

## Flickertale

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## **School Database Postcards Now Available**



Are your students having trouble figuring out which databases to use to complete school assignments? Are your database usage statistics stagnant or non-existent?

The State Library has promotional materials available for many databases that are available to your students, including our brand new postcards. Each postcard includes a list of 3-4 of the most helpful/popular databases for middle school and high school students. Each of the most popular school subjects - Math, Science, History, Government, English, Speech, and Business - have their own postcard. The front of the postcard includes a space for students to write down the remote access number and password so they can use the databases at home.

If you would like postcards or other promotional material, please fill out this <u>order form</u>. Materials will be sent to you as soon as possible.

## **Recipes From the Stacks Video Series**

Staff members from the North Dakota State Library have been trying their hands at cooking and baking using recipes from local cookbooks and state documents.

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A new episode is posted on Facebook each Thursday. Future recipes include appetizers, main dishes, desserts, beverages, snacks, breakfast, and canning.

Each cookbook and State Document used in these videos can be checked out from the State Library by requesting it through our online catalog or by calling 1-800-472-2104.



# Digital Dimension

Welcome to "The Digital Dimension" (cue the music from "The Twilight Zone"). This is the inaugural article in the new Digital Initiatives column.

If you don't know, <u>Digital Initiatives</u> (DI) is a department under the Technology Services Division at the North Dakota State Library (NDSL). DI was formed in 2012 to share expertise in collecting, creating, and preserving digital copies of items relating to North Dakota's cultural heritage and government.

In addition to providing support, training, and guidance, DI also administers the digitization projects of NDSL. DI has made several collections available that celebrate the history and culture of North Dakota and the Northern Plains. These collections are freely accessible online via <a href="Digital Horizons">Digital Horizons</a> and the <a href="Digital Horizons">Digital Public Library of America</a> (DPLA). DI also organizes and implements ScanDay events across the state.

So, what will this column be about? Good question. Thanks for asking. It will be about all things digital: digitization, digital collections, digital preservation, metadata, DI services and updates, copyright, best practices, personal digital archiving, hardware and software, Digital Horizons, DPLA, etc.

Who will be contributing to this wonderful column? Well, that would be me – Trevor, the DI Guy (cue the "Bill Nye the Science Guy" music). I have worked at NDSL since 2016, previously in Library Development, but now I am the Digital Initiatives Specialist.

That's it for now. This is only an introductory article. Tune in each month to learn something new about digital stuff. In the meantime, if you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 701-328-4629 or ndsl-digital@nd.gov.

## **Free Webinars**

## Ways to Fill Your Shelves Without Draining Your Budget

Indiana State Library September 30 at 10:00 AM CT

Get to Know your New Gale
Resources: National
Geographic Kids and Gale
OneFile: News
Gale Cengage

October 7 at 3:30 PM CT

## <u>Dive into your Gale</u> <u>Elementary Resources</u>

Gale Cengage October 14 at 3:30 PM CT

## Fall Book Club Picks

BookList October 13 at 1:00 PM CT

Dive into your Gale
Secondary Resources

Gale Cengage October 21 at 3:30 PM CT

One Step at a Time: How Libraries Can Promote Healthy, Thriving, and Livable Communities

WebJunction
October 22 at 3:00 PM CT

Crash Course in
Relationship Fiction
NoveList

October 27 at 1:00 PM CT

## **National Book Festival**

The National Book Festival has gone virtual this year! This means anyone with a computer is invited to attend this free event that celebrates books, authors, illustrators – everything literary! You can <u>register here</u> to access the festival's virtual platform and create your personalized schedule. It is a quick, free process.



Virtual attendees will be able to explore nine author "stages" where more than 120 authors will be featured, including many who will be participating in live events where participants can interact with the presenters in real time.

Also, you can visit North Dakota! The North Dakota State Library will be presenting a virtual booth highlighting "The Night Watchman" by Louise Erdrich as well as information about other great ND Authors!

After you register, you will be taken to the landing page for the festival. Click on "Discover State Reads" to explore as many states as you like, including North Dakota!



Voting is now open for the 13th Annual Children's & Teen Choice Book Awards.

Kids and teens across the country are invited to vote for their favorite books in four different categories:

- Kindergarten to 2nd Grade Book of the Year
- 3rd to 4th Grade Book of the Year
- 5th to 6th Grade Book of the Year
- · Teen Book of the Year

Voting will run through Fall Children's Book Week, closing on November 15, and the winners will be announced by early December.

See the finalists and voice your choice at <u>EveryChildaReader.net/vote</u>.



Everyone on Earth is invited to learn about lunar science and exploration, take part in celestial observations, and honor cultural and personal connections to the Moon.

If your library is hosting an event, either in-person or virtually, be sure to <u>register your event</u> in order to officially record your participation in International Observe the Moon Night 2020.

## CENSORSHIP IS A DEAD END. FIND YOUR FREEDOM TO READ.

## BANNED BOOKS WERK

SEPTEMBER 27 - OCTOBER 3 ALA.ORG/BBOOKS #BANNEDBOOKSWEEK



Banned Books Week is an annual event that celebrates the freedom to read. It brings together librarians, booksellers, publishers, teachers, and readers of all kinds! The event, which is usually held the last week of September, spotlights current and historical attempts to censor books.

Please visit the **Banned Books Week website** for more information and resources for Banned Books Week.

If your library is closed or limited to the public, you might not be able to celebrate as you've done in the past. But do not fear! If your library has an Instagram account, then Dawn Abron from Zion-Benton Public Library has some ideas for you!

## The Classic Shredded Book

Take a banned book and shred it (or print off some of the pages if you find yourself unable to shred a book). Fill a large clear container with the pieces and take a close up picture of it – try to make it really hard! Give people a bit of time to guess. After that time, post a second picture with an easier clue. If you need to, you can keep giving out clues until someone gets it correct.







## Display

Create a display in the library, take a picture, and post it on social media. If someone checks out the books, take and post a pic using a hashtag you choose. This can also be done with ebooks!

## **Guess the Reason**

Using the poll or quiz feature for Instastories, show a picture of one banned book at a time and have people guess why it was banned.

## **Guess the Banned Book**

On a paper bag, write why the book was banned and have people try to guess the book. You might want to include a book title bank from which people can choose.

## **Banned Book Reader**

Using the poll feature in Instastory, create a slideshow of banned book titles, and on each slide, ask if the patron has read this book.

-OR-

Create a list of banned books on one sheet and find out how many each person has read.

## Find your Book Bad Boy/Bad Girl

Create a book Tinder game on Instagram using the poll feature

### **Banned Book Club**

Choose any book and conduct the meeting over Zoom. Two shorter graphic novels that are on the banned list are Drama by Raina Telgemeier and This One Summer by Mariko Tamaki.

Dawn found that by using Instagram, she reached teens that don't usually come to in-house programming. She mentioned that if you have a difficult time attracting this age group, you might reach them on Instagram.

## **Summer Reading Update**

The results are in, and we have our 2022 slogan and our 2024 theme for Summer Reading.

For the 2022 slogan, Oceans of Possibility, won by quite a large margin with 35 total votes, a full 14 higher than the next slogan: Discover Treasures at your Library.



Results were much closer in the contest for the 2024 theme. One vote separated the winner from second place:

- Adventure with 22
- Outdoors 21
- Arts and Creativity; Time Travel 15
- DIY: Travel 13

If you would like to see how the whole list went down please e-mail ssandwick@nd.gov.

Also, CSLP is looking for people who want to be part of the Artwork Committee for 2022! Committee members will be expected to look at sketches for program year 2022 (Oceanography, Oceans of Possibility, artist Sophie Blackall), and evaluate them from a culturally authentic viewpoint and provide constructive criticism to ensure posters and spot art are inclusive and reflective of the diverse communities we serve.

Please complete the <u>Artwork Committee application</u>. Part of the application includes two images from children's literature. What feedback would you give the artist if these images were submitted? What sticks out or resonates with you? What might a child take away from these images? There is no right or wrong answer; we are just hoping to see your thought process in evaluating the artwork and providing thoughtful and constructive feedback. Members will be chosen in late October.











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