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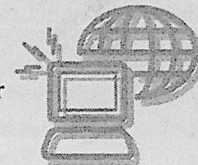
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Feb. 12-13	Coordinating Council, Bismarck
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Reference Corner

The study of decades in the twentieth century has become increasingly popular in today's classrooms. In order to meet the demand for information about this topic, the State Library purchased *American Decades*. This ten-volume set covers the time period of 1900-1999. Each chapter includes articles covering headlines, headline makers, achievements, and other enlightening facts in an entertaining, engaging style. *American Decades* has been placed in the circulating collection, so that school and public libraries may borrow them for up to four weeks! Check the Online Dakota Information Network for availability or contact the North Dakota State Library at (701) 328-4622.

Learn Something New at Workshops



The North Dakota State Library recognizes the need for ongoing educational opportunities for librarians across the state. Keeping this in mind, we will be offering our annual Spring Workshops in Bismarck on Thursday, March 4, and Friday, March 5, 2004. They will also be offered in Fargo on Monday, March 8, and Tuesday, March 9, 2004.

Pat Wagner with Pattern Research will present an in-depth workshop on *Creating a Strategic Plan* for your library. If you are interested in attending this workshop, please bring a list of five future trends affecting your community, and what you think are the ten biggest challenges presently facing your community. Participants will create a simple draft of a strategic plan, which can be used to create a working short-term plan for their library.

Dan Maars with North Dakota Career Resource Network (NDCRN), will present a session on *Career Development Resources* to use with students, librarians, parents, teachers, and counselors. Many of these resources are currently available in our libraries. He will also discuss various strategies on how you can foster greater use of these resources by parents and children.

He says every effort must be made to assist youth and adults with decisions about their career path by providing citizens with career planning information. Bank robber Willie Sutton was asked, "Why do you rob banks?" His reply was "that's where the money is." So why work with librarians? That's where the information is!

Other workshops will include: Filtering in North Dakota Libraries, ODIN Software Migration Update, Gale Group Resources, ProQuest, Electric Library, and Document Delivery Services Manual Update.

Please register for the workshops no later than February 17, 2004. Payment for the workshops must also be received by February 17, 2004. Watch your mail for the registration form and detailed information, or go to the North Dakota State Library home page at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us> and <click on> "Training" then go to "Spring Workshops 2004" to sign up for the workshops online. There is limited space available, so please register as early as possible.

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The cost for the workshop is \$40.00 per day with lunch included in the registration fee. Please make your checks payable to the North Dakota Library Association (NDLA) when submitting your registration form. Submit checks and registrations to: North Dakota State Library, Attn: Lorretta, 604 E Boulevard Ave. Dept # 250, Bismarck, ND, 58505-0800.

A block of rooms has been set aside at the Comfort Suites in Bismarck. Reservations must be made by Wednesday, February 18, 2004. Call (701) 223-4009 for reservations. A block of rooms has also been set aside at the Radisson Hotel in Fargo. Reservations must be made by Friday, February 6, 2004. Call (701) 232-7363 for reservations.



North Dakota Libraries Receive Grants

The North Dakota State Library and the North Dakota Library Coordinating Council (NDLCC) have awarded 14 North Dakota libraries grants totaling \$74,734. The funding comes from Library Vision 2010 (LV2010) and Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) sources. Projects include video conferencing for the Hazen Public Library; a mobile computer lab for the Minot Public Library; and technology equipment grants for the Beulah, Dunseith, Hettinger, Killdeer, Larimore, Leeds, Milnor, and Walhalla school libraries and the Casselton, Bowman, Divide County, and Wishek public libraries.

Professional scholarship grant money was designated for librarians who are pursuing their Masters of Library Science Degree, and will work for a minimum of two years in a North Dakota library. Federal LSTA money was designated to cover the cost of public library filtering for two years. For detailed information on each grant, go to the State Library Web page at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us> and <click on> "Grants."

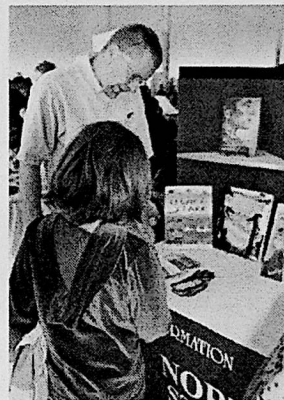


Ninety-three percent of public libraries in North Dakota offer Internet access to the general public.

State Library Goes to Washington

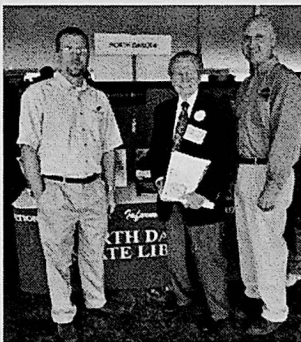
What do you get when you add 80 award-winning and nationally known authors, illustrators, poets, and storytellers along with 75,000 visitors? You get the National Book Festival in Washington, D.C.

State Library Representative, Dave Anderson, and David Borlaug, President of the North Dakota Lewis and Clark Foundation represented North Dakota at this year's National Book Festival Pavilion of States event. North Dakota featured the book *Sheheke*, written by North Dakota author, Tracy Potter. Bookmarks depicting Sakakawea along with a suggested Lewis & Clark reading list were given out to those who visited the North Dakota State Library Booth. Visitors were also able to get their U.S. map stamped commemorating each visit they made to a state booth.



A visitor to the State Library booth visits with Dave Anderson during the National Book Festival in Washington, D.C.

First Lady Laura Bush hosted this year's festival, which was sponsored by the National Library of Congress. The annual event promotes libraries, authors, and the literary heritage of each state across the country.



Dave Anderson (left), and David Borlaug (right) pose with National Book Festival Coordinator Jon Cole (Center)

Funding for the 2003 National Book Festival was provided by the North Dakota State Library, the North Dakota Center for the Book, and the North

Dakota Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center in Washburn.

Peterson Attends Ghost Ranch

By: Al Peterson

When I first heard about the MPLA Ghost Ranch Leadership Institute, I really did not give it much thought. After reading Karen Chobot and Suzanne Morrison's article about Ghost Ranch in the *Good Stuff*, my interest in the Leadership Institute was piqued.



AL Peterson (left), Jeanne Narum (right) receive their certificate of completion from Ghost Ranch

This year, I decided to apply so I sent my application in. I was accepted as one of two participants from North Dakota for the second MPLA Ghost Ranch Leadership Institute in New Mexico. The other participant was Jeanne Narum,

Circulation Supervisor at the Minot Public Library.

The facilitator for the Institute was well-known library consultant Maureen Sullivan. The sessions included: Leadership in Libraries: Challenges and Opportunities, Principles and Practices of Effective Leadership, Interpersonal Communication, and much more. Everyone was also given a chance to speak about issues that were important to them.

We paired up with other participants and had the opportunity to meet with mentors to discuss leadership opportunities and mentoring. This Institute provided an opportunity to meet people from all types of libraries.

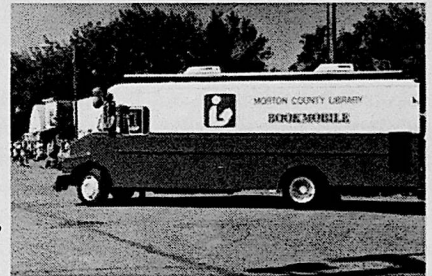
The MPLA Ghost Ranch Leadership Institute was a memorable experience. "I truly gained from participating in it. I encourage any librarians who meet the qualifications to apply next year."

Watch for a follow-up article about Ghost Ranch in the next issue of the Flickertale.

@ Your Library

The Morton County Library has been serving patrons for over four decades, and for those book lovers who are unable to make it to the library, the library comes to them, via the Morton County Bookmobile. In their trek to feed the hundreds of hungry minds with library material, the bookmobile averages about 600 miles per month.

Library Director Sheila Huber says their service is very personal and widely appreciated. "I think people are grateful for this service; when we first started it was the only service for some of them, and the kids just love it."



Morton County Library's Bookmobile

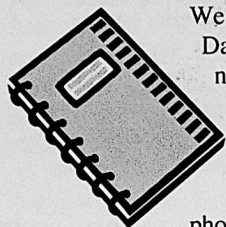
Huber says this is a great resource, and for some residents this is the only library service they have. The Morton County Library currently serves about 2,500 patrons on a regular basis.

For patrons who would rather go to the library to pick out their material, the doors are open six-days a week. Thanks to a reciprocal agreement with the Mandan Public Library, Morton County Library patrons may also use the Mandan Public Library at no charge.

Packing up specialized boxes of books and sending them to schools across Morton County is a special service provided by the library. Huber says they individualize the selection to meet the needs of the students and their curriculum.

The library also offers a summer reading program for students including those who use the bookmobile. Huber says this makes planning the summer program quite interesting. For more information about the Morton County Library, contact Sheila Huber at (701) 667-3327.

We Need Your Help



We are updating the 2004 North Dakota Library Directory, and we need your help. It is important we get your library's information correct. We are interested in receiving any changes in your library's e-mail address, name, phone number, or address.

To find out if your information needs updating, check your 2003 directory, or go online to <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us>, <click on> Libraries & Librarians. Go to Publications' <click on> North Dakota Public, Special, and Academic Libraries and find your library in the listing to see if any changes need to be made. If so, please let Lorretta know by mail: North Dakota State Library, 604 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 250, Bismarck, ND 58505-0800; e-mail: lgraumann@state.nd.us; or telephone: 1-800-472-2104 or (701) 328-2492.

Please respond by January 15, 2004, so we can make the needed changes. The directory will be published in February, and you will have an opportunity to order a hard copy in January at the cost of \$10. The updated directory will also be placed on our Web page for your convenience.

Book Us and We Will Come

If you are looking for a group to help your library promote your summer reading program, you might consider the "Tales and Trails" performance group from Santa Fe, New Mexico.



This group is interested in bringing its group of storytellers to North Dakota early next June, if enough libraries across the state are interested in booking them for a performance.

These storytellers use traditional storytelling techniques along with music, masks, and puppets to flavor their presentation. They have won numerous awards for their programs which involve folktales and natural history for all ages to enjoy.

The "Tales and Trails" performance group will only travel to North Dakota if enough libraries are interested in booking them. The cost per performance will be based on how many bookings they receive. If you are interested in bringing them to North Dakota next June, please contact Bob Kanegis at (505) 890-7075 or e-mail stories@peacepath.org.

We will occasionally pass on information of this nature, but are in no way endorsing the opportunities.

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March 8-9	Spring Workshops, Fargo
March 22-24	Selection of Online Resources Vendors
April 16	Letters About Literature Reception, Bismarck

Reference Corner

The North Dakota State Library has recently purchased a large number of *Dummies* books including: *Starting an Online Business for Dummies*, *Home-based Business for Dummies*, *Dreamweaver MX for Dummies*, *Public Relations Kit for Dummies*, *Homeschooling for Dummies*, *Grant Writing for Dummies*, *Nonprofit Kit for Dummies*, and *Windows Me Millennium Edition for Dummies* are just a few of the titles. *Dummies* books are written by experts in the selected topic and provide practical information in an easy to understand format. Check the Online Dakota Information Network (ODIN), or contact the North Dakota State Library at 1-800-472-2104 for titles and availability.

2004 Grant Guidelines Released

Sharpen your pencils! The North Dakota State Library and the North Dakota Library Coordinating Council have released the 2004 Grant Guidelines for the next round of library grants.

On March 1, the 2004 Grant Guidelines were mailed to public, school, and academic libraries, public library board presidents, and school superintendents. The guidelines are also available on the North Dakota State Library Website at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us/Grants.html>. The actual application is only available on the Website, and applicants will need to go to the Website for the forms (paper copies will be available by contacting the State Library).

Two major categories of grants are available and applications are due June 1, 2004. The first category is MINI TRAINING GRANTS (maximum of \$200), with the purpose of training the public in the use of the online library resources. This grant category must be completed by November 30, 2004. The second category is PROJECT GRANTS including three sub-categories: (1) automation projects, with the purpose of assisting libraries in participating in the existing statewide library catalog; (2) digitization projects, with the purpose of initiating or extending library digitization efforts in the state; and (3) collaborative projects, with the purpose of extending innovative cost-effective library services through community partnerships. PROJECT GRANTS must be completed by June 1, 2005.

Start planning how you can improve and extend local library services, join the statewide library catalog, develop a digitization project, or train your citizens to use the online resources.



Librarians Attend Gates Workshop

Three North Dakota librarians were invited to a workshop in Seattle by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation this past February. The workshop, "Sustaining Public Access Computing in Rural Libraries," provided practical assistance to small, rural librarians who were looking for examples and best practices for sustaining public access technologies for their patrons.

Librarians Stacey Goldade, North Dakota State Library; Marlene Ripplinger, Harvey Public Library; and Bonnie Krenz, Griggs County Library attended the conference with many other librarians from rural communities throughout the country. They had the opportunity to discuss the challenges they face providing public access for their patrons. Participants walked away with their own plan to increase public access computing for libraries. The Gates Foundation provided airfare, lodging, and transportation for the workshop.

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T'was four days before Christmas and at the Carnegie Public Library in Devils Lake, students were packing and moving a collection of books for the library's sake.

After more than ten years of planning, the new Lake Region Public Library opened its doors on December 22. The new building is double the size of the old library with 9,000 square feet to call home. Library Director Jim Chattin says thanks in large part to private donations, along with some sales tax money, the new building became a reality. "It's a jewel in the crown of Lake Region, it's beautiful inside and out!"

The library held its grand opening on January 12, 2004, featuring First Lady Mikey Hoeven as the keynote speaker. Since the new library opened, Chattin estimates that library visitation is up by one third and children's circulation has doubled.



First Lady Mikey Hoeven visits with Barb McCormick and State Senator Jack Traynor during the Lake Region Public Library's grand opening

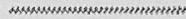


\$\$First Book Grants Available\$\$

First Book gives children the opportunity to read and own their first new books. First Book is a national nonprofit organization with a single mission: "To give children from low-income families the opportunity to read and own their first new books." To realize this mission, First Book's primary goal is to work with existing literacy programs in communities to distribute millions of books to children in need. Since being founded, First Book has distributed new books to children and community programs nationwide, enabling the children to own their first new books, and enhance the quality of preschool, after-school, and other literacy programs. First Book provides books at no cost for the child or the program.

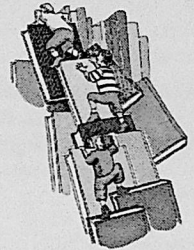
You can become involved in First Book as a member of a community advisory board, or as a recipient of free books. For eligibility criteria contact First Book at 1319 F St. NW, Ste 1000, Washington, DC 20004, (202) 393-1222 or (866) READ-NOW or <http://www.firstbook.org>.

For information on other grant resources, see the North Dakota State Library homepage at: <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us/Grants.html>.



Gearing up for Summer

It's time to start thinking about summer. Not just because that's when the weather gets nicer, but because it's time to start planning your summer programming.



Statewide summer reading coordinator, Terri Wilhelm, will be attending the annual Cooperative Summer Library Program (CSLP) annual meeting in Madison, Wisconsin this April. She is interested in getting input from librarians to take to this meeting. The CSLP is a consortium of states working together to provide high-quality summer reading program materials for children at the lowest cost possible to public libraries.

The *tentative* theme for 2005 is "Dragons, Dreams & Daring Deeds." Please feel free to e-mail ideas for incentives, manual preparation, activities, and content to Terri Wilhelm at twilhelm@state.nd.us, or call (701) 328-4656 before April 15, 2004.

The North Dakota State Library is interested in gathering names, mailing addresses, e-mail addresses, and phone numbers of all persons involved in planning summer reading programs at their library. This is an effort to make sure that each person who is interested in receiving summer reading information gets it in a timely manner.

If you know of performers who are willing to provide programming for library programs, let Terri know so she can share this information with libraries across the state.

Ghost Ranch Part Deux

In the last issue of the Flickertale, we featured an article about Al Peterson's experience at Ghost Ranch. This is a follow-up article on the Leadership Institute.

North Dakota sent two representatives to the second annual Ghost Ranch Leadership Institute in New Mexico this past November. Al Peterson, Head of Public Services and Training at the North Dakota State Library, was one of this year's representatives. He says he saw the Institute as an opportunity for personal advancement. "I was hoping to get a better understanding of different management systems, new ideas, and networking opportunities, and that is exactly what happened," says Peterson.

The Institute's goal is to help emerging leaders in the library profession develop their full career potential. Peterson says



Participants of the 2003 MPLA Leadership Institute in New Mexico

it was a great way to meet other librarians, and walk away with insights from other people. He says other than receiving his MLS, Ghost Ranch was one of the best experiences he has had since becoming a librarian.

Sessions held during the week included: Principles and Practices of Effective Leadership, Interpersonal Communication, Managing Differences, Risk Taking, Using Power and Influence, Leading Change, Creating a Culture of Commitment, Working With Groups and Teams, Group Problem Solving, and Achieving Leadership Potential.

Librarians interested in applying for the Leadership Institute are required to submit applications for consideration to Mountain Plains Library Association. Peterson says he encourages other librarians to apply for next year's Institute to experience their own personal growth.

Discover North Dakota Authors

When is the last time you read a book by a North Dakota author, or assigned material written by a North Dakota author to your students or book club?

The North Dakota State Library and many other libraries across North Dakota have a wonderful collection of books written by North Dakota authors. If you are interested in North Dakota history, stories about homesteading on the plains, or just a work of fiction set in North Dakota, you can find it at your library.

You are able to access books written by North Dakota authors at your local library, or through Online Dakota Information Network (ODIN). To access ODIN through the State Library homepage go to:

- <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us>
- Click on <Online Catalog>
- From the drop down menu select the <North Dakota State Library> or <your local library>
- Click <Go> This brings up the basic search screen where you can search by subject, heading, or keyword
- Type <North Dakota Book> to see materials about North Dakota. Type <North Dakota Author> to locate materials by North Dakota authors
- If you would like to search for a specific author and you know the author's name, you can use the author search by typing in the author's last name, comma, first name, and then click on <Go>

The North Dakota State Library and other libraries that are part of the ODIN catalog, have added special subject headings to make it easy for you to locate North Dakota materials.

This listing does not give grade level, or provide information on the quality of the literature. If you need assistance locating these materials, please contact the North Dakota State Library at 1-800-472-2104 or (701) 328-4622.



The North Dakota State Library filled over 9,000 subject requests during the 2001-2003 biennium.



Wish List

Please remember the Last Copy Repository Program at the North Dakota State Library as you perform your weeding duties this winter. The State Library is particularly eager to add to its collection of the North Dakota High School Activities Association Official Yearbook. If you have pre-1983 copies of this publication that are seeking a new home, please send them to the attention of Rachel White at the State Library. We would also be glad to take any copies of the North Dakota High School Activities Association's Official Handbook, published from 1955 to 1977. The library is also interested in acquiring copies of the earliest versions of this title, published by the North Dakota High School League from 1925-1954.



Spring Workshops 2004

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Note: The Track 1 Workshops in Bismarck will be held at the Comfort Inn, located at 1030 Interstate Avenue in Bismarck, not the Comfort Suites as previously stated.

Interlibrary Loan Manuals Available

The 2003 edition of the Networking and Document Delivery Manual has been completed and published. The manual is available on the State Library's homepage at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us/Publications/ILL%20Manual.pdf> or you may get a copy by contacting the State Library at (701) 328-2492.

The manual contains important information concerning the interlibrary loan network in North Dakota. Information contained in the manual includes: the "Networking and Document Delivery Code for North Dakota," sources for interlibrary loan, the interlibrary loan request, OCLC and ODIN loan symbols. Chapters that have been added cover distance education, electronic document delivery, and full-text online resources. An updated interlibrary loan statistics form and instructions are included in this manual. The appendices include Web addresses to various documents: Library Vision 2010, the North Dakota Century Code, Interlibrary Loan Code for the United States, information about the Digital Millennium Copyright Act of 1998, the New Copyright Law for Distance Education, and the TEACH Act.

Our thanks to the interlibrary loan committee for their work on this updated manual. The manual would not have been possible without commitment of their time and travel.

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June 1	2004 Library Grant Applications due
June 17-18	North Dakota Library Coordinating Council, Bismarck
June 24-30	ALA Annual Conference, Orlando, FL

Reference Corner

Are your patrons involved in community theater, school plays, or church drama? The North Dakota State Library has recently purchased *Fashion, Costume, and Culture: Headwear, Body Decorations, and Footwear Through the Ages*. This five volume set examines why and how types of clothing were created, the people who made them, and their uses. This resource set is organized into twenty-five chapters focusing on a specific culture or time period that provides a general historical introduction, as well as four sections covering clothing, headwear, body decorations, and footwear. This set is housed in our circulating collection. Check ODIN at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us> or contact the North Dakota State Library for availability.

Discover Trails and Tales

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A summer reading kick-off is scheduled for Tuesday, June 1, 2004, from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. at the North Dakota Heritage Center located at 612 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck. *Discover Trails and Tales* is a family event for all ages.

A variety of activities are planned for this event including arts and crafts, summer reading sign up for some libraries, storytelling, Native American activities, Lewis and Clark docent activities, and refreshments. Watch for more information on the North Dakota State Library LIST.

We are encouraging other libraries to follow suit and plan something special on June 1, 2004 to kick-off your summer reading program, or plan to attend the event at the North Dakota Heritage Center.

This event is possible because of the partnerships between the North Dakota State Library, State Historical Society of North Dakota, Bismarck Public Library, Mandan Public Library, Bismarck Parks and Recreation, North Dakota Game and Fish, Dakota Zoo, and North Dakota Forest Service.

Grant Applications Due

If you are interested in getting money to improve and extend your local library services, joining the statewide library catalog, developing a digitization project, or training your citizens to use the online resources, your grant applications are due no later than **June 1, 2004**.



Two major categories of grants are available: 1. MINI TRAINING GRANTS (maximum of \$200), for the purpose of training the public in the use of the online library resources. 2. PROJECT GRANTS including three sub-categories: (1) automation projects, which will assist libraries in participating in the existing statewide library catalog; (2) digitization projects, with the purpose of initiating or extending library digitization efforts in the state; and (3) collaborative projects, with the purpose of extending innovative, cost-effective library services through community partnerships.

The guidelines are available on the North Dakota State Library's Website at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us/Grants.html>. The application form is available on the Website, or request a paper copy by contacting the State Library at 1-800-472-2104 or 328-2492.

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The Mohall Public Library has changed locations three times in the last ten years, but that hasn't hindered it from providing great library service to its patrons.

Librarian Reta Erickson has been on board for two of those moves, and says the present location allows them to feature their wonderful collection of fiction. "Many people have commented on the good selection of fiction we have in our collection, and now it's all there as you come in the front door of the library."

Erickson has worked at the Mohall Public Library for over ten years, and says this is the least stressful job she can imagine and though they are still getting things situated, "the coffee pot is always on."

They are currently in the process of creating a special room that will house the library's collection of older books like *Zane Grey* and *Tarzan*. This room will also serve as a reading room.

The library also has a decent selection of children's books and three Wednesdays each month, it offers a program for children ages three to ten years old.

Although they have not been able to automate the library, Erickson says a computer with Internet access has been installed so patrons who are interested in accessing a computer are invited to stop in and use it.

The Mohall Public Library is open Monday through Friday from 11:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., and on Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.



The State Library Talking Book Service loaned 127,743 items to its patrons during the 2001-2003 biennium.

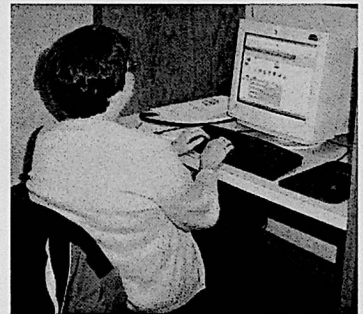
Media Training

What better way to inform the news media about the online resources provided by North Dakota libraries, then to give them a personal demonstration.

Media personnel from across the state were invited to a hands-on training session at the North Dakota State Library to learn how to access and use the Gale Group and ProQuest Online Resources.

Al Peterson, Head of Public Services and Training at the State Library, conducted the media training session and says this is a great way to showcase the multitude of valuable resources available. "All patrons can benefit from accessing these databases, including your local press and local business community. It's important to get the word out to your communities that these resources are available through your local library."

Linda Sailer, Lifestyle Editor for the Dickinson Press, says she was impressed by the type of resources available. She particularly likes the fact that she can access this information right from her computer at work. "I do a lot



Linda Sailer accesses the online resources during a recent training session at NDSL

of lifestyle and health-related stories, and now I can flush out the information and expand my knowledge of the subject I am working on." Sailer says she really likes the health and newspaper resources, and the K-12 resources are fun.

We urge you to invite the local media and other professionals in your community to your library to learn more about the online resources. For ideas about presenting community training sessions, contact Al Peterson at 1-800-472-2104 or (701) 328-4622.

Librarians Share Ideas at Gates Workshop

By Stacey Goldade

In February, I attended a workshop on "Sustaining Public Access Computing" sponsored by the Gates Foundation and held at its Seattle office. There were 49



Left to Right: Bonnie Krenz and Stacey Goldade attend Gates Workshop and PLA

participants from small rural libraries, and 17 from a state library agency or a regional system. Librarians Marlene Ripplinger, Harvey Public Library; and Bonnie Krenz, Griggs County Library were also selected to attend this workshop.

We spent the beginning of the day together, but later split up into two groups (librarians from small rural libraries in one room, state and regional library staff in another room). Sandra Nelson (a consultant and author) helped facilitate the discussion, and spent most of the day with state library and regional system librarians.

Representatives from small rural libraries discussed barriers to providing public access computing. Their concerns were then given to the other group, who brainstormed ideas for helping them and worked on an action plan to take home and implement. The rural library representatives also shared successful ideas with each other, so they could implement some ideas on their own. Each person also received a binder full of ideas on a variety of topics, such as raising funds, developing effective partnerships, reaching nontraditional library users, and how to be an effective advocate for your library.

For more information on sustaining public access computing in rural libraries, check <http://www.webjunction.org>.

In addition to the Gates Foundation workshop, I was also able to attend the 10th Public Library Association Conference held in Seattle. This was my first national conference, and I deliberately attended sessions on topics that were new to me, even if they didn't relate to my day-to-day job duties. My favorite sessions were about nonfiction reader's advisory and floating collections. Floating collections consist of items that do not have a permanent home at any one library, instead they float between the different branches of a library and are put on the shelves of whichever library happens to have it at the time. I also enjoyed hearing from Anna Quindlen, Nancy Pearl, and Nancy Farmer, as their speeches about being authors were entertaining, humorous, and thought provoking.

Handouts from the PLA sessions are now available on the PLA Website at <http://www.ala.org/ala/pla/plaevents/nationalconf/planationalconference.htm>.



Spring Workshops 2004

Librarians from across the state attended the 2004 North Dakota State Library Spring Workshops in Bismarck and Fargo this past March.

This year's workshops included hands-on training regarding the online resources, strategic planning for libraries,

career development resources, filtering, ODIN software migration, and a review of the updated North Dakota



Pat Wagner helps librarians create a strategic plan for their library

State Library Document Delivery Services manual.

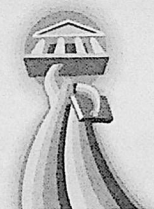
The workshops are an opportunity for librarians to network with other librarians, acquire new skills, and grow professionally.

Health Department Resource Library Closes

The Health Department Resource Library located at the State Capitol building in Bismarck has closed, and no longer has videos available for loan. If you are requesting videos from the 2000 edition of the Health Audiovisual & Resource Catalog published by the Health Department, please perform a title search on the desired items in the Online Dakota Information Network (ODIN). Many of these videos have been transferred to the North Dakota State Library's collection, and are available by calling 328-4622, or 1-800-472-2104. If you cannot locate the titles you are looking for, please contact the State Library's reference desk at the above numbers for further assistance.

2004 NDLA Conference Scheduled

Get your calendars out and pencil these dates in NOW! The North Dakota Library Association (NDLA) has scheduled its annual conference for September 22-24, at the International Inn, Minot, North Dakota. This year's theme is "Making a Case for Libraries."



The deadline for submitting program proposals and meeting requests is Monday, May 3, 2004. Forms and information is available at <http://nds1.lib.state.nd.us/ndla/04conf.htm>.

Hot Docs

The North Dakota State Historical Society has published "A Vast and Open Plain": The Writings of the Lewis and Clark Expedition in North Dakota 1804-1806, edited by historian Clay S. Jenkinson. This book brings the journals of the Lewis and Clark expedition to life.

The journal entries and documents are arranged chronologically so readers may follow along as Captain Meriwether Lewis, Lieutenant William Clark, Sergeant John Ordway, Sergeant Patrick Gass, and Private Joseph Whitehouse explore what is present day North Dakota.



This comprehensive book includes journal entries of all members of the Corps of Discovery, maps, illustrations, weather data, field notes, and related documents. This book is available for loan through the North Dakota State Library and many other Libraries across the state. It is also available for purchase through many bookstores including the North Dakota Heritage Center Museum Store in Bismarck. You can also access more information about this publication at <http://www.state.nd.us/hist>.

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June 23-29	ALA, Orlando, FL
Sept. 18	North Dakota Festival of the Book, Bismarck
Sept. 22-24	NDLA Conference Minot, ND

Reference Corner

Summer reading time is here and this year's theme "Discover New Trails @ Your Library" helps celebrate the 200th anniversary of the journey of Lewis and Clark and the Corps of Discovery. The North Dakota State Library has purchased a variety of material in anticipation of the Corps of Discovery bicentennial. If your summer readers are interested in books about Lewis and Clark, be sure to check for titles available at the North Dakota State Library. You can find them by searching for the terms "Lewis and Clark" in the online catalog by title, keyword, or subject heading. You can also limit your search by adding the word "juvenile." Some of the titles include *Animals on the Trail With Lewis and Clark*, and *Dog of Discovery: a Newfoundland's Adventures with Lewis and Clark*.

New ODIN Online Catalog

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Libraries of the Online Dakota Information Network (ODIN) consortium are shifting to a new online catalog system during the summer (2004). A tremendous amount of work is taking place at the participating libraries, all with the goal of improved access and functionality for library customers.

Why change to a new system?

Students, faculty, staff, and general public who use libraries depend on a working online catalog. The current software (PALS) used by ODIN libraries is more than 25 years old and will no longer be supported by its developers. Libraries rely on a working online system for their daily activities. This is an opportunity for North Dakota libraries to upgrade software and improve online service to their users.

Libraries around the world that currently use PALS software are moving to new online systems. The North Dakota, Minnesota, and South Dakota consortia each selected the same library software, ALEPH 500 produced by Ex Libris. This will ultimately foster excellent inter-consortia cooperation once each state has successfully installed its new systems.

What are the benefits of the new system?

This new ODIN library catalog will provide users with a state-of-the-art, integrated, online library system with a number of significant improvements including:

- Improved Web capability
- User-defined data view of results sets
- Searching of multiple external library catalogs and full-text databases
- Enhanced interlibrary loan
- Improved graphics capability
- Saved searches to report new materials added to the catalog since a previous date

When will the new system be operational?

The target date for the switch to the new system is August 1, 2004. New hardware installations and data testing for libraries is in progress. Library staff around the state began training for the new system this spring.

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How was the new system selected?

Participating libraries conducted a thorough review of the systems available before selecting the ALEPH 500 software from a vendor named Ex Libris. The selection process included an extensive "requirements list," demonstrations by vendors, and evaluation by over 50 librarians from all types of libraries around the state. Ex Libris best met our demanding requirements with a system that allowed for flexibility of our individual member libraries.

ODIN

ODIN membership includes 54 North Dakota academic, public, school, and special libraries. Together these libraries own a total of over five million items. ODIN is operated by the North Dakota University System (NDUS) and headquartered on the University of North Dakota campus in Grand Forks. This multi-type consortium includes libraries serving citizens throughout the entire state. ODIN libraries also participate in the MINITEX consortium, which supports resource sharing and database acquisitions among libraries in Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota. North Dakota State University Libraries have chosen this opportunity to join the ODIN consortium on its new Ex Libris system.

For additional information about ODIN see the following Website: www.odin.nodak.edu.

About Ex Libris

Ex Libris is a multinational company with offices in the United States. ALEPH, the Ex Libris integrated library solution, has been installed at over 750 sites in 50 countries.

For a complete worldwide listing of libraries currently using the system, see the vendor Website: <http://www.exlibris-usa.com>.

Public Libraries to Participate in Centralized Filter

Forty-three public libraries across North Dakota have signed on to participate in the centralized Internet filtering network that is managed by the North Dakota State Library and North Dakota Information Technology Department (ITD). By joining the centralized filter, the libraries guarantee that the library will be compliant with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) by July 1, 2004.

In order to determine local standards for each library community, a list of categories that can be filtered was sent to the participating libraries. CIPA requires libraries to filter certain visual depictions for adults and minors. These include visual depictions that are (1) obscene, (2) child pornography, or with respect to use of computers with Internet access by minors, or (3) harmful to minors.

In order to meet community standards, the library may choose to filter other categories. If your library is not participating in the centralized filtering network and receives E-rate, LSTA, or StageNet funds to provide Internet access for patrons, the deadline to have the filtering software operating is **July 1, 2004**.

If filtering software is not functioning in a library that receives one or more of these federal or state funds by July 1, the library will become ineligible to receive further funding for Internet access.

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Summer Reading Kick-Off Monumental

Governor John Hoeven proclaimed Tuesday, June 1, 2004, *Summer Reading Kick-Off @ Your Library*, in support of summer reading programs. As part of the Kick-Off, area agencies collaborated to host an event at the North Dakota Heritage Center. *Discover Tales and Trails* included an afternoon of fun for students and their families.



First Lady Mikey Hoeven reads from one of her favorite books

It all started with an idea and grew from there, says State Summer Reading Coordinator Terri Wilhelm. "I think the collaboration between the different agencies is what made this event such a

success. Over 600 people attended the summer reading event.

Kelly Loftis, Mandan Public Library Summer Reading Coordinator, says she is willing to try it again next year. "It was an excellent way for our communities to come together and promote summer reading."

The event featured Mandan/Hidatsa flutist and storyteller Keith Bear, and Gaelic Harpist and storyteller Debi Rogers, and a variety of other activities for the whole family.



Keith Bear performs for a crowd in the Heritage Center Auditorium

The State Historical Society of North Dakota, North Dakota State Library, Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library, Mandan Public Library, North Dakota Council on the Arts, Bismarck Parks and Recreation District, Dakota Zoo, North Dakota Game and Fish, North Dakota Forest Service, Cass Clay Creamery Inc., and McDonalds sponsored the event.

Book Festival Scheduled

The North Dakota Center For the Book is proud to present the 1st Annual North Dakota Festival of the Book on Saturday, September 18, 2004, at Kirkwood Mall in Bismarck, as part of Folkfest activities. The Festival will run from 12 noon – 6 p.m. North Dakota authors will be presenting on two stages throughout the day. There will also be booths from various organizations promoting reading activities.

The North Dakota Center for the Book is composed of a volunteer board of directors and officers committed to celebrating North Dakota authors and promoting literacy by creating a lifelong love of books.



DRIS Celebrates Anniversary

Dakota Radio Information Service (DRIS), a radio reading service for the print impaired located at the North Dakota State Library, recently celebrated its twentieth anniversary.

The first broadcast was heard on March 8, 1984, and spanned a 60-mile radius around Bismarck. During the next decade, DRIS was able to increase its broadcast coverage to include Minot, Williston, Dickinson, Valley City, and Jamestown.

In addition to six daily newspapers, other local programming includes twice weekly readings of grocery ads, a 30-minute update of weekend obituaries, and a variety hour. Each local broadcast is recorded and rebroadcast each evening.

The service is available to North Dakotans who cannot use regular print due to visual, physical, or reading impairments. Applications can be obtained by calling 1-800-843-9948, or accessing the Website at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us/DisabilityServices.html>.



In the past six months, 21,103 interlibrary loans were processed by the North Dakota State Library.

Student Writers Recognized

A ceremony honoring the winners of the 2004 *Letters About Literature* essay contest was held at the North Dakota Heritage Center this past April. Over 600 students from across the state entered this year's essay writing contest, making it the biggest year ever for Letters About Literature here in North Dakota.

This year's top essayists were Danae Geiger, Little Heart School, St. Anthony-Level I; Allison Weigel, Horizon Middle School, Bismarck-Level II; and Nicole Penas, Fargo South High School, Fargo-Level III.

Dr. Wayne Sanstead, North Dakota Superintendent of Public Instruction, presented the awards.

The contest was co-sponsored by the North Dakota State Library, North Dakota Center for the Book, Center for the Book in the Library of Congress, Target Stores, and the Weekly Reader Corporation.



Dr. Wayne Sanstead congratulates Danae Geiger on her award winning essay

Readers in grades 4 through 12 can enter the contest. The students are encouraged to write a personal letter to an author whose book they find has special meaning and changes the way they think about the world or themselves.

For details concerning the contest, rules, guidelines, deadlines, tips, and samples of winning letters, visit the Letters About Literature site at the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress at <http://www.loc.gov/loc/cfbook/letters.html>.

State Library Honors Volunteers

Volunteerism is alive and well at the North Dakota State Library. In fact, over the past year, volunteers have donated over 5,000 hours to help the State Library provide services to the citizens of North Dakota.

A recognition ceremony was held last month to honor the volunteers at the North Dakota State Library. Dr. Wayne Sanstead, Superintendent of Public Instruction, was the featured speaker for the event.

Volunteer Rae Bloom was presented with an honorary plaque for donating over 2,000 volunteer hours to the Disability Services Department. Other volunteers received certificates for their dedication.

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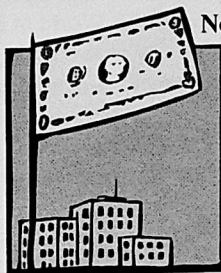
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Sept. 22-24	NDLA Conference, Minot
Oct. 9	Pavilion of States, Washington, DC
Oct. 20-29	NDEA, Bismarck
Oct. 28-29	Library Coordinating Council, Bismarck

Reference Corner

EBSCOhost is an online reference system accessible to all citizens of North Dakota either through their local library or the North Dakota State Library home page. These databases include general reference collections as well as subject-specific databases for use in public, academic, special, and school libraries and for use by the general public. The databases include *Academic Search Premier*, *MasterFILE Premier*, *Business Source Premier*, and *Regional Business News*. For help in locating and searching these online resources, contact your local library or the North Dakota State Library at (701) 328-4622 or 1-800-472-2104.



North Dakota Libraries Receive Project Grants PERM COPY

Eight North Dakota libraries have been awarded funding to assist in automating their libraries. Thanks to grant awards totaling over \$250,000 from the North Dakota State Library and the North Dakota Library Coordinating Council, these libraries are one step closer to providing enhanced library services to their communities.

Grant recipients include Beulah Public School Libraries, Cavalier Public School Library, Heart of America Library (Rugby), Larimore Public School Library, Minot Public Schools Libraries, Napoleon Public School Library, Northwood Public School Library, and Underwood Public Library.

Libraries will use the funding to add their records to the statewide library catalog, Library Access North Dakota (LaND), which will allow patrons to see what is in their local library catalogs. Once added, librarians and patrons will be able to access these library catalogs electronically twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week from any Internet site.

The grants are funded through the Federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA), and Library Vision 2010 (LV 2010), the long-range plan created by libraries across the state to facilitate resource sharing.



Library Power Month

The North Dakota State Library and the North Dakota Library Coordinating Council have selected November as *Library Power Month*, in an effort to promote online resources that are funded by North Dakota libraries.

The Coordinating Council is encouraging libraries to contact their local power companies about including the Online Library Resources brochure in their monthly billing statement. Librarians are being encouraged to place brochures in local businesses, including grocery stores, churches, restaurants, bars, hair salons, and gas stations.

The Online Library Resources brochure is available online at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us>. The brochure is able to be downloaded, customized, and printed for use in any community. For questions or help with this brochure, please call Terri at (701) 328-4656.

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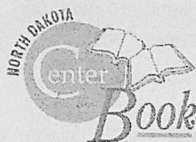


Happy 100th Anniversary to the Valley City Barnes County Public Library. The library celebrated one hundred years of public service this past October.

The Barnes County Public Library has seen many changes over the past century, including an automated check out system, online catalog, and a handicapped accessible addition with twice the space.

Thanks to a women's club that had the foresight, ambition, desire, the local commitment of one mill, a donation from Andrew Carnegie and other community donations, the dream of a library became a reality.

The library is encouraging patrons and community members to donate \$100 for 100 years of service to add to their *Library Vision for the Future*.



Festival of the Book

The North Dakota Center for the Book will hold the first annual Festival of the Book at Kirkwood Mall in Bismarck, Saturday, September 18, 2004.

Eleven North Dakota authors will be featured at the festival which will be held in conjunction with the annual Folkfest celebration. The festival is an effort to promote North Dakota authors and their writings.

Programming is scheduled on two stages from noon until 5:30 p.m., and will include authors and illustrators.

The mission of North Dakota Center for the Book is to promote and celebrate books, the literary arts, and North Dakota's literary heritage.



Did you know the online library resources financed by North Dakota libraries were used a total of 1,770,735 times over the past year?

Peterson Wins Slogan Contest

The winner of the North Dakota Library Coordinating Council's slogan contest is Al Peterson, Head of Public Services at the North Dakota State Library. His slogan "A World of Information...Right Here in North Dakota" was chosen by members of the Coordinating Council.

Peterson received just over \$100 for his winning slogan, which will now be used to promote the online library resources.



Thomas Bremer (right) and Lila Pedersen present Al Peterson (left) with his prize for his winning slogan

The North Dakota Library Coordinating Council held the contest in an effort to put the resources funded by North Dakota's libraries in the forefront.

Michele Balliet Unrath, North Dakota State Library, and Mary Brown, Will Moore Elementary School, Bismarck, received honorable mentions for their submissions.

Some of the slogans submitted to the contest are posted on the North Dakota State Library home page at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us> and are available for use on promotional materials by any North Dakota library.

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State Library Submits Budget

The North Dakota State Library submitted its 2005/2007 budget to the Office of Management and Budget on July 12, after a review by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The budget includes a base level that contains current services: statewide interlibrary loan, reference, training and continuing education, state aid to public libraries, grants to libraries, disability services, and state document services.

It also contains a two-part supplemental package, which are requests that did not "fit" into the base level: State Aid to Public Libraries totaling an additional \$1 million dollar request, and an Online Resources request totaling \$200,000.

The next step in the process is to request a hearing with the Office of Management and Budget in September. Library Coordinating Council members, library directors, and library supporters may attend the hearing and are encouraged to do so. The time and date will be sent out as soon as it is established.

If you have any further questions about the State Library budget, please feel free to contact Cindy Larson at (701) 328-4652.

Legislative Calendar Available



The Legislative Calendar and Legislative Update are now posted to the World Wide Web and available for your viewing. You can find this document at <http://www.state.nd.us/lr/information/news/>. Select either Legislative Calendar or Legislative Update for the current month.



Isn't it time to check out the newest online library resources from EBSCO?

<http://www.odin.nodak.edu/authgate/?db=EBSCO>

Summer Readers Celebrate With Special Program

Laughter and coyote calls were only a few of the sounds heard coming from the south lawn of the North Dakota State Library during the Governor's Summer Reading Program celebration in Bismarck recently.

New Mexico storyteller Bob Kanegis made a stop in Bismarck to give the summer readers a journey into laughter with his "Tales and Trails" performance.



Storyteller Bob Kanegis entertains summer readers and their families

Summer reading coordinator Terri Wilhelm says the program was fun for everyone. "He was able to get the whole audience involved in his antics with masks, music, and captivating tales." Kanegis visited many libraries throughout North Dakota with his "Tales and Trails" performance.



Governor Hoeven encourages readers to keep up the good work

Governor John Hoeven made an appearance at this year's celebration to applaud the summer readers for their efforts.

The North Dakota State Library, North Dakota Center for the Book, and the North Dakota Governor's office co-sponsored the Summer Reading Program for students with visual, physical, and reading impairments.



We Want Your Stories

The North Dakota State Library will be requesting legislative funding to help support additional online reference resources. We are collecting personal, real-life stories on the benefits provided by the magazine, newspaper, and reference resources that we now have (EBSCO, Gale, ProQuest, and Electric Library).

We are also interested in getting your input about services provided by the North Dakota State Library.

Please take a few minutes and share your personal stories about using the online magazine, newspaper, and reference resources. Answer the questions listed on the North Dakota State Library home page at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us> by clicking on *We Want Your Stories* (rtf). Feel free to provide other information or personal experiences about the online resources or the services provided by the North Dakota State Library.

Please send your information by e-mail attachment to Terri Wilhelm at twilhelm@state.nd.us, or fax to North Dakota State Library at (701) 328-2040, or mail to the North Dakota State Library, 604 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 250, Bismarck, ND 58505-0800.

Governor Appoints Library Coordinating Council Members

Governor John Hoeven has appointed Rosemarie Myrdal of Edinburg, and Jan Wysocki of Bottineau to the North Dakota Library Coordinating Council. Myrdal was appointed as a Citizen at Large representative, and Wysocki as Public Higher Education Institution Library representative.

Both women began serving on the Council on July 1, 2004. Other council members include Quincee Baker, New Town; Pamela Drayson, Fargo; Phyllis Kuno, Ellendale; Ilene Larson, Bismarck; Bonnie MacIver, Wahpeton; Lila Pedersen, Grand Forks; Iris Swedlund, Velva; Cheryl Tollefson, Dickinson; and Doris Ott, Bismarck.



Jan Wysocki and Rosemarie Myrdal

The Coordinating Council distributes State Library Vision 2010 funds, helps evaluate library services and programs across the state, and advises on the distribution of federal grant funds.

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Jan. 4, 2005	Legislative Session Begins, Bismarck
Mar. 31 & Apr. 1	Spring Workshops, Bismarck
Apr. 4 & 5	Spring Workshops, Fargo

Reference Corner

The North Dakota State Library has recently added several titles aimed at staff development and improving services to patrons. *Staff Development, A Practical Guide* by Elizabeth Fuseler Avery, Terry Dahlin, and Deborah A Carter; *Learn Library Management* by Bob Pymm and Damon D Hickey; and *Learn Basic Library Skills* by Mary McConnell and Trina Grover are useful workbooks for both new staff and seasoned staff. Each book includes examples, exercises, and activities designed to improve library service and develop professional library skills. *Teen Spaces* by Kimberly Bolan Taney gives step-by-step design ideas on creating a space specifically for the teen patron. Check ODIN at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us> or contact the North Dakota State Library for availability.

Telling Your Library's Story

The annual Spring Workshops are scheduled for March 31 & April 1, 2005, in Bismarck, and April 4 & 5, 2005, in Fargo. One of the highlights of this year's session will be a one day workshop by Sharon and Dan Wiseman of Wiseman Consulting, Chicago, Illinois.

The one day workshop, "Telling Your Library's Story," will feature the role of the library trustee, marketing your library, gaining public support, and more. It is designed for public library trustees, directors, librarians, and people who have interest in creating a library plan for the future.



Other workshop sessions will include basic cataloging, reference services, online library resources training including the Gale Group resources, EBSCOhost, ProQuest, and ODIN. Training will be provided by North Dakota State Library staff and company representatives.

The Bismarck sessions of the online library resources training will be held at the Bismarck State College Library computer lab, located at 1500 Edwards Avenue. The reference, cataloging, and "Telling Your Library's Story" workshops in Bismarck are scheduled at the Comfort Suites located at 929 Gateway Avenue.

The Fargo sessions of the online library resources training will be held at the Fargo Public Library, located at 102 Third Street North. The reference, cataloging, and "Telling Your Library's Story" workshops in Fargo are scheduled at the Country Suites, located at 3316 13th Avenue South.

Watch your mail for a brochure with more in-depth information about the upcoming workshops. More information about the workshops will be sent out on the State Library list and posted on the North Dakota State Library home page at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us>.



There are more public libraries than McDonalds restaurants, for a total of 16,220 including branches.



Get Your 2005 Summer Reading Manuals

The 2005 Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) reading manuals are now available for purchase! This manual can be yours for only \$10.00, which includes shipping. The 2005 program manual, *Dragons, Dreams & Daring Deeds* illustrated by Steven Kellogg, also includes a CD for printing theme related clip art.



All Public libraries should have received a packet containing a manual order form and incentive sheet. If you did not receive yours and would like one, please contact Terri at the North Dakota State Library at (701) 328-4656, or e-mail twilhelm@state.nd.us.

The manual is packed full of programs, activities, puzzles, bibliographies, and some useful promotional materials and planning tools to help you provide a fun-filled summer reading program.

New this year, the CSLP is now providing a separate teen theme and program manual. The 2005 teen theme is *Joust Read*. This manual includes eleven chapters full of great ideas for implementing a unique summer teen reading program at your library.

Please check your Upstart order forms for Orders Received and Will Ship By dates. In order to guarantee receiving the materials you are interested in, your orders must be received before January 1, 2005. After this date you can still order, but may not be guaranteed that everything will still be available. To locate the 2005 Collaborative Summer Library Program order form, go to www.highsmith.com/upstart/2005CSLP.htm.

You may also print the manual order form from the North Dakota State Library home page at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us>.

If you have questions about the CSLP manuals and materials, please contact Terri Wilhelm at (701) 328-4656, or e-mail twilhelm@state.nd.us.

Online Library Resources Training

Since July 1, 2004, there have been some changes in the online library resources package. The online library resources package now includes:

- ◆ EBSCOhost databases
 - Academic Search Premier
 - Business Source Premier
 - MasterFILE Premier
 - Regional Business News
- ◆ Gale Group
 - K-12 resources
 - INFOTRAC Professional Collection

◆ ProQuest Newspapers

◆ Electric Library

The reference staff at the North Dakota State Library has revised training materials and lesson plans to reflect these changes. In order to provide patrons across the state of North Dakota training on using these resources, the reference staff from the North Dakota State Library is offering training to the general public and education professionals.

The general public training is a free, ninety-minute session on accessing electronic databases through LaND, Library Access North Dakota. This session can be scheduled at a public library, a town meeting, or at a school. Participants will get an introduction to searching the online library resources, and the State Library will provide information to the press about the free training at your library. It's a win-win situation!

An in-depth, three hour session is available for professional staff including librarians, teachers, administrators, and superintendents on using the online library resources. This session can be scheduled during an in-service day or after school, depending on your needs. All training sessions are provided at no cost.

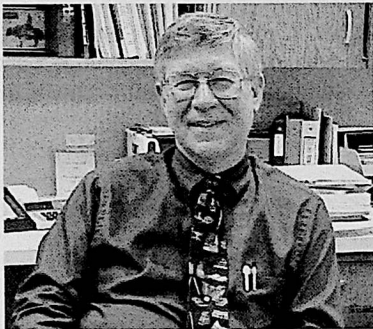
For more information, or to schedule a training session, please contact Al Peterson or Todd O'Connor at the North Dakota State Library. Call 1-800-472- 2104 or 701-328-4622, or e-mail us at statelib@state.nd.us.

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Featuring Jerry Kaup
North Dakota Librarian of the Year

Minot Public Library Director Jerry Kaup has been named *Librarian of the Year* by the North Dakota Library Association. This award is presented to an NDLA member who has made notable contributions to the North Dakota Library profession.

Kaup has been at the Minot Public Library for over twenty-seven years and says receiving this honor has been a humbling experience. "I was flattered to receive this award. It makes me feel good that people think I have done great things for library services in North Dakota, and I thank them for that."



Jerry Kaup-NDLA Librarian of the Year

He attributes much of his success to other people looking out for him by helping him make important career decisions along the way. He says other key factors to his success and the success of his library have to do with community support and a veteran staff. "It is important to empower your staff to make decisions and make sure they get the education they need to do their job." Because of this he believes his staff is able to give the kind of service that people expect.

He says it is not the same world today as it was when he became a librarian, and thinks it is surprising to receive an award for just doing your job. He says that one of his biggest accomplishments while working as Director at the Minot Public Library is the expansion of the library. Not only did it give them more room, but the whole atmosphere is better, making it more people-friendly.

Libri Foundation Grants Application Deadline Approaching

Rural libraries may apply to the Libri Foundation for up to \$1,050 worth of new books. The Libri Foundation is a nationwide, nonprofit organization established for the sole purpose of helping rural libraries acquire quality children's books they could otherwise not afford. Through the program the Foundation donates new, quality, hardcover children's books to small, rural public libraries.



This is a 2-1 matching grant. The Friends of the Library or other local sponsors can contribute \$50 to \$350 to the library that will be matched by the Foundation. In general, a library should serve a population under 10,000, have a very limited budget, be in a rural area, and have an active children's department, but the applications are judged on an individual basis.

The Foundation awards grants three times a year. Application deadlines need to be postmarked by December 15, 2004. Grants are awarded January 31, April 30, and August 31. For more information go the Foundation's Web site at <http://librifoundation.org/#GUIDE>.

Previous grant recipients are eligible to apply for a second grant three years after the receipt of their first grant. Libraries that do not fulfill all the grant requirements, including the final report, are not eligible for a second grant.

Since October 1990, the Foundation has donated over \$2,300,000 worth of new children's books to more than 1,800 libraries in 48 states.



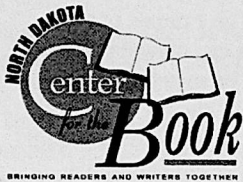
Library Vision 2004/2010 and Library Services Technology Act funding has enabled 68 libraries to become part of the statewide library catalog.

North Dakota Authors Showcased

Authors from across North Dakota had a chance to bring their books to life at the first annual North Dakota Festival of the Book on September 18 at the Kirkwood Mall in Bismarck. This event was sponsored by the North Dakota Center for the Book.

The festival was a chance for these authors to share their writings with the people who read their books, and also encourage a lifelong love for reading.

The authors presented their works on two different stages, held book signings, related personal experiences, and read portions of their books.



The North Dakota Center for the Book is an affiliate of the Library of Congress Center for the Book and is the co-sponsor of North Dakota's Letters About Literature essay writing

contest, the annual Pavilion of States event in Washington, D.C., and the North Dakota State Library's Summer Reading program.

If you are interested in more information about the North Dakota Center for the Book, or would like to become a member, go to their home page at <http://www.ndcfb.org/pages/1/index.htm> for more information.

State Library Presents Budget to OMB

The North Dakota State Library presented its 2005-2007 budget to the Office of Management and Budget on Wednesday, October 13, 2004.

The proposed budget includes a base budget that contains current services: statewide interlibrary loan, reference, training and continuing education, state aid to public libraries, Library Vision 2010 grant funds, disability services, and state document services.

It also contains a supplemental package that includes an additional \$1 million dollar request for State Aid to Public Libraries, and a request for \$200,000 for additional online library resources.

The budget hearing provided an opportunity to share what the information needs are of North Dakota libraries and citizens across the state.

Information on dates for legislative budget hearings will be made available through the State Library and NDLA lists.

Did You Know?

North Dakotans spend \$8.42 per resident on material for public libraries—which is about the equivalent of three lattes.

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