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Blindness Awareness Month

October is World Blindness Awareness Month, a month where the ongoing efforts and accomplishments of people who are blind are highlighted.

One of the State Library's services is the [Talking Books Department](#), which is available to eligible North Dakota residents (see article below). To highlight this incredible service, staff from the North Dakota State Library will be up at the State Capitol on Tuesday, October 5, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. To learn more about Talking Books and other services available from the State Library, stop by and say hi. We will be in the hallway across from the Capitol Cafe.

For more information about and resources for blind and visual impairments, check out the State Library's LibGuide at <https://library-nd.libguides.com/disability-awareness>.

Most Popular Mango Language Courses

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For more information, there is a quick Mango Languages course available in [Niche Academy](#) and short video tutorials on [YouTube](#). Call 1-800-472-2104 / 701-328-4622 or send an e-mail to statelib@nd.gov for assistance.

ChILLin' with ILL

Are you looking for an item that we do not own at the State Library? Check out these fabulous tutorials we have on our YouTube Channel on [Requesting Items from our PAC](#) and [Requesting Items from outside of our PAC](#). These videos will help give you the basic knowledge you will need for requesting an interlibrary loan (ILL) request.

If you have any ILL requests or questions, please contact our ILL Department at ndslll@nd.gov or 701-328-3252.

Talking Books Service

One of the services that is provided by the North Dakota State Library in partnership with the National Library Service, which is a division of the Library of Congress, is the Talking Books program. All North Dakota residents that are unable to read standard print materials because of a visual, physical, or reading disability are eligible for the program which provides audiobooks and players as well as audio magazines and large print books to patrons free of charge. Eligible patrons can also access a large array of digital books that can be downloaded to a computer, tablet or phone.

The Talking Books service is available via telephone at (701)328-1408 or (800)843-9948, email at tbooks@nd.gov or for walk-in service during the regular library hours of 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

The application for the program is available on our website at <http://www.library.nd.gov/publications/tbapp.pdf> and more information about the program can be found at <http://www.library.nd.gov/talkingbooks.html>.

New Items Added to Digital Collections

The September 2021 report of the [new items added](#) to the digital collections of the North Dakota State Library is now available online on the Digital Initiatives page. A highlight of the items includes:

- 4th of July celebration, Napoleon, N.D., 1910

- Canning Meat in the Home, 1930
- Cityscape of Chicago, I.L., 1943
- Cooking and Canning Meats, 1936
- Durum Delicacies, 1977
- Laws Passed at the Thirty-Fifth Session of the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota
- New Leipzig's 50th Anniversary, July 6-7, 1960
- North Dakota State School Lunch Manual, 1947
- Old Maids Convention, Napoleon, N.D., early 1900s
- Salads for Every Day, 1942
- Soldiers of Companies A and I marching, Bismarck, N.D., 1917



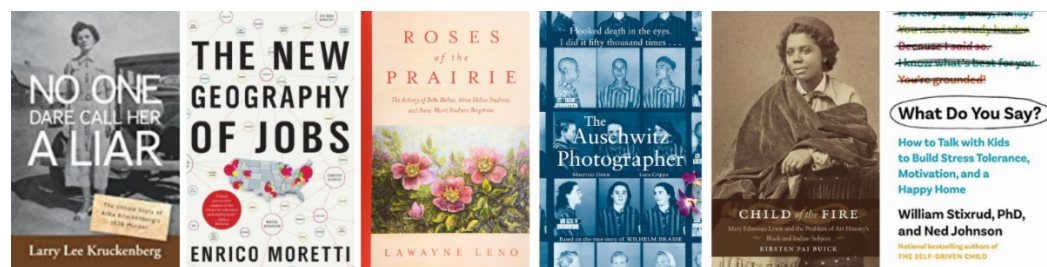
Check out these and other digital items at <http://digitalhorizonsonline.org/>.

New Items Available at the North Dakota State Library

New Fiction Books



New Nonfiction Books



New Fiction E-Books



New Nonfiction E-Books



New Fiction E-Audiobooks



New Nonfiction E-Audiobooks



Book Review

Ink and Bone by Rachel Caine

Reviewed by Krista Kurtz

The Great Library of Alexandria was never destroyed. Magic and robotic lions protect the greatest treasure in the world - books! The Library has taken control of everything! The world has been torn apart by books! And who has the books? The Library, of course.

We start the story by following Jess, a book smuggler, as he joins the Library to become an undercover librarian. The friendships he makes, and the discoveries they make about the Library, go even deeper than they could have possibly imagined. How far will Jess and his friends go for the knowledge of books? Rachel Caine brings this world to life for us in "Ink and Bone," the first book in The Great Library series.



"Ink and Bone" is available in multiple formats at the North Dakota State Library.

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