and promoting an informed citizenry by providing access to information for all North Dakota citizens and by leading and assisting in the development of library services statewide.

During the past biennium the State Library services delivered to the citizens and librarians of North Dakota. Many of the State Library services and statistics are outlined below.

Telephone Calls Received	38,491	Dakota Radio Patrons Served (DRIS)	542
Items Checked Out	93,345	Items Cataloged for State Agencies	2,532
Talking Books Loaned	132,321	Items Cataloged for State Library	13,774
Interlibrary Loans Facilitated	71,786	Items Cataloged for Other Libraries	123,680
Subject Requests Filled	9,825	Workshops Offered	52
Talking Books Added	4,928	Number of People Attending Training	1,595
Books Recorded by Volunteers	80	Grants Awarded to Libraries	\$350,000
Volunteer Hours	8,166	State Aid Distributed to Public Libraries	\$880,000

If you are interested in information about State Library services, please call 1-800-472-2104.

## Library Directories Available Soon

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Please send your request and payment before March 1, 2002 to:

NORTH DAKOTA STATE LIBRARY  
C/O SHERYL HALDORSON  
604 E BOULEVARD AVE - DEPT 250  
BISMARCK ND 58505-0800

If you have any additions/changes for your library or if you have any questions, please contact Sheryl Haldorson at 701-328-2492 or 1-800-472-2104 or e-mail [shaldors@state.nd.us](mailto:shaldors@state.nd.us).

## Brochures Available

The North Dakota State Library has a variety of brochures outlining services at the library.

- ♦ **Informational Brochure about the State Library**
- ♦ **Online Magazine and Newspaper Articles**
- ♦ **Electronic Books**
- ♦ **Grants for North Dakota Libraries**
- ♦ **Copyright Compliance**
- ♦ **ND Library Law**

If you are interested in receiving copies of any of these brochures, please contact Sheryl Haldorson at 1-800-472-2104 or 701-328-2492.

## Summer Reading Manual

Summer reading manuals for *Join the Winner's Circle-READ* are available through the State Library for \$10.00. Please call Terri Wilhelm to place an order for your library, 1-800-843-9948.



## State Library Receives NDPCS Donations

The North Dakota State Library received 84 copies of North Dakota pottery books and booklets donated by the North Dakota Pottery Collectors Society (NDPCS). Seven different book titles consisting of twelve copies of each title were donated and are valued at \$800.

The titles donated include: *Collectors Encyclopedia of Rosemade Pottery* by Darlene Dommel, *Little Heart Ceramic* by Jim Wiege, Audrey and Daryl Spencer, *University of North Dakota Pottery-The Cable Years* by Donald Miller, *Messer Pottery* by the Pioneer Trails Regional Museum, *Beautiful Rosemade* by Irene Harms and Shirley Sampson, *Dickota Pottery*, (reproduced copies of a Dickota Pottery product catalog) and *Earth, Water and Fire-The History and Uses of North Dakota Clay in the North Dakota History Journal of the Northern Plains* published by the State Historical Society of North Dakota. The *Collectors Encyclopedia of Dakota Potteries* is out of stock and may be donated at a later date by the NDPCS.



State Librarian Doris Ott accepts donated pottery books and brochures from Quent Christman NDPCS President.

The *Collectors Encyclopedia of Dakota Potteries* is out of stock and may be donated at a later date by the NDPCS.

Two copies of each title are available at the State Library and through interlibrary loan. The remaining copies of the books will be donated to North Dakota libraries that loan their materials through the interlibrary loan system. This donation accomplishes an ongoing NDPCS goal of promoting awareness and education about pottery made in North Dakota.

## Gale Database Training

Over sixty librarians took part in training sessions held December 10 and 11 to learn how to use the Gale Databases more effectively. Ed Gron from the Gale Group instructed Gale Database users on ways to search the databases, what is available, and how to limit searches more efficiently.

The emphasis of the training was on the **General Reference Center-Gold** which focuses on magazines, historical images, newspaper articles, children's magazines, and reference books. The **Discovering Collection**, which focuses on people, places, events, and primary source documents to current events, was also featured.

The search strategies used with these databases can be used for the other Gale Group databases. The North Dakota State Library and the Gale Group sponsored these sessions that were held at the Bismarck State College Library computer lab. More training sessions are planned at a later date.

If you would like a list of sources available in the Gale Database please contact Sheryl Haldorson, 1-800-472-2104.

## ODIN RESOURCES

As you search ODIN are you overlooking valuable information? On the "Select Library and Resources" screen, do you select the library you want to search and overlook the other information that you can access from that page? The information that can be accessed from this page is material that is uncataloged or on reserve, the order status of an item, and the status of a magazine.

Items that are in the "reserve item category" are on reserve in the library. This is usually items that are placed on reserve by a faculty member for a specific class. The information that can be retrieved from the individual record is the title, author, instructor, and course. Since reserve items are not available for interlibrary loan, it is very useful to have this information.

The "uncataloged items" section contains items that do not have a record in the catalog. There are several instances when an item is not cataloged. It may be a popular book for which an item record is loaded before the full cataloging record is completed. You may want to load a record for a piece of AV equipment or a book in the uncataloged paperback section. In both the "reserve" and "uncataloged" record, the title, description, call number, and bibliographic record number (Bib. ID) fields are searchable.

The "order status" search allows you to search items that are on order but have not been received, have been received but not cataloged, have recently been received and cataloged, or the order has been canceled. This information allows staff and the public to track items that have been ordered. If a patron has requested that a book be ordered, this feature allows the patron to know when the book was received. Librarians can use the information as a collection development tool. A librarian may not want to order the same book that several other libraries are ordering.

The "check the status of a magazine" feature gives information about magazines held by the library. The information includes the call number, if it is currently being received, title, how often it is published, the last issue received, date it was received, the next issue to be received, when it is expected to arrive, serial number, and bibliographic record number. This feature allows staff and patrons to know the date of the last issue of a magazine and when to expect the next issue.

If you need further details, please contact the State Library at 1-800-472-2104 or 701-328-4622.

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## Around the State

The Fargo Public Library recently received three grants that will enable them to double the amount of computers available for public use. Two of the grants totaling \$45,810 were from the Gates Foundation, and another totaling \$17,362 was from the North Dakota Coordinating Council and the North Dakota State Library.

### Dates

March	7	Coordinating Council, Carrington
April	2-3	Spring Workshops, Bismarck
April	4-5	Spring Workshops, Fargo
April	14-20	National Library Week
April	26	Think Tank, Minot
May	3	Think Tank, Valley City

## Reference Corner

Librarians are always searching for new ideas for marketing and grant sources. The State Library has two newsletters that may be of assistance. The first newsletter is Marketing Library Services, MLS. Each newsletter contains a cover story, how-to section, ideas for action section, book review, and in the news section. Some recent articles have been "Marketing Yourself Online" and "Surviving a Pesky Patron." Grants for Libraries Hotline contains articles that profile foundations, regional awards, and grant opportunities. Some recent articles have been "Five Grant and Awards Programs for Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA)," "Internet Grantsearching Tips," and "Strategies for Success From Grant Winners." Please call NDSL if you are interested in an article from these newsletters or if you would like to receive subscription information.

## Open House a Success

The North Dakota State Library held an open house February 11 - 13. The three-day event kicked-off with a press conference introducing new North Dakota State Librarian Doris Ott. Ott discussed the role that libraries play in our lives. "The libraries of today still offer the same services they always did, but now have a presence on the Internet and are the information centers of the communities." She says library service in North Dakota is ahead of many other states because of cooperation between librarians and legislative funding. The staff provided library tours and online demonstrations on how to access online magazines and newspapers from a personal computer.



Doris Ott speaks with the media during the State Library's open house.

## Master of Library Science Degree Offered

North Dakotans interested in earning a Master of Library Science (MLS) degree may have the opportunity, thanks to a program being offered by the School of Library and Information Management (SLIM) through Emporia State University, Emporia, Kansas. Emporia plans to offer its MLS degree via distance education in North Dakota beginning in the fall of 2002.

This is exciting news says State Librarian Doris Ott, "Persons considering pursuing this degree can now complete their master's degree while continuing to live and work in North Dakota." Ott says it has been six years since this degree has been offered to students in North Dakota.

The classes will be offered through teleconferencing, which allows students to see and hear the classroom instructor live without having to travel long distances to obtain their required courses. Classes will be scheduled about two weekends per month for each required course. The degree should take students approximately 2 years and 8 months to complete. If you are interested in finding out more about the master's program, please contact Dan Roland by e-mail [sliminfo@emporia.edu](mailto:sliminfo@emporia.edu) or phone at 1-800-552-4770 or you can visit the Emporia website at <http://slim.emporia.edu>.

The application deadline is March 1, 2002. Scholarships are available through Library Vision 2004 funding for residents of North Dakota through the North Dakota State Library. Tentative sites for the Emporia program are Fargo, Bismarck, and Grand Forks.

## Grants for Books

Your library could become the recipient of a new collection of children's books. Thanks to the Libri Foundation and its **Books For Children** program. The Libri Foundation is a nationwide non-profit organization that donates new, quality, hardcover children's books to small, rural, and public libraries throughout the United States.

The Libri Foundation is currently accepting applications for its spring and summer 2002 **Books For Children** grants. Libraries are qualified on an individual basis, and should serve populations under 10,000. It is usually required that you be at least 30 miles from a city with a population of over 40,000 and have a limited operating budget.

The foundation will match money on a 2-to-1 ratio from \$50 to \$350 that is raised by a library's friends group or sponsorship by local organizations. This means your library could receive up to \$1,050 in quality children's books. Local sponsors have four months (or longer, if necessary) after their library has been selected as a participant in the **Books For Children** program to raise matching funds.

Applications are accepted from independent libraries as well as libraries that are part of a county, regional, or cooperative library system. School libraries may apply if it also serves as the public library.

Deadlines for these grants need to be postmarked by February 1, April 1, or August 1, 2002. Previous grant recipients are eligible to apply for a second grant if it has been three years or more since the receipt of their first grant.

To request an application packet please e-mail your library's name and mailing address to the Libri Foundation at [librifdn@teleport.com](mailto:librifdn@teleport.com) or go to the foundations website at <http://www.librifoundation.org>. You may contact the North Dakota State Library for more information.

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## State Library Partners With Gates

The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation has partnered with public libraries in North Dakota to bring access to computers, the Internet, and digital information to citizens throughout the state. The North Dakota State Library began working with the foundation in 1999. The State Librarian contacted each public library director in the state, informing them about the opportunity to apply for foundation grant money, and encouraging them to become pre-qualified. The grants make it possible to purchase up to seven computers complete with software that would provide Internet accessibility and public access computers. Grant amounts were based on the poverty rate in the community and the number of citizens living in the public library's legal service area.

Public libraries submitted their official application to the foundation in October 2001. The Fargo Public Library also applied for a computer-training lab that includes ten computers for the purposes of training librarians throughout the state and providing public access computers. In January 2002, forty-two North Dakota public libraries were awarded a total of \$400,967. Later this spring, foundation staff will travel to each library site to install equipment and provide training and technical assistance to library staff so they can effectively manage computer systems, use digital information systems, and provide needed assistance to their patrons.

The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation staff will provide two years of ongoing support and technical assistance. Public libraries receiving the grant must provide Internet access free of charge to the public. A list of the public libraries receiving grants and the grant amounts is available on the State Library web page <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us>. Further information about the grants and the grant process is available from the State Library.



## Name Authority Cooperative Project

Have you ever tried to locate a publication produced by a particular North Dakota state agency in your library catalog, only to be greeted by five different versions of the agency's name? Which one should you use to find your document? Since November 2001, the North Dakota State Library's State Documents Services has been working to make this part of your library experience a little bit easier.

In cooperation with Shelby Harken at UND, State Documents Services staff has been contributing name authority records to the Name Authority Cooperative Project (NACO). Established in 1977 by the Library of Congress, NACO's purpose is to maintain a database of standardized formats for expressing the names of authors. Many libraries worldwide contribute to this project, but the NACO work currently being done at the North Dakota State Library is the first to be done at the State Library on an ongoing basis.

Simply put, a NACO record can be created for a personal name (Louis L'Amour), a corporate name (North Dakota Department of Agriculture), or for a series (Educational series, North Dakota Geological Survey) to distinguish between different authors or entities with similar or identical names. Name authority work is useful because it brings together accurate biographical and historical information about North Dakota authors and state agencies, as well as providing a consistent name to use when attributing authorship of a document. Using this 'approved' name of the author during a catalog search allows for more precise access to documents. Authority work allows both the librarian and the patron to keep up with state agency name changes, and locate pertinent documents for their reading or research.

State Documents Services staff use a number of reference sources such as the North Dakota Century Code, Session Laws, and the North Dakota Blue Book when preparing a new NACO record. Also, the state documents themselves, as well as calls and e-mails to state agency staff, add invaluable information to new and updated NACO records.

If you would like to know more about the name authority work being done at the North Dakota State Library, please call State Documents Services at 701-328-2491.

## ODIN Seeks New Library Computer System

The Online Dakota Information Network (ODIN) is seeking to change its automated library management system. ODIN has used the PALS automated system since 1989, but PALS is scheduled to cease support of the system within the next three years. ODIN must find a new system to support its computer-based activities. The goal of the project is to begin implementation of a new system during the fall of 2002.

To accomplish the task, ODIN organized an RFP Steering Committee to create a Request for Proposal (RFP). Members of the Steering Committee include Pamela Drayson (NDSU), Janet Essency (MiSU), Marv Hanson (Higher Education Computer Network), Shelby Harken (UND), Doris Ott (NDSL), Charles Pace (Fargo Public), Wilbur Stolt (UND), and Tony Stukel (ODIN). The RFP was written by the Committee during the fall of 2001 and was reviewed by ODIN library directors and officials within the North Dakota University System. The document was sent out to prospective vendors in late January, and the Committee is waiting for the vendor proposals, which are due March 5. The Committee will conduct an initial review of the proposals and select a short list of vendors to invite for demonstrations.

The Steering Committee has developed an evaluation plan, which will include a number of evaluation groups (E-Teams). Each E-Team will be comprised of members of ODIN libraries. They will be asked to review specific functions within the "short-list" of vendor proposals. They will attend the demonstrations and query the vendors about functionality. Finally, each E-Team will submit to the Steering Committee its evaluations of the functionality for each system under consideration.

System demonstrations are tentatively scheduled for April. It is hoped all work and a final recommendation for a new system will be finished by the end of May.

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Did you know the Statewide Database Services at the State Library adds 10,000 titles a month to the North Dakota Online Catalog (ODIN)?

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## Spring Workshops Coming In April

Make sure you sign up for the annual spring workshops sponsored by the North Dakota State Library. The workshops will feature presenters from the Gale Group, Electric Library, and MINITEX. Workshops will be held in Bismarck on April 2 & 3 at the Bismarck State College Library computer lab, and Fargo April 4 & 5 at the NDSU Library computer lab.

The workshops are designed to enhance your searching skills on full-text magazines, newspapers, Electric Library, and e-books. Learn about the new features on the updated version of ProQuest, and get an overview of what resources are available through Electric Library. Get hands-on training for the Gale Group full-text magazine and ProQuest newspaper databases, and see how the use of e-books can enhance your library's collection.

Space for the workshops is limited, so please register early. Cost and registration information are included on the form below. Please contact Carol Boganowski at 1-800-472-2104 or 701-328-3499 at the North Dakota State Library for more information.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Library: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_  
 Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Return your registration by March 22, 2002 to:  
 North Dakota State Library  
 Attn: Carol Boganowski  
 604 East Boulevard Avenue - Dept. 250  
 Bismarck, ND 58505-0800

### Please make check payable to North Dakota State Library.

A block of rooms has been set-aside at the Holiday Inn, Sixth & Broadway, Bismarck, for April 2. Reservations must be made before **March 12**, \$45 plus tax. 1-701-255-6000

A block of rooms has been set-aside at the Days Inn, across from the Fargo Dome at 19th & University, Fargo, for April 4. Reservations must be made by **March 22**, \$45 plus tax. 1-701-232-0000.

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#### Registration Fee:

\_\_\_ \$25 registration (Invoice sent with confirmation.)

Bismarck

\_\_\_ Tuesday, April 2 & Wednesday, April 3

Fargo

\_\_\_ Thursday, April 4 & Friday, April 5

(Fee covers breaks and handouts.)

This is hands-on training so there is a limit of 34 for Bismarck and 27 for Fargo. Registration will be on a first come, first serve basis.

You may register on-line at [http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us/spring\\_conference.html](http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us/spring_conference.html)

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Bismarck Public Library recently held a 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the birthday of author John Steinbeck. The library hosted programs featuring Steinbeck's impact on the American culture, his involvement in the world of film, and a book discussion on the short novels of the author.

### Dates

April 26	Think Tank II, Minot
May 3	Think Tank II, Valley City
6-7	Coordinating Council, Jamestown
27	Memorial Day, NDSL Closed
June 13	ALA, Atlanta, GA

## *Reference Corner*

As more librarians and patrons across the state are becoming familiar with Gale Group and ProQuest, the full-text magazine and newspaper databases available through the State Library and other participating libraries, we would like to call your attention to a particular electronic collection within the Gale Group database. The **Health and Wellness Resource Center** contains magazines, journals, newspapers, dictionaries and directories with information on fitness, pregnancy, medicine, nutrition, diseases, public health, alcohol and drug abuse, and prescription drugs. Included are links to diet, cancer, and health assessment sites as well as government databases.

## MLS Program Deadline Extended

If you are interested in getting your Master of Library of Science (MLS) degree that is being offered by the School of Library and Information Management (SLIM) through Emporia State University, Emporia, Kansas, you still have time to register. Emporia has extended their deadline for applications until June 1, 2002.

The program will begin in the fall of 2002 and will use a mix of distance education technology and face-to-face instruction. SLIM hopes to offer three different classroom locations around the state where students will be able to attend classes. Classes will be offered on weekends at a cost of \$350 per credit hour for the 42-hour program. It will take approximately two years and eight months to complete the master's program.

The North Dakota State Library has established a scholarship program to encourage North Dakotans to pursue a Masters of Library Science degree from an ALA accredited school (ALA/MLS) and to work in North Dakota. The program is for graduate activity that takes place during the current biennium, July 1, 2001-June 30, 2003, or for applicants who will receive their ALA/MLS in this biennium.

Contact Dan Roland for more information and application forms for the SLIM program at 1-800-552-4770 or e-mail to [sliminfo@emporia.edu](mailto:sliminfo@emporia.edu). For information about scholarship opportunities, contact Cindy Larson at the State Library at 1-800-472-2104 or e-mail [clarson@state.nd.us](mailto:clarson@state.nd.us).

## INTERESTED IN A SUMMER WORKSHOP?

The North Dakota State Library is currently planning a series of workshops this July and August focusing on the statewide LaND catalog and electronic databases. This training includes using Gale Group's Periodical/Reference Package, ProQuest newspaper database, Electric Library, and Netlibrary™ electronic books collection. If you missed the spring workshops, these sessions will provide an excellent opportunity to learn about the electronic resources that are currently available.

The North Dakota State Library plans on having these training sessions in the following areas: Williston, Dickinson, Minot, Bismarck, Grand Forks, and Fargo. Times and locations will be finalized based on interest and the availability of suitable computer labs. If you have an interest in attending one of these summer workshops, please contact Carol at 1-800-472-2104 or log on to the North Dakota State Library home page at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us/> and fill out an interest form. Please remember to include your home address, telephone number, and e-mail address so we can mail information to your summer address. More details will be posted on the State Library List and also included in future editions of the Flickertale.

## Health Information

Public librarians across the country are facing an increasing number of requests for health information from their patrons. Reference librarians are receiving inquiries about alternative medicine, selecting a physician, wellness issues, or particular diseases or conditions. Patrons are also seeking free, quality, electronic health information written in general terminology.



The National Library of Medicine (NLM) would like to help you respond to this demand. The NLM, a government agency, is the world's largest medical library located on the campus of the National Institutes of Health.

The NLM developed MEDLINEplus, a consumer health resource that is accessible to all. MEDLINEplus offers authoritative, up-to-date, and totally private health information. Health topics, drug information, a medical encyclopedia, MEDLINE searches, clinical trials, and current news are just some of the features included at <http://medlineplus.gov/>.

The NLM encourages public libraries to join the National Network of Libraries of Medicine. Membership is free and offers public libraries the following advantages:

- Opportunities for continuing professional development by taking training workshops to search the NLM's databases.
- Participate in funding opportunities for your library.
- Participate in interlibrary loan services available to the network.
- Receive special mailings of National Library of Medicine's posters, brochures, and other informational materials.
- Receive a certificate, which recognizes the institution as a member of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine.
- Enroll on the Greater Midwest Region's electronic discussion list if requested.

Find more information at <http://nmlm.gov/> or contact your Regional Medical Library at 1-800-338-7657.

## Computers Available

The 2002 Winter Olympic Committee & Gateway computers are donating all the PC's used at the games to non-profit organizations. To be eligible, you will need to complete a registration form at <http://www.gateway.com/olympics/donations.shtml>. There will be 4,500 systems available. The application will be posted on the website from April 2 to July 31, 2002. More information and application forms will be available in April. The site says that priority will be given to schools and community centers whose programs help enhance access to technology for traditionally under-served communities.

## Pottery Books Donated to Library

Multiple copies of books about North Dakota made pottery were recently donated to the North Dakota State Library. Arley and Bonnie Olson of Dickinson presented the State Library with six copies of *Collectors Encyclopedia of Dakota Potteries* by Darlene Dommel. They had to acquire these through private sources, because the title was out of stock and no longer available from the publishing company.

Quent Christman donated twelve copies of *America's Salt & Pepper Shakers* by Sylvia Tompkins and Irene Thornburg. The title contains 160 pages of information and photos devoted to salt and pepper shakers made in America. The 2000 copyrighted title features 86 pages devoted to shakers made by Rosemeade, Messer, Little Heart Ceramics, Dickota, and North Dakota School of Mines (UND).

The donations were made in an effort to promote awareness about North Dakota made pottery. These titles will be available through interlibrary loan at the library and the remaining copies will be donated to other North Dakota libraries that loan their material through interlibrary loan.



### Fun, Food, and Furry Critters in the State Document Collection?

While it is true that the state document collection at the North Dakota State Library is filled with publications describing North Dakota statistics, graphs, and charts, there are also some hidden gems on the shelves. Here are some highlighted items for chefs, backyard hobbyists, and outdoorsmen.

Like to cook? Before firing up the grill, consider *Beef and Pasta: It's What's for Dinner* or *Winning Ground Beef Recipes: 2000 & 2001 N.D. High School Challenge* published by the North Dakota Wheat Commission and North Dakota Beef Commission. If Tex-Mex is more to your liking, then check out *From the Garden to the Table: Salsa!* by NDSU Extension Service. This publication has recipes and instructions for growing your own salsa-ready vegetables. Don't like to cook? *Vittles in the Vas Lane* is a directory of North Dakota small town diners with wide-open spaces and great home cooking.

Wildlife watchers can thank the North Dakota Game and Fish Department's Nongame Program for project inspirations. *Attracting Wildlife to Your Backyard*; *Attracting Bluebirds and Other Cavity Nesting Songbirds in North Dakota*; and *Building Nest Structures, Feeders and Photo Blinds for North Dakota Wildlife* provide plans, illustrations, and instructions on how to beautify your yard while providing habitat for our furry and feathered friends. These publications are suitable for the novice and expert nature enthusiasts alike.

These are just a few of the interesting and fun materials that can be found in the State Document Collection. Watch for more exciting publications in future issues.

### Whom to Call at the State Library

If you need assistance from the North Dakota State Library but are not sure whom to call, here is a listing of the staff as well as their areas of expertise.

Call for information about	Staff name	Phone number
Automation Questions	Todd	328-4658
Cataloging Questions	Rachel, Naomi, or Stacey	328-4610
Disability Services	Stella	328-2185
Dakota Radio Information Services (DRIS)	Sue B.	328-4021
Gates Grant	Cindy L.	328-2492
Gift Books	Marie H.	328-4622
Grants	Cindy L., Stella, or Doris	328-2492
Intellectual Freedom Issues	Doris	328-2492
Interlibrary Loan Problems	Shari	328-3252
Interlibrary Loan Requests	Reference Department	328-4622
Interlibrary Loan Statewide Services	Doris	328-2492
Legal Questions for Libraries	Cindy L.	328-2492
Library Cards	Betty	328-4657
Library Directory	Sheryl H.	328-2492
Library Procedures (School & Public)	Stella	328-2185
Mill Levy for Public Libraries	Cindy L.	328-2492
Overdues	Betty	328-4657
Personnel Questions	Cindy L.	328-2492
Public Library Annual Reports	Carol	328-3499
State Agency Services	Marie H.	328-4622
State Document Depository Program	Naomi	328-2491
Statewide Library Catalog	Stacey	328-1860
Subject Requests	Reference Department	328-4622
Summer Reading Program	Terri	328-1469
Talking Book Program	Terri	328-1469
Training	Al	328-4622
Volunteer Program	Sue B.	328-4021
Workshop Registration	Carol	328-3499

You may also call the North Dakota State Library toll free at 1-800-472-2104 or Disability Services at 1-800-843-9948.

## Free Matter for Print Impaired

Did you know that visually, physically, and reading impaired persons may qualify to receive large print books **free-matter-for-the-blind**? This means you may send large print books or magazines, (14 pt. or larger) without paying postage to patrons who are eligible under the free matter guidelines. The patron is also able to mail them back to libraries at no cost.

To be eligible to mail items free matter, the person must have it certified in writing that he/she is unable to read conventional reading material because of his/her impairment. This must be signed by a competent authority such as a medical doctor, ophthalmologist, optometrist, registered nurse, or professional staff member of a hospital or other institution or agency. This must be submitted to the post office where postage-free mailings will be made or received by the blind or visually handicapped person. The person is then considered eligible to use the free mailing privilege.

Patrons may also sign up for the talking book service at the North Dakota State Library and order large print books though the library that will be sent free matter directly to his/her home. Only the following material is eligible under the free matter guidelines: large print books, large print magazines, Braille, Braille or large print musical scores, and cassette books and equipment that are specially designed for use by persons who are print impaired. Cassettes that contain music, books on tape not specifically designed for persons who are print impaired, and handwritten material do not qualify for free matter mailing.

For a copy of the guidelines contact your post office or the Disability Services at the North Dakota State Library at 1-800-843-9948.

## Workshops Held

Over sixty librarians from across the state learned more about the Gale Group full-text magazine and newspaper database, Electric Library, e-Books, and the updated version of ProQuest. Workshops were held in Bismarck and Fargo this past April. The training gave participants a chance to see and use the different resources available online. Trainers from Minitex, ProQuest, and the State Library provided the hands-on training. For more information regarding online database training this summer, please call the State Library.

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## *Around the State*

The New Rockford Public Library has about 1/3 of the elementary students participating in its summer reading program.

### Dates

Jul 4 NDSL Closed

### Electronic Resource Training

Jul 8-9 Minot

Jul 10-11 Bismarck

Jul 15-16 Williston

Jul 17-18 Dickinson

Jul 22-23 Grand Forks

Jul 24-25 Fargo

Jul 16-17 Coordinating Council,  
Bismarck

Aug 9 Summer Reading  
Celebration-State  
Library Talking Book  
Program, Bismarck

## *Reference Corner*

### One feature of the **Health and Wellness Resource Center**

available through the Gale Group database is the **Drug Finder**. This feature allows you to research a particular drug. Articles contain information including a general description of the drug, effects during pregnancy, use with children vs. adults, lists of other medications that can or cannot be taken simultaneously, proper use and dosage, and possible side effects. This database can be accessed through the State Library home page at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us>.

## STAGEnet Available to Public Libraries

Many North Dakota public libraries will join the state network for Internet connection this summer. During the 2001 Legislative Session, funds were appropriated to the North Dakota Information Technology Department (ITD) to make the Internet accessible to all North Dakota citizens. The Statewide Technology Access for Government and Education (STAGEnet) is an ATM network that offers high-speed Internet connectivity and video conferencing. Eighty percent of the state's population will be within 30 minutes of a video site and the entire population will be within 45 minutes of a video site when all the connections are made.

During 2001, ITD connected all county office buildings and public schools to STAGEnet. ITD will begin connecting public libraries to the Internet through STAGEnet in July. The cost of the Internet connection will be paid through legislative appropriations and E-rate funds.

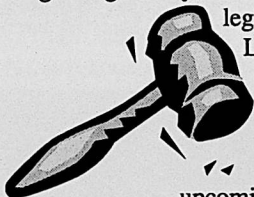
## Bremer Foundation Grant Awarded

The North Dakota State Library is the recipient of a \$20,000 Otto Bremer Foundation Grant. The library will use the grant money to purchase equipment for the talking book program.

The Otto Bremer Foundation is supportive of organizations that have an impact on the well being of communities in North Dakota, Minnesota, and Wisconsin. You may access information about the Foundation at [ottobremer.org](http://ottobremer.org).

## Legislative Information

Beginning in July, the North Dakota State Library will provide legislative information each Thursday via the State Library LIST. The LIST will include information about legislative issues that may impact your library. Before and during the legislative session we will provide you with information concerning legislative bills, upcoming hearings, and general information. If you are not currently signed up to get information from the State Library LIST, please send your e-mail address to [shaldors@state.nd.us](mailto:shaldors@state.nd.us) to sign up.



## Wilhelm Attends Summer Library Conference

Statewide summer reading coordinator, Terri Wilhelm, recently attended the annual Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) conference in Kansas City, Missouri. State representatives spend time brainstorming and producing future summer reading themes and materials for members of the CSLP.

There are presently thirteen states taking part in the CSLP. North Dakota's representative, Terri Wilhelm, says the CSLP provides a unique service to librarians, "The beauty of this program is that it allows libraries who are members a chance to purchase high quality, low cost summer reading materials to use with their programs." Wilhelm says this includes manuals with theme related activities, games, bibliographies, and age appropriate posters and reading incentives.

The CSLP is working to include more young adult and family oriented activities and artwork as the collaborative continues to grow and meet the needs of its members. Librarians across the state are encouraged to submit ideas, concerns, and success stories about their summer programs to Terri Wilhelm at [twilhelm@state.nd.us](mailto:twilhelm@state.nd.us).

## Flicker Tale Award

Thirteen thousand students across the state voted for their favorite juvenile book and picture book for this year's Flicker Tale award. This year's picture book winner was *Bark, George* by Jules Feiffer. The juvenile award went to *Touching Spirit Bear* by Ben Mikaelson. You can send suggestions for next year's nominations to Marvia Boettcher at [m.boettcher@mail.infolynx.org](mailto:m.boettcher@mail.infolynx.org).

## State Library Summer Reading Program

The State Library Disability Services has thirty-five summer reader's taking part in the Governor's Summer Reading Program, co-sponsored by the North Dakota State Library and the Governor's Office. This year's theme is *Join the Winner's Circle READ!*

Participants must be an active patron of the North Dakota State Library Talking Book Program, and read at least one talking book or Braille book during the summer to qualify for t-shirts and other great prizes. The library will be hosting a summer reading celebration in the Memorial Hall of the Capitol on August 9, 2002, at 2:30 pm.

## Fargo Library Gets Gates Training Lab

The Fargo Public Library is the proud recipient of a state-of-the-art computer lab, thanks to grants from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the North Dakota Coordinating Council, and the North Dakota State Library.

Fargo Public Library Director Charles Pace says this is a great opportunity for the state and their community. "We have another resource to promote professional development and it makes us a destination point for professionals." He says the computer lab will be used for training and support of the library community, staff, and will be available to the public when not being used for training.

The lab includes eleven computers with Microsoft programs including Microsoft Excel, Magic School Bus programs for kids, enlargement capabilities for the visually impaired, word processing, and full Internet access.



In May 2002, the State Library's Statewide Database Department cataloged 15,680 titles for libraries that received grants to join ODIN.



## Student Writers Honored

A ceremony honoring the top essayists in the statewide "Letters About Literature" essay contest was held at the State Capitol in Bismarck this past April. The contest was co-sponsored by the North Dakota State Library, North Dakota Center for the Book, and the Weekly Reader Corporation. The State Library coordinates the program and provides information to schools statewide.



2002 Letters About Literature Finalists

Students were asked to write a letter to an author, living or dead, explaining how the author's book changed his/her way of viewing the world around them. Jessica Schultz from Horizon Middle School in Bismarck took top honors in the Level I essay competition (Grades 4-7), and Jessica Gunderson from Elroy Schroeder Middle School in Grand Forks took top honors in the Level II competition (Grades 8-12).

The winning essays were chosen from hundreds of entries in this year's contest. The two winners received \$50 from the National

Library of Congress Center for the Book, \$50 and a plaque from the ND Center for the Book, and a gift certificate to Maxwell's Books in Bismarck. The State Library sponsored the awards ceremony and organized the panel of judges for this contest. The student essays were also entered in the national "Letters About Literature" contest for consideration.

## Services to State Agencies

The North Dakota State Library offers a variety of services to all citizens of North Dakota including reference services, access to online magazine and newspaper databases, reference books, and access to materials from other libraries nationwide. In addition to these services, the State Library offers some specialized services to state agencies such as in-depth research, cataloging of collections, and management of magazine subscriptions.

An important function of the State Library is to catalog state agency library materials. Cataloging services are provided to agencies to help them catalog and maintain their collections online, which provides agency staff better access to the materials in their library.

State agency periodical collections can also be managed by the State Library. For example, the agency may donate back issues of periodicals to the State Library. They will be barcoded, added to the Online Dakota Information Network Database (ODIN), and housed for continued access.

The library also provides training on how to use the electronic magazines and newspaper databases, as well as searching online catalogs to locate materials held in libraries throughout North Dakota.

To inquire about any of the services available at the State Library or to schedule training, call 1-800-472-2104 or (701) 328-4622.

## Electronic Resources Training

The North Dakota State Library presents Electronic Resources Training, Summer 2002. These workshops are designed to teach you skills to effectively use the electronic resources available and provide tips and suggestions on using these resources to promote your library's services.

Topics include Searching the Online Dakota Information Network (ODIN) and other catalogs available through LaND, NetLibrary Electronic Books, Gale Group Databases, Electric Library, and ProQuest National Newspaper Database. These sessions will provide an excellent opportunity to learn to use the electronic resources that are currently available. The following training workshops are available and free of charge.

July 8 & 9-Minot High School, Central Campus

July 10 & 11-Bismarck State College, Vo-Tech

July 15 & 16-Williston State College, Stevens Hall

July 17 & 18-Dickinson State University, May Hall

July 22 & 23-Harley E. French Library, UND, Grand Forks

July 24 & 25-Fargo Public Library

Registration is now available on the North Dakota State Library home page at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us> and click on Summer Workshops 2002 Registration hotlink, or call the North Dakota State Library at 1-800-472-2104. Please register by July 8, 2002. If you have any questions, contact Al Peterson at the North Dakota State Library.

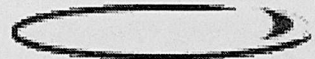
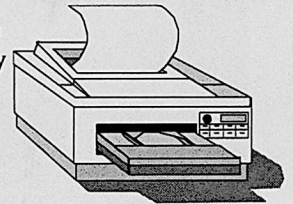
## LaND Guide Available Online

If you would like to search or print a current copy of the Library Access North Dakota (LaND) Search Guide, you can download or search the guide directly from the North Dakota State Library home page at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us>. In order to download or search the LaND Guide, you must have acrobat reader installed on your computer. This is available free of charge at <http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep.html>.

Once you locate the State Library home page, go to the State Library

publications section and

choose LaND Searching Guide. You should use the print icon on the acrobat reader software to print either the entire guide or specific sections of the guide.



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*Around the State*

Minnewauken Librarian Cathy Burkhardtmeier was named citizen of the year for her efforts to improve the Minnewauken Library. The Minnewauken Community Club presented the award.

Dates	
Oct 2-5	MPLA/NDLA/SDLA Tri-Conference, Fargo
Oct 11	Library Vision 2010 Forum, Dickinson
Oct 23-24	NDEA, Bismarck
Oct 31 -	
Nov 2	ND School Bd. Assoc., Bismarck
Nov 11	NDSL Closed
Nov 14-15	Coordinating Council, Bismarck
Nov 28	NDSL Closed

*Reference Corner*

Have you checked out the Tool Box on any of Gale's Student Databases? You can access the Tool Box from the Discovering Collection; Junior Reference; and the Kids, Student, and Junior editions of the Gale magazine databases. Within the Tool Box, students will find quick and easy help on how to judge the validity of a web page, how to cite a source, build an outline, write a thesis statement, build an argument, and more. Each section includes a link to a worksheet that can be downloaded as a PDF document and printed out to be used in the classroom by teachers and librarians to help students improve their writing skills.

**Council's Mission is Vital**

Each time the State Library awards a grant to a North Dakota library, you can be sure the North Dakota Library Coordinating Council had something to do with it. The Council consists of eleven members, with nine of its members being appointed by the Governor.

The Coordinating Council assists in planning, coordinating, and evaluating the services and programs of libraries across the state. They advise on the distribution of Federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) grant funds, distribute Library Vision 2004 funds, and serve as a liaison to the North



Council members discuss grant awards to North Dakota libraries

Dakota Library Association. Since 1998 the Council has awarded over \$625,000 of Library Vision 2004 grants to further the development of libraries across the state.

Ilene Larson was appointed by Governor Hoeven this past October, and says she was interested in the Council because she

wanted to see what role libraries are playing across the state. "It is great to see libraries working together and coordinating their efforts so they are not going in opposite directions, yet each group is still able to keep its own identity."

State Librarian, Doris Ott, says the Council's role is essential to our state. "They are vital to the future development of North Dakota libraries because of their broad representation of citizens and libraries."

Members of the Council consist of representatives from many different types of libraries and citizens. Current members of the Council and the populations they represent include the following: Quincee Baker, minority populations; Thomas A. Bremer, public higher education institution libraries; Ilene Larson, citizen at large; LaDean Moen, President North Dakota Library Association; Doris Ott, State Librarian; Dennis Page, public libraries; Lila Pedersen, special libraries; and Rita Traynor, citizen at large.



MEMO

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Governor Hoveen appointed three new members in July, replacing Michelle Butz, Jerry Kaup, and Phyllis Bratton. They are Phyllis Kuno, private higher education institution libraries; Cheryl Tollefson, public libraries; and Janet Funkhouser, school libraries.

The Coordinating Council meets quarterly in different locations across the state.



Next time you are shopping at the Sunmart shopping plaza at 25th Street South in Fargo, why not stop in and check out a book at the library. That's right, the Fargo Public Library opened the Southpointe Branch Library August 6, 2002, in the plaza.

The project is the first of its kind in Fargo and is an effort to better serve the city's growing population. They will stock the storefront with popular reading materials, children's books, and an assortment of videos, DVD's, books on tape, and newspapers. The branch will offer about 10,000 books with space available for 5,000 more. It will house sixty percent children's books and forty percent popular adult reading.

Since the branch library opened its doors they have been seeing a steady stream of people. Ann Miller with Fargo Public Library Community Relations says the response has been impressive. In fact the first day about 700 people stopped at the new branch.

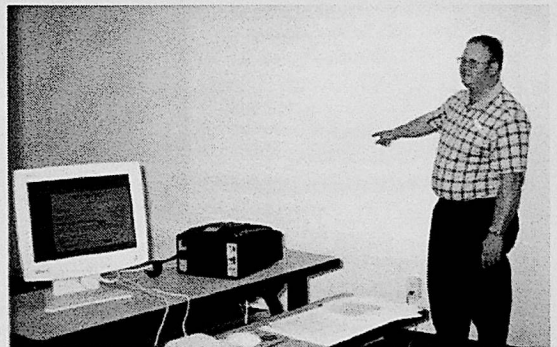
Materials checked out from any Fargo Public Library including the bookmobile, may be returned to the main library, the branch library, the bookmobile, or any Fargo Public Library book drop.

The Southpointe Branch will be open from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays; and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. The branch will be closed Sundays and Mondays.

## Electronic Training Successful

Learning how to use the many online resources available to libraries and their patrons was the focus of six training sessions recently conducted by the North Dakota State Library. Public and school librarians had a chance to get some hands-on experience searching library catalogs. The training included the following: Online Dakota Information Network (ODIN), Gale Group Databases, Electric Library, E-books, ProQuest National Newspaper Database, as well as other catalogs available through Library Access North Dakota (LaND).

Workshop presenter Al Peterson says the training sessions were a big success. "The people who attended the workshops walked away with a better understanding of how to use the resources and apply what they learned to meet their own



Al Peterson provides electronic resource training to North Dakota librarians

informational needs." Peterson added our goal is to help librarians be better prepared to help patrons and students with their needs, and be able to incorporate what they have learned into their own lesson plans or training. Other presenters from the State Library were Marie Hyatt and Stella Cone.

Seventy-five people attended the workshops that were held in Bismarck, Minot, Dickinson, Williston, Grand Forks, and Fargo. The State Library plans to provide additional training opportunities in the future.

### Patriot Act Workshop Scheduled

Shortly after the terrorist attacks last September, Congress approved a bill called the USA Patriot Act. This bill allows the Federal Bureau of Investigation access to patron library records and other personal documents.

If you are wondering how this affects your library, or don't know what kind of information you may be required to release or to whom you are required to release it, you should attend the upcoming Patriot Act workshop. The workshop is scheduled for Friday, November 8, 2002, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Brynhild Haugland Room, located in the west corridor of the Capitol in Bismarck.

The one-day workshop will be offered at no cost. It is open to any school or public librarian who is interested in learning what implications the USA Patriot Act may have on their library.

Bismarck lawyer Jack MacDonald will present some of the legal issues surrounding the Patriot Act, and how it could affect your library. State Library staff will also present American Library Association recommendations as well as other pertinent information on the subject.

More information about the workshop will be available in the near future on the North Dakota State Library home page at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us>, on the State Library LIST, and in the next issue of the Flickertale Newsletter.



The State Library awards \$225,000 in grant money each year to school and public libraries to enhance library resources. The next round of grants is due November 1, 2002. Watch the State Library website for detailed information about the grants.

### The Winner's Circle

**Bingo!** That was one of the many things heard at this year's Governor's Summer Reading celebration. Participants of the State Library's Summer Reading Program were treated to an afternoon of entertainment, bingo, and refreshments in honor of their reading accomplishments.

This year's theme was *Join the Winner's Circle-READ!*. Thirty-four students took part in this year's program. Summer Reading Coordinator, Terri Wilhelm, says this is the most students who have ever signed up for the program. "It's exciting to see more and more students getting involved in the summer program, because no matter what age you are, reading for fun is an important part of life."

Governor John Hoeven congratulated the readers for their efforts. Marci Narum, Executive



Director of the Ruth Meiers Hospitality House in Bismarck, spoke about the benefits of reading and shared some of her favorite books with the participants and their guests.

All of the readers are patrons of the North Dakota State Library's Talking Book Program and read their books on cassette or Braille because of a reading impairment that keeps them from reading standard print.

The Governor's Summer Reading Program is open to any student ages 6-18 who is a patron of the North Dakota Talking Book Program. For information about next year's program contact Terri Wilhelm at 1-800-843-9948.

## Library Vision 2010

The North Dakota Library Coordinating Council is in the process of updating Library Vision 2004 to Library Vision 2010. Library Vision 2010 is the long-range plan for North Dakota libraries. The new plan will describe what services libraries across the state will offer to patrons by 2010.

Librarians will be given the opportunity to give input about the future of library services statewide via the State Library LIST. They will also have a chance to meet with the Library Coordinating Council at the North Dakota Library Association Conference this October in Fargo, and at the Dickinson Public Library on Friday, October 11, 2002, at 1:00 p.m. mountain standard time. You can view Library Vision 2010 on the State Library Web Page.

## Sign Up Now for MLS Program

The School of Library and Information Management (SLIM), Emporia State University, is offering a degree in its Master of Library Science (MLS) program. The classes will be offered at the Fargo Public Library beginning in September. Applications for the program are still being accepted.

The curriculum will be delivered using interactive video-conferencing, traditional classroom instruction,

and by a professor from Emporia who will teach in Fargo. Students will attend classes 14 weekends per year, and take 4-6 credit hours per semester. Students will finish the MLS program in less than three years.

The North Dakota State Library is working in cooperation with Emporia to provide this wonderful opportunity. If you are interested in applying for the MLS program, contact Dan Roland at 1-800-552-4770 ext. 5064 or e-mail [rolandda@emporia.edu](mailto:rolandda@emporia.edu).

## State Library Goes to Washington

The North Dakota State Library is partnering with the Department of Commerce-Tourism Division and the Interpretive Center in Washburn to represent North Dakota at the Pavilion of States event in Washington D.C. this October. Two representatives from North Dakota will attend the event to help promote the importance of reading by children.

Each state will feature a children's book character that depicts their state. North Dakota's featured character will be Sacagawea. A booth will be set up in the U.S. Capitol Mall featuring brochures, books, and other material about North Dakota. This event is sponsored by the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress.

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## *Around the State*

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### Dates

Nov 11	NDSL Closed
Nov 14-15	Coordinating Council, Bismarck
Nov 8	Patriot Act Workshop Bismarck
Nov 28	NDSL Closed
Jan 7	Legislative Session begins
Dec 24 pm & 25	NDSL Closed

## *Reference Corner*

With the start of a new school year, the State Library is making more efforts to enhance its collection of educational resources for all North Dakota's teachers and librarians. Some of our newest titles include:

- Battle of the Books and More: Reading Activities for Middle School Students
- Basic Book Repair Methods
- The Storytime Sourcebook: A Compendium of Ideas and Resources for Storytellers
- Connecting Young Adults and Libraries Using Government Documents
- Library Programming for Families with Young Children
- Authoritative Guide to Evaluating Information on the Internet
- Keep 'Em Reading Bulletin Boards: Year-Round Designs for the Library and Classroom

## Video Promotes North Dakota Libraries

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The North Dakota State Library has joined libraries from all fifty states in a public education campaign called @ **your library**, sponsored by the American Library Association.

The State Library purchased enough Public Service Announcements (PSA's), to send to every television station in North Dakota in an effort to promote all North Dakota libraries. This promotion is part of Library Vision 2004, which is a long-range plan created by libraries across the state that includes goals to facilitate resource sharing.

The PSA's focus on the changing roles of libraries and librarians and their importance to our communities. They feature academy award winning actress Susan Sarandon and director/actor Tim Robbins.

The campaign is designed to remind the public that today's libraries play a very important role in the economic development of their communities. In order for a city to be viable, it needs to have adequate library service.

There are nearly 120,000 academic, school, public, and special libraries nationwide with close to 700 in North Dakota. Our state's libraries have kept abreast with today's technology, and currently offer our citizens access to thousands of online magazines, newspapers, and reference materials.

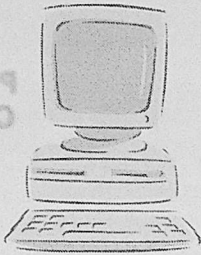
## Patriot Act Workshop

Don't forget to sign up for the Patriot Act Workshop sponsored by the North Dakota State Library. The one-day workshop will be offered at no cost to any North Dakota librarian or citizen who is interested in learning what implications the USA Patriot Act may have on their library.

The workshop is scheduled for Friday, November 8, 2002, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Brynhild Haugland Room, located in the west corridor of the Capitol in Bismarck.

You can sign up for the workshop by going to the State Library home page at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us> and registering, or call Carol at 1-800-472-2104.

### New Home Page



The North Dakota State Library's home page has a new look. The site was recently updated to be more user friendly and appealing to library patrons. You can access the State Library's home page at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us>.

The update includes the ability to download and print all of the Library's publications including handbooks, applications, policies, directories, brochures, reports, and newsletters.

The menu on the home page was reorganized, is more descriptive, and designed to better meet your informational needs.

If you would like to make comments about the new home page, please call Al Peterson at (701) 328-4656 or e-mail [apeterso@state.nd.us](mailto:apeterso@state.nd.us).

### MLS Program Begins

Twenty-one students from North Dakota, Minnesota, and Winnipeg are now working toward their Master of Library Science (MLS) degrees thanks to a program offered by the School of Library Management (SLIM), Emporia State University, Emporia, Kansas.

Classes began September 6 at the Fargo Public Library with the use of interactive technology and visiting instructors. Students are expected to graduate from the program in May 2005.

Coordinator Char Myhre says the program is going very well. "It is a real benefit for the students to be able to do a program such as this and integrate it into their lives, while still working if they choose to." She says this will also greatly benefit libraries because it will increase the number of professionals in the library field in North Dakota.

### Laugh it up @ Your Library

The summer reading manuals for the 2003 Collaborative Summer Reading Program (CSLP) are available for purchase. They are available at a cost of \$10.00, this includes shipping. This year's theme is *Laugh it up @ Your Library*.

There is some exciting news from Highsmith, the summer reading vendor. For every \$100 dollars your library spends with Highsmith toward the purchase of 2003 (CSLP) materials, your library will receive \$10.00 in Upstart Bucks. Upstart Bucks will begin accruing with Highsmith orders that are received after August 1, 2002, and will end on July 31, 2003.

Every public library in North Dakota is eligible to participate, and will automatically be enrolled in the program. Your library will receive periodic mailings to update you on the amount of Upstart Bucks your library has accrued.

The Upstart Bucks your library accrues can only be used on 2004 Collaborative Library Program materials, and can only be used on one order. The vouchers will be mailed out in September 2003.

Another change in the CSLP program this year is the availability of incentives for teens. This is one area of incentives that have not been offered in the past. The CSLP is excited to offer these added items for libraries to purchase this year. If you did not receive your incentive order form, or would like to purchase a summer reading manual, contact Terri Wilhelm at (701) 328-4656 or e-mail [twilhelm@state.nd.us](mailto:twilhelm@state.nd.us).

Orders for incentives must be placed by December 1, 2002. It is important to meet this deadline to ensure the vendor produces an adequate amount of incentives and t-shirts needed for 2003 summer program.



The North Dakota State Library Circulation Department mailed out 3,186 items to library patrons in the month of August.



## @ Your Library

Take a one story brick house, add thousands of volunteer hours, and books and what do you get? The answer...the Friends Bookstore: *Twice Sold Tales*.

The Dickinson Library Foundation purchased a house located next to the Dickinson Public Library last year and turned it into a used bookstore. Money from the bookstore is used to support library projects. So far revenue from the bookstore has helped



Twice Sold Tales Used Bookstore located next to the Dickinson Public Library.

fund the purchase of two public access computers, computer desks, and a copy machine.

Library Director Cheryl Tollefson says she is surprised by the overwhelming support. "It fills a need in our community and people can donate items and support the library at the same time."

The used bookstore offers books, CD's, puzzles, and records and is open Monday through Friday from noon to 6 p.m. MST.

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### Special Notice



If your library has not received a barcode and password that allows your patrons to access the electronic resources available through the statewide subscription, contact Stella Cone at 1-800-472-2104 or (701) 328-2185.

### State Employee Orientation Offered

*Come one, come all* and sign up for the State Employee Library Orientation classes being offered at no charge to all state employees.



Learn how to use the Online Dakota Information Network (ODIN) to see what's available at libraries across North Dakota. Get tips on accessing the electronic databases, learn to use the Electric Library, and get a look at the large variety of newspapers you are able to access online.

The orientation will also include a tour of the library's collection and highlight what services are offered to state employees.

To sign up for the orientation call (701) 328-3499 or e-mail [cboganow@state.nd.us](mailto:cboganow@state.nd.us). The classes will be offered from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on the following dates: November 6 or December 11, 2002; and January 8, February 5, or March 5, 2003.

## PLANNING ON BEING GHOULISH THIS YEAR?

**The State Library has everything you need!**

- Books on Halloween arts and crafts
- Recipes on fun and scary food to prepare
- Audiocassettes of spooky sounds to irritate the neighbors
- Plenty of murder and mayhem to enjoy in the tub on those blustery nights



### Public Libraries Connect to StageNet

Twenty-nine public libraries now have high-speed Internet access through the North Dakota network. The libraries are connected to the Statewide Technology Access for Government and Education (StageNet). Connections are provided using a T1 line or a DSL line. The libraries were connected to StageNet in September and early October.

Funding to connect public libraries to StageNet is provided through E-rate funds and legislative appropriations to the North Dakota Information Technology Department (ITD). Tim Paulson, state telecommunications analyst, says libraries that opted for StageNet will see many advantages including videoconferencing. "This connection is the first step to a statewide library consortium to support both small and larger libraries." The purpose of StageNet is to provide accessible Internet connection to the citizens of North Dakota. It will also benefit communities with economic development as well as providing substantial cost savings to participating public libraries. For more information about StageNet contact Stella Cone at (701) 328-2185.

### Wilhelm Changes Positions

Terri Wilhelm has transferred to another position at the North Dakota State Library. She has worked with the Talking Book Program for the past seven years, but will now be Public Awareness Coordinator. She will be responsible for the

promotion of the services and activities of the State Library to the media and public. Wilhelm says she is very excited to use her training and experience in the media to promote North Dakota libraries. She will also be available to assist librarians with press releases and general information to promote their library's programs and services to the media and residents of their communities. For more information contact Terri at (701) 328-4656.

### Serials List Discontinued

The North Dakota State Library has sponsored the North Dakota Union List of Serials for small and medium-sized libraries for several years. The Union List showed combined listings of periodical titles and their holdings from various libraries that were entered into a database located on the North Dakota State Library home page.

The intent of this program was to allow direct statewide lending and borrowing of periodicals between smaller libraries in the state. However, due to budget cuts, the State Library will no longer provide the North Dakota Union List of Serials.

The North Dakota State Library thanks you for your participation in this program. If you have questions please contact Shari Sandwick at 1-800-472-2104 or by e-mail [ssandwic@state.nd.us](mailto:ssandwic@state.nd.us).

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