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Evaluation Visit

Steve Prine, Head of Network Services Section for the National Library Services (NLS), visited the North Dakota State Library in September. The purpose of the visit was to evaluate services and resources of the ND State Library's Services for the Disabled according to national guidelines.

Prine was pleased with the progress the library has made during the past year. In his report Prine said, "the regional library has made tremendous progress in it's first year." Many of the recommendations for improvements are already in progress or in the planning stages. Prine said he and the entire staff at NLS have been impressed with the level of support the library has received from patrons and with the level of service the library has maintained throughout the last year.

Deposit Collections

Many libraries across the state have their own collection of talking books, which are provided by the ND State Library collection. These books are available for check-out at your local library.

We try to keep the deposit collections current by working with your librarians and taking special requests. If you are not finding the types of books which interest you at your local library, let the librarian know so he/she can contact us with an order.

If you don't have a deposit collection in your library and would be interested in having one, please tell your librarian or give us a call at 1-800-843-9948.

Talking Books Service 1-800-843-9948
Dakota Radio Reading Service 1-701-328-4189
Machine Lending Agency 1-800-421-1181

Catalogs

We have a variety of specialty catalogs available for you to order your books. These include: Cassette books by the year, Westerns, Mysteries, Romances, Religious and Inspirational, For Younger Readers, Pioneer and Frontier Stories, Science Fiction and Fantasy, Classics, and Magazines.

With the large number of patrons on our program, we do not automatically send catalogs out without a special request from you. Give us a call at 1-800-843-9948 with your requests and we will be happy to send you the catalogs of your choice.

New Magazine

The magazine *Horizons* is now available on cassette. All you need to do is call and sign up with our reader advisor. *Horizons* is published quarterly by the Greater North Dakota Association in conjunction with the North Dakota Tourism Department. It contains articles about our state and the people who live here.

Machines

The Machine Lending agency, at North Dakota School for the Blind, is asking patrons who are not or do not intend to use their machines to please mail them back. Since the talking book's program has moved to North Dakota there has been an increase in patrons and the need for more machines is growing. We would also like to remind you that you must order one book or magazine per year in order to stay on active patron status. Thanks for your cooperation.

Please send your machines to: North Dakota School for the Blind
500 Stanford Road, Suite A
Grand Forks, ND 58203-2799
1-800-421-1181

Calendars

Braille/Large-print calendars are available with a minimum \$6 donation to the ND School for the Blind Foundation. All of the artwork is done by individuals who are blind or visually impaired. To order the 1997 calendar, please call Betty Bender, at the North Dakota School for the Blind, at 1-800-843-9948 or, leave a message with Beth or Judy. Hurry while supplies last!

ON THE SHELF

ADULT READING

Here are some of the newest titles we've added to our collection:



RC 41739

Tom Clancy's Op-Center: Mirror Image

Bestseller-Fiction-Strong Language

Author: Tom Clancy

Even though the Moscow minister of the interior lost the election he refuses to give up his power.

RC 41766

Custer Died for Your Sins: An Indian Manifesto

Non Fiction-U.S. History

Author: Vine Deloria Jr.

Many myths about Native Americans were debunked by the 1969 original work.

RC 41661

The Burglar Who Thought He Was Bogart

Mystery-Fiction

Author: Lawrence Sanders

A man's burglary plans are interrupted when his co-conspirator is killed.

RC 39904

Positive Solitude: A Practical Program for Mastering Loneliness and Achieving Self-Fulfillment

Non Fiction-Philosophy

Author: Rae Andre

Steps are outlined on how to achieve positive solitude throughout life.

RC 42045

Guilty as Sin

Suspense-Bestseller

Author: Tami Hoag

The county attorney in Deer Lake, Minnesota is searching for a child abductor.

Large Print Books

Notorious

Love-Fiction

Author: Janet Dailey

A women's ranch is threatened by her neighbor, until the man with the white hat appears.

RC 41850

The Hellion

Romance-Descriptions of Sex

Author: LaVyrle Spencer

Tommy lives a fast life but isn't happy, but there's a chance his childhood sweetheart could change all that.

Primary Colors

Political-Fiction

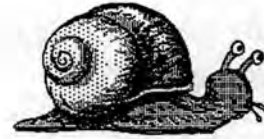
Author: Anonymous

An acid tongued political novel written about Clinton's 1992 campaign.

KID'S CONNECTION

On The Shelf

Juvenile Reading



RC 41826

Before the Storm

Juvenile-Fiction-Grades K-3

Author: Jane Yolen

A boy wishes for the hot sun again after it begins to rain.

RC 42061

Rhino and Mouse

Juvenile-Fiction-Grades pre-2

Author: Todd Starr Palmer

Even though Rhino is mouse's best friend, he still gets on his nerves sometimes.

RC 41878

To Race a Dream

Juvenile-Fiction-Grades 6-9

Author: Deborah Savage

A fifteen-year-old girl disguises herself as a boy so she can work in the stables with the racing horses.

RC 41884

George Washington's Cows

Juvenile-Fiction-Grades K-3

Author: David Small

Washington's cows wear lavender gowns and his hogs work when the servants are sick.

RC 42055

The Mud Flat Olympics

Juvenile-Fiction-Grades 2-4

Three moles, five snails, and a skunk have, a wonderful time competing in the mud olympics.

RC 41941

Belling the Tiger

Juvenile-Fiction-Grades 3-6

Author: Mary Stoltz

Two mice decide they are going to put a bell on the house cat.

RC 39913

The World of Animals

Juvenile-Non Fiction-Grades 4-7

Author: Desmond Morris

A close look at wild animals like the giraffe, dolphin, gorilla, and tiger.

RC 41682

A Year on Monhegan Island

Juvenile-Non Fiction-Grades 4-7

Author: Julia Dean

A year in the life of the residents of Monhegan Island. A discussion of the native lobster trapping, one-room school house, and the island's isolation.

New Service

The ND School for the Blind is offering a new program for individuals who are print impaired. It's called ND News Voice and will provide subscribers access to statewide newspapers with the use of a touch-tone telephone. The Grand Forks Herald will be the first paper to go on the system, and should be available by mid-January. The system offers subscribers a chance to browse through the newspaper 24 hours a day.

There will be a \$10 per month subscription fee which will include access to a toll-free number. Subscribers will be able to try the service for two weeks free of charge. ND News Voice is made available through grants from the Otto Bremer Foundation, ND Department of Human Services Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Older Blind Program, and the ND State Council on Developmental Disabilities.

Circulation

We thought you may be interested to know that over the past year, patrons of the ND Talking Books Service have been sent over 57,000 talking books. We presently have 2,260 active patrons using the service and that number is growing all the time!

Christmas Program

You may have heard some new voices on Dakota Radio over the past holiday season. A number of Christmas stories were aired each Wednesday in December to celebrate Christmas. North Dakota's first lady, Nancy Schafer, read *The Mysterious Star* by Joanne Marxhausen.

Other guest readers included Dr. Wayne Sanstead, ND Superintendent of Public Instruction; Mike Jaugstetter, State Librarian; and Stella Cone, Director of Services for the Disabled. A different story aired each Wednesday morning in December. The entire program was also broadcast Christmas Eve morning for our patrons listening pleasure.



North Dakota's First Lady reads a Christmas story as a gift to our patrons.

DEPARTMENTS COMBINED

There have been quite a few changes at the State Library recently.

Sally Oremland, director of Services to the Disabled and Dakota Radio Information Service retired after 15 years at the State Library. Since then, Talking Books and DRIS have been combined into a single department.

Stella Cone has been named head of the State Library Services for the Disabled. The other staff members include Shirley Zeigler Leno, volunteer coordinator; Terri Wilhelm, reader advisor; Sandy Williams, Talking Books circulation librarian and Shirley Flood, cataloging clerk. The changes will make our services more efficient. If you have any suggestions or concerns please contact 1-800-843-9948, 328-1469 or 328-4189.

Contacting the State Library

We want to make sure that you are able to contact us easily and as quickly as possible. There are a few ways for you to get in touch with our staff here at the library. We have a toll free number that you can call to make requests, comments, or concerns by dialing, 1-800-843-9948. This number will ring directly to a reader advisor and if no one is available to take your call, it will ring into a voice mail system so you can leave a message. We will get back to you as quickly as possible, so please leave your name and number. You may also contact us by mail by sending your request forms or a letter with your order to the address below.

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