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GREETINGS FROM BISMARCK:

Here's my recap of '92:

I received a leadership appointment from COSLA (Chief Officers of State Library Agencies) by President Nancy L. Zussy, Washington State Librarian. I will now serve on the Federal Legislation Committee, and from that position, North Dakota's voice and the voice of rural and smaller library issues will be heard. I will actively work with the committee and will speak to the reauthorization of the Library Services and Construction Act and other federal programs affecting our libraries. At the federal level, I attended ALA (American Library Association) Legislative Day in Washington, DC and contacted all three of North Dakota's congressional offices on funding measures and to seek broad-based library support. Also, I have initiated work at the Library of Congress in Washington, DC to create the **North Dakota Center for the Book** at the North Dakota State Library. We will affiliate our state library to the Library of Congress' **Center for the Book** program. We are currently forming our state board and setting plans into motion. "Tellabration '92" was our Center's kick-off event and money-raiser.

I serve on the ALA Planning for Multitype Library Organizations Committee within ASCLA (Association of Specialized and Cooperative Library Agencies). This committee recently produced "MULTITYPE LIBRARY COOPERATION STATE LAWS, REGULATIONS AND PENDING LEGISLATION." Presently the committee's work focuses on producing the "how to do" type manual. Final efforts will be advanced at the ALA Midwinter meeting to ready this document for publication.

Within the Western Council of State Librarians, I have accepted appointment as liaison to the Mountain Plains Library Association's eleven states Graduate Library Education Special Project and Study Grant. I've been active in MPLA for a number of years, served on the executive board, and worked on the MPLA Long-range Plan.

Upon taking my position as State Librarian, I joined the North Dakota Library Association and am currently an ex-officio member of the executive board. I attended and made reports at the March, June, and annual conference meetings. I fully support working with NDLA - in a non-competitive effort for all libraries - in order to gain funding support in the up-coming legislative session. I will work with the NDLA president on furthering our legislative agenda and will speak with enthusiasm to these issues at the December meeting.

I serve on the Multitype Library Authority Statewide Planning Committee and favored awarding the grant for the New Dimensions Authority (NDIA) located in Williston. Beginning in March, I traveled to Williston on several occasions to meet on determining the State Library's role regarding the MLA. Since my arrival here in Bismarck in February, I have attended all MLASPC meetings and continue to study and review NDIA's pilot project efforts as they relate to North Dakota Century Code 54-24.3.

I accepted appointment to the North Dakota State Historical Board and serve on the committee for collections and programs. I supported the Board's interest in bringing the agency's salaries up to parity and in line with those of other state agencies. I favored hiring/funding additional professional staff librarians to carry out the work of the Historical Society in their budget request.

I support graduate-level library science coursework from the North Dakota University System for school librarians. My number one priority in new programs within the State Library's budget for the next biennium is a new permanent position of School Libraries Consultant. I've attended three of the four regional school librarians' Spring Workshops and spoke at the meetings held in Minot, Fort Totten, and Bismarck. I was present for the NDEA Conference in Bismarck and attended the Library Media Association business meeting - the first State Librarian to do so. I requested Edna Boardman, noted Minot school librarian and widely published author on matters

DATES OF INTEREST

- January**
- 11 - MINITEX Workshop (Minot) - "Technology"
 - 12 - MINITEX Workshop (Jamestown) - "Technology"
 - 12 - Focus Group Meeting
 - 14 - OCLC Directors (Bismarck)
 - 15 - Library Directors Meeting III (Bismarck)
 - 22-25 - ALA Midwinter (Denver)
 - 29 - Workshop: (Bismarck) "Library Reports & Statistics"
- February**
- 8 - Governor's Advisory Council on Libraries (Bismarck)
- April**
- 26 - Spring Workshops (Bismarck)
 - 28 - Spring Workshops (Grand Forks)

GREETINGS, *continued*

relating to school libraries, to make a presentation at my first Library Directors meeting in Minot, which was attended by more than sixty library directors. Fifty-five participated in the second Directors Meeting held this past November in Bismarck. Lieutenant Governor-elect Rosemarie Myrdal greeted the attendees and participated in our meeting. Larry Spears from the North Dakota Consensus Council was the meeting's facilitator.

As of this writing, I've traveled to and through forty-two of North Dakota's fifty-three counties, meeting many people and supporters of libraries and seeing first-hand the conditions of all types of North Dakota libraries. I told the Governor's Advisory Council on Libraries at its February meeting in Dickinson - after one day in this position - that my goal was to visit all fifty-three counties prior to the '93 legislative session. Therefore, I promise to go where invited and to continue to work cooperatively for the improvement, advancement and rebuilding of our state's library infrastructure. Mark January 15, 1993 as our next meeting date - Library Directors Meeting III - here in Bismarck. Until then, best wishes for a most happy and warm holiday.

1993 ON-LINE BILL STATUS

Libraries that want to subscribe to the 1993 on-line bill status system should write to Mr. John D. Olsrud, Director, Legislative Council, State Capitol, 600 E. Boulevard, Bismarck, ND 58505. The cost to subscribe is \$200, plus computer access charges of approximately \$33/month and 43 cents per CPU second on-line time charge. Because the number of subscriptions to the on-line system is restricted, make your request as soon as possible. As in previous years, IBM compatible equipment is a prerequisite. The 1993 on-line bill status system includes the status and text of all bills and resolutions, sponsor information, subject index search capability, and text of House and Senate journals. The system provides the most up-to-date report available on committee hearings and on committee and floor action during the session.

GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON LIBRARIES

Without a quorum, no official business could be conducted at the Governor's Advisory Council on Libraries meeting on November 18th. The next meeting is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. on Monday, February 8, 1993. New member orientation will be held that morning, from 9 to 11 a.m.

1993 Legislative Assembly toll-free information and message number:
1-800-422-1439
(January 5 through end of session)

GIVEAWAY:

A set of the previous edition of MULS is available on a first-come first-served basis. Contact Doris Daugherty at the State Library (224-4656).

1993 LEGISLATIVE DOCUMENT DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

Sixteen academic, public, and special libraries chose to participate in the 1993 document distribution program. The Legislative Council's interim Legislative Management Committee set the subscription cost at \$150. Subscribing libraries daily receive, through UPS delivery, copies of all bills and resolutions, schedules of committee hearings, House and Senate journals, and the bill status reports.

READING SERVICE RECEIVES GRANT TO EXPAND SERVICE TO JAMESTOWN

Dakota Radio Information Service (DRIS), a radio reading service for persons unable to read regular print, has been awarded a grant which will allow broadcasting to the Jamestown area. The grant was awarded by the Public Telecommunications Facilities Program of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

According to Sally Oremland, Executive Director of DRIS, this is the fourth grant awarded to DRIS by the federal agency. Each grant has allowed DRIS to expand its coverage area in western North Dakota. The Jamestown United Way has approved a Venture Grant of \$1500 to help meet the local match requirement for the federal grant.

DRIS volunteers read local newspapers and other community information to persons who cannot read regular print. The station, located at the North Dakota State Library, also carries the reading of over 100 current magazines and several national newspapers.

Broadcasting is expected to start in the Jamestown area next Spring. Because DRIS is carried on a subcarrier of Prairie Public Radio, it will not be able to broadcast until Prairie Public Radio goes on the air in the Jamestown area in late Spring or early next Summer.

NORTH DAKOTA "CENTER FOR THE BOOK" UNDERWAY

"Tellabration '92!" - the kickoff event for the *North Dakota Center for the Book* - was a success! Over 130 people attended the event on Friday, November 20th in the Heritage Center Auditorium. "Tellabration '92" was sponsored by The North Dakota State Library and the National Association for the Preservation and Perpetuation of Storytelling. The North Dakota Heritage Center, The Printers and Feist TV/Electronics made in-kind contributions to the event. The storytellers donated their time and talents for this benefit fundraiser for the newly forming *North Dakota Center for the Book*.

State Librarian Bill Strader welcomed guests, followed by opening remarks from Superintendent of Public Instruction Dr. Wayne Sanstead. Dr. John Y. Cole, Executive Director of the *Library of Congress Center for the Book*, welcomed North Dakota as the 27th state affiliate of the *Center for the Book*.

Then the fun really began! Cowboy poet Rodney Nelson started the evening off with "The man from Snowy River" and a few other original stories. Ceil Ann Clement called upon her Irish heritage and western North

Dakota background for her stories. Lydia Sage-Chase won the audience over with a Mandan tale about the Sun and Moon trying to find wives. Mary Helen Pelton told "The True Story of the Three Little Pigs" and a moving account of the true story of Hazel Minor from Center, North Dakota, who gave her life in a blizzard to save her siblings. Mary Lou Wittman gave her

interpretation of Heckedy Peg. Bill Lowman closed the evening out with stories that everyone could relate to and left the audience laughing.

"Tellabration '92" was videotaped and copies will be available through the State Library. A copy has also been sent to the Nation Association for the Preservation and Perpetuation of Storytelling Library & Archives in Jonesboro, Tennessee.

You can help promote the importance of reading, books and literacy by joining the "Friends of the North Dakota Center for the Book." If you'd like to become a member

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Bill Lowman

REFERENCE CORNER

The 1993 legislative session is an important session to the North Dakota State Library. A portion of the State Library's budget is used to purchase reference books that are circulated to libraries across the state. Your support of the State Library's budget would be appreciated so that the circulating reference collection can be kept current.

CENTER FOR THE BOOK, *continued*

or are interested in learning about the activities of the Center, please call the *North Dakota Center for the Book* at 224-3681.

The North Dakota Center for the Book is now underway! There will be many other opportunities to promote books, reading and libraries statewide. Let us know what your community is doing and how *The North Dakota Center for the Book* can help promote your book, author or writing event!

GRIGGS COUNTY LIBRARY HAS PATRONS 'ROUND THE WORLD!

Dr. Angelika Gebhart-Sayer from Germany recently wrote to the Griggs County Sentinel-Courier about library service she and her husband have received from the Cooperstown Public Library. Her letter read, in part: "Having been informed about the financial difficulties the Cooperstown library is facing, I gladly take this opportunity to express my appreciation and gratefulness for the service of this small and very efficient library ...

"I married into a resident family of Cooperstown. My husband and I work at the universities of Tübingen and Marburg in the fields of religious studies and anthropology. Whenever rare, old or obscure pieces of literature from throughout the world are difficult to get here in Germany, we take the liberty of tapping into the American library system through the Cooperstown branch, thereby receiving - after an astonishingly short time - copies of literature requested. We are envied by our German colleagues who can only dream of a library system as the U.S. one, and who came to know about its efficiency only through the Cooperstown branch. The library has been extremely helpful and has served as an example to many."



Lt. Governor-elect Rosemarie Myrdal addresses Library Directors at their November 19th meeting in Bismarck.

AFRICA UNIVERSITY NEEDS MATERIALS

The need for education in Africa is immense. Last year only 10,000 of the 133,000 Kenyans who qualified for such education were actually admitted. The other 123,000 had to give up their dream. Kenya Methodist University is trying to make a difference by offering Business Administration and Theology programs. Future programs being planned are in Agriculture and Education. Science & Technology, Home Economics & Family Life, and Health Sciences will come later. Materials are needed in all of these areas. If you would like more information, contact: Dr. David Brenchley, Director of Planning & Development, Kenya Methodist University, P.O. Box 2277, Meru, Kenya.

1993 G. K. HALL LARGE PRINT COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

G. K. Hall & Co. announces that entries are now being accepted in the 1993 G.K. Hall Large Print Community Service Award competition. There are two entry categories:

The Outstanding Large Print Program category considers libraries demonstrating the most creative and comprehensive efforts toward increasing the awareness, availability, and use of large print books. The winner in this category will receive \$1000 in cash, and two runners-up will receive \$300 worth of large print books. The Great Idea Grant Category considers libraries demonstrating a need to start or expand their large print collections and stimulate public awareness, but which do not have the means to do so. The winner will receive a \$500 grant - \$250 worth of G.K. Hall large print books (library's choice) and \$250 cash.

Winning entries will be displayed at ALA's 1993 Summer Conference in New Orleans. Winning libraries will be honored at a reception held during ALA, and all libraries who enter will be invited to attend the awards reception. Application deadline: March 31, 1993. Contact Sally Oremland at the State Library (224-2497) for more information.

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DATES OF INTEREST

March

3 - Freedom of Information Day

April

18-24 - National Library Week -
"Libraries Change Lives"

20 - Legislative Day,
Washington, D.C.

21 - Great American Read
Aloud/Night of a Thousand
Stars

26 - State Library Spring
Workshops - Grand Forks

28 - State Library Spring
Workshops - Bismarck

STATE LIBRARY BUDGET ALERT

February 18, 1993 the State House passed its version of the 1993-1995 biennium budget for the State Library and pass-through funds. An amendment to Governor Schafer's budget, made by an as yet unknown legislative source, transferred \$50,000 from State Aid to Public Libraries to provide continued funding for the Multitype Library Authority (MLA) in Williston. This \$50,000 reduction in State Aid now results in a shortage in the State's required matching for federal LSCA funds under the State Aid program part. Failure to meet maintenance of effort (MOE) requirements in this category will result in the loss of all LSCA Title I funds, which in 1993 amounted to \$375,899, or 64% of the State Library's federal money.

Title I money is used to fund the following: Three public library field consultants positions, one automation coordinator, one half-time continuing education coordinator and all associated library field work activities. All continuing education workshop activities, the toll-free 800 number for interlibrary loan and reference, the 800 toll-free access to ODIN, the State Library's current funding support for the EasyLink network, the Governor's Advisory Council on Libraries, postage, supplies, telecommunications and delivery of materials to unserved areas or areas with inadequate services are also lost. Books and materials for the library collection, the entire Blind & Physically Handicapped program, and \$36,620 reserved for competitive grants for library services in state institutions will also be eliminated.

The budget is now passed to the Senate as HB-1003. It will be heard March 12. Please contact your senator and explain the results of this loss of funds to yourself or your library. For more information, contact Bill Strader (224-2717) or Mike Jaugstetter (224-4654) at the State Library.

LSCA TITLE II APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

The February 8, 1993 deadline to submit notifications of intent to apply for Title II Public Library Construction and Technology Enhancement funds drew 19 applications, totalling \$581,400. The 1993 State Library federal allotment of Title II funds is \$127,118. With \$432,528 more dollars requested than available, competition will be very tight. The Governor's Advisory Council on Libraries meets May 3 and 4 in Bismarck to review grants and make funding recommendations. The State Librarian's decisions on final awards is scheduled for June 1, 1993.

WORKSHOPS

MINITEX/OCLC Training Workshops:

- March 1 - Minot State (Update)
 - 2 - State Library, Bismarck (Update)
 - 24 - NDSU, Fargo (Workflow)
- May 4 - Bismarck Public Library (A-V Media Format)
- 5 - Bismarck Public Library (Workflow)
- 6 - Minot State (PRISM Searching)

State Library Spring Workshops:

- April 26 - Grand Forks
- 28 - Bismarck

Topics to be addressed (at both locations) include:

- * Information, Technology and the Future
- * Grantwriting
- * Electronic Publishing and the Future
- * Preservation (tentative)

Each workshop will be presented once in the morning, and again in the afternoon, at both locations. For more information, contact Mike Jaugstetter or Sue Clark (701) 224-4654.

MINITEX OFFERS COOPERATIVE PURCHASING SAVINGS PROGRAM

MINITEX staff coordinates the cooperative purchase of items to provide discounts to participating libraries - including school libraries. Some of these items are:

- * **3M Tattle Tapes** - Detection strips which provide an audible warning when library materials are removed without being checked out.
- * **CD-ROM Products** - databases and equipment.
- * **Serials Exchange Programs** that allow libraries to obtain back issues, reference materials and sets of periodicals.
- * **Office/Library Supplies** through DEMCO and Highsmith.
- * **Bar Code Labels** from Vanguard ID Systems

This is a very abbreviated list of products available through the program. More complete descriptions of products and order forms are available from MINITEX by calling Tina Hamilton (612/626-7533) or Tim Peters (800/462-5348).



State Library Staff (L to R) Doris Daugherty, Pam Deneault and Mark Bowman offered information and ODIN and SENDIT demonstrations at "Education Showcase '93" held in Bismarck January 29 & 30.

JOB OPENING

Position is now open for Director of Carnegie Regional Library. The multi city/county public library, located in Grafton, North Dakota, serves approximately 33,000 patrons in a 3-county area, with a budget of \$124,000. Preferred qualifications: MLS, experience in library administration, library automation, budget planning and preparation, community outreach, public relations. Salary is negotiable, based on qualifications. Send letter of application, resume, and names, addresses and telephone numbers of three professional references, to: Sue Votava, President, Carnegie Regional Library Board, Box 72, Nash, ND 58264. Closing date: Indefinite.

FOR SALE: 2 heavy black metal paperback racks; hold 250-300 books. \$25 each. Contact Blanche at the Carrington City Library (652-3921) afternoons.

LIBRARIES CHANGE LIVES

The theme for National Library Week 1993 and 1994 is "Libraries Change Lives." This is the first time the National Library Week theme has been selected for two consecutive years. The dates are April 18-24, 1993 and April 17-23, 1994.

For more information about National Library Week activities contact the ALA Public Information Office, 50 E. Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60611 (1-800-545-2433, ext. 5044)

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LIBRARIES IN THE NEWS

Grand Forks - Two rare books stolen a decade ago by convicted thief Steven Blumberg of Iowa were among nearly 20,000 he took from libraries across the United States and Canada. The books, printed over a century ago, were returned to UND Chester Fritz Library by the FBI. ... and the UND Medical Library has been approved for a \$350,000 grant from Kresge Foundation, to be used toward a new library building. **Glen Ullin** - A campaign to remodel and furnish a new library is underway. **Bowman** - The Phelan Memorial Library has received \$1,050 worth of books through a Libri Foundation (Eugene, Oregon) grant. **Parshall** - People's Bank & Trust has donated \$1,000 to the high school library and \$1,000 to the elementary school library. **Cavalier** - Remodeling to comply with Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) specifications has been completed. **Grafton** - Carnegie Regional's new toll-free number: 800-568-5964. **Dickinson** - Western Auto Club made their 14th annual donation of automobile related books and magazines to the Dickinson Public Library. **Hazen** - Hazen Public Library offers Hazen residents access to an on-line bill status system during the 1993 Legislative Session. **Valley City** - Valley City Public Library had a Chocolate Lovers Delight Bake Sale - proceeds were used to update the reference collection. They are compiling a "Chocolate Lovers Recipe Booklet," too! **Watford City** - The merger between Watford City Arne "Bob" Sanford Library and McKenzie County Rural Library is in progress. **Riverdale** - McLean-Mercer Regional Bookmobile will try a new venture - running a summer route. The bookmobile was started in 1957 by a Riverdale Womens Club. Mercer County joined in 1959. **Bismarck** - Now patrons can drop their books off after business hours at the State Library - we have a new book drop!!!

REFERENCE
CORNER

The North Dakota State Library is offering hands-on training of the Online Dakota Information Network (ODIN). ODIN is also now available on SENDIT. The training is given on the second Tuesday of every month, beginning at 9:30 a.m., at the State Library. For more information or an appointment, call 224-4622.

ATTENTION POETS!!!

\$12,000 in prizes will be awarded to over 250 poets in the North American Open Poetry Contest. Entry deadline: March 31, 1993. Any poet, previously published or not, can be a winner. To enter, send ONE original poem, any subject or style, to: National Library of Poetry, 11419 Cronridge Dr., Owings Mills, MD 21117. The poem should be no more than 20 lines, and the poet's name and address should appear on the top of the page.

LSCA DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE

The Library Services and Construction Act requires the State Library to provide yearly and long-range plans of service to the U.S. Department of Education in order to qualify for Federal funds. An annual plan documents the activities expected to occur in the areas of Public Library Services (Title I), Public Library Construction and Technology Enhancement (Title II) and Library Resource Sharing (Title III). A five-year long-range program expands the above programs as well as lists activities in the areas of Library Services to Native Americans, and Literacy Foreign Language Materials Acquisition. Copies of all documents are included in the State Library collection and are available through interlibrary loan.

CALDECOTT AND NEWBERY AWARD WINNERS

Caldecott winner: "Mirritte on the High Wire" by Emily Arnold McCully. Honor books: "7 Blind Mice" by Ed Young; "The Stinky Cheeseman and Other Fairly Stupid Tales" by Jon Scieszka; "Working Cotton" by Shirley N. Williams.

Newbery winner: "Missing May" by Cynthia Rylant. Honor books: "The Dark 30" by Patricia McKissack; "Somewhere in the Darkness" by Walter Dean Meyers; and "What Hearts" by Bruce Brooks.

NORTH DAKOTA CENTER FOR THE BOOK

North Dakota Center for the Book, a statewide organization promoting and celebrating books, the literary arts and North Dakota's intellectual heritage, currently has 37 members. It is governed by a nine-member advisory board, with the State Librarian acting as a non-voting ex-officio member. The organization is truly statewide, with board members from across the entire state, chosen because of their interest in books, reading and libraries.

Chairman Mary Helen Pelton, Dean of Continuing Education at UND, Grand Forks, and is a well-known storyteller and author of several books. Vice-chairman Erik Sakariassen, is vice-president of Saks News, Bismarck. Secretary-treasurer Sue Bicknell, Lincoln, works at the State Library and hosts a weekly folk music program on Prairie Public Radio. Other members include Leah Calbreath, bookmobile librarian for Dickinson Public Library; Ceil Anne Clement, 5th grade teacher in Hettinger and also a well-known storyteller; Mary Miller, rural Garrison, substitute teacher and a past board member of the McLean-Mercer Regional Library; Jane Shaar, library and literary arts supporter from Minot; Jill Denning, Washburn, works for the North Dakota Newspaper Association; and Carl Wichman, manager of Prairie House, Inc., a wholesaler of regional small press books out of Fargo.

If you're interested in learning more about the North Dakota Center for the Book, or becoming a member, contact a board member in your area or call Nancy Maxwell at the State Library (224-3681).

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MULTITYPE LIBRARY AUTHORITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

January 4, 1993

Chairman Sharon Evensen brought the meeting to order in the Heritage Center, Bismarck, at 10:18 a.m. Members present: Leeila Bina, Sharon Evensen, LaDean Moen, Bill Stader, Corliss Mushik and Joe Linnertz. Also present: Debbie Musselman, Cyndy Schaff, Marcella Schmaltz, Tom Jones, Nancy Maxwell, Shirley Leno. Absent: Jerry Kaup.

Minutes of the September, 1992 meeting were read. After correction (page 2, paragraph 4, line 23) was made from "ESCA monies" to "ESEA monies," minutes were approved.

New Dimensions Information Authority

Debbie distributed copies of the 9/23/92 - 10/23/92 NDIA report. Two retro conversion systems have been purchased and installed with LSCA and NDIA funds. Training will begin in January. NDIA ILL code is closely based on North Dakota's ILL code.

Governor's Budget

Sharon said funds for the MLA Committee were not included in Sinner's budget; Joe doesn't expect it to be included in Schafer's budget, either. He said the \$50,000 for MLA was not included in DPI's budget as stated in the September MLA minutes. Bill said he feels the MLA will have a better chance to go through if it's part of the State Library's budget, so \$150,000 will be included in the Library's budget request. Joe said budgets will be defended as submitted; nothing will be given up.

Corliss feels that universities are well funded; she suggested that they might pick up ODIN costs. She said federal funds should not be used to pay State Library rent. She suggested that Sharon and other MLA Committee members should be present at the budget hearing, and House members should be contacted - especially new ones. She said information should be short and factual, and a brochure should be included. Joe made a motion to reprint 1,000 MLA brochures; seconded by LaDean; motion carried. Joe said money for MLA mailings can be taken from the MLA account.

"It's important to keep MLA's alive, even at a reduced amount," Corliss said. "Librarians need to work together, otherwise libraries will fail." Joe said "people from outside the Capitol" have more effect/influence on legislators than State staff. He said citizens should contact their legislators. Sharon moved to support reinstating the MLA appropriation in the State Library's budget, and to prepare a separate piece of legislation to be submitted. Seconded by Bill; motion carried. Joe and Bill will get a bill draft to Corliss. Corliss said the situation is not as desperate as stated in the press.

MINITEX Workshops

Bill noted that workshops scheduled in Minot and Williston on days that the State Library budget may be heard were set by MINITEX staff and could not be changed by the State Library. He suggested that workshops be repeated at a later date.

The committee adjourned at 11:35 a.m. to plan strategy for educating legislators about MLA's.

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SOMETHING TO CONSIDER

The good news: We are saying "YES" to our libraries - public, academic, school, multitypes - and the many vital services provided through the State Library and its budget. April is a time of celebration for libraries with The American Library Association's "National Library Month"- and, more specifically - "National Library Week." April is also when we celebrate the importance and contribution of school library media centers with "School Library Media Month." And, although the recent legislative session didn't provide sufficient funding for North Dakota libraries, in comparison, we didn't fare too badly.

The challenge now is to keep libraries a statewide priority. Remember back to September when I presented our budget package to the Office of Management and Budget? At that hearing I justified full funding of State Aid to Public Libraries, which included \$700,000 in new State funds to equal \$1.7 million; \$150,000 in new State funds for multitype library authorities within the State Library's budget; \$117,500 in new State funds for starting up the North Dakota State Library's Blind and Physically Handicapped Library; and \$85,000 of new State funds to address the condition of school library services which would have funded a full-time field school librarian.

Because of increasing costs of reference and research materials, increasing demands placed on the State Library for reference and research services, and because our book and materials acquisition dollar amounts have remained flat-funded for several bienniums, I felt justified in requesting \$155,000 in new State funds be added into our book budget. I requested \$68,000 in new State money for a cataloger to help bring us current with the State Document Depository Program, and \$134,000 in new State funds for ODIN training in school and public libraries. Again, at the OMB hearing, I emphasized my interest and concern for THE NORTH DAKOTA BLUE BOOK and related publications, such as THE NORTH DAKOTA PERIODICALS INDEX. In December, an offer made by the Secretary of State's Office to produce a new edition of THE BLUE BOOK was accepted by the BLUE BOOK Task Force. But the Secretary of State's Office later reversed their position on the expenditure of State funds. Although still greatly needed, a new edition of THE BLUE BOOK remains questionable at this time.

We now have firm dollar appropriations from this legislative session for the Multitype Library Authority pilot project (NDIA) for two years of work and development at \$50,000. State Aid to Public Libraries, at \$893,000, is down about \$107,000 from the 1991 level and is now just enough to meet our federal LSCA maintenance of effort requirements for Title I funding. Further news is that the school library field position has not been funded from the state general fund. Our next effort will be to try to get this position funded from federal ESEA Chapter II funds. I am investigating how to address the \$134,000 still needed, but also not State funded, to provide for comprehensive ODIN training in school and public libraries. This is critical, as we are in a time when several important library technologies are headed towards compatibility. ODIN will most likely be DYNIX based. Bismarck Public, Mandan Public, and the University of Mary have announced that they plan to bring up their system with DYNIX. There seems to be another great opportunity for more joint statewide automation efforts. And now, for the first time, legislative intent directs us to bring up the North Dakota Talking Books Program for the blind and physically handicapped in North Dakota. Associated State Library rent charges have been waived for the biennium, but many questions still remain and much negotiating must still be done with the parties affected by this pending change: South Dakota State Library, which has the current contract for this service, North Dakota School for the Blind, which has the machine lending division, and the North Dakota State Library, which was charged to bring up the Talking Book Library.

DATES OF INTEREST

May

3-4 - Governor's Advisory
Council on Libraries (Bismarck)
27-29 - Manitoba Library Assoc.
Spring Conference (Winnipeg)

June

8-10 - 2nd Annual Teaching
and Technology Conf. (Bismarck)
17-20 - Canadian Library
Association (Hamilton, Ontario)
24-July 1 - ALA Annual
Conference (New Orleans)

July

2 - National Literacy Day

September - Library Card Sign-up
Month

25-Oct. 2 - Banned Books Week

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SOMETHING TO CONSIDER, Continued

We are also facing more challenges - not only at the State level - but at the Federal level as well. No money funded in LSCA Title II for fiscal 1994 means North Dakota will lose \$125,000 in Federal dollars. When you see more dollars in LSCA Title I, realize that they do not translate into more money for North Dakota because we are a state that is dropping in population. I know it will be difficult under the current formula to see any increase in North Dakota's Title I allotment. Title III remains at the same level but that, too, is a further net reduction since costs associated to Title III expenditures have gone up. Overall, total LSCA dollars are being reduced by ten percent. Postal revenues forgone will greatly impact all libraries' postage expenditures. It now looks like the postal service book rate is about to be dropped. It's been tough going for the whole library community, both in Washington, DC and in Bismarck. A further set-back: no funds were appropriated for Title II NEA Library Training and Education.

At this point, where are the winners? Not school libraries, and in my judgement, not public libraries, either. I doubt that our public and academic libraries will see much, if any, improvement. Again, I ask all parties concerned with statewide library issues to back the NDSL/DPI proposal to enter into a partnership with the North Dakota University System to go forward in a statewide planning process with the North Dakota Consensus Council. Something to consider as we are already looking towards 1995 and the next legislative session!

Bill Strader, State Librarian

NEW NLS PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE AT THE STATE LIBRARY

The National Library Service (NLS) for the Blind and Physically Handicapped of the Library of Congress has recently published a reference circular entitled **Deaf-Blindness: National Organizations and Resources**. The circular includes information on all areas of service: rehabilitation, education, information and referral, recreation, and sources for adaptive devices and products. It also contains a bibliography. In addition to adding new material to a bibliography of work by Maya Angelou, NLS has also published a minibibliography entitled **The Wagons West Series** by Dana Fuller Ross (1914-1988).

For copies of these publications, contact Sally Oremland, Consultant on Service to Blind & Physically Handicapped, at the State Library.

LIBRARIES IN THE NEWS

Fargo - NDSU received a truckload of Lawrence Welk memorabilia, including Welk's desk, private papers, and an original bubble machine from his show. **Wildrose** - The Wildrose Lions Club donated \$256 to the Divide County Library for purchase of 16 microfilms of Wildrose area newspapers. **Milnor** - The 3rd grade class made hearts and the 2nd grade class made pictures and wrote poems about Jack Frost to "spice up" the library. **Harvey** - has been awarded a \$500 mini-grant from the Ezra Jack Keats Foundation. **Killdeer** - Many new parenting books have been purchased through a Power Parenting Grant received by the school library. **Mandan** - The money given to the Mandan Public Library by Mandan Lions Club Sight Committee will be used for large-print books. **Williston** - James Memorial Library Preservation Society has been organized and will begin a membership and fundraising campaign to save the building, which is on the National Register of Historic Places. A grant foundation library has been established at UND Williston. **Enderlin** - Ransom County Retired School Teachers donated money to buy trees for the library grounds. **Glen Ullin** - Donations toward the library project will be used to furnish the recently acquired Schneider-Hedahl Building. **Lakota** - Holicky American Legion Post #21 presented Lakota City Library with \$400. Other donations from the Legion have furnished the library with books, bookshelves, and encyclopedias, and Lutheran Brotherhood Branch 8849 donated 4 new videos. **Aneta** - Plans are in process for a Library Grand Opening to be held during the "Aneta Turkey Barbeque" weekend June 18-20. **Grafton** - Carnegie Regional held an "Open House" March 18 to mark 100 years of service. **Wahpeton** - A Bremer Multi-cultural grant has helped the SSS Mildred Johnson Library secure a "Liberty Loan Poster" traveling exhibit from the ND State Historical Society. The posters urged Americans to buy war bonds during World Wars I and II. **Grand Forks** - 15 tons of patent records (2,000 boxes!) have been donated to UND Chester Fritz Library Patent and Trademark Collection by the Broward County Library, Ft. Lauderdale, FL. **Dickinson** - Six new terminals will link the Public Library with the ODIN system. **Park River** - The library board hosted an "Open House" Sunday, April 4, to discuss organizing a "Friends of the Library Society" and to exchange ideas with people interested in the library. The board is concerned about maintaining current services if state funds are reduced. **Hazen** - The library closed March 17th for final remodeling; will re-open soon. **Rugby** - The Heart of America Library hosted the 23rd annual Heart of America Fine Arts, Photography and Poetry Show during National Library Week April 18-24. **Ashley** - Three videos - "Rainforests," "Volcanoes," and "Hawaii" have been shown at the Library, and are now available for home video viewing. **Valley City** - With cuts in the book budget, a \$5,000 bequest to be used for purchasing books was really appreciated by the library.

FELLOWSHIP TO SERVE NATIVE AMERICANS

University of Texas Graduate School of Library and Information Science has one U.S. Dept. of Education master's fellowship available for 1993-94 to train a library and information science specialist who desires to work with Native American populations. The fellowship is for the 12-month period beginning September, 1993. The Fellow will receive a monthly stipend of \$450, as well as payment of tuition and fees.

Applications should be accompanied by a cover letter expressing interest in being considered for this Title IIB Fellowship, an indication of financial need, and a statement of interest in work with Native Americans. Minorities are encouraged to apply. Applications received by May 3, 1993 will receive priority in the selection process. Final selections will be made June 4.

For more information, call or write: Dr. Lorlene Roy, Graduate School of Library & Information Science, University of Texas, Austin, Texas 78712-1276 (512) 471-3892; FAX: (512) 471-3971.

LAMMERS NEW HANKINSON LIBRARIAN

Peggy Lammers, former assistant at Hankinson Public Library, has replaced long-time librarian Anna Roeder, who retired last October. Working as assistant librarian under Roeder since October, 1985, helped prepare Peggy for her new job. Volunteers help circulate the library's 6,000+ items and assist with Thursday "Story Hours." Books and materials are now being circulated to residents of St. Gerard's Nursing Home under a program recently initiated by the library.



Peggy Lammers

CENSORSHIP EXHIBIT AVAILABLE TO LIBRARIES

The Long Island Coalition Against Censorship has developed an exhibit, Censorship in Schools and Libraries, which is traveling on a monthly basis to public, secondary, and college libraries throughout the country.

This history of censorship in schools and libraries highlights incidents that occurred in the U.S. during the last 100 years. It also presents recent U.S. Supreme Court decisions regarding scientific creationism and freedom of expression in public schools.

Cost: \$30, including mailing charges. Call Donald Parker, Long Island Coalition Against Censorship, P.O. Box 296, Port Washington, NY 11050 for more information.

REFERENCE CORNER

The North Dakota State Library has established a policy of circulating reference books. The books will only be loaned to libraries; individuals can obtain reference books by going through their library. The loan period will vary, depending on demand. In cases where the reference book is in daily use, photocopies will be offered instead of loaning the book. At times, a stipulation will be added that the reference book must be used at the borrowing library. If you have any questions, please call 224-4662 or 224-4656.

DEVILS LAKE STUDENTS READ "GREAT BOOKS"

A new literary program focusing on great works past and present was launched at Devils Lake High School this school year. Sam Johnson, communications specialist/librarian at Devils Lake High, taught the Introduction to Great Books course, which he describes as a college preparatory program of interpretive reading, writing and discussion. Johnson says the program has been very successful and invites anyone interested in learning more about it to contact The Great Books Foundation, 35 E. Wacker Drive, Suite 2300, Chicago, IL 60601.

PROGRAM REDEDICATES EAST ASIAN ROOM

On April 25, UND Chester Fritz Library held a rededication of the newly refurbished Chester Fritz East Asian Room. The room was endowed by UND benefactor Chester Fritz to showcase numerous objects d'art from his personal collection of East Asian artifacts. He attended UND from 1908 to 1910 and gave \$1 million for construction of the Chester Fritz Library and \$1 million for the Chester Fritz Auditorium.

UND, the North Dakota State Library, and the North Dakota Center for the Book sponsored "An Evening of Storytelling" at the Library, which featured five North Dakota storytellers: Ceil Anne Clement, MaryLou Wittman, Adam Monley, Mary Helen Pelton, and Bill Lowman.

The North Dakota Center for the Book was founded in November, 1992 and is affiliated with the National Center for the Book at the Library of Congress. The Center sponsors literary events statewide and is one of twenty-six centers across the nation. North Dakota's chapter is the most recently organized. All Centers are non-profit and associated with state libraries. Proceeds from the event benefited the Chester Fritz Library and the North Dakota Center for the Book.

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON LIBRARIES

The Governor's Advisory Council on Libraries (ACOL) met in Bismarck on March 1, 1993. New Council members appointed by Governor Schafer and the constituencies they represent are: Jerry Kaup, Minot, (Handicapped); Lee Lampert, Fortuna, (School Libraries); Mary Ann Cavanaugh, St. Michael (Disadvantaged); and Roanne Masterson, Bismarck (Special Libraries).

Library-related budget items in bills now before the Legislature were of major concern and discussion. A resolution was passed to be presented to legislators, endorsing the ACOL's major concerns: (1) support State Aid to Public Libraries at \$1 million; (2) fund multipurpose library project at \$50,000; and (3) move the Talking Book program from South Dakota to North Dakota.

ACOL Chair Judy Ringgenberg was elected to represent the Council at National Library Week activities in Washington, D.C. during the week of April 19th. Judy, along with a small North Dakota delegation, will visit with North Dakota's congressional delegation to discuss the role of federal Library Services & Construction Act (LSCA) funds in the development of North Dakota's libraries. This year's Legislative Day efforts will be of more significance than most, since LSCA is due for reauthorization in 1994. National legislators are being encouraged to allow more flexibility in the law that will permit states to address individual concerns.

The Council's next meeting will be May 3 and 4 in Bismarck to make recommendations on this year's institutional, construction, and technology grants.

JUST THE FACTS: GREAT LIBRARY SUCCESS STORIES

A write-in campaign to collect and promote true stories of how "Libraries Change Lives" is being conducted April 18-May 18. People of all ages are encouraged to submit entries, telling in 100 words or less how the library changed/made a difference in their life. Entries should be typed or printed and may be accompanied by drawings, audio- or videotapes. Include name of person submitting, age, address, home and daytime telephone numbers and the name of the library where submitted. These testimonials and statements of support will be used to demonstrate to legislators how libraries make a difference and the public support for these services.

Original statements must be forwarded to ALA headquarters no later than June 1, 1993. Send to: American Library Association, 50 E. Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60611, Attention: Rally for America's Libraries. Local libraries should forward all entries. Libraries should keep copies, if desired, as originals will not be returned.



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Bill Clinton
Governor

October 21, 1992

Linda K. Wallace, Director
Public Information Office
American Library Association
50 East Huron Street
Chicago, Illinois 60611

Dear Linda:

I have always had a great love for reading. When I was just two years old my grandfather taught me how to read. Dick and Jane was my first book.

As a young person growing up in Hot Springs, Arkansas, I have many fond memories of the time I spent in the Garland County Library. And as a student in high school and college my love for learning was fostered and enhanced by the all the resources I made use of in the libraries where I studied. As a college student I spent many hours in the library. It was the place where I would meet friends to research, to analyze and to discuss course topics.

Today the library is not only a special place for me but for my family as well. As a father, I encourage my daughter to use and enjoy all the treasures that can be found in the library.

The library made a difference in my life. The library offers a wonderful world of learning. I hope others will discover the library and let it change their lives.

Sincerely,

Bill Clinton

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Enclosure

Libraries Change Lives

I believe America's libraries play a vital role in empowering people of all ages to learn and grow and to exercise their right to know in a democratic society. I believe our nation's libraries must be fully supported in the Information Age.

Please share how the library has made a difference in your life:

Your name (please print) _____ Age _____

Address _____ City, State _____ ZIP _____

Your library _____

Return to your library or the American Library Association,
Attention: Rally for America's Libraries, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611.

**1993 SUMMER CLASSES FOR
LIBRARIANS/MEDIA SPECIALISTS**

Mayville State University (June 7 - July 16)
 LISC 250 - Introduction to Library & Info Science
 LISC 320 - Young Adult Literature
 LISC 405 - Practicum
 LISC 410 - Reference Sources & Services
 LISC 475 - Special Projects

Educational Technology Workshop (June 1-4). Hands-on experience in educational media for students in teacher education. For more information contact Betty Karaim, Byrnes-Quanbeck Library, MSU, 330 3rd Street NE, Mayville, ND 58257 (701/786-4815)

Valley City State University
 LIBM 295 - Multimedia Design & Production (June 1-4 & 7-11)
 LIBM 370 - Reference Materials & Services (June 1-5 & 7-11)
 LIBM 380 - Non-Print Cataloging & Classification (June 14-25)
 LIBM 460 - Library Practicum (June 1-12 or June 15-July 17)
 LIBM 495 - Grantwriting (May 25-28)
 LIBM 495 - Computer Searching in Libraries (July 19-21)

In order to qualify participants as media specialists in North Dakota elementary and secondary schools, the core courses of the Library Media minor are being taught during summers in a 3-year sequence. These courses are required for the Library Media Minor, leading to certification by DPI. For further information contact Darryl Podoll, Allen Memorial Library, VCSU, Valley City, ND 58072 (701/845-7275 or 1-800-532-8641)

**FARGO PUBLIC HAS NEW COMPUTER FOR
VISUALLY IMPAIRED READERS**

\$10,000 worth of computer equipment designed to aid the visually impaired was recently donated by Fargo area Lions Clubs and US West to the Fargo Public Library.

The computer system features an array of machine assisted reading functions, including software that converts words printed on the screen and scanned printed materials into speech. Any material - books, magazines, manuals, etc. - available on disc could become accessible to persons with limited vision. Large print software allows portions of the screen to be enlarged, and color contrasts can be modified to provide greater visibility.

For detailed information about the computer, call Diane Briggs at Fargo Public Library (701-241-8111).



Participants of the Flickertale Book Awards were, front, L to R: Kellie Gilbertson, Nicole Welle, Kyle Thilmony, Rusty Remmick and Tory Helgeson; back row, L to R: Sadie Anderson, Alexie Adair, Stacey Geyer and Stacy Lemmus

ENDERLIN READERS ARE WINNERS!

Enderlin School readers in grades K-6 have been racing through ten good books that were nominated for the Flicker Tale Book Award. According to school librarian Lollie Adair, 265 students read the ten books a grand total of 1,729 times during the six-week promotion.

Voting results announced *Signmaker's Assistant* by Tedd Arnold and *Totally Disgusting* by Bill Wallace as the top vote-getters. These results will become part of the statewide vote total as children across North Dakota all have the opportunity to participate in selecting the two books that will be awarded the Flicker Tale Book Award under the sponsorship of the North Dakota Library Association and The North Dakota Humanities Council.

For four consecutive years, this cooperative effort of Enderlin Municipal Library and Enderlin Public School Library has helped make every young reader a winner.

- Enderlin Independent

1993 FLICKER TALE AWARD WINNERS

More than 15,000 North Dakota schoolchildren have voted *The Signmaker's Assistant* by Tedd Arnold and *Fudge-a-Mania* by Judy Blume as their favorite books, thereby winning the Flicker Tale Book Award for those authors. Award Chairperson Iris Swedlund said Arnold and Blume have been invited to North Dakota to receive their awards at the North Dakota Library Association Annual Conference to be held in Williston in late September. The project is sponsored by the North Dakota Humanities Council and the North Dakota Library Association.

NATIONAL TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER CENTER

The National Technology Transfer Center at Wheeling, WV, was established to provide a user-friendly gateway to federal research and development resources to expedite the transfer of federally funded technology to American business and industry. A toll-free number (800-678-NTTC) provides callers with free person-to-person contacts leading to technology, expertise and facilities in the federal laboratory system. Requests are handled individually by technology access agents who will:

- (1) Identify the specific needs of the caller;
- (2) Use the Center's resources to locate current and completed research, and confirm the relevancy of that information with the appropriate federal agency;
- and (3) Provide laboratory contacts that the caller can use to secure answers to technical questions, explore licensing opportunities, and pursue cooperative research and development agreements.

To learn more about the NTTC gateway, contact the Marketing Department at: NTTC, Wheeling Jesuit College, 316 Washington Avenue, Wheeling, WV 26003 (304) 243-2456.

MLS PROGRAM COMING TO NORTH DAKOTA

Emporia (KS) State University, the North Dakota State Library, and the North Dakota University System are pleased to announce an ALA accredited MLS degree program will be available to the State in 1994. Applications should be available in September, in-state interviews for potential students conducted in February 1994, and classwork is tentatively set to begin in Summer, 1994.

Emporia faculty will come to a site in the Red River Valley for Friday night and Saturday classes. Some course classes may be transmitted to other locations in the State over the University System's interactive video network. The program does not require any residency work on the University's Kansas campus.

For the degree program to be viable, a minimum of forty students must enter the two-year cycle of classes. Interested students are encouraged to take the GRE test in anticipation of applying for admittance. For more information, contact Mike Jaugstetter at the State Library (1-800-472-2104).

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ACCESS & COMPATIBILITIES - SOMETHING TO CONSIDER

Having been a long-time member of Mountain Plains Library Association (MPLA), active on the executive board and a strong supporter of MPLA's continuing education commitment to its membership region, I thought you might find the following article to be of real interest, as I did.

Each MPLA state is given an opportunity to write a lead article for the monthly MPLA newsletter. North Dakota's MPLA delegate is Roann Masterson, who has been recently appointed to the Governor's Advisory Council on Libraries. What follows is a reprint of her article from MPLA's April newsletter. You will recall that the past legislative session appropriated another \$50,000 for the statewide multitype library committee's pilot project in Williston. Roann writes:

A "New Directions" task force produced what became Senate Bill 2448 in 1991, and subsequently, North Dakota Century Code 54-24.3-05. This legislation created options for voluntary regional frameworks for networking libraries to extend and supplement existing resources and services. "The intent was to build upon existing local strengths, collectively enhancing services as near home as possible - where people want and need them in their daily lives," said Sharon Evensen, chair of the statewide multitype library committee.

Under the 1991 statute, multitype library authorities (including school, public, academic and special libraries) can be created by various local entities getting together for the purpose of closely networking to improve existing library services. The State Superintendent of Public Instruction appointed a statewide planning committee, including one legislator, to develop one multitype library authority (MLA). The MLA committee began by informing librarians about MLA, establishing standards, and seeking applicants for the first MLA. A great deal of interest was generated and proposals were submitted from the northeast, the north central, and the northwest areas of North Dakota. New Dimensions Information Authority (NDIA) from the Williston area was chosen as the first North Dakota MLA.

NDIA, established in March, 1992, is a multitype library system in a four-county area of northwestern North Dakota. Membership includes twenty-three schools, two public libraries, and one academic library. During 1992 NDIA formalized its organization and developed bylaws. A coordinator was hired to assist with the creation of NDIA and to coordinate development of a union catalog of library materials held within the region. Currently NDIA members are using a union list of 545 periodicals to participate in interlibrary loan with other libraries.

When Debbie Musselman became coordinator of NDIA, headquartered in Williston, she and her board chose Lasercat as the retrospective conversion tool. "Quality was our number one concern in choosing a method for retrospective conversion," Debbie said. "As we convert our various card catalogs into a single automated union catalog, we want to follow all the correct cataloging standards. The fact that the records in Lasercat are full MARC records with name and subject headings established according to the national standards makes it very useful to us. We'll be able to provide our libraries and our patrons with better access than before and the access points will be consistent from library to library."

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DATES OF INTEREST

July 2	National Literacy Day
Aug. 11-13	Pacific Northwest Library Assoc./Montana Library Assoc. (Kalispell, MT)
16-19	Joint Education Conference/Vocational Education Conference (Bismarck)
Sept. 1-30	Library Card Sign-up Month
25-Oct 2	Banned Books Week
Nov. 15-23	National Children's Book Week

ACCESS & COMPATIBILITY, Continued

At this point, the NDIA has about 20,000 records in the union database and 60,000 additional records in some machine-readable format. Some member libraries don't have card catalogs at all and retrospective conversion will be done from the actual books. The NDIA conversion project has been underway for about three months. "So far, we're experiencing an 85-90% hit rate," Debbie said.

Recognizing the uniqueness of the individual libraries and librarians involved is essential. The NDIA is a multitype library authority designed to respond to the needs of the individual institution, improve local library services, and provide access to materials held regionally.

What strikes me as most important these days for North Dakota's libraries is access. How do we get it? How do we pay for it? Where are compatibilities? Seeing North Dakota's libraries accepting the full MARC record speaks well to the issue of access and compatibility. What are your thoughts?

SAVING WET BOOKS

Librarians are frequently asked how to save wet books. This need not be the tragedy people think it is.

1. Insert a paper towel about every 50 pages.
2. Stand the book on end on several sheets of toweling.
3. Open only the covers.
4. Frequently turn the book over so that the top and bottom are reversed, and replace the paper toweling.
5. Make sure there is good ventilation. A fan is a big help.
6. After the book dries, put weights on top of the book to flatten it out.

- CTLS NEWSLETTER 12/92

DRIS VOLUNTEERS HONORED

Dakota Radio Information Service (DRIS) recognized the work of its volunteers at a reception June 24 at the Radisson Inn.

Volunteers honored were: Duke Ellingson, Bernie Prouty, Sharon Zastoupil, Clarence Freimarck, Vivian Kuipers, Ott Helpfrey, Donna Addington, June McCann, Marcella Schmaltz, Carol Letteer, Lisa Graves, Joan Nelson, Karla Berg, Linda Schwartzbauer, Susan Tschider, Brian McClure, Mark Ellingson, Bonnie Barsness, Shirley Homuth, Becky Tschider, Patrice Lee, Corrine Easton and Elaine Geiger.

LONG-TIME LIBRARIANS RETIRE

Two librarians who have served North Dakota libraries for many years have decided to put the books away and retire.

After serving as librarian of Adams County Library, Hettinger for 32 years, Gerry Marion retired in April of this year. And nearly 30 years after beginning work at the Carnegie Regional Library in Grafton, Ora Marie Stewart will retire on June 30th.

These two librarians have seen many changes take place during their careers - from working in basement headquarters and typing catalog cards to new buildings and technology that allows online computer access to other libraries' holdings. Additionally, according to Stewart, patrons tend to read more for entertainment these days than to educate themselves.

When Gerry began working at Adams County Library in 1961, it consisted of 1,000 books and was located in the basement of the Courthouse. Under her leadership, the library received federal and state grants, and with additional donations from local service groups, county tax funds, and the generous donation of a building from a local citizen, it improved greatly. Today it circulates 33,827 books and has an extensive reference collection.



Mrs. Gerry (Claude) Marion

Ora Marie started out by typing library cards for \$1.50 per hour in 1965. After furthering her education, she became director of the bookmobile library in 1968. The Grafton Carnegie Library, established in 1894, merged



Ora Marie Stewart

with the Bookmobile Library in 1972. A new headquarters building was built with, among other funds - and because of area Anti-Ballistic Missile (ABM) sites where the bookmobile traveled - the only U.S. Department of Defense grant ever received by a library.

Grafton Carnegie is now the largest regional library system in the state. The Online Data Information Network (ODIN) allows the library access to libraries in North Dakota, South Dakota and Minnesota.

We extend our best wishes to both these ladies. May they, who have given so many years of their lives to improve library services in North Dakota, enjoy long and happy retirements.

LSCA GRANT AWARDS

State Librarian Bill Strader announced 1993 Library Services & Construction Act grant awards on June 1. Awards were made under two programs: Title I, Institutional Services and Title II, Public Library Construction and Technology Enhancement. Institutional Services grants will allow purchase of materials and equipment, and will provide additional staffing in six state institutions.

Title I Awards:

State Industrial School, \$4,000; School for the Blind, \$1,500; School for the Deaf, \$1,900; State Hospital, \$4,600; Veterans Home, \$4,800; and State Penitentiary, \$8,200.

Title II construction and technology funds were limited this grant cycle, and only two grants were funded, based on the priorities of services to the blind and physically handicapped and school/public library cooperation.

Title II Awards:

North Dakota State Library, \$42,118. The grant allows the purchase of initial equipment and furnishings to establish a state library for the blind and physically handicapped. At the present time, North Dakota contracts for this service with South Dakota.

Velva School and Public Library, \$85,000. The award will assist in the construction of a 9,800 sq. ft. library adjacent to the Velva High School. Separate public entrances, restrooms and meeting room will be provided to library users. The library will use the project to help demonstrate the value of adequate public library services to the residents of McHenry County, which has no library tax at this time. Representatives of Velva have already met with county commissioners, who have reacted favorably. Velva and the State Library are now in the process of developing a long-range plan for county-wide public library service to present to the county commissioners at their July meeting. Watch for future news concerning Velva's successes in upcoming issues of the FLICKERTALE.

REFERENCE CORNER

The North Dakota State Library is a depository for census information. Basic population and housing figures can be found, as well as a multitude of additional information. The census data is available either in paper format or CD-ROM. If any census material is needed please call the NDSL at 224- 4622.

MINIBIBLIOGRAPHY OF HERRIOT BOOKS AVAILABLE

The National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped of the Library of Congress has developed a minibibliography of autobiographic books on cassette tape, disc and in Braille by British nonfiction writer James Herriot. Contact Sally Oremland (701-224-2497) for a free copy.

POLICY CHANGE

In the past, the State Library has referred requests from non-depository libraries in the state for materials issued by state agencies. Due to restructuring of staff necessitated by budget cuts, the State Library will be asking non-depository libraries to request publications directly from the issuing agency. Please note that this change will not affect the policy on sending eight (8) depository copies to the State Library as required by NDCC 54-24-09. This change will be implemented July 1, 1993. If you have any questions concerning the above, please contact Mark Bowman at the State Library (224-4610).

DRIS EXPANDS RADIO READING SERVICE TO JAMESTOWN AREA

Dakota Radio Information Service (DRIS), a radio broadcasting service for persons who are unable to read regular print, went on the air in the Jamestown region on July 1.

DRIS, carried on a subcarrier of KPRJ, Jamestown Public Radio, is available to persons who cannot read or handle standard print material because of visual or physical disabilities. The service is made possible through a grant from the Public Telecommunications Facilities Program of the National Telecommunications & Information Administration of the U.S. Department of Commerce. Part of the local match for the grant was provided by Jamestown United Way. Members of the Central Valley District Nurses Association assisted in raising funds to purchase closed circuit FM-radio receivers needed to receive the programming. The receivers are loaned free of charge to persons who are eligible for the service.

The **Jamestown Sun** will be broadcast at 1:30 p.m. Monday through Friday with a rebroadcast at 6 p.m. Other newspapers being read are: **The Bismarck Tribune, The Mandan News, The Williston Herald, The Minot Daily News, and The Dickinson Press.**

In addition to local newspapers, DRIS carries "In-Touch," a New York City based radio reading service which features **The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal** and **USA Today** as well as over 100 current popular magazines. DRIS is on the air 18 hours a day, seven days a week.

DRIS broadcasts started in the Bismarck area in 1984. Since that time it has expanded to Minot, Williston, and Dickinson. Application forms for the free service are available at Alfred Dickey Public Library, Stutsman County Library, or from Sally Oremland at the State Library.

CENTER FOR THE BOOK RAFFLE WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The North Dakota Center for the Book held a raffle in conjunction with the Cowboy Poetry Gathering over Memorial Day weekend in Medora. Winners and their prizes: Sheila Schafer, Medora, "Cowboy's Library" (a collection of 20 books of prose and poetry donated by authors participating in the Gathering); Elaine Sease, McClusky, pottery donated by Marilyn Oyhus; Betty Huber, Dickinson, limited edition belt buckle donated by "The 'Hitchin' Post" of Medora; Irene Steig, Dickinson, two Medora Musical tickets donated by the Medora Foundation.

Prizes and ticket sales were coordinated by Leah Calbreath, Dickinson Public Library. She is also a board member of the North Dakota Center for the Book, an affiliate of the Library of Congress Center for the Book, whose mission is to promote books, reading, and the printed word.

NEH FUNDS POETS PROJECT

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) has awarded \$314,366 to the Modern Poetry Association to conduct a pilot program of "Poets in Person": Reading, Hearing, and Talking About Contemporary Poetry in America's Libraries in cooperation with the American Library Association. Thirty libraries will be selected to take part in the project during 1993-94.

This is the second library-based "Poets in Person" pilot program to be funded by the NEH. The first conducted during 1991-92 in 20 demonstration libraries in 18 states drew more than 2,000 people to libraries and other sites to discuss contemporary American poetry.

Libraries that have not participated in previous projects of this kind and those in geographical areas with limited access to public programs are encouraged to apply. Applications are available from: ALA Public Programs Office, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611. Telephone: 800-545-2433, ext. 5053, 5055. Applications must be postmarked no later than July 30.

EXPECT MORE CHANGES IN FEDERAL FUNDING

Federal funding for library programs has been identified as part of an offset to pay for the Clinton Administration's job-stimulus programs. Library programs scheduled for elimination include LSCA Library Literacy, College Library Technology, Library Training and Library Research/Demonstration grants.

The only two programs which are reported to be good bets to survive are LSCA Title I Public Library Services; and LSCA Title IV, Services to Indian Tribes. Title II, Public Library Construction and Technology Enhancement, has been zeroed out in the President's budget. Title II Interlibrary Cooperation may also be in danger of elimination.

The U.S. House of Representatives passed this proposed budget and we now await action from the Senate. If you have concerns regarding this budget proposal, contact your Senators. Further information concerning these federal library programs is available by contacting Mike Jaugstetter at the State Library.

NEW CENSORSHIP MATERIALS AVAILABLE

The Long Island Coalition Against Censorship has developed a new edition of the exhibit, "Censorship in Schools and Libraries," which will be available in time for Banned Books Week in the Fall. The exhibit (27 11x14 illustrations with accompanying 8x14 text) highlights incidents of censorship that have occurred in the U.S. during the last 100 years.

Cost (including mailing charges) is \$35. A letter or purchase order is acceptable. Requests for the mounted exhibit (new edition) are also being accepted for 1994 (the two sets are booked for 1993). For more information, call (516) 944-9799.

LIBRARIES IN THE NEWS

Beulah - Al Rebhahn donated 150 wildlife/guns/hunting/fishing books to the library. **Velva** - The Velva Womens Club "Tour of Homes" netted \$330 for the library. **Ashley** - \$2500 from the Ashley Endowment Fund bought a computer that will link the library with other libraries around the state. **New Rockford** - The Eagles Auxiliary presented the library with a \$300 check to purchase large-print books. **Hazen** - A ribbon-cutting ceremony on April 23rd marked the official opening of the newly remodeled library. **Harvey** - Mother Goose (Marvia Boettcher, Bismarck) and her well-behaved goose visited the library recently. **Carrington** - Librarian Blanche Stangeland says the pasta plant has brought people into the community and into the library! **Underwood** - Overdue fines were forgiven during National Library Week "Open House." **Bismarck** - BSC held a catalog card "dumping party" during National Library Week to mark the library's transition to a computerized card catalog. **Hazen** - 267 students received medals for reading accomplishments in the "Jog Across America" contest. **Tioga** - The school/public library merger went into effect June 1. **Wyndmere** - First graders had Librarian Brenda Tamlyn and Elementary Principal David Hanson eating their lunch on the school roof in the rain because the youngsters met (and exceeded!) a reading challenge. **Minot** - Magic City Campus media specialist Edna Boardman has published "Censorship: The Problem That Won't Go Away." **Langdon** - The Eagles Auxiliary donated \$300 to the Langdon City Library to purchase large-print books for the elderly. **Mayville** - GFWC Goose River Pioneer Daughters presented the MSU Byrnes-Quanbeck Library with \$1000 towards purchase of books. **Park River** - Board members and the newly formed "Friends of the Library" organization held a very successful (over \$1,700) fundraiser on May 17th. **Cooperstown** - Summer Reading Program for children in grades 1-8 is "Hook A Book At Your Library." **Milnor** - Story Hour at the library will be held every Wednesday (June 2 - July 21). **Wilton** - Thanks to donations from the Booster Club, the Lions Club, American Legion and B&T Trucking, the school library will be open to the public this summer Monday through Thursday, with some evening hours. **Lisbon** - The Lisbon Public Library Trustees launched a campaign to raise \$20,000 for an Endowment Fund. **Larimore** - Some of the Bremer Grant money that was awarded to the Special Education Association of Larimore bought library books for grades 3-6. **Fargo** - The library celebrated 25 years of service in their "new" home on May 8th. **Killdeer** - The Prairie Action League gave the library \$50 to purchase children's books.

NOTABLE CHILDREN'S BOOKS

The Children's Book Council is offering free reprints of "Notable 1992 Children's Trade Books in the Field of Social Studies" and "Outstanding Science Trade Books for Children in 1992." Books listed are written primarily for children in prekindergarten to eighth grade.

The Social Studies list is divided into ten categories: Anthropology; Biography; Contemporary Issues; Folktales; Geography; Life and History; Political Sciences; Reference Works; Sociology; and Songbooks and Folk Songs. Science book categories are: Animals; Archaeology, Anthropology, and Paleontology; Biography; Environment and Conservation; Nature and Life; Physics, Technology and Engineering; and Underwater and Outerspace.

Single copies are available free of charge from Children's Book Council (568 Broadway, Suite 404, New York, NY 10012). Include a stamped, self-addressed 6x9 envelope.

FREE BOOKS, SUPPLIES FOR LIBRARIES

Libraries can receive free books and supplies through an unusual corporate donations program. Available materials include office supplies, computer software and accessories, arts and crafts, atlases, books, toys and games, janitorial supplies, paper products, audio and video tapes, maintenance materials, and teaching supplies. These new goods are collected by a nonprofit called NAEIR, the National Association for the Exchange of Industrial Resources. It redistributes the products to 7,000 libraries, schools and nonprofits across the United States. Recipient organizations pay \$645 annual dues, plus shipping and handling. The products themselves are free and NAEIR says its members receive an average of \$7000 worth of supplies a year. Participants select what they need from 300-page catalogs issued every ten weeks, with a computer ensuring fair distribution. A moneyback guarantee protects all first-year members. You can get a free library director's information packet by dialing: 1-800-562-0955 or fax a request on library letterhead to: 1-309-343-3519.

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DRS. BILLINGTON, SCOTT AND JENKINSON COME TO GRAND FORKS

"Books without Boundaries" is the theme of a 2-day literary symposium hosted by the North Dakota Center For The Book. Events will be held September 9 and 10 in Grand Forks at the Grand Forks Public Library and at the University of North Dakota Chester Fritz Library. The purpose of the symposium is to promote books and reading from the perspective that "libraries know no borders" as they share ideas and information across community, city, district, county, state, provincial, territorial, national, and international lines. Joining USA participants will be a number of Canadian colleagues.

North Dakota is the twenty-seventh state to gain affiliated status with the Library of Congress Center For The Book program. LC is promoting books and reading under this year's banner: "Books Change Lives." It was with that spirit that William Strader, State Librarian and Frank D'Andraia, Director of Libraries at the University of North Dakota, extended an invitation to The Librarian of Congress, Dr. James Billington and the Canadian National Librarian, Dr. Marianne Scott to come to North Dakota. This is the first official visit to our state by either the Librarian of Congress or the National Librarian of Canada, and it's with great honor that we welcome these distinguished librarians to our Great State. Their talk - of interest to a wide audience - is jointly sponsored by the libraries of the University of North Dakota and the North Dakota Center for the Book.

A grant from the North Dakota Humanities Council brings Rhodes Scholar and native North Dakotan Clay Jenkinson to present his interpretation of Thomas Jefferson's perspectives on ideas, libraries, and the humanities. Other noted participants and honored guests include Dr. John Y. Cole, Director of the Center for the Book, Library of Congress, and Jef vanGool, Head of the Reading Promotion Department, Dutch Centre for Public Libraries and Literature, The Hague, Netherlands. Scheduled events listed are free to the public.

DATES OF INTEREST

September is Library Card Sign-up Month

- Sept. 8 - International Literacy Day
- 9-10 - "Books Know No Boundaries" Symposium (Grand Forks)
- 22-25 - NDLA Convention with Airport International Inn (Williston)
- Oct. 13-16 - NDEA Convention (Grand Forks Ramada Inn)

IN MEMORY

The North Dakota library community joins our sister state of Montana in mourning the death of Sheila Cates, Coordinator of Library Development at the Montana State Library, who died of cancer August 10th. Survivors include her husband, two children, and her parents. The family suggests memorials to St. Peter's Hospice, 2312 Lockey, Helena, MT 59601; or to the American Cancer Society. Condolences may be sent to the family at 437 S. Lambora, Helena., MT 59601.

- September 9 - 7:30 p.m. Grand Forks Public Library. Clay Jenkinson's historical dramatization of Thomas Jefferson in period costume.
- September 10 - 9:00 a.m. Grand Forks Central High School. Thomas Jefferson (Clay Jenkinson) will visit classes.
- 10:50 a.m. UND. Thomas Jefferson (Clay Jenkinson) will visit classes.
- 1:00 p.m. UND, Chester Fritz Library, Main Reading Room. Dr. BILLINGTON and Dr. SCOTT will discuss "Books Without Borders: views from the Library of Congress and from the National Library of Canada."
- 4:00 p.m. Reception also (open to the public) will be held in the UND Alumni House, offering an opportunity to visit with the national librarians.

LIBRARIES IN THE NEWS

Park River - The library received a \$200 donation from the "Young Women of Today" Club. **Hebron** - Storyteller Ceil Anne Clement presented a program at the library on June 25th. **Carrington** - An addition to the high school library will house an expanded computer center to be completed by August 15th. **Aneta** - At a grand celebration attended by many area dignitaries, including Lieutenant Governor Rosemarie Myrdal, the Aneta Library held ribbon-cutting ceremonies to officially open their new facility on June 19th. **Bismarck** - Veteran's Memorial Public Library's new electronic card catalog (INFO*LYNX), which includes the libraries of the University of Mary, and Mandan Public, will go online in October. **Glen Ullin** - Donations of \$500 from MDU and \$25 from Christian Mothers Club will help defray the costs of remodeling and refurbishing the library. **Devils Lake** - The Shakespeare Club recently presented the library with a check for \$100. A \$200,000 gift from James and Louise Collinson will be used to support the UND-Lake Region College library expansion project. **Grand Forks** - Construction began in July on a \$4.3 million library and auditorium addition to the UND Medical Science Building. **Northwood** - The Summer Reading Program attracted an average of 25 adults and children weekly. **Dickinson** - Health videos offering basic medical advice are available at the Public Library and from Dickinson area pharmacists. **Edgeley** - Rose Marie Brauer, author of "My North Dakota Childhood," visited the library July 3 for a book signing. **Riverdale** - Marvia Boettcher, Bismarck Veteran's Memorial Library, held a workshop for area librarians and volunteers who coordinate children's reading programs. **New England** - The summer reading program was the best ever - 90 participants read 5,787 books! With a library collection of only 3,200, that's amazing!!!

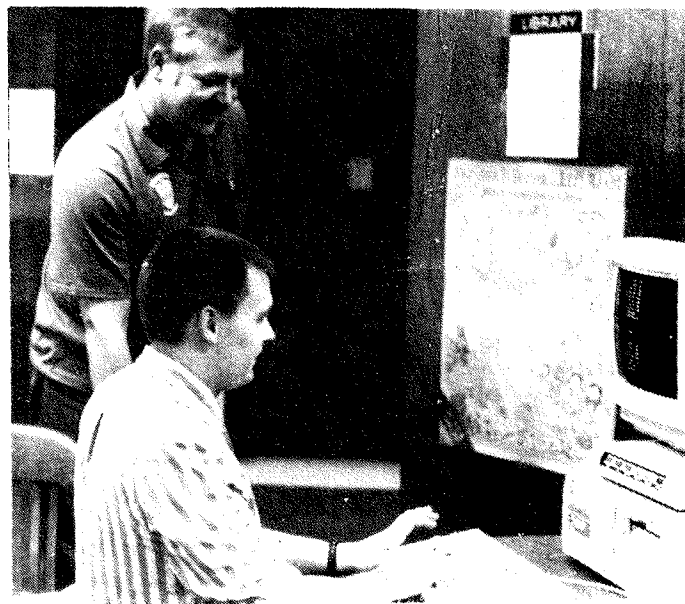
NEW SENDIT FEATURE

Thanks to a matching grant from the North Dakota Humanities Council, the North Dakota Center for the Book Bulletin Board will be a new feature on SENDIT beginning September, 1993. The bulletin board will serve as a statewide literary calendar and a forum for students and authors. Literary events will be listed by date and location. An author will be available online each month to respond to questions from students or teachers about his or her work, style, technique, getting published - anything that pertains to being an author. Other features will be added to the bulletin board over the course of the year. If your school, library or community has events to list, please send the information to Sue Clark at the State Library (224-4663).

LITERACY GRANT AWARDED

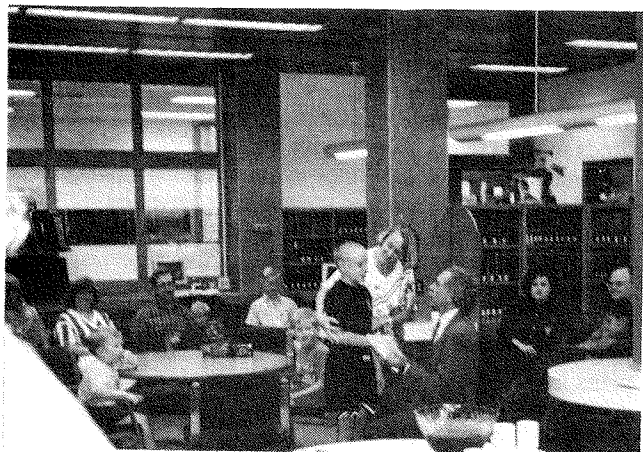
The North Dakota State Library and Literacy North Dakota are recent recipients of a \$35,000 LSCA Title VI USDOE grant. The purpose of the grant is to provide literacy tutoring projects statewide, with primary target clientele being under-educated, low-income individuals who live in rural areas, to whom literacy tutoring is not now readily available. A statewide literacy network through local public libraries will be established for meeting these needs of our rural state. The project is comprised of three integrated facets:

1. Development of literacy programs in local public libraries.
2. Public relations locally and statewide, to encourage participation in literacy tutoring and to build public support for literacy programs and clients.
3. A clearinghouse to collect and disseminate information for tutors and literacy program leaders, publish a monthly newsletter, and to maintain an up-to-date list of tutors currently available in the state.



Denny Liebel observes as Brian Erickson, automation coordinator from the State Library, set up a new computer system in the Underwood Public Library. A \$600 donation from the Nodak Sportsman's Club, a federal LSCA grant, and the sale of the library's old computer provided funding for the new system.

-Underwood



READING PROGRAM WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Governor Ed Schafer personally presented prizes to winners of the fifth annual Governor's Summer Reading Program for children with physical or learning disabilities at a reception held in their honor at the State Library on Thursday, August 19th.

Twenty-five North Dakota children between the ages of 6 and 15 participated in the program. First place winners: Jodi Johannes, Underwood; Francisco Villarrea, Beulah; Timothy Nordquist, Bismarck; Jesse Anderson, Fessenden. Second place winners: Reanne Tangedal, Westby, MT; Michael Thomas and Paul Lundstrom, Hazen. Third place: Billy Fisher, Beulah; and Raymond Barningham, Fargo.

AREA LIBRARIANS MAKE ALA LIST

Joseph Knue, who has written several books and articles for the ND Game and Fish Department, has two 1992 books included in the recommended list of the American Library Association. "Big Game of North Dakota; A Short History" and "The North Dakota Wildlife Viewing Guide" competed successfully with hundreds of federal, international, state and local governmental publications that represent the best government information sources published in 1992.

John P. Bluemle's book, "The Face of North Dakota," is a useful compendium for students, educators, and researchers interested in learning more about North Dakota's geology. Bluemle writes for the North Dakota Geological Society.

REFERENCE CORNER

Now available for loan at the North Dakota State Library is a list of large print books. The list may be checked out for 4 weeks. During that time, you are welcome to make a copy for your files. When requesting books from this list, please place one title per request form.

LSCA UP FOR REAUTHORIZATION IN '94

The Library Services & Construction Act (LSCA) will be up for reauthorization in 1994. The Act was originally created in 1956 to extend library services into rural America and has been amended several times to allow more project categories. As an indication of the Act's important impact in North Dakota over the past ten years, we offer the following total dollar amounts awarded to local libraries:

**LSCA AWARDS 1989 - 1993
Titles I, II & III**

Grand Forks	133,080	Rugby	10,340
Bottineau	127,622	Ellendale	8,800
Harvey	124,500	Devils Lake	8,501
Bismarck	113,154	Mohall	7,500
Velva	86,250	State Library	7,475
Garrison	64,150	Riverdale	7,000
Dickinson	63,092	Bowman	6,950
Minot Public	62,655	Killdeer	6,710
Hazen	60,000	NDLA	6,634
Cavalier County	58,085	Wahpeton	6,475
Turtle Lake	48,409	Cavalier City	5,235
Talking Book Lib.	42,118	Mayville	4,777
Enderlin	42,000	Watford City	3,828
Edgeley	38,226	Lakota	3,500
Ward County	37,599	Beulah	3,500
Grafton	32,945	New Rockford	3,006
UND Harley French	31,656	Stutsman County	2,710
New England	29,500	Walhalla	2,447
Washburn	26,250	Golden Valley Cnty	1,996
Hebron	26,250	Morton County	1,750
Williston	26,000	Pembina	1,741
Casselton	26,000	Linton	1,500
Fargo	23,802	Jamestown	1,500
Carrington	22,250	Cooperstown	1,250
Larimore	22,000	Underwood	1,170
Mandan	21,610	Rolla	1,000
Dakota Radio Info.	17,271	Stanton	750
Divide County	17,147	Park River	414
Lisbon	14,666	Ashley	300
Jamestown	12,547	Gackle	96
Aneta	12,500		

ODIN UPDATE

Two changes have been made in the ODIN dial-in ports at the State Library:

(1) Communication parameters were set at 7 Data Bits, 1 Stop and EVEN Parity. As of August 10, they are 8 Data Bits, 1 Stop Bit and NONE Parity.

(2) You can now dial into ODIN at 9600 bps. Faster modems have recently been installed on local dial-in and toll-free lines. If you have a 9600 bps or faster modem, you can take advantage of this improvement. If you have a 1200 bps or 2400 modem, you can still dial into ODIN, but you won't notice any faster response time.

GRANTS RECEIVED

The Libri Foundation of Eugene, Oregon donates matching funds to rural public libraries for purchase of quality children's books. Mary Hines of the Pembina County board has been notified that the county's traveling storyteller program will be receiving \$1,050. Libri will also donate \$600 to the Lisbon Public Library. Additionally, Lisbon director Arleen Bunt was notified that the library will receive \$15,000 from the Bremer Foundation. The funds will be used to establish book rental plans in communities with Bremer Banks.

WHO KNOWS?

Connie Kraft is curious to know the name and age of any librarian - past or present - who actively worked beyond 82 years of age in a North Dakota library. Connie, who is still actively employed as librarian of the Hope City Library, will celebrate her 82nd birthday August 28th. Can anyone out there top that?! Happy Birthday, Connie!

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LIBRARIES CHANGE LIVES, ELECTRONICS CHANGE LIBRARIES

Seeking to expand on a 1907 legislative mandate to provide "informational materials, advice, assistance and support services to libraries and the citizens of North Dakota," The North Dakota State Library has formed a very successful partnership with SENDIT, North Dakota's 24/hour, electronic K-12 Educational Telecommunication Network.

The partnership, without spending any scarce library dollars, created the SENDIT "Library Resources Menu." The program began operations this spring, connecting SENDIT users in every corner of North Dakota to ODIN (Online Dakota Information Network), PALS, LOCIS (Library of Congress Information System) and four other remote systems. SENDIT users can now search millions of bibliographic records in over 1,000 libraries worldwide.

The SENDIT team of Gleason Sackman and Dan Pullen, State Library consultant Eric Halverson and automation coordinator Brian Erickson, also developed a unique interlibrary loan system. The system allows SENDIT users who have a valid State Library Card to take the bibliographic descriptions they have located in remote library databases, and use them to request items from the State Library. "The request menu is clear and the forms are simple and very easy to use," reports Doris Daugherty, Head of Information Services at NDSL.

When a SENDIT ILL user, in even the most remote, rural area of North Dakota, answers "yes" to the question, "do you want to send this request?" - technology takes over. The request is transmitted to SENDIT over North Dakota's HECN (Higher Education Computing Network) to Fargo, relayed to the INTERNET, then switched to the State Library's AT&T EASYLINK mailbox. The entire process takes less than 10 seconds. At 8:00 a.m. the electronic mailbox is emptied in Bismarck. Requests for books and articles that can be filled from the State Library collection are in the mail by 2:00 p.m. THE SAME DAY! Same day mail service in North Dakota makes it common for patrons to have requests in their hands the next morning.

Requests for materials unavailable at the State Library are referred to libraries throughout North Dakota, the U.S. and Canada via ODIN and OCLC. If the owning library is in North Dakota, the materials are forwarded directly to the SENDIT patron. If the owning library is outside North Dakota, materials are sent to the State Library, which forwards them to the SENDIT patron.

To use SENDIT, patrons must have access to a computer, modem and a phone line. They must be legitimate K-12 SENDIT users. To access the ILL portion of the system, the patron must have a valid State Library card. State Library cards are free to any citizen of North Dakota. SENDIT users and school librarians who do not have a State Library card may order one by selecting #9 from the SENDIT LIBRARY RESOURCES MENU and #2 from the REQUEST AN ILL menu.

In the first 3 months that the system has been in operation, students and faculty have requested 4,207 items.

Books -----	2,648	Periodical Articles -----	1,117
Audio Visual Materials -----	130	Subject Information -----	312

325 persons have requested NDSL library cards.

For questions regarding database searching and interlibrary loan procedures call:

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604 East Boulevard Avenue	EASYLINK 62039030
Bismarck, ND 58505-0800	FAX 1-701-244-2040
Voice: 1-701-224-4622	
Toll free: 1-800-472-2104	

If you are a school librarian, teacher or administrator who needs assistance in bringing SENDIT to your school, please contact:

Dan Pullen, Education Coordinator	SENDIT=pullen
SENDIT PROJECT 226 IACC, NDSU	FAX 1-701-237-8541
Fargo, ND 58105	
Voice: 1-701-237-7208	

WILLISTON HOSTS NDLA

"North Dakota Libraries: Caring & Sharing" is the theme for the annual conference of the North Dakota Library Association. The conference is being held September 22-25 at the Airport International Inn, Williston.

Featured speakers include Bill Lowman (cowboy poet), Tedd Arnold (children's book author), Peter Harmon (director of the South Central Library System, Wisconsin), and banquet speaker Meryl Freje, nationally known speaker on leadership and a well-known storyteller. Workshops being offered include: Winnebago, Copyright Update, Stress for Librarians, Internet, and a Library Fees panel discussion.

For more information, contact Sharon Evensen at UND-Lake Region Library (662-1533).

NDEA MEETS IN GRAND FORKS

Lloyd Omdahl, veteran North Dakota political figure and humorist, will keynote the 1993 NDEA convention in Grand Forks October 13-15. Other program highlights of interest to school librarians include:

Wednesday - Exhibits Open

Thursday - Library Media Business Meeting, Effective Networking, Update on SENDIT, Awards Banquet

Friday - Weaving Dream Catcher Literacy, General Session (Friend of Education Award, Teacher of the Year)

For further information, contact Linda Harsche, NDEA (223-0450)

SELECTION OF PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEMBERS

July is usually the month library board members whose terms have expired leave the board and new members are appointed. This is just a reminder that all board members are required by State statute to be residents of the library's legal taxing authority and may not serve more than two consecutive 3-year terms on the board.

If your library is supported by city tax dollars, all board members must live within the city limits. If your library is supported by county tax dollars, board members must live within the county.

For further clarification of this requirement or other questions regarding library boards, read section 40-38-03 of the North Dakota Century Code or contact the State Library.

LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH

September is "Library Card Sign-Up Month" and "Literacy Month" in North Dakota. Did you know that there are an estimated 50,000 functionally illiterate adults in North Dakota? That's about one in every eight people! Tutoring is available to adults at no cost. Help celebrate the accomplishments of those who have already gone through the program by honoring them in September. For more information about literacy programs in your area, contact Literacy North Dakota at 701-663-3352.

ILL STATS

During the last quarter of the 1991-93 biennium, the State Library received 26,006 requests and successfully filled 92% of them. Our thanks to everyone out there and at the State Library for cooperating to make library materials available to our patrons. (Note: State Library ILL staff is composed of 3 FTE).

Type of Library	Subject Requests	Author/Title Requests	Total
Academic	152	2,562	2,714
Public	880	7,710	8,590
School	1,061	8,865	9,926
Gov't Agency	104	1,437	1,541
Unserved Citizens	420	2,815	3,235

NDSL also answered 5,910 telephone calls and 1,575 in-house reference questions.

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DATES OF INTEREST

Nov. 8	- Governor's Advisory Council on Libraries (Lisbon)
9	- OCLC Directors (Minot)
9	- MINITEX Workshop (Bismarck) "Introduction to OCLC's New Bibliographic Formats & Standards"
20	- Center for the Book "Tellabration" (Bismarck)
Dec. 3	- NDLA Executive Board (Valley City State) (tentative)
Feb. 5-10	- ALA Midwinter (Los Angeles)

SOMETHING TO CONSIDER

I attended the North Dakota Education Association (NDEA) annual conference and met up with Edna Boardman at the Library Media Association meeting. What follows is worth considering as school library improvement is of great importance to the mission and purpose of the North Dakota State Library.

- Bill Strader

Effective School Libraries Don't Happen by Chance

by Edna Boardman

When the White House Conference on Library and Information Services met in 1991, the conference selected a surprising priority. It recommended that the library world focus on school libraries and services to youth within public libraries, bringing to bear on them a high level of knowledge and resources, including technology.

We who teach young people in our rural state can relate to that. Our young people - ALL of them - deserve to have the means to become citizens of the world. And if the many who attend the universities are to succeed, they need to have at hand, throughout their school years, materials far broader ranging, far more supportive of the curriculum, far more up-to-date than the shelves of old encyclopedias and books and the handful of periodicals that tell of decades of neglect in too many schools.

When North Dakota school librarians gather, little of what they say would suggest that their schools and communities are paying attention to library development beyond adherence to Department of Public Instruction mandates. Too often, the state-mandated minimums in collection development and personnel remain maximums, even as schools spout such goals as "Students shall be able to locate, analyze, and evaluate information" and "Students shall learn to think logically and critically."

Money always has been, and certainly always will be, a problem, but one North Dakota school librarian tells how she was taken aback at the energy and resources and enthusiasm that surged into her library when computer screens replaced the card catalog.

Planning for library services with the needs of all ages in mind is a key, and it could be that capitalizing on the appeal of technology is a good place to start. Related to this, individual schools and consortia need to realize they cannot assume materials will be there whether they plan for them or not; that others - the universities, the State Library, the larger school down the road - will purchase materials so they need not budget for them.

Linkups with university databases sound as if they will solve our problems, but they mostly serve only advanced high school students. Universities do not - and have no plans - to select to the needs of high school students, and they do not serve elementary students at all. I think the State Library is correct to suggest that schools purchase frequently used materials. If a school district borrows regularly from a neighbor, it needs to contribute to the cost of running the library - including equipment and the salary of a trained librarian and support staff. If this is part of consortium planning, nobody feels dumped on.

I believe the curriculum and literacy needs of youth could be better served in ways other than just improving each building facility. Why not plan for regional libraries linked to consortia and maybe existing public or larger school libraries? Students and teachers in participating schools would be able to scan the holdings with computer lookup stations, locating computer software, periodicals, reference works, and titles chosen to their needs.

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FLICKER TALE

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The design of the curriculum is moving away from the memorization of textbooks and more toward the processing of information. The purposeful development of excellent school library services must support this trend.

(Edna Boardman is a library media specialist at Minot High School)

LIBRARIES IN THE NEWS

Casselton - Over 10,000 books in the High School Library were put into a computerized circulation system. **Washburn** - Cathy Headrich has replaced Janet Hanson as head librarian. **Grafton** - Tom Shilts, an MLS graduate of Clarion (PA) University, is the new director of Carnegie Regional Library. **Bottineau** - As part of Bremer Foundation support to communities where First American Banks do business, the Foundation awarded the following libraries grants to participate in an experimental book leasing project: **Bottineau County, Ward County, Hebron, Minnewaukan, Aneta, Crosby, Max, and Lisbon**. The project, designed by Arleen Bunt, director of Lisbon Public Library, is the first of its kind in North Dakota. **Cando** - As part of their 25th anniversary celebration, Towner County State Bank donated \$1000 for books at Cando School Library. **Langdon** - New librarians: Rhonda Horner (elementary school) and Beth Bakke (middle and high school). **Grenora** - An ice cream social was held October 1st to celebrate being one of the first schools in the northwest region of the state to get equipment for automating their library. **New England** - The Southwestern Brotherhood Fraternal Organization gave a \$400 "Friends in Deed" grant to the library for building maintenance and improvements. **Devils Lake** - The public library received \$500 from the Devils Lake Area Foundation for purchase of educational videos. **Rugby** - The Heart of America Library is participating in KidZone Share-A-Book (sponsored by Prairie Public TV and McDonald's restaurants) - a program encouraging young readers and book owners to share their outgrown books with children who don't have them. **Hillsboro** - The VFW, American Legion, and the American Legion Auxiliary gave the high school library \$700 to buy new books. **Steele** - Kidder County Library moved into new quarters on September 23rd. **Golden Valley** - "Pie Day," sponsored by County Homemakers, netted \$276 for the Golden Valley County Library. **Beulah** - The library has a new collection of parenting books, courtesy of the Empowering Parents Committee headquartered in Beulah's elementary school.

FEDERAL BUDGET ALERT

The House and Senate Conference Committee's report of October 5th included the following funding levels for LSCA in Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 1994. No voting date has been set for approval by each chamber.

Title I, Public Library Services	\$83,227,000 (same as in FFY 93)
Title II, Public Library Construction and Technology	\$17,792 (1 Million more than FFY 93)
Title III, Resource Sharing	\$19,749,000
Title VI, Literacy	\$ 8,098,000

A number of Department of Education programs are slated for termination in the Clinton/Gore National Performance Review. Very shortly, the Administration is expected to ask Congress to recind or defund all FFY 94 funds just appropriated for these programs. The six library programs on the list include all currently funded programs under the Higher Education Act (HEA) II.

II-A College Library Technology and Cooperation
 II-B Library Education and Resource Development
 II-B Library Research and Demonstration
 II-C Improving Access to Research Library Resources

LSCA titles to be eliminated are:

Title II Public Library Construction and Technology
 Title VI Literacy

It appears at this time that the FFY 1994 appropriations bill contains \$394,696,000 for Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Chapter II, which includes school library programs. This is a 13.9% reduction.

Concerned individuals are urged to contact their federal legislators, thank them for supporting these library programs and ask for their continued support to stop any library rescision measures.

NEW KENMARE LIBRARIAN



Michele Johnson

Michele Johnson of Kenmare has been named librarian of the Kenmare Branch of the Ward County Library. She replaced Pauline Nielsen, who had been librarian for the past 13 years. Nielsen resigned to take another position.

NORTH DAKOTA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

NDLA held their annual conference September 22-25 in Williston. Keynote speaker Peter Hammon, library director of Wisconsin's South Central Library System, spoke about the future of libraries and library service. He explained how libraries utilize cooperatives and other forms of sharing collections. The "Copyright Update Session" with Beth Marie Quanbeck made many participants realize that they were breaking the copyright law in some way and that they would need to revise policies and procedures.

Other sessions dealing with student workers, CD-ROMs and TQM - developed and presented by NDLA members - were presented. The "Internet" workshop presented by NDSU's Academic Computing Staff offered hands-on practice, leading librarians to realize the potential of Internet.

Twenty-three exhibitors were present, giving attendees an opportunity to see new products, and to purchase some children's books for \$5 and Heritage Center materials at a 15% discount.

The Williston Community Library staff decorated the KC Hall where the Friday evening banquet was held. Banquet speaker was nationally known storyteller Meryl Freije who enchanted the group with her many stories, including a message about caring and sharing.

During the tour of Fort Union, members of the MINTEX Cooperative Collection Committee identified a special collection there to include in their survey as they begin to identify special collections within North Dakota.

- Sharon Evensen, NDLA President

NORTH DAKOTA EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

North Dakota State Library staff attended NDEA's annual conference in Grand Forks on October 13-15.

Susan Pahlmeyer and Mark Bowman distributed informational brochures about the services of the North Dakota State Library and the ODIN system. They demonstrated ODIN and the interlibrary loan capability of SENDIT. Mark also addressed the NDEA School Library Media Section about the Center for the Book feature on SENDIT. State Librarian Bill Strader, a Library Media Association member, reported on State Library issues.

Sally Oremland displayed materials explaining the services provided by the North Dakota State Library to the blind and physically handicapped, as well as to the learning disabled.

- Mark Bowman, State Library

REFERENCE CORNER

A new MULS: A UNION LIST (10th edition) is now available. The MULS microfiche sells to participating MULS libraries for \$90 (first set); \$85 (second set); \$80 for each additional set. Rates for non-participating libraries are: \$115 (first set); \$110 (second set); and \$105 for each additional set. To order, contact: MINTEX/MULS Office (612-624-4042).

MASTER DEGREE UPDATE

The School of Library and Information Management (SLIM) of Emporia State University (KS) will soon be expanding its regional program into North Dakota. The University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, will be the official host for the SLIM Master of Library Science (MLS) program beginning in the spring of 1994. North Dakota will be the fifth regional site for ESU.

Students in the North Dakota program must complete the same 42 hours of instruction that are offered in the program on the ESU campus. The courses are offered in order and are weekend intensives. For every credit hour, a student must spend 15 hours in the classroom on the weekend. The program takes approximately three years to complete.

Admission requirements for the SLIM program include an overall undergraduate cumulative grade point average of 3.0 in the last sixty hours of coursework, or a combined score of 1000 or more on the verbal and quantitative portion of the Graduate Record Examination. Applicants must also supply the names of three reference persons.

A personal interview with SLIM representatives is required. Interviews for the approximately 165 people who have expressed interest in ESU's North Dakota program will be conducted in Bismarck, Fargo and Grand Forks December 2-5. Classes will be limited to 40 students, with the first class beginning in late April or early May, 1994.

For more information about the program, contact Ernestine Voss at Emporia (1-800-552-4770) or Mike Jaugstetter at the North Dakota State Library (1-800-472-2104, #3, #1)

NATIVE AMERICAN VIDEOS AVAILABLE

The John and Catherine McArthur Foundation Library Video Classics Project is offering a curated collection of quality videos on Native American life at special prices for public libraries. The cost of the core collection was reduced from \$8,422 to \$2,872. Public libraries may purchase as few as one video, or the entire collection, and all but one title come with public performance rights included.

A videography entitled VIDEOFORUM: NATIVE AMERICANS provides general background information, and notes on each video, most of which were produced by Native Americans themselves.

The special price is available until May 31, 1994. Contact MacArthur Foundation Library Video Project (1-800-847-3671).

LITERARY BULLETIN BOARD

The ND Center for the Book bulletin board functions as a statewide literary arts calendar. It features an author or poet each month who will be available for interactive dialog with anyone associated with a school or a public library.

Here's how it works: Anyone who has a SENDIT password can log onto the system from home, school or office. Choose "Library Resources" (#6). Then choose "ND Center for the Book" (#9). Options within the bulletin board will be: 1) About the ND Center for the Book; 2) Literary Calendar; 3) Writer's Wire and 4) ETC., writing contests, literary gophers and other information. The calendar will try to list most of the literary events happening statewide. Take special note of the Writers Wire which will provide an opportunity for interactive dialog between students, teachers, librarians and authors. Here's your chance to ask an author about his or her work!

OCT 14 - NOV 15
*David Solheim
Larry Woiwode*

NOV 16 - DEC 31
*Tammy Swift
Bill Lowman*

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STATEWIDE MULTITYPE PLANNING COMMITTEE

October 25, 1993

MINUTES

Sharon Evensen, committee chair, brought the meeting to order in Meeting Room L-10 of the Bismarck State College Library at 2:30 p.m. Members present: LaDean Moen, Sharon Evensen, Leeila Bina, Corliss Mushik, Joe Linnertz, Bill Strader, Jerry Kaup. Also present: Cindy Larson, Shirley Leno, Thom Hendricks, Cyndy Schaff, Tom Jones.

Minutes:

Leeila moved to amend page 1, paragraph 4 to read: "Jerry made a motion to allocate funds with \$38,000 to NDIA; \$10,000 for the second planning grant; and \$2,000 for the committee." Motion carried. Correction: Betty Mills; not Miles. After these changes were made, minutes were approved.

Central Dakota Cooperating Libraries

Tom Jones, Director of Bismarck Veterans Memorial Library, presented CDCL's request to be considered for multitype library authority status (see attachment "A"). Five libraries formed CDCL three years ago; membership is now nine: Bismarck Public, University of Mary, Mandan Public, Bismarck State College, Bismarck Public Schools, Mandan Public Schools, Morton County Library, United Tribes Technical College and Q&R/Medcenter One. Tom said they are considering reaching out to school districts. Joe questioned if the law gives this committee authority to approve this request by CDCL. Sharon said the committee could approve up to eight MLAs as long as they met the criteria. Cyndy Schaff said information NDIA received from the committee was useful, and guidelines are well defined in the statute. Corliss asked that Tom compile statistics on what kinds of services are available now to CDCL patrons and how they have been received and used by them. Tom said VMPL has seen an increase of 165% in services to patrons.

Old Business:

Budget - Regarding the intent of the 1991/92 Legislature concerning multitype library authorities, Corliss said the next legislature will need to make a decision on how the funds are to be spent. She said if some adjustment is not made, the entire \$50,000 could go to Williston and this committee would have no money to function. She said libraries were not getting much attention during the last session, and thinks budgets will be closely scrutinized and consolidated even more in the next session. Chet Nelson, Legislative Council budget analyst and auditor, thought the money could be given to Williston and Williston could turn some back. Corliss assumes that the MLA planning committee can proceed as it is; Joe said that was Dr. Sanstead's opinion also. Agreed established amounts are: \$38,000 (NDIA); \$8,000 (planning grant); \$4,000 (committee). Joe felt that with Corliss' interpretation, the committee could proceed as the motion was passed.

Cyndy reported that paid memberships continue to come in. She explained how assessments were arrived at for each participating unit and said it was a method of getting local participants to make a commitment. She has heard no opposition to the assessments. Administrators, not librarians, made decision to participate. It was decided at the June meeting to include librarians to avoid the potential slowing of the process by having to go back and ask for their opinion. Cyndy said bonding of participants has been good.

Sharon said more promotion of MLAs needs to be done and she expects to hear that committee members are doing this. Joe said not to raise expectations of financial assistance. Thom suggested offering "no cost" or "low cost" to small libraries. Leeila said being on Info*Lynx and ODIN hasn't hindered working together. Thom noted that PALS/Dynix are doing some interactive programs, also. Corliss asked how information could be shared; she thinks the more libraries are promoted, the better legislators will understand them. LaDean said a survey distributed at NDIA and NDEA will be on-going till April and will bring feedback. Leeila thinks Betty Mills would be willing to write an article for "The Goodstuff."

New Business:

Second Planning Grant

The Notice of Intent form is due December 31, 1993. Sharon said \$8,000 is available for a planning grant. Applicants should be available to testify at the next legislative session. Joe noted that the only money available is for **planning**; "the committee should not lead anyone on, when the legislature may not give funds." Cyndy felt it will be difficult to find applicants if they don't know how much money is available. She thinks it would be good to have at least \$2,000 available for preliminaries - mailings, postage, etc. She said two \$4,000 planning grants would be good.

Corliss said people need to know the importance of MLAs and understand that we must look at projects. She said much depends on the economy; some communities can afford more than others.

Joe suggested eliminating the notice of intent. Applicants can just give the date that they will provide their proposal to the MLA committee, with the application for a planning grant due March 31 instead of December 31. Bill felt this would allow more time for promotion. The applicant will be selected in early April. Joe said interested parties could submit a letter of intent from their local governing body. Sharon appointed a committee to work on changing the forms: LaDean (chair), Jerry, and Bill. She will prepare a cover letter for the packets by December 10, and the packets will be mailed to the committee in mid-November. The State Library will mail packets to public, academic, and special libraries and school districts in January. The committee will have a conference call meeting December 10th to review the forms. Jerry moved that the direct mailing go out by January 1, with a deadline of March 31 for planning grant applications. Materials will be prepared by December 22nd, and mailed by December 28th. The final planning document is due to the committee before the next legislative session begins. Seconded by Leeila; motion carried.

Leeila said the committee wants a strong commitment before considering applications. Cyndy said it needs to be known that the required constituencies are in the area and are willing to participate. Corliss suggested sending a letter and information to the governor soon because he begins putting his budget together in January, 1994 for the '95 Session. She said Tom and Cyndy should get a few paragraphs about their projects together and submit the same information to Dr. Sanstead. Tom, Cyndy, and Corliss will get a letter together before March. Cyndy suggested that the applicants give some indication of how much they need to maintain their MLA.

Corliss said librarians need to have a statewide meeting to discuss and plan strategy. Cooperation between libraries needs to be shown or we're going to lose - projects and credibility. We need to make information available to everyone - the legislature bases their decisions on information. We don't need public quarreling during the session; we need to work together or we're going to get short-changed. Needs are always greater than funds; if the tax measure passes, there won't be any (extra) money. Corliss asked Sharon to share information with the committee on how multitypes are funded.

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

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LETTERS ABOUT LITERATURE

The North Dakota Center for the Book, in cooperation with the Center for the Book at the Library of Congress and Weekly Reader Corporation's READ magazine, is soliciting entries in a national essay writing contest, "Letters About Literature."

This year's theme is "Books Change Lives." To enter, students in grades 6-12 must write a letter of no more than 1,000 words to an author - living or dead - explaining how reading that author's book somehow changed the student's life. Deadline for entries is December 21, 1993.

All entries will be screened by READ magazine and semi-finalists' letters will be returned to the state Center for the Book for final review. The winning state entry will receive a cash prize of \$100. A national grand prize will be awarded - an all-expense-paid trip for two to Washington, DC - where the winner and parent or guardian will be guests at a VIP luncheon at the Library of Congress.

For more information contact Nancy Maxwell, North Dakota Center for the Book at: 701-224-3681 or leave a message on SENDIT: MAXWELL.

NOW WE KNOW!

In response to her inquiry of who might be the oldest actively working librarian in North Dakota, Connie Kraft, Hope City Librarian, received the following response from Louise Frost of Lidgerwood:

"I just finished some years as chairman of our library board ... and I must tell you that our librarian, Alice Biewer, is older than you are, although she does not ever tell how old she is. Her birthday is May 15 and she is well over 85. She has been head librarian here since the 50's. I can't think of a time (that) she has been sick."

So there we have it, folks! How's that for dedication to serving North Dakota library users?!

TELLABRATION 93! The Night of Storytelling

TELLABRATION 93! - a nationwide evening of storytelling for grown-ups - will be held at the ND Heritage Center, Bismarck, on Saturday, November 20th at 7:30 p.m. Featured storytellers will be Ceil Anne Clement, Mick Mabin and Chuck Suchy.

Tickets are available in advance at Maxwell's Books, Kirkwood Plaza (222-4332) or from Nancy Maxwell (224-3681). They will also be available at the door the evening of the performance. Suggested donation is \$5.

This benefit performance is presented by the North Dakota Center for the Book in arrangement with the National Association for the Preservation and Perpetuation of Storytelling

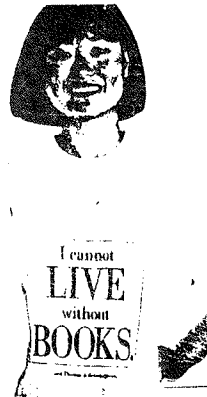
YOUTH SERVICES PROJECT

The American Library Association (ALA) is the recipient of a \$20,000 grant from the Margaret Alexander Edwards Trust for a project that recognizes outstanding library service to young people.

ALA President Hardy R. Franklin said the grant money will be used for a program that will focus on exemplary programs for youth, ages 12 to 18 as part of his theme of customer service in libraries. He is inviting school and public libraries to participate in the project by completing an application describing their program. The most exemplary programs will be honored in a book to be published in the spring of 1994. Special monetary recognition will be given to the most outstanding programs.

A special presidential committee will oversee the project and will select up to 50 exemplary programs that qualify to be included in the publication. For more information, contact Carol Nielsen at 312-280-3212, or 800-545-2433, ext. 3212. The deadline for applications is December 1, 1993.

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