

# North Dakota State Library FLICKER TALE

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## DATES

### May 30, 2008

Summer Reading Kick-Off Day

### May 31, 2008

Deadline for MLS Grant Applications

### June 16-17, 2008

Summer Classes for Credit, Williston

### June 19-20, 2008

Summer Classes for Credit, Bismarck

## REFERENCE CORNER

A new addition to the ND State Library's "Online Library Resources" page is Salem Health, the electronic companion database to *Magill's Medical Guide*. This is a wonderful, up-to-date resource to consult when researching anything health related. Useful features include an advanced search, indexed searching, browsing capability, exportable citations for each article, and a medical glossary. With information ranging from Avian influenza to Zoonoses (diseases which can be transferred from animals to humans), be sure to check out the new Salem Health database for all your medical inquiries.

## Catch the Reading Bug @ Your Library!

Giant caterpillars, inflatable spiders, glow-in-the-dark beetles, and ant farms...OH MY!



# Catch the Reading Bug!

The 2008 Summer Reading Program

"Catch the Reading Bug @ Your Library" is full of possibilities. The State Library would like to welcome everyone to participate in the fifth annual Statewide Summer Reading Kick-Off on May 30, 2008. Plan your own kick-off event! A huge state-wide kick-off would be a great way to get North Dakota kids excited about summer reading programs.

The Bismarck kick-off event is scheduled at the North Dakota Heritage Center and the North Dakota State Library in Bismarck from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

If your library would like to participate by having a kick-off event on May 30, please call the state summer reading program coordinator, Adam Emter, at 701-328-4656. Your event, along with other summer reading events throughout the state, will be posted on the State Library website at [www.library.nd.gov](http://www.library.nd.gov). There will also be a link to your website!

The North Dakota State Library participates in the national Collaborative Summer Library Program with 43 other states. The Collaborative develops a yearly program theme, a manual, attractive artwork, and engaging educational activities.

Purchase your manual TODAY! Send your \$10 payment to the ND State Library, Attn: Adam Emter, 604 E. Boulevard Ave., Bismarck, ND, 58505-0800.



**Governor Hoeven to proclaim May 30, 2008 "Summer Reading Kick-Off @ Your Library Day"!**

## @ Your Library

### Divide County Library

Better access to information— isn't that what we all strive toward? The Divide County Library has recently taken a Bigfoot-sized step to ensure that its patrons have access to the most up-to-date and accurate information possible. With help from a 2006 Library Vision 2010/Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) grant, the library was able to make technology upgrades, catalog their items into an automated library system, and become an active participant in the ODIN consortium of libraries.

Leslie Deering, director of the Divide County Library, reports that overall, library users are thrilled and proud of the library's digital facelift. "It's really eased up the search process. We can now find exactly what our patrons want", Deering said. "The system is so user-friendly." Divide County Library patrons now have access to the library's collection of over 30,000 items, as well as the ability to search for items beyond their community by using the ODIN network. Deering also stated that the library has seen an increase in library patronage, both from new patrons and even from existing patrons who begin their research at home and visit the library to continue their search.

Divide County students are especially happy about the ability to do subject searching with the new ODIN search interface. Alysa Palmer, librarian at Divide County High School and Elementary School agrees. "The elementary kids love looking for books using the online catalog," she said. Using the old card catalog system, especially with its localized errors that had been ingrained over time, was a daunting, almost impossible task. Now, however, the librarians get excited about the ability to help both elementary and secondary students with their subject searching.

Without the assistance that the Divide County Library received from this grant, none of these changes would have occurred. "We appreciate the fabulous service that the State Library has provided and look forward to when we can begin sharing our resources with other libraries," Deering said. The State Library administered the grant and cataloged each of the 30,000 items into the ODIN catalog. Upcoming plans to show off the new and improved Divide County Library include an Open House and a membership drive, which will focus on how the library is better equipped to provide access to information.



SPOTLIGHT

Technical  
Services  
Department



*Submitted by Elizabeth Jacobs,  
Head of Technical Services*

The Technical Services Department works behind the scenes to acquire materials for the North Dakota State Library's collection and prepares them to be accessed by patrons and other libraries. This department is responsible for the acquisition of new materials in a variety of formats, including books, journals, and audio and video recordings, with special emphasis on acquiring materials produced by North Dakotans or about North Dakota. The Technical Services staff also handles the cataloging and processing of all new materials, including adding North Dakota State Library bibliographic records and holdings to the ODIN and WorldCat online catalogs, assigning call numbers, and attaching labels and barcodes so items may be found on the shelves and checked out. The department also catalogs and processes federal government publications received through the State Library's participation in the Federal Depository Library Program. Without the hard work of the Technical Services Department, patrons would not be able to locate or access materials, whether searching for them in the online catalog or looking for an item on the library's shelves.

If you need assistance with assigning call numbers, subject headings, cataloging rules and procedures, or have any cataloging-related questions, the state library can help! Contact Elizabeth Jacobs, Head of Technical Services by email at [ejacobs@nd.gov](mailto:ejacobs@nd.gov) or by phone at (701) 328-4610 or 1-800-472-2104.

## Summer Classes Offered for Graduate Credit

*Submitted by Al Peterson, Training Coordinator*

The North Dakota State Library training staff is offering classes in two locations for one graduate credit this summer. Classes will be held in Williston at the Williston State College, June 16-17, and in Bismarck at the Bismarck State College in the library computer lab, June 19-20. The cost is \$10.00.

### Advanced Online Research

Advanced Online Research will explore basic and advanced searching methods for the ODIN catalog, available Online Library Resources, and Internet sites selected by North Dakota State Library staff. This class is designed for school teachers and school library media specialists who have a basic familiarity with the online resources. **Note: the content of this course covers the same materials as Electronic Resources Searching Techniques that was taught in 2006.**

Credit for Advanced Online Research is available for teachers from Minot State University, University of North Dakota, and North Dakota State University. Credit is available for school library media specialists from Valley City State University. Registration will be posted on the State Library's Web site: [www.library.nd.gov](http://www.library.nd.gov), or you may register with Sue Clark at 1-800-472-2104.



For credit through Minot State University, University of North Dakota, and North Dakota State University, there is a \$50.00 graduate credit fee, which is due on the first day of classes (please write separate checks for the graduate credit fee and the workshop fee).

For credit through Valley City State University, you may register directly and also pay online through Valley City State University by linking to their website: <https://secure.vcsu.edu/extend/profdev-registration.htm>. If you chose not to pay online, you may pay on the first day of classes. There is a \$10.00 workshop fee, in addition to the \$50.00 graduate credit cost, paid to the instructors on the first day of classes (please write separate checks for the graduate credit fee and the workshop fee). **Recertification credit for Library Media Specialists must be taken from Valley City State University.**

For more information about the workshops, please contact either Sue Clark or Al Peterson at the North Dakota State Library at 1-800-472-2104 or 701-328-4622. Any individuals with disabilities or other special needs, or who need special accommodations in this course, are invited to share these concerns or requests with the instructor as soon as possible.

### Grants Available for MLS Studies

The North Dakota State Library is now accepting applications for the 2008 Master of Library Science training grant. These grants are available to any North Dakota citizen pursuing an MLS from an American Library Association accredited program. The deadline for applications is May 31, 2008.

Please visit <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us/Grants.html> for complete guidelines and a printable application. For more information about the grant program, please contact Cindy Larson at (701) 328-2492 or 1-800-472-2104.

***New Arrivals in Library Science***

- **The Newbery and Caldecott Awards** : a guide to the medal and honor books
- **Spanning the Theory-Practice Divide in Library and Information Science**
- **Library 2.0** : a guide to participatory library service
- **A Good Match** : library career opportunities for graduates of liberal arts colleges
- **The Whole Digital Library Handbook**
- **Jump Start Your Career in Library and Information Science**
- **Library Collection Assessment Through Statistical Sampling**
- **The Library's Crisis Communications Planner** : a PR guide for handling every emergency
- **A Year of Programs for Teens**
- **Technology Projects for Library Media Specialists and Teachers**
- **Library Web Sites** : creating online collections and services
- **Interlibrary Loan and Document Delivery** : best practices for operating and managing interlibrary loan services in all libraries
- **Best Books for Young Adults**

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