

United for Libraries

Association of Library Trustees,
Advocates, Friends and Foundations



North Dakota State Library is excited to announce statewide access to [United for Libraries](#)—an ALA division dedicated to supporting board members, advocates, and friends and foundation groups.

Anybody in North Dakota has free access to resources including [Short Takes for Trustees](#), the [Trustee Academy](#), Live and on-demand [webinars](#), and tip-sheets to help develop, grow, and inspire boards, friends, and foundations.

In order to access these extensive resources, please follow the directions below:

1. Create an account through ALA using [this form](#). If you already have an ALA login, proceed to the next steps.
2. Visit <https://www.ala.org/united/nd> and select, “Yes, I have a login to the ALA website” near the bottom of the screen
3. Fill out the form and use **729ND1637** as your code.
4. After a 1-day processing period, you’ll receive an email from ALA with a unique signup code (check junk folders if you don’t see it).
5. Go to <https://elearning.ala.org/>, log in using your ALA account, and input your signup code into the box at the top of the screen.
6. Enjoy access to all of the United for Libraries resources!

There will be a webinar on November 17 at 1 PM to help acquaint you with all that United for Libraries has to offer. Registration for that webinar will be sent out directly from United for Libraries.

Funding for this partnership is provided by IMLS using LSTA funds. Contact Abby at aebach@nd.gov or 701-328-4680 with questions.



What is Emotional Intelligence? Most people are familiar with Intellectual Quotient (IQ), but Emotional Quotient (EQ) is rising in importance in leadership and managerial studies. Emotional Intelligence is generally considered to be an objective measurement of an individual's ability to function within social or group settings by doing such things as reading the emotions of other people, responding to the needs of those people as appropriate, and being able to effectively communicate their own needs. Many people become interested in Emotional Intelligence because they want to be savvier with others, but a major aspect of EQ is about knowing your feelings, understanding your motivations, and recognizing your challenges.

If this topic sounds interesting to you, Universal Class offers a course on studying Emotional Intelligence. This course is divided into 11 lessons with 13 exams and assignments. The course averages about five hours to complete.

Standards for Public Libraries Reminder

Hello public librarians!

Remember that the North Dakota Library Coordinating Council's [Standards for Public Libraries](#) are assessed once per year on the annual report.

If your library is working on becoming a Developing, Excelling, or Future-Focused library, look through the checklist to make sure you're meeting all of the standards at your desired tier and below before the end of 2021. Meeting the standards at the Developing level is an eligibility requirement for competitive Library Vision grants, and libraries at the Excelling and Future-Focused level receive a certificate or plaque.

See your current standards level [on our website](#), and contact Abby with questions at aebach@nd.gov or 701-328-4680.

Craft Ornaments for the ND Christmas Tree!

Every year, the Office of the First Lady invites the public to submit a handmade ornament for display on the North Dakota State Christmas Tree on display in



the Capitol. This year, the theme is "Share Your Story."

This is an excellent programming opportunity for all ages. Consider having groups craft ornaments together at the library around the "Share Your Story" theme. This might be about their personal lives or their favorite book or show. You can also ask the community to submit ornaments to the library, and the library can mail them all in at the same time.

Each ornament should include the name of the person entering it, their email address, and a brief one- or two-line description of the ornament that includes the art

form used and the special circumstances through which it was created, such as a class or senior center project.

Ornaments must be received in the Office of Management and Budget no later than November 30. The ornaments become the property of the Office of the First Lady and may be hung on the state tree in the ensuing years.

Please mail ornaments to State of North Dakota, Office of Management and Budget, Julie Strom, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Bismarck, ND 58505.

North Dakota Libraries in the News



Carrington Chamber Ambassadors Celebrate Children's Library

(left to right) Brianne Partlow, Karlee Griffin, Barb Eli, Carrington City Library Director Michele Seil, ND State Librarian Mary Soucie, Katie Florhaug, Geoff Theurer, Chris Bichler and Dr. Vern Anderson. Photo: Carrington Chamber of Commerce...

[Read more](#)
www.newsdakota.com

Young Professionals group launches 'Bucks for Books'...

When students were sent home to learn remotely at the onset of the pandemic last year, library books were quarantined at home with them. When in-person learning resumed, many books never made it back to the library shelves, GGFYP fundraisers say.

[Read more](#)
www.grandforksherald.com

Summer Reading Idea Exchange Oceans of Possibilities

You're running out of time to register for the Summer Reading Idea Exchange!

We have an Ocean of Possibilities before us! And don't keep your ideas sea-cret! Please bring along any ocean-themed ideas you have perch-olated on. Hopefully, you can join us for some crafts, science, and no more fish puns. But I can't promise that you won't walk the plank!

Wednesday, November 17th

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Fargo Public Library
102 3rd St N, Fargo

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fargo-summer-reading-idea-exchange-tickets-191854681517>

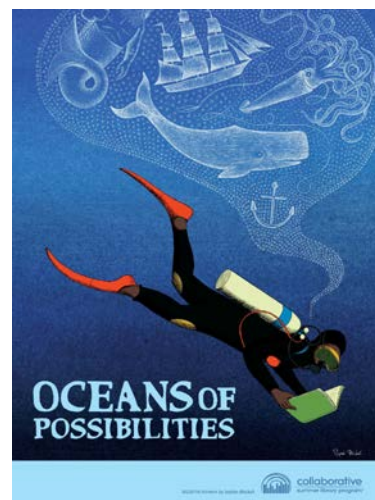
Thursday, November 18th

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

ND State Library
604 E Boulevard Ave, Bismarck

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/summer-reading-idea-exchange-tickets-191849114867>

Pizza will be ordered with the cost split between those who partake in it. Feel free to bring your own lunch.



Other News and Webinars



Science Kits for Public Libraries

Apply for a Grant - Science Kits for Public Libraries (SKPL)

The grant provides funding to _establish_ a circulating science kit collections program. Libraries should expect to use their own funds to maintain the circulating science kits for a number of years. Libraries that already have a circulating...

[Read more](http://r4.ieee.org)
r4.ieee.org



ALA Connect Live: DEI Perspectives

As the first ALA President of Chinese American heritage, Patty Wong chose the theme of Libraries Connect -- across our diverse backgrounds, experiences, and futures - for her presidential year. During this period of such rapid demographic changes ...

[Read more](http://ala-events.zoom.us)
ala-events.zoom.us



OCLC Annual Report 2020-2021

Libraries have been an incredible engine of opportunity this past year, rising above all of the turbulence to deliver information digitally, support online learning, and provide communities with other resources they need. You have played a role that

[Read more](http://www.oclc.org)
www.oclc.org



"From Our Town to The Moon, Mars, and Beyond" Exhibit...

The Space Science Institute is pleased to announce a new exhibit opportunity for public libraries. 'From Our Town to the Moon, Mars and Beyond' will launch in March 2022, traveling to 8 libraries across the country. All public and tribal...

[Read more](http://www.starnetlibraries.org)
www.starnetlibraries.org

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Please let us know by filling out this [form](#) - all responses are anonymous.



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