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LAUNCH INTO STAR NET'S "SUMMER OF SPACE"!

As public libraries across the nation prepare for the 2019 Summer Learning Program, "A Universe of Stories,"The Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP), the STAR Library Network (STAR Net), and NASA have been working together on a virtual launch pad filled with STEM resources that they can utilize in their celebration of the anniversary of the Apollo 11 Moon landing and space exploration.



With items including vetted, hands-on STEM activities, partnership opportunities, printables and many other valuable resources, STAR Net's "Summer of Space" webpage can provide public libraries with the tools to help their summer learning program achieve great success. Libraries can also register and become eligible to receive additional STEM resources, build partnerships between libraries, enter to win valuable giveaways, and get in contact with space experts.

Get the Resources | Register Your Library



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April 19	State Library Closed	
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April 26	World Intellectual Property Day	
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May 31	Summer Reading Celebration	

TIOGA PUBLIC LIBRARY

It isn't often that North Dakota gets a new public library, but as of April 1, 2019, the Tioga Public Library was officially established. For the past year, a large group of committed citizens worked with their local representatives to petition for library service as per North Dakota Century Code. They now have a location in the brand new Community Center and are in the process of hiring a library director. There is no official opening date yet, but the library board is working hard to get shelving, furniture, and technology in place so that the library can open this summer.

Congratulations, Tioga!

News and Thoughts...

from Mary J. Soucie, State Librarian

Happy National Library Week! By the time you read this, National Library Week (NLW) will be over. I am writing this on National Library Workers Day, a favorite day for me to celebrate my colleagues, both internal and external. I tip my hat to all of you. I am constantly amazed by all the different services, programs and resources that are offered by libraries of all types and sizes. The greatest resource of any library is the staff, whether it's a one-person library or a library with hundreds of staff members.

National Library Week was first celebrated in 1958. In the mid-1950's, it had been determined that Americans were spending less money on books and more money on TV, radios, and musical instruments. The American Library Association and the American Book Publishers were concerned that Americans were spending less time reading and partnered to create the National Book Committee in 1958. The committee had wide ranging and ambitious goals and we can thank them for the first NLW. The theme of that first celebration was "Wake Up and Read!" I think we can all get behind that theme.

This year's theme is Libraries = Strong Communities, another theme that I think we can all support. Many of you have heard me say, more than once probably, that libraries are the center of the community that they serve and I really believe that should be our goal. We are one of the last remaining entities that serves everyone that walks through our doors regardless of age, race, ethnicity, socio economic status, level of education or any other qualifier that we put on people today. In simpler words, we serve everyone that walks through our doors, regardless if they are "our" patron or the neighboring library's or even from another state or country. Libraries are the great equalizers today, and it is a role we need to recognize, cherish, and celebrate!

It doesn't matter what type of library we serve in; we exist to serve the needs of the community that we serve. We should never lose sight of this. Every library is as unique as the community that they are serving. We do have some commonalities, though. Besides serving everyone who walks through our doors, all libraries provide books in some format, and an increasing number of libraries are offering e-books in a variety of formats. Libraries of all types and sizes offer online resources or databases. We are lucky in North Dakota to be able to offer these on a statewide basis in partnership with ODIN and Minitex. Librarians support Intellectual Freedom. Unfortunately, another commonality is that libraries of all types face materials challenges.

According to the recent report released by the American Library Association (ALA), 100% of public libraries offer Internet access and 98% offer free Wi-Fi. There are more public libraries in the U.S. than Starbucks or McDonalds. In 2016, over 113 million people attended programs at public libraries which is more than the attendance at MLB, NFL, and NBA games combined. In North Dakota in 2017, more people visited public libraries than attendance at all Vikings home games, NDSU football games, UND home hockey games, the State Fair and the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally. We had over 2 million visits to public libraries that year.

Academic libraries serve 28 million people each year, which is 4 million more than attend men's college basketball games. They have more than 25 billion electronic and physical items in their collections, and digital media has increased by more than 50% since 2014. In North Dakota, our academic libraries are reimagining their space by creating learning commons, makerspaces, and better accommodations to meet the needs of their students and faculty. A number of our academic libraries have added 3D printers, STEM kits, and other innovative materials to meet the needs of those that they serve.

School libraries teach students critical thinking skills and serve as learning hubs and homework help centers. There have been more than 60 studies that have proven that school libraries staffed with full-time librarians have a positive impact on students learning. According to a recent study from Stanford University, 80% of students cannot tell the difference between real news and sponsored content, a trend that can be correlated to the alarming trend of limiting or cutting the time that Library Media Specialists spend in the school library. There are 90,400 public and private K-12 schools in the U.S. While 91% of them have a school library, only 61% have a full-time librarian. This trend is bearing out in North Dakota school libraries as more of our librarians are having to split their time between the library and the classroom and sometimes even a third or fourth position. Despite these challenges, school librarians in North Dakota are still providing innovative services, leadership and support to the teachers and students that they serve. They are adding STEM kits and other technology resources so that students are learning more and are future ready. We have a number of school libraries that have additional hours for the community as well as a number that are providing additional summer learning activities such as a Summer Reading Program.

If you would like to read more about the State of Libraries as well as information about the top 10 banned books of last year, the ALA report can be found at http://bit.ly/2UNN5FL.

The libraries in North Dakota are clearly making a difference in the lives of those that they serve. It is our honor at the North Dakota State Library to support you in your efforts and we encourage you to reach out to us if we can assist in anyway, even if it's just to serve as a sounding board. Continue to reach for new heights of service by providing innovative services, a wellbalanced collection and strengthening the community that you serve. Continue to prove that Libraries = Strong Communities.

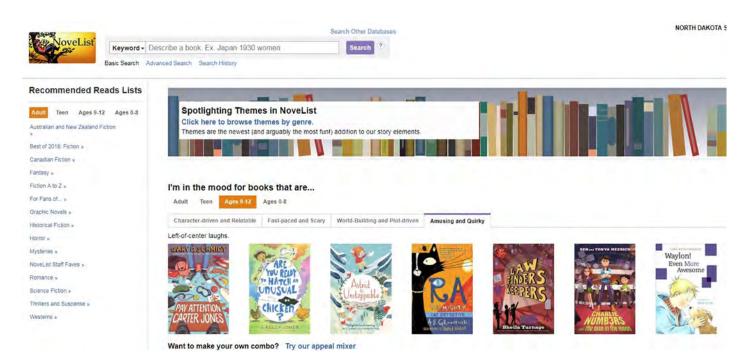
ONLINE LIBRARY RESOURCE

NOVELIST

NoveList is provided to you by the State Library and is a great book resource. The database is filled with book recommendations for every age, grade, and reading level. Each month, they update the side bar of recommended reads list for each age bracket and the different genres, including the "Best of (year)".

In order to use the database you can just choose from the recommendation list and go from there or you can use the search feature to find the individual book. Once you have found the book you are looking for, you can read reviews about the book, discover its Lexile score, and even find read-a-like books to continue on with. You can save the lists in a free account, share them with others, and even print them so you have access anytime. These are just a few of the many features that are available to you through this database.

If you have any questions on this database or others, please email us at ndsltrain@nd.gov.



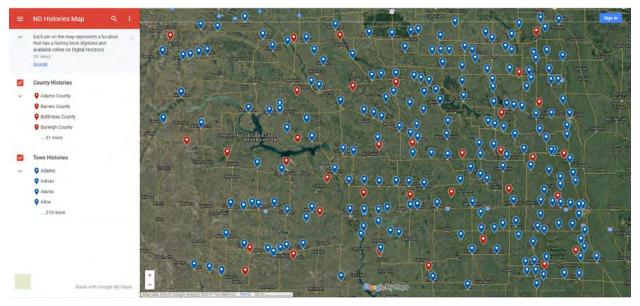
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ND Histories Map

The most frequently visited State Library collection on Digital Horizons is North Dakota County and Town Histories, which is a digital collection of county, town, church, school, township, and organization histories. There are currently over 400 books (containing over 50,000 pages) that have been digitized and made publicly available online. Every book has full-text search capabilities, so keywords, names, locations, etc. are easily found.

These 400+ books are from communities all across the state. To provide a visual, the Digital Initiatives team has created a Google Map of this collection. Each pin on the map represents a location that has a book digitized and available online on Digital Horizons. The pins on the map are organized into two categories/ colors: county histories (red pins) and town histories (blue pins).

Clicking on a pin, will open up a small box that links to all of the books associated with that location in the North Dakota County and Town Histories collection on Digital Horizons. The ND Histories Map can be accessed at http://bit.ly/2UJaTdX.



GRANTS CALENDAR

Each month's issue of the Flickertale features a list of grants applicable to schools and libraries. As these grants are either ongoing or will have various deadlines, the State Library has come up with a new way to track them.

A digital calendar has been created that features the grants from the Flickertale. On the calendar, the grants are entered on their due date. The grants closing the soonest are automatically featured first, and scrolling down will reveal more upcoming grants.

Clicking on a grant will expand the "event" and reveal additional information like a summary and the link to the grant, which also happens to be the same information that is found in the Flickertale.

The calendar is meant to be a companion to the grants highlighted each month in the Flickertale, and it can be accessed on the State Library's website at http://library.nd.gov/grants.html

2019 TEENS' TOP TEN NOMINEES ANNOUNCED



Every year in April since 2003, the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) releases the list of nominees for the Teens' Top Ten List. Teens are encouraged to read the list of over 25 books to take part in voting for their ten favorite books of the year in August and September. The winning titles will be announced via a webcast during Teen Read Week in October.

Jack Martin, YALSA's president, feels that "today's teens seem to have less and less free time, and there are increasingly more activities to for them to take part in during what little leisure time they have. That is why it's important to encourage teens to set aside some time to read." Literacy is a topic of both local and national concern, and falling test scores and lower graduation rates among teens today are a serious issue.

Parents and caregivers of teens are encouraged to make time for their teens to read at home. The following are some ideas to make this happen:

- Visit the local public or school library with your teen to attend a program or to check out books or other reading materials.
- Set aside time each night for the family to read.
- Give books, audiobooks or magazine subscriptions to your teen as a gift or reward.
- Share your favorite book with your teen.
- Visit the Teens' Top Ten site at www.ala.org/teenstopten.
- Join or start a book discussion group at school or at the public library.

Teen Read Week™ is held annually during the third week of October. To find out more about the Teens' Top Ten and Teen Read Week contact your local library

This year's nominees are:

- #MurderTrending by Gretchen McNeil
- An Absolutely Remarkable Thing by Hank Green
- Ace of Shades by Amanda Foody
- American Panda by Gloria Chao
- The Apocalypse of Elena Mendoza by Shaun David Hutchinson
- Ash Princess by Laura Sebastian
- Batman: Nightwalker by Marie Lu
- The Belles by Dhonielle Clayton
- Blood Water Paint by Joy McCullough
- Children of Blood and Bone by Tomi Adeyemi
- The Cruel Prince by Holly Black
- Dance of Thieves by Mary E. Pearson
- Darius The Great Is Not Okay by Adib Khorram

- Frat Girl by Kiley Roache
- Girl Made of Stars by Ashley Herring Blake
- Isle of Blood and Stone by Makiia Lucier
- To Kill a Kingdom by Alexandra Christo
- Muse of Nightmares by Laini Taylor
- Picture Us in the Light by Kelly Loy Gilbert
- The Poet X by Elizabeth Acevedo
- The Prince and the Dressmaker by Jen Wang
- Speak: The Graphic Novel by Laurie Halse Anderson, Emily Carroll
- Thunderhead by Neal Shusterman
- The Unwanted: Stories of the Syrian Refugees by Don Brown
- Wildcard by Marie Lu

A NEW CHAPTER

Submitted by Stephanie Asselin, Director of the McKenzie County Public Library

The McKenzie County Public Library can be found nestled in the heart of Watford City, ND. As the Oil Boom expanded the population of the town, the library was faced with new issues.

The transient population within Watford City grew, as did the number of individuals utilizing the library. However, as circulation increased so did the number of books that were never returned.

In January of 2019, a team comprising of the Assistant Library Director and an Assistant Librarian took on the task of completing a full inventory; a task that had not been done in at least 9 years.

Conducting a full inventory was the first step in determining the basis of a larger issue overdue items.

After further research, it was found that the library was lacking official policies and procedures on how to handle overdue items. In total, the library was owed over \$20,000 in both overdue fines and lost item fees.

With inventory completed, it was time to draft the new policies and procedures to ensure a situation like this did not arise again in the future.

Over the course of a few weeks, the Interim Library Director reached out to various libraries in western North Dakota to see how they handled overdue items and billing.

At this point, the library had firmly established where our problem laid—fines and fees that were accumulating indefinitely due to a lack of policies and procedures. This lead to the question: "Where do we go from here?"

It was determined that due to the lack of policies and procedures, the library was incapable of trying to collect on the money owed; it would need to be waived. This solution raised even more issues. How would the library ensure this didn't happen again? How could the library make this into a positive change that would benefit the entire community and not just those who never paid their fees?



Stephanie Asselin (pictured) served as Assistant Library Director and Interim Library Director throughout this entire project. On March 27, 2019, she was promoted to Library Director.

It wasn't until reaching out to the North Dakota State Library that a concrete solution revealed itself—doing away with overdue fines. The McKenzie County Public Library drafted its new policies and procedures based on the model set forth by the North Dakota State Library, and in February of 2019, our Library Board approved the drafted documents pending approval by the Board of County Commissioners.

On March 5, 2019, after a presentation made by the Interim Library Director, the Board of County Commissioners approved all policies and procedures, agreed to cease charging overdue fines, and to waive all outstanding money owed. The library hasn't looked back since.

For more information, feel free to contact the McKenzie County Public Library at (701) 444-3785 or visit us online at:

https://mckenziecountyndlibrary.com



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THE READING NOOK

By Jessica Robinson

It's time to make our summer reading list! This month, we'll look at some of 2019's hottest YA titles, from the beginning of the year and right up into fall.

We'll start with a book that needs little introduction. Angie Thomas knocked it out of the park once again with On the Come Up, featuring a young woman who wants to be a world-famous rapper but her family's dire financial straits make the idea of success seem as impossible as keeping their home. Katy Loutzenhiser's If You're Out There is about Zan, who at first thinks that her best friend is ghosting her since her move and then starts to wonder if her bizarre online posts point to a more sinister reason for their estrangement. Jennifer E. Smith's Field Notes on Love starts with an unlikely key to romance—non-transferrable train tickets and pushes together two disparate teens just when they need a change in their lives. Night Music by Jenn Marie Thorne is the story of a girl born into musical royalty, trying to figure out who she is if she's not the heir to her father's legacy, and a talented boy trying to break into her privileged world while doing his best not to fall in love with his hero's daughter. Sky Without Stars is the first book in a new series by Jessica Brody and Joanne Rendell and it proposes to reintroduce us to the story of Les Miserables, this time on another planet where the wealthy descendants of the French upper class rule the starving poor under a perpetually cloudy sky.

April began strong with Christine Lynn Herman's *The Devouring Gray*, a mix of small-town mystery and unspeakable horror when Violet Saunders moves from the big city to a rural town that her ancestors helped build, through otherworldly means. Peter Bognanni's *This Book Is Not Yet Rated* has a classic 80s movie plot with its focus on saving a beloved theater from greedy land developers, a fact which would please its protagonist, Ethan, since movies are the only thing that still make sense to him since his film professor father died. *The Descendant of the Crane* by Joan He has one of the most gorgeous covers of the year and an equally engaging plot when Princess Hesina of Yan is forced to become queen while also trying to find her father's killer among the horde of advisors that surround her. Julie Buxbaum's *Hope and Other Punchlines* is about Abbi, better known nationwide as Baby Hope from the pictures taken of her as a toddler on 9/11. Abbi wants to move past her fame but an encounter with a grieving young man forces her to begin investigating the famous photo that shaped her life. *Fake It Till You Break It* by Jenn P. Nguyen is about love at fiftieth sight when Mia and Jake, the beleaguered children of best friends, hatch a plan to prove to their mothers that they aren't destined to be together.

As we move into the rest of the year, we hit Lori Goldstein's Screen Queens in June, the story of three ambitious young women attempting to be the first all-female team to win a prestigious internship at a tech start-up. Better Than the Best Plan by Lauren Morrill starts when Ritzy's careful plans for summer are ruined thanks to a social worker discovering that her mother abandoned her yet again. Ritzy ends up in the foster home she went to as an infant, leaving Ritzy to wonder if she really wants her mother to come back this time. Lisa Fiedler's We Walked the Sky is a historical drama about a young woman running away to join the circus and the notes she inadvertently leaves for her granddaughter to find decades later. David Yoon's Frankly in Love is about two Korean-American teenagers attempting to forge their own identities under the eyes of their traditional families by pretending to date one another. Finally, October debuts first-time author Kelly Coon's Gravemaidens, which explores the bonds of family and tradition when Kammani's vounger sister is chosen to be one of their ruler's maidens in the afterlife.

May is one of my favorite months because it's the month we'll take a look at the best and most highly-anticipated science fiction titles of the year. Come back next month to discuss the Hugo nominees and a plethora of other great titles.

YOUTUBE VIDEO OF THE MONTH: WORLD DIGITAL LIBRARY

Submitted by Angie Houser

I'm throwing it back a bit for this month's video of the month. I'm taking you back to the very first tutorials that I did as the Continuing Education Coordinator. Though they might look a bit rough, they are full of great information on the World Digital Library. This is an online archive created by the Library of Congress to preserve archival items in danger of deterioration from institutions around the world. The videos (parts



1 and 2) go over the history of the database, how to use it, and some of the wonderful features involved with it. Check them out!

Subscribe to our YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/user/NDStateLibrary

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT: NAIL POLISH CRAFTS Submitted by Abby Ebach

Some new craft time inspiration comes in the form of using up old nail polish. Ask your community to donate their old cosmetics or have students bring in their own. You can paint the back of flat beads to create beautiful magnets like this or upcycle jewelry, mugs, and earbuds like this blog suggests. Layering bright colors and different textures like glitter or crackle polishes bring a whole new dimension to these crafts, and more than one can easily be done in one program. Let your patrons have some flexibility and freedom with this crafty program.

AFTERSCHOOL NETWORK



The North Dakota State Library had a booth up at the Capitol for the Afterschool Network where we had the pleasure of talking about the services libraries provide.

LUNCH WITH THE STATE LIBRARIAN

Join Mary on Wednesday, May 1, at 12:30 Central Time for a 30 minute virtual lunch date on Facebook. Mary will do her best to answer any questions that are posted during that time.

She is soliciting suggestions for topics for future sessions from anyone who has an idea. Email, tweet, or Facebook message topic ideas to Mary.

LEGAL RESEARCH RESOURCES FOR NORTH DAKOTA **COURT RULES (PROCEDURAL LAW)**

Submitted by Catie Palsgraaf, Acting North Dakota Supreme Court Law Librarian

This is the seventh in a series of Flickertale articles Citations to Court Rules that aim to take the mystery out of North Dakota's legal reference resources.

The previous articles in this series can be found in past issues of The Flickertale.

Next month's article will get into more detail about legal research resources for the North Dakota Administrative Code. The Administrative Code is the rules and regulations enacted by North Dakota's Executive Branch agencies.

WHAT ARE COURT RULES?

Court rules, also called procedural law, govern the process of bringing a case to court and how the case proceeds once it gets to court. In general, court rules answer "How do I" questions.

To compare, substantive law, such as the North Dakota Century Code and case law, establishes legal rights and responsibilities and grants jurisdiction (authority) to a court to hear and decide a case. In general, substantive law answers "Can I" questions.

North Dakota's court rules, or procedural law, are enacted by the North Dakota Supreme Court, often upon recommendation by a Judicial Branch committee. Court rules cover procedures such as when a case starts, service of documents in the case, how requests are made to the court, among many others.

For example, procedure in civil actions in North Dakota district court is governed by the North Dakota Rules of Civil Procedure, the North Dakota Rules of Court, and the North Dakota Rules of Evidence.

All lawyers and self-represented individuals are required to follow the court rules that apply to their case.

Every set of court rules has a unique citation. Following are the basic citations for commonly referenced sets of court rules.

- North Dakota Rules of Civil Procedure = N.D.R.Civ.P.
- North Dakota Rules of Criminal Procedure = N.D.R.Crim.P.
- North Dakota Rules of Juvenile Procedure = N.D.R.Juv.P.
- North Dakota Rules of Evidence = N.D.R.Ev.
- North Dakota Rules of Court = N.D.R.Ct.
- · North Dakota Supreme Court Administrative Rules and Administrative Orders = N.D. Sup. Ct. Admin.

When referencing a specific rule within a set of court rules, the basic citation is listed first, then the number of the rule. For example, the citation for Rule 4 of the North Dakota Rules of Civil Procedure is N.D.R.Civ.P.4.

NDCOURTS.GOV LEGAL RESEARCH RESOURCES FOR COURT RULES

www.ndcourts.gov provides a variety of legal research tools for North Dakota's court rules. Links to all of the rule sets are available under the "Legal Resources" drop down menu. The website is free to use.

www.ndcourts.gov is also the source for the most current version of each court rule.

Table of Contents for Each Set of Court Rules

After clicking on the link for a specific set of court rules, a table of contents displays with the title of each rule that makes up the set. The title is also a link to the text of the rule.

(Don't forget about the printed North Dakota Century Code General Index! The topic sections within the General Index include references to North Dakota court rules, when applicable.)

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Effective Date for Each Rule

The effective date of the current version of a rule is listed on the top right of the webpage containing the text of the rule.

Explanatory Note Section for Each Rule

An Explanatory Note section follows the text of the rule. The Explanatory Note section provides a wealth of information about the reasons the rule was enacted or amended, which committee recommended the rule or amendments, other North Dakota rules or laws that were considered as part of the enactment or amendment, and cross references to other rules that may have a connection to the rule.

Many of the references within the Explanatory Note section are linked to additional information, such as a link to the petition to the Supreme Court to enact or amend the rule, a link to the committee minutes discussing the rule, and direct links to other court rules that may have a connection.

Version History (Historical Legal Research) for Each Rule

A Version History section follows the Explanatory Note section of the rule. The Version History section lists the effective date and obsolete date of every version of the rule. If the text of the obsolete version of the rule is available on the website, a "View" link will be listed to the right of the obsolete date.

The Version History section is a convenient way to conduct historical legal research of a court rule.

CASE LAW INTERPRETING COURT RULES

Case law is a very useful resource for researching what a procedural rule means. The North Dakota Supreme Court regularly interprets what procedural rules mean as part of deciding appeals in civil and criminal cases.

www.ndcourts.gov does not have a case law resource specifically related to court rules.

North Dakota Century Code: Court Rules Annotated (Print Only)

The Court Rules Annotated is part of the North Dakota Century Code print collection. It is a softbound book with the text of all of the North Dakota court rules in effect at the time of printing.

If a rule within the Court Rules Annotated has related case law, snapshots of the opinions are printed after the text of the rule.

The snapshots of the opinions are only available in the print version of the Court Rules Annotated.

To view the full opinion, a patron will need to use a different print or online legal research resource. (See the March 2019 Flickertale article.)

Subscription Legal Research Websites

LexisNexis (www.lexis.com) and Westlaw (www. westlaw.com) provide access to an extensive list of legal research resources, including snapshots of decisions for each North Dakota court rule. These websites tend to be cost-effective for entities with many lawyers. Locating free or low-cost access to these websites is a challenge for individual researchers. However, the North Dakota Supreme Court Law Library currently offers free patron access to Westlaw. Patrons may use Westlaw on the Law Library patron access computer located at the State Capitol in Bismarck. Time limits apply based on the number of patrons requesting access.

ONLINE LEGAL RESEARCH RESOURCES FROM THE ND LEGAL SELF HELP CENTER

A reminder that a new "Legal Research" section was added to the recently updated North Dakota Legal Self Help Center website. (www.ndcourts.gov/legalself-help)

The "How to Research Your Legal Issue" link in the new section includes an overview of the legal research process, a printable Legal Research Guide and Checklist, and references to a variety of resources.

FREE TRAINING WEBINARS

These webinars are free, live, and interactive. You will connect to audio using a headset or speakers. If you do not have a microphone, you can use the chat feature to ask questions.

Intro to Digitizing Photographs

Thursday, April 18, 2019 1:30-2:00PM (CST) Presenter: Stephanie Kom, Head of Technical Services for the ND State Historical Society

Everyone has a pile of photos somewhere and wants to digitize them—but where to start? This webinar builds upon the basic concepts introduced in the instructor's previous Digitization 101 webinar. It will introduce the best practices for digitizing photographs, the different equipment available, and platforms for sharing.

Collection Development in the School Library (School Library Connection)

Thursday, April 18, 4:00PM-5:00PM (CST)

A dynamic and relevant collection draws students and teachers into the library and keeps them coming back. But how do you ensure that your library's collection has the right mix of resources and authors for your unique school community? Join Melissa Thom for this webinar, where she'll share practical strategies to help you identify and fill gaps in your collection, from print, to eBooks, to audiobooks, keeping diversity at the forefront of decision-making. Plus, she'll discuss best practices to share the collection with students, staff, and the larger community so that you can be sure your carefully curated resources are used to their fullest potential!

The Library as Social Connector: Forging Community **Connection (WebJunction)**

Thursday, April 25, 2:00PM-3:00PM (CST)

Libraries have the position and the power to rebuild social bonds, offering that sense of community and shared place that humans crave. Active learning programs that bring people together for participatory, shared experiences are a boost to community strength, but they could go even further to amplify social connection and build social infrastructure. Join us as we explore library programs through the lens of social possibilities and devise strategies to be more intentional about forging stronger community bonds.

YA Summer Reads

Thursday, May 23, 2019 1:30-2:00PM (CST) Presenter: Jessica Robinson, Cataloging Librarian

Once again, we're gearing up for summer here in North Dakota, the perfect time to read some sensational YA titles. This May we'll take a look at some early-year releases, the current hot titles, and the most anticipated YA books coming out later this year. We'll cover everything from a girl investigating her father's disappearance by entering a contest run by a virtual reality company to a boy who gets a second chance to reconnect with his ex-best friend when she dies and then shows up not-guite-dead at his family's funeral home, plus much more!

DISCLAIMER: The ND State Library highlights third-party webinars as a way to alert the library community to training opportunities. By doing so, we are not endorsing the content, nor promoting any specific product.

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Register: http://bit.ly/2UTLLBv

Register: http://bit.ly/2UZzxai

Register: http://bit.ly/2V346Mn

SCHOOL AND LIBRARY GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

YALSA/DGLF DIGITAL EQUIPMENT GRANT

Ten grants, worth \$1,000 each, will be awarded to libraries to purchase digital equipment (video cameras, filming equipment, iPads, etc.) that will help them engage and attract teens to the library. Applicants must be YALSA members and libraries must be located within 20 miles of a Dollar General store. Other eligibility requirements may apply.

Find out more and apply at: http://bit.ly/2V38ZFd

BASIN ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE

The Basin Electric Charitable Giving Program distributes funds across its nine-state service territory. They also donate surplus office equipment to organizations in need. They look to sustain community growth to help their members thrive where they live and work.

Find out more and apply at: http://bit.ly/2TPg2Sf

DEVILS LAKE AREA FOUNDATION

Devils Lake Area Foundation supports local educational, scientific, musical, art, historical, and human services programs in the Devils Lake Area. Teaching materials, equipment, and building improvements can all be included in the grant as long as the funds are used within six months.

Find out more and apply at: http://bit.ly/2Fpz1Kl

ASSOCIATION OF BOOKMOBILE & OUTREACH DEADLINE: JULY 31 SERVICES (ABOS) CAROL HOLE CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE AWARD

The Association of Bookmobile and Outreach Services remembers the services of Carol Combs Hole by offering three (3) \$500 travel grants to the ABOS conference in Omaha, NE (October 23–25, 2019). The grant includes free conference registration and a stipend for travel expenses and/or accommodations for the conference.

Find out more and apply at: http://bit.ly/2JmUjfr

ANDEAVOR FOUNDATION COMMUNITY INVESTMENT GRANT

Andeavor Refinery looks to support local communities that support their philanthropic mission and focus areas in STEM education, public safety, and environmental conservation and sustainability. Organizations with strong, impactful programs will be given preference.

Find out more and apply at: http://bit.ly/2jWvTdq

If you have applied for a grant you found in *The Flickertale* and received it, please let us know!

DEADLINE: MAY 31

DEADLINE: ONGOING

DEADLINES: ONGOING

DEADLINE: MAY 15

2019 RENEWAL AND DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

Thank you to everyone who attended the 2019 Renewal and Development Conference! We hope you had a great time and learned a lot of new ideas and information that you can take back to your libraries!



NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK PROCLAMATION



Staff from the North Dakota State Library and Christine Kujawa from the Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library were in attendance as Governor Burgum signed the Proclamation for National Library week

North Dakota Library Tidbits

- New Town School Library's theme for February's reading month was "Read S'More Books." Weekly drawings were held, and the winning students celebrated with a s'more party in the library.
- Stanley Public Library hosted a Food for Fines for the month of March. Donations were sent to the Mountrail County Food Pantry.
- Stanley Public Library is selling book bags to reduce plastic bag waste and support the library at the same time.
- Lake Region Public Library hosted a game night for friends and families to play a variety of new and classic games.
- McKenzie County Public Library waived over \$20,000 in past fines and has become a fine-free library.
- To celebrate Reading Month, Oakes Public School Library hosted a Parents Night where parents competed taking Accelerated Reading tests while being cheered on by their children. They also had a Smash of Stories competition where teams faced off in book trivia.
- Lake Region Public Library hosted a painting party where participants could bring any fabric they wanted to paint—shirts, bags, and more were decorated!
- Mohall Public Library used donated money to purchase Snap Circuits for STEM programming. Snap Circuits help users to learn about physics, electricity, and electronics.
- The Dakota Buttes Visitors Council and National Bison Association donated bison themed books to Adams County Library, Hettinger Public School Library, and the Hettinger Public School history classes to help students engaged with local history.
- Dickinson Public Library held public forums for the community to provide feedback on future renovations and additions to the library.
- Griggs County Library hosted a Succulent in a book program led by the local Town and Country Garden Club.
- West Fargo Public Library has started lending WiFi hotspots to their patrons through a program called WiFi GO. Hotspots can be checked out for up to three weeks with the option for renewal.
- Alfred Dickey Library celebrated their centennial in February with the release of a historical book and various programs and Griggs County Library celebrated its 75th anniversary with a Dr. Seuss program.
- Miss North Dakota was a guest reading for storytime at the Williston Community Library.
- Kidder County Farmers Union donated the book "Our Family Farm" to every public and school library in Kidder County.
- Bismarck Public Library and McVille Community Library both hosted stuffed animal sleepovers for their youngest patron's animals.
- Fargo Public Library hosted a bookmark decorating context for the month of March. Staff voted to pick winners in each category to be distributed at all library locations.
- Bismarck Public Library hosted a Hygge Hangout which included puzzles, coloring, knitting, crochet, board games, and a hot chocolate bar.

- Carrington City Library received \$500 from the local Lions Club.
- Lake Region Public Library received a donation from the Devils Lake Crofton Odd Fellows Lodge #3 for their upcoming summer reading program.
- Stutsman County Library's seed library opened alongside a Gardening in Small Spaces class.
- Minot City Library kicked off a city-wide Poetry Palooza to celebrate National Poetry Month. Participants received a Poetry Passport to fill out and win a prize.
- The Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library offers free Tai Chi classes for its patrons. This is an opportunity for people to come and relax while also getting to experience a unique exercise. No experience is necessary to join the class.
- Jessie Mann is the new library director at Beulah Public Library.
- Fargo Public Library has started a Seed Library. Vegetable, herb, and flower seeds are available to the public.
- Ellendale Public Library received grants from the Ellendale Community Foundation (\$980) and Casey's Community Contribution (\$150).
- The Adams County Public Library borrowed the CodeyBot Robots from the State Library for kids to try their hand at battling against each other and coding. (see photo)
- Dickinson Area Public Library held their annual Toddler Prom. They had snacks, dancing, and a photo booth for kids ages 2-5.



NEW LIBRARIAN RESOURCES AT THE STATE LIBRARY

- The reference librarian's bible : print and digital reference resources every library should own
- How to coach teachers to teach (almost) anything : a totally practical guide to instructional coaching
- Storytelling with data : a data visualization guide for business professionals
- Disrupting thinking : why how we read matters
- Culturally responsive school leadership
- Reimagining journalism in a post-truth world : how late-night comedians, Internet trolls, and savvy reporters are transforming news
- The Family Tree cemetery field guide : how to find, record, & preserve your ancestors' graves
- Coding for children and young adults in libraries : a practical guide for librarians
- The art of painting animals on rocks
- 3D printing for dummies
- The library book / Susan Orlean
- Data mining (written for ages 14-18)
- Social networking : staying safe in the online world (written for ages 14-18)
- Planting stories : the life of librarian and storyteller Pura Belpré (nonfiction picture book)
- The new liBEARian (picture book)

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