



Cooperative Purchasing

We heard lots of different ideas during the Think Tanks held in April and May for the draft of Library Vision 2020. One of the ideas we heard from libraries and at most locations was that we should assist libraries with cooperative purchasing. With this in mind, the State library spent a fair amount of time at the ALA Annual Conference exhibits, talking to various vendors about the option of a discount program for all libraries in North Dakota.

We are excited to announce that Brodart is offering their Select Plus program for all libraries in ND. Details of the program are as follows:

20% off Supplies

15% off Equipment & Furnishings; normal exclusions apply

Shipping:

- Orders placed by 2:00 pm EST for in-stock items ship same day
- Free shipping on stocked consumable supply orders over \$100.00. Orders ship regular UPS ground service; reflected on your final invoice
- Freight charges for Durable / Drop Ship products will be added to invoice

It is easy to sign up for the program. Contact our sales rep, Jodi Bowers at 888-820-4377 x4350. If you already have an account with Brodart, they will simply add the Select Plus program.

Other benefits of the program include:

- You'll receive standing discounts on entire categories of products year round
- Free Freight on In-stock consumable supply orders (order minimum will apply)
- Free Product Samples before you commit to replacing an entire collection of materials
- All Branches/Accounts within the Library System will receive the same pricing structure
- Exclusive Product Offering
- Personal Account Management
- Invaluable Time Savings
- Single Source Provider
- Unbeatable Product Selection
- Set maximum spending thresholds per Branch per day. The individual user as well as your Brodart Account Representative will be alerted of the overage
- Authorization of any orders placed above the threshold is required. These can be sent directly to the authorizer or Brodart will alert the authorizer to gain approval before fulfilling the order
- Invoices may be submitted to a centralized location to simplify your accounting

News and Thoughts...

from State Librarian Mary J. Soucie

Recently, I had the pleasure of accompanying our Talking Books Coordinator, Sue Hammer-Schneider, and Eddy New-Rockford Library Director and ND Library Coordinating Council member, Susie Sharp, to the National Book Festival in Washington D.C. What a great event! Thousands of reading fans descended on the DC Convention Center to hear authors, get books signed and grab book-related swag.

We participated in the Pavilion of the States, which included all 50 states plus the 4 US territories, and sponsors from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), American Library Association and the National Center for the Book, representing the Library of Congress. It was lots of fun to walk through the Pavilion and see what everyone had on display. We grabbed lots of swag, everything from Mardi Gras beads to keychains to bookmarks to free books. It was a reading lover's dream come true! Susie even ventured out of the center to find the Audiobookmobile, which was launched at the fest. To see a picture of the audiobookmobile and Susie (spinning the prize wheel), visit <http://bit.ly/1xIq7yX>.

One of the items that Sue picked up for me was a bumper sticker that reads "Make Every Library Your Local Library". I love this idea! Whenever I'm traveling, I drop by the local library if I can and take pictures of displays, furniture, signage and whatever else strikes my fancy. I love to talk to staff at libraries too, to find similarities and differences. In some ways, a library is a library is a library. How we live that out though can be very different, depending on our community needs and the type of library we are.

I want to make every library in North Dakota my local library. I've already visited some libraries but have many more to visit. Recently, I was at the Valley City Barnes County Library for the Coordinating Council meeting. Library Director Steve Hammel presented me with a Valley City Library Card. I was joking with Sue when she presented me with the bumper sticker that I should try to get a card from every ND library. I actually love that idea though. Some people collect stamps, I'm going to collect library cards. I already have 2 Illinois library cards and 3 North Dakota cards. I hope to increase that collection.

If I come to visit your library, please consider giving me one of your library cards to help me build my collection. You might be asking yourself "why would Mary visit my library". If you're not, please do. Consider inviting me to guest read at storytime, to present a program to your patrons on scrapbooking or paper crafting or to teach a Facebook class, or to join your bookclub, or to just stop by for a visit if I'm in the area. I won't be able to accommodate every invitation but will say yes as often as I can. If I've already visited your library and you want to give me a library card, I'd happily accept it via however you want to get it to me.

I'd like to ask you to consider making every library your local library. If you're traveling, pop into the nearest local library. If you don't travel much, consider following a library on Twitter or liking them on Facebook. Consider visiting a nearby local library and networking with your ND colleagues. Drop in at the State Library if you're in Bismarck. There are so many ways for us to connect with libraries today and aren't we lucky there are?

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In addition, in cooperation with many other State Libraries, we are pleased to announce a discount from AWE for both their Early Literacy Station and the Afterschool Edge. The discount is valid from September 1 through December 15, 2014.

The Early Literacy Station™ (ELS) is a dynamic all-in-one digital learning solution for early learners, ages 2-8. It is available in English and Bilingual Spanish and features over 70 content applications.

The AfterSchool Edge™ features content for all elementary age students (approximately 6-12 years old). The educational programs, which are correlated to Common Core and state standards, span all seven curricular areas. Each product features engaging graphics, intuitive menus, usage tracking, and administrative functions. No Internet connection is required to use either of these products.

PRODUCT	Regular Library Discount Price	Special Rate
Early Literacy Station (ELS)*	\$3,150	\$2,599
AfterSchool Edge*	\$3,150	\$2,599
Early Literacy Station – Bilingual Spanish*	\$3,350	\$2,750
Tablet platform (ELS or AfterSchool Edge)^	\$2,750	\$2,255

To take advantage of the discount pricing, contact account rep Cynthia Busse at 281-210-7499 or via email at bussec@awelearning.com to place your order by the deadline. For more information on either product, visit www.awelearning.com.

Databases Training at your School for Students & Teachers

The North Dakota State Library offers FREE in-classroom training for students and workshops for teachers on accessing and using the databases for research.

Students can find reliable, grade-specific, 24/7 information on a wide range of subjects. Trainings are adapted to fit class schedules and multiple sessions can be presented on the same day.

Teacher trainings can be scheduled during an in-service day or as an after school workshop. Databases include teacher tools, citation styles, and content that is aligned to Common Core State Standards.

For more information or to schedule a training session, contact Steve Axtman at the North Dakota State Library: 1-800-472-2104 or saxtman@nd.gov

Computer Grant for School Libraries and Public Libraries

Just a reminder that the State Library has a current grant offering to school libraries and public libraries, that is due September 30. This simple, one-page grant is to be used to purchase desktop or laptop computers. Refurbished machines are allowed. Please visit <http://library.nd.gov/grants/grantapp.pdf> to download the application form.



Marketing Corner

Are the marketing materials at your library up to date? If not, send Kbyram@nd.gov an email and I will send you any of the marketing materials listed below!

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. NDSL: Online Library Resources Brochure 2. NDSL: State Library Services Brochure 3. NDSL: Talking Books Brochure 4. Zinio Magazine Flyer 5. TutorND: Flyer 6. TutorND: Magnet 7. TutorND: Brochure 8. TutorND: Bookmark | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9. TutorND: Poster 10. Novelist Flyer 11. Talking Books Informational Booklet 12. Learning Express: Poster 13. Learning Express: Bookmark 14. Learning Express: Flyer 15. NDSL: Magnet 16. Talking Books Magnet |
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New Librarian Resources at the State Library

- Recommended reference books for small and medium-sized libraries and media centers (2014 ed.)
- Reading with babies, toddlers & twos : a guide to laughing, learning & growing together through books
- Beyond book sales : the complete guide to raising real money for your library
- The ALA book of library grant money (2014 ed.)
- Cooking up a storytime : mix-and-match menus for easy programming
- Exploring digital libraries : foundations, practice, prospects
- Going beyond Google again : strategies for using and teaching the invisible web
- The human face of big data
- The read-aloud handbook (7th ed.)
- Running book discussion groups : a how-to-do-it manual

Now Circulating New York Times Best Sellers

The North Dakota State Library has contracted with McNaughton Subscriptions to provide titles off of the New York Times Best Sellers list for circulation. These titles are available only to North Dakota libraries and we are getting two copies of many of the titles in order to meet demand. These titles are regular print, not large print, and they have a four week check out period. We are getting both fiction and nonfiction best sellers. If your patrons are depleting your shelves of the latest best sellers and you feel like you can't keep up with an ever growing holds list, please check out our collection of best sellers!

Some of our titles include:

Act of War by Brad Thor

Love Letters by Debbie Macomber

Support and Defend by Tom Clancy

Colorless Tsukuru Tazaki and His Years of Pilgrimage by Haruki Murakami

The Heist by Daniel Silva

Cut and Thrust by Stuart Woods

The Book of Life by Deborah Harkness

Teacher Resources from the Library of Congress

The Library of Congress has an extensive list of free K-12 classroom resources at <http://l.usa.gov/WJlHoW>

It can be filtered by North Dakota state standards, allowing you to select both grade and subject area. It can also be filtered for Common Core. You can search by topic or era or browse an alphabetical list. Digitized primary sources and multi-media are accompanied by teacher-created lesson plans.

Spanish available in TutorND

We are pleased to announce that starting September 2nd, tutoring in Spanish as a foreign language will be available through TutorND. To begin a one-on-one online tutoring session, simply go to <http://www.tutornd.com/> during regular tutor hours (Sunday through Thursday, from 3:00-10:00 CST).

Country Music Themed YA

Over the summer, YALSA's The Hub blog published a list of recommended country music-themed novels for teens. All six are available in North Dakota libraries. <http://bit.ly/lwgjDC>

SCHOOL AND LIBRARY GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

ALSC SUMMER READING PROGRAM GRANT

DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 1

This \$3,000 grant is designed to encourage reading programs for children in public library. Applicants must be personal members of ALSC as well as ALA in order to be eligible and the program ideas must be open to all children and take place at a public library.

To find out more or apply, visit their site at: <http://bit.ly/WSVyWj>

BNSF RAILWAY FOUNDATION

DEADLINE: CONTINUOUS

The BNSF Railway Foundation has supported and helped improve the quality of life for thousands of communities across the 28 states through which BNSF operates and where BNSF employees live, work, and volunteer. Indeed, as the corporation's assets have grown, the Foundation's giving has expanded to help more and more communities.

Further information is available at: <http://bit.ly/1ITb7bZ>

CARNEGIE-WHITNEY GRANT

DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 7

Grants of up to \$5,000 are awarded annually to support the preparation of popular or scholarly reading lists, webliographies, indexes, and other guides to library resources that will be useful to library users. These grants are available to individuals, libraries, associations, and organizations.

Information and application available online at: <http://bit.ly/VWecId>

MDU RESOURCES GROUP

DEADLINE: OCTOBER 1

MDU Resources is committed to supporting communities it serves by contributing to worthwhile charities and organizations. MDU Resources share their success and help their neighbors make the "communities better places to live and work."

For more information: <http://bit.ly/1CRo5MX>

U.S. BANCORP FOUNDATION

DEADLINE: OCTOBER 1

The U.S. Bank Foundation supports local nonprofits working in the following areas: economic opportunity, affordable housing, self-sufficiency, economic development, education, cultural and artistic enrichment, and human services. The program is designed to respect the diversity of our communities.

Learn more and sign up here: <http://bit.ly/1IWWrZz>

WALMART COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM

DEADLINE: DECEMBER 31

These grants are to help support the needs of the communities by providing funding to local organizations. The grant should fit within one of the following areas of giving: Hunger Relief and Healthy Eating, Sustainability, Women's Economic Empowerment, and Career Opportunity. Grant awards range from \$250 to \$2,500.

You can learn more and find out how to apply for assistance here: <http://bit.ly/1ul8eSR>

CONTINUING EDUCATION CHOICES

These webinars are free, live, and interactive. You will be connected to audio using a headset or speakers. If you do not have a microphone, you can use chat to ask questions. You can find more webinars and training opportunities on our Facebook page under the events tab! <http://on.fb.me/1xOGaLB>

Ancestry Library Edition (NDSL)

REGISTER: <http://bit.ly/1INliir>

Tuesday, September 23, 2014, 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM CT

Family history research has gotten easier and faster with this online genealogical tool. It contains census records, military records, passenger lists, church records, land records, and more. In addition to U.S. records, you will also find records from Europe, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand. This webinar will demonstrate how to navigate and search Ancestry Library Edition.

Zinio (NDSL)

REGISTER: <http://bit.ly/YqbMYI>

Thursday, September 25, 2014, 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM CT

Access over 100 popular full color e-magazines via any smart device. There are no holds, no checkout periods, and no limit to the number of magazines you can download. Learn how to connect, browse, create two accounts, and add magazines to your personal collection.

NoveList Plus (NDSL)

REGISTER: <http://bit.ly/1IR2BuC>

Thursday, October 2, 2014, 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM CT

NoveList K-8 Plus and NoveList Plus are readers' advisory tools for fiction and nonfiction that connect readers to books. Content is created by librarians and educational specialists. View recommended readings lists by age, genre, fiction, or nonfiction. Find titles, authors, series or read-alikes. You can also search by Lexile reading level. This webinar is an overview of both resources.

Literary Reference Center (NDSL)

REGISTER: <http://bit.ly/1pHkqXC>

Tuesday, October 7, 2014, 3:30 PM – 4:30 PM CT

This resource is a comprehensive, full-text database of literary content. You will find information on thousands of authors and their works across genres and timeframes. Researchers will find plot summaries, articles, essays, author biographies, images of literary figures, book reviews, poetry, short stories, and author interviews. This webinar is an overview.

Serving the Underserved: Children with Disabilities at Your Library (Webjunction)

REGISTER: <http://bit.ly/1oYxDLx>

Tuesday, October 21, 2014, 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM CT

This webinar shares inspiring programming and innovative ideas for new services to target this special population. Learn about what online resources are available for staff to serve children with special needs more fully, and explore strategies to reevaluate and make new accommodations in existing youth programs for an inclusive audience.

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North Dakota Library Tidbits

- Leach Public Library is starting a book club called “Books in Bars” in September geared toward people in their 20s and 30s
- Casselton Public Library hosted a Scholastic Book Fair Fiesta
- McVille Community Library hosted a garden party and served over 100 people at their Ice Cream Social
- Cavalier County Public Library had a train mural painted in the children’s section of the library
- Bowman Regional Public Library is now providing outdoor benches for people to sit on while using the wifi after hours
- Hebron Public School received a Hebron Community Foundation grant to purchase a digital checkout system
- Dickinson Public Library had a presentation by Farmer Minor during Story Time (Pig Out on Reading)
- Elgin Public Library had Meteorologist Henry Blakes come in for a presentation on weather
- Enderlin Municipal Library has collected over 1000 books during their book drive
- Griggs County Library received \$500 to help with children’s programming from “In the Name of a Child”
- Bowman Regional Public Library received a donation from the Dakota Western Bank to help fund children’s programming
- Eddy-New Rockford received 2 new computers from the Lions Club

Did we miss news about your library? Send it to us at ndslpa@nd.gov.”



A Little S'More Summer

September 10, Edna Ralston Library held a story time campout! The story time included games, a camping tent and s'mores. Looks like a great time!



Gate City Bank Acts of Kindness

On August 22nd, The West Fargo Public Library received a generous \$100 check from Gate City Bank. Gate City Bank stated that the Library was chosen because “We do wish to express our appreciation to your commitment of enhancing the lives of those who seek your facility and events.” The Library will use the funds to help pay for adult watercolor lessons.



McVile Community Library Hosted a Garden Party: Prairie To Petals

Our Garden Party was a success! We had 61 people attend, so we made around \$600. The featured garden was a local couple who had been transforming prairie land into their dream home. Fourteen years later they have a little piece of heaven that they shared with community members to help raise funds for the local library.



Free Little Library

Congratulations Lauri & family on the launch of your Little Free Library! Nearly 50 family members and friends were in attendance to celebrate the grand opening of the 10th Little Free Library brought to Bismarck by the Friends of the Bismarck Public Library & community sponsors. What a great day to celebrate the joy of reading & the sharing of books.

DIGITAL DELIGHTS



School has started around the state and this photo reminds us of how school was for past North Dakota students. From description—“A log schoolhouse [sic] about 20 miles along the Missouri River west of Sanish. Miss Grace Froholm was the first teacher. Built in 1931. Picture was taken in fall of ‘31”—handwritten on back of photograph.

This and much more is found on <http://digitalhorizonsonline.org/> —see how many digital North Dakota gems you can find!

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Digital Horizons

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