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"Your State Library Serving You"

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State Library Budget Proposal

Governor Ed Schafer presented his budget on December 10, which presented a few surprises for the library community.

The State Library's request for a total of \$250,000 for Library Vision (LV) 2004 was approved even though half of the funds requested were outside of the 95% budget Schafer had instructed agencies to produce.

The Governor did not approve the request to raise State Aid to public libraries to one million dollars, leaving the funding at the 95% level.

The State Library will also lose state money for its Grant Coordinator position but retains permission to switch the position to cataloging to further the implementation of LV 2004 if federal funds are available.

Federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Grant Program

Program Background

Federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds are intended to be used as startup money, not for ongoing operational or administrative costs. The State Library's role in this program is to provide access to the state's information resources. Local systems and services are not eligible for funding. Also ineligible are costs associated with building construction or acquisition of library materials.

Proposals must be focused on the goals of Library Vision 2004, the state's long-range plan for the use of LSTA funds. Some goals of the plan include, but are not limited to:

1. Develop a comprehensive statewide database.
2. Establish statewide access to information resources.
3. Establish networking among all types of libraries and information providers.

Request for Proposals

The State Library is requesting proposals that fit into one of the following categories:

1. The adding of records to a North Dakota based database which are Z39.50 compatible and can be accessed via the Internet. Eligible projects include retrospective conversions and the loading of existing electronic records. These projects may require the participation of the State Library to ensure the integrity of the database. Those libraries proposing to add their records to the ODIN database must contact the State Library for additional information.
2. Establish information-sharing partnerships through electronic means among libraries and other agencies and businesses.
3. Technology for services for special populations including the disabled, economically disadvantaged, rural remote, and minorities.

LSTA announcements will be out in January. If you do not receive your notification by January 31, contact Rodney Bornemann at the State Library at 1-701-328-1825, 1-800-472-2104, or 1-701-328-2040 (Fax).

Local Celebrities Shared Christmas Stories

Dakota Radio Information Service (DRIS) aired special Christmas broadcasts on the first four Wednesdays in December. This year, five special readers shared their favorite Christmas stories with DRIS listeners.

On December 2, Abby Bardell (also known to radio listeners as Dawn Scott on radio station KQ94 FM) read a traditional Christmas story, "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens.

North Dakota cowboy poet Rodney Nelson read several selections on December 9. These selections included two poems that Nelson has written.

On December 16, Tony Bender, columnist and publisher of the Ashley Tribune and the Wishek Star, shared some of his writings with DRIS listeners.

The December 23 program featured Governor and Mrs. Schafer. Governor Edward Schafer read "The Christmas Miracle of Jonathan Toomey" and First Lady Nancy Jones Schafer read "Merry Christmas With Love" by Sandi Patti. (continued on back)

Dates

Jan. 1	New Year's Day NDSL closed
Jan. 18	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, NDSL closed
Feb. 15	President's Day NDSL closed
Apr. 11-17	National Library Week
May 6-7	NDSL Spring Workshops, Bismarck

Local Celebrities (continued)

The Christmas broadcasts began at 10:00 a.m. A final broadcast featuring all five Christmas story broadcasts ran on Thursday, December 24, at 10:00 a.m.

DRIS is a free radio reading service provided by the North Dakota State Library for print impaired and learning disabled people. DRIS uses sub-carrier channels of Prairie Public Radio in Jamestown, Bismarck, Minot, Williston, and Dickinson to transmit its programs. The service is intended to help normalize the lives of visually impaired and learning disabled listeners.

**1999 Legislative Document
Distribution Update**

During the 1999 legislative session, the following libraries have subscribed to daily UPS service that will bring them, beginning January 6, copies of all bills and resolutions, House and Senate journals, bill status reports, and weekly committee hearing schedules:

Minot Public Library
Frank Wenstrom Library, Bureau of Government
Affairs, UND
North Dakota State University Library
Alfred Dickey Public Library, Jamestown
Raugust Library, Jamestown College

Beginning January 5, 1999, the toll-free number for the 56th Legislative Assembly is 1-888-635-3447. Bismarck-Mandan residents should use 328-3373. Telephones are answered by legislative employees who deliver messages to legislators and provide bill status information.

Check out the Legislative Assembly's home page at <http://www.state.nd.us/lr/> for free access to standing committee appointments, biographical information on legislators, leadership lists, legislative deadlines, hearing schedules, bill status, journals, and text of bills and resolutions.

New Faces at NDSL

The North Dakota State Library welcomes two new employees into the Cataloging/Reference Departments.

Theresa Hepker started work at NDSL on November 2 as a Cataloging/Reference Librarian I. Theresa received a Master of Arts Degree in Library and Information Sciences from the University of Iowa in Iowa City. Originally from Maquoketa, Iowa, her interests include cross stitch, reading, TV movies, science fiction, mystery, and horror. Theresa also enjoys traveling and has visited Europe on three occasions.

Lori Terrill began work on November 16 as a Reference/Cataloging Librarian I. Lori holds a Master's of Library Science in Library and Information Management from Emporia State University of Emporia, Kansas. Originally from Hot Springs, South Dakota, Lori previously worked as an archeologist for the state of Wyoming during the last four years. Lori enjoys cross country skiing and hiking.

Library Directories Available Soon

The North Dakota State Library is publishing a new North Dakota Library Directory during the month of January. This directory will contain information on academic, public, school, and other libraries. The directories will be sold by advance order only at \$10 each. No additional copies will be printed.

Please send your request and payment before January 14, 1999, to:

Paula Binek
North Dakota State Library
604 East Boulevard Avenue - Dept. 250
Bismarck, ND 58505-0800

Make checks payable to: North Dakota State Library

Please call (701) 328-2492 or 1-800-472-2104, or e-mail pbinek@state.nd.us if you have any questions.

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"Your State Library Serving You"

March/April, 1999

Across the State

- NDSL continued the statewide library advocacy training program at the Hillsboro High School and Public Library on February 22nd.

Dates

April 2	Good Friday, NDSL Closed
April 11-17	National Library Week
May 5	NDSL Spring Workshop Pre-conference, Bismarck
May 6-7	NDSL Spring Workshops, Bismarck
June 13-16	MPLA Annual Convention Big Sky, Montana
June 24-30	ALA Annual Convention New Orleans, LA

Reference Corner **Coming Soon**

North Dakota State Library's web site will soon have a listing of Internet links by subject. This is being created to assist you in locating reputable information on the web. A sample of the topics to be covered are business, government, medicine, and weather. This listing should be available by early summer.

State Library Spring Workshops Set

The State Library Spring Workshops are set for Thursday, May 6 and Friday, May 7 at St. Mary's High School in Bismarck. There is also a full day pre-conference on descriptive cataloging set for Wednesday May 5 at the Holiday Inn of Bismarck. The pre-conference is being conducted by MINITEX.

Thursdays workshops will include: Libraries for the Future, searching the Internet and Internet resources, Library of Congress subject headings, library public relations, PubMed and Internet Grateful Med, reader advisory service, and Internet filtering.

Friday's workshops will include: open forum with the North Dakota Library Coordinating Council (NDLCC), genealogy, searching the Internet and Internet resources, copyright updates, and PubMed and Internet Grateful Med.

The State Library will mail brochures and registration forms the first part of March explaining the programs in more detail. Hope to see you there!

Services For The Disabled Covering New Ground

Talking Books and Dakota Radio Information Services (DRIS) of the North Dakota State Library (NDSL) are hoping to reach out to more patrons. An outreach program designed to increase awareness of the services and to recruit more eligible users is underway.

About 2,300 patrons use Talking Books services and around 540 patrons use DRIS. NDSL hopes to increase those numbers by 20 percent within the next year. Public Service Announcements supplied by National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS) will air on television and radio stations within the state. NDSL personnel are making presentations to service clubs, organizations, support groups, and to anyone who is interested in learning more about NDSL's services for the disabled. Display booths are also part of the outreach program.

The outreach program is targeting anyone with visual, physical, or reading impairments which prevent them from reading standard print. To learn more about NDSL's services for the disabled and the new outreach program call toll free at 1-800-843-9948 or (701) 328-1408.

State's Public Libraries Receiving Management Assistance

Public libraries in North Dakota should find it easier to work with statistics and to make budget presentations due to a recent purchase by the North Dakota State Library (NDSL).

NDSL has purchased a statewide license for Bibliostat Connect software from Management Dynamics. Bibliostat Connect allows users to access library statistics collected from the more than 9,000 public libraries across the United States. These statistics can then be used to increase the effectiveness of funding requests and to note the best management practices used by other public libraries. Bibliostat Connect displays comparative data in tables, bars, and graphs that can be printed out for presentation purposes.

More than 80 of the state's public libraries will receive their own software package and individual library license to implement Bibliostat Connect. The State Library is offering hands-on software training sessions for public library personnel in March and April.

Jamestown Group Seeks Federal Government Stamp Of Approval

One enthusiastic group of Louis L'Amour fans in Jamestown is hoping to get the United States Postal Service to issue a commemorative stamp. The Louis L'Amour Heritage Committee of Jamestown is pushing for a postage stamp in honor of the man they believe is the greatest western writer of all time.

Jamestown, North Dakota native, Louis L'Amour, is the best selling novelist in American history. L'Amour wrote 116 novels, published more than 400 short stories, wrote 65 television scripts, and a book of poems. More than 30 of his stories were made into movies including Hondo, The Burning Hills, Shalako, and Guns of the Timberlands. L'Amour's books have been translated into 26 languages and his stories are popular with all age groups.

L'Amour is the only writer who received the Congressional Gold Medal and the Presidential Medal of Freedom. L'Amour has also been honored with the Theodore Roosevelt Roughrider Award, North Dakota's highest honor.

A recommendation about whether or not the stamp should be issued will be made by the Postal Citizen's Advisory Group and then the Postal Service will make the final decision.

If you would like to back the effort to get a Louis L'Amour commemorative stamp issued, send letters to: Postal Citizen's Advisory Committee, U.S. Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza S.W., Room 4474 E., Washington, D.C. 20260-2437.

For additional information address inquiries to: The Louis L'Amour Heritage Committee, Meidinger Square, 311 First Avenue South, Jamestown, ND 58401.

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May/June, 1999

Across the State

- ☒ The Dickinson Public Library held a Grand Opening for their Medora Branch Library on April 11.
- ☒ The Libraries for the Future Advocacy Project continues with meetings in Rugby and Dickinson in June.

Dates

May 5	NDSL Spring Workshop Pre-conference, Bismarck
May 6-7	NDSL Spring Workshops, Bismarck
May 31	Memorial Day NDSL Closed
June 13-16	MPLA Annual Convention Big Sky, Montana
June 24-30	ALA Annual Convention New Orleans, LA

Reference Corner

Older magazine citations are now available.

Magazine citations and full text articles from 1980 to current are now available through the ODIN web site. To access the magazine back files go the ODIN home page (<http://www.ODIN.nodak.edu>) and click on SearchBank.

To access the magazine indexes, an ODIN library card is needed.

State Library 1999-2001 Budget

The 1999 North Dakota Legislative Session passed the State Library Budget as it had been recommended by Governor Schafer. The basic budget, which contained a five percent decrease in state funds over 1997-1999 funds, contained \$125,000 to implement phase two of Library Vision (LV) 2004. An additional \$125,000 for the program was provided to the State Library.

A briefing on future developments under LV 2004 will be provided at a public forum of the North Dakota Library Coordinating Council on May 7 at NDSL's Spring Workshops in Bismarck.

LSTA Grant Proposals Received

The North Dakota State Library received grant proposals from 19 libraries across the state seeking more than \$370,000 in funds from the Federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Grants program. The LSTA program is providing \$100,000 in federal funds.

Guidelines set up by the State Library called for projects that would match the goals of Library Vision (LV) 2004 in any one or a combination of the following areas: the adding of library records to a North Dakota based database which can be accessed via the Internet and is Z39.50 compliant for resource sharing purposes; the establishment of information sharing partnerships through electronic means among libraries and other agencies and businesses; technology for services for special populations including the disabled, economically disadvantaged, rural remote, and minorities.

All types of libraries including school, public, academic, and special libraries were eligible to apply for any amount of funding necessary to complete their specific projects. The North Dakota Library Coordinating Council (NDLCC) and the North Dakota State Library will determine which projects will receive funding.

LV 2004 is a long-range plan created by the North Dakota library community. It's main goal states that through the statewide community of libraries all citizens of North Dakota will have convenient and timely access to information for education, work, and recreation.

The NDLCC is meeting in Bismarck on May 6 to make their recommendations concerning the disbursement of the \$100,000 to those applying libraries whose projects most closely match the specific goals of LV 2004 outlined in the application guidelines.

Gates Library Initiative Grant Program Moving Forward

North Dakota's time has come for a share of the approximately 3.3 billion dollars donated by Bill and Melinda Gates. The goal of the Gates Library Initiative (GLI) is to ensure Internet access to all people through public libraries.

States become eligible based on the number of people living below the poverty line, based on 1990 U.S. Census information.

Thirty-seven public libraries in North Dakota were included in the application sent to GLI by the State Library. Libraries that are determined eligible will be invited to attend workshops on applying for Gates grants. Successful applicants will receive computers, software, training, internal connections, and, if necessary, one time only Internet connection costs.

One requirement of GLI is that the computers and software must be available for the public to use on their own.

State Library Volunteers Recognized

The Fifteenth Annual North Dakota State Library Volunteer Recognition Day took place at the Kelly Inn of Bismarck on April 22. This year's event featured the theme "Celebrate the Magic of Volunteering."

A total of 64 State Library volunteers received recognition for contributing 2,925 hours of service during the past year from April 1, 1998, through March 31, 1999. Volunteers work with Dakota Radio Information Service (DRIS), the Talking Books program, and in the circulation department.

First Lady Nancy Jones Schaefer was the featured speaker for the event. She addressed the subject of volunteerism, and acknowledged the service that the volunteers have given to benefit the blind and disabled citizens of North Dakota.

Bud Schaeffer, Tommi Schaeffer, and Jeannine Christy each received a special honor for individually completing more than 300 hours of volunteer service to the State Library. Their names will be added to a plaque on display at the State Library.

Disabled citizens of North Dakota are encouraged to contact the State Library if they are interested in using the services of DRIS at (701) 328-4189, or the Talking Book library at (701) 328-1469, or toll free at 1-800-843-9948.

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July/August, 1999

Across the State

□ Susan Westin, Head of Reference, and Joe Holtermann, Head of Technical Services, have resigned from NDSL to accept other positions. Rodney Bornemann, Communications/Grants Coordinator is relocating to pursue other interests.

Thank you all for your years of excellent service and best of luck in your future endeavors!

Dates

July 5	Holiday, NDSL closed
July 16	Governor's Summer Reading Program Awards Ceremony

Reference Corner

The North Dakota State Library (NDSL) allows the circulation of reference books to school and public libraries. The loan period will vary depending on demand. As a result of NDSL offering this service, each library does not need to purchase important reference books that receive a small amount of usage.

If you have any questions, please call (701) 328-4622 or 1-800-472-2104.

Federal LSTA Grants Awarded

The North Dakota State Library (NDSL) awarded a total of \$101,786 in federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds to nine libraries in the state at the May meeting of the North Dakota Library Coordinating Council. Projects funded met the requirements to have an impact beyond the applicant's facility according to the goals of Library Vision (LV) 2004. Projects funded for 1999 are as follows:

The Harley E. French Library of the Health Sciences at the University of North Dakota (UND) will receive \$10,000 to provide scanners and Ariel software to at least six special libraries. Ariel enables high quality document transmission over the Internet.

The Chester Fritz Library at UND will receive \$3,000 to make accessible over the Internet the finding aids of the papers, records, and images of the most significant collections of North Dakota women and women's organizations in the Orin G. Libby Manuscript Collection.

The Leach Public Library of Wahpeton will receive \$28,000 to join and add their records to the Online Dakota Information Network (ODIN).

The McLean Mercer Regional Library in Riverdale will receive \$17,000 for the Riverdale Public Library to join and add their records to the Central Dakota Library Network.

Minot Public Schools, Minot, will receive \$16,000 to join and add middle school records to the North Central Library Authority.

The School for the Deaf, Devils Lake, will receive \$10,186 to join and add their records to ODIN.

The School Library Media Specialists will receive \$2,000. NDSL will sponsor library media specialists attending library advocacy training.

Trinity High School of Dickinson will receive \$9,000 to join and add their records to ODIN.

The Youth Correctional Center, Mandan, will receive \$6,600 to join and add their records to ODIN.

All types of libraries were eligible to apply for the funding necessary to complete their specific projects. LV 2004 is a long-range plan created by the North Dakota library community. Its main goal states that through the statewide community of libraries all citizens of North Dakota will have convenient and timely access to information for education, work, and recreation.

Seamless Connectivity Arrives This Fall

Before the year 2000, North Dakota will have initiated a virtual catalog composed of multiple databases that can be searched simultaneously with a single set of commands. OCLC of Dublin, Ohio, has developed a suite of software entitled "SiteSearch" capable of performing this and Library Vision 2004 (LV 2004) funds have allowed the state to purchase the software. UND Computer Center and the ODIN office are partners in providing hardware and technical support.

Accessible via the Internet on the State Library's website, the software provides a comprehensive solution to the problem of the state's multiple systems and software. More details will be forthcoming this summer. For more information, contact Mike Jaugstetter or Doris Ott at the State Library.

State Library Website Offers Subject Index

The State Library has launched a new Internet-based project to aid the citizens of North Dakota in their use of the resources available on the World Wide Web. Visit the State Library home page at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us/> and click on the link *Subject Index*. You will find a list of topics researched on the Internet by the librarians at the State Library to provide you with a selection of Internet resources available on each topic. Links have been selected and reviewed for authority and usefulness, with a special emphasis on subjects and links relating to North Dakota. We will continue to add new subject areas and new links as the project continues. Feel free to submit any suggestions for subject areas or subject appropriate links to Brian Erb at the State Library at erb@state.nd.us.

IAC Databases Link To The Web

Library users will find more advantages to using the Information Access Company (IAC) databases starting in August of this year. ODIN libraries plan to link IAC databases to the World Wide Web at that time. The IAC databases will use InfoTrac Web databases as their new source. These are the same IAC databases that have been available on ODIN since 1992, which have been known as SearchBank since 1996.

More than twice as many articles will appear in the IAC databases as a result of the change to the new InfoTrac Web interface. In addition, databases available using the InfoTrac Web interface are updated daily rather than monthly.

Navigation and linkage to other articles in the databases will also improve. Once an article is found, links to other similar articles will be available. Types of links include: links to other articles in the same issue as the article found, profiles of companies mentioned in the article, and links to other articles about similar subjects.

Library users will be able to save their searches in the same manner as "bookmarking" a web address and they may still use their same barcode and password, if prompted, to gain access to the Web databases.

State Library Volunteers Honored

The Fifteenth Annual North Dakota State Library Volunteer Recognition Day took place at the Kelly Inn of Bismarck on April 22. Fifty-six people attended this year's event which followed the theme "Celebrate the Magic of Volunteering."

State Librarian Mike Jaugstetter welcomed State Library volunteers who were recognized for contributing 3,085 hours of service from April 1, 1998, through March 31, 1999. They were presented with certificates and a small gift of appreciation in addition to door prizes donated by local merchants. Volunteers work with Dakota Radio Information Service (DRIS), the Talking Books Program, and the Circulation Department.

First Lady Nancy Jones Schafer spoke on the rewards of volunteerism both to the volunteer and to the agency. She thanked the volunteers for their hours given to benefit others and for making their community and state a better place to live.

Jeannine Christy, Bud Schaeffer, and Tommi Schaeffer each received a special honor for individually completing more than 300 hours of volunteer service to the State Library. Their names were added to a permanent plaque that is displayed at the State Library.

Print-impaired citizens of North Dakota are encouraged to contact the State Library if they are interested in using these special services by calling (701) 328-1408 or toll-free at 1-800-843-9948.

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Around the State

- ☐ As of August 1, ND State Library has added 24,196 records of small libraries to the Library Vision 2004 data base.
- ☐ Correction: The McLean Mercer Regional Library in Riverdale received an LSTA grant.

Dates

Sept. 6	Labor Day, NDSL Closed
Sept. 22	NDSL Pre-Conference, Fargo
Sept. 23-25	NDLA Conference, Fargo
Oct. 20-21	NDEA Conference, Grand Forks

Reference Corner

There are many resources that are useful when directing a patron to the next book. Resources that are available at the State Library include Fiction Catalog, What Do I Read Next?, and Magill's Guide to Science Fiction and Fantasy Literature. Many web sites can guide the patron to the next book. Three useful websites are The Romance Reader at www.theromancereader.com, Book Browser: The Guide for Avid Readers at www.bookbrowser.com, and Amazon at www.amazon.com. Features of both the book and web resources are series information, other authors that you may like, and other books by the same author. One additional feature of The Romance Reader is that it is divided into subgenres of romance literature.

North Dakota State Library Offers World Wide Web Searching Workshop

Librarians at the North Dakota State Library have extended their teaching repertoire to include World Wide Web searching instruction. Staff began teaching the course during this year's Spring Workshop series and feedback was very positive. In June, Librarian Brian Erb taught a series of sessions at the Bank of North Dakota's Business Information Center in Bismarck. Word of mouth has filled the next series to capacity.

The State Library provides instruction for librarians and teachers across the state. Librarian Rachel Augello is available to teach at your location. A computer lab with Internet connectivity is essential for participants to benefit from this workshop. The course focuses on how to apply basic online search strategies and techniques to improve research skills using the World Wide Web. Participants will gain hands-on experience using some of the major search engines and subject indexes.

WWW course contact information:

If you are located within the Bismarck-Mandan area, please contact Brian Erb at the North Dakota State Library at rerb@state.nd.us or at 701-328-2492.

Outside of the Bismarck-Mandan area, please contact Rachel Augello at the North Dakota State Library at raugello@state.nd.us or at 1-800-472-2104.



Summer Readers Awarded - Participants in the 1999 Governor's Summer Reading Program were presented with an award by Lt. Governor Rosemarie Myrdal. Winners picked a treasure from a pirates chest. The ND State Library and the Governor's office sponsor the summer reading program. Back row, left to right: Lt. Governor Rosemarie Myrdal, Steve Mattern, Candace Rivinius, Chad Forderer. Front row, left to right: Devon Friesz, Bryce Olson.

New Internet-Based Project To Aid The Citizens Of North Dakota

The State Library has launched a new Internet-based project to aid the citizens of North Dakota in their use of the resources available on the World Wide Web. Just visit the State Library Home Page (<http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us/>) and click on the link Subject Index. You will find a list of topics researched on the Internet by the librarians at the State Library that will provide you with a selection of Internet resources available on each topic. Links have been selected and reviewed for authority and usefulness with special emphasis on subjects and links relating to North Dakota. New subject areas will be added as well as new links as the project continues. Below is a list of current topics:

Agriculture	Government	North Dakota Recreation
Business Resources	Lewis and Clark Library Resources	Pets
Consumer Information	Magazines	Politics
Crafts	Medicine/Health	Religion
Disabled Resources	Native American Resources	Senior Citizens Resources
Employment Resources	Newspapers	Sports
Foundations and Grants		Weather/Climate

This is an ongoing project. Feel free to submit any suggestions for subject areas or subject appropriate links to Brian Erb at the State Library, rerb@state.nd.us.

Promoting Service

North Dakota State Library Services for the Disabled kicked off a public awareness campaign this past May to promote the ND talking books program. The National Library of Congress produced and provided our library with public service announcements (PSA's) to help spread the word about free library service for print impaired citizens of North Dakota.

The PSA's were distributed to all television and radio stations in North Dakota and included information about the service as well as our toll-free number. The announcements are being broadcast in an effort to reach people who may not know about the services and who may benefit from talking books.

Stella Cone, Head of Services for the Disabled, said the media exposure has definitely reached our intended audience. "Since we started the campaign we have seen an increase in the number of calls inquiring about the program." Cone also said the coverage has made people more aware of the availability of programs for print impaired citizens.

North Dakota is the first state to receive these specially produced announcements to inform the public about the talking books program. We plan to continue our efforts to promote the talking books service as well as other services offered by the North Dakota State Library. We hope everyone who qualifies for the program has an opportunity to make use of this unique service.

Six Promoted at the ND State Library

Stella Cone has been promoted from Head of Services for the Disabled to Head of Reference Services.

Brian Erb has been promoted from a Reference and Cataloging Librarian to Assistant Head of Reference Services.

Theresa Hepker has been promoted from a Reference and Cataloging Librarian to Head of Technical Services.

Rachel Augello has been promoted from a Reference and Cataloging Librarian to Head of State Document Services.

Lori Terrill has been promoted from a Reference and Cataloging Librarian to Head of Statewide Database Services.

Sheryl Haldorson has been promoted from Reference and Talking Book Assistant to Administrative Secretary.

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Around the State

- ☒ The NDSL was awarded the NDLA New Members Round Table's 1999 Exhibitor's Award at their annual conference in Fargo.
- ☒ The NDSL's North Dakota Center for the Book has received a three-year renewal from the Library of Congress.

Dates

- Nov. 4-5 Copyright Workshop,
Doublewood Inn, Fargo
- Nov. 11 Veterans Day,
NDSL Closed
- Nov. 24 Thanksgiving,
NDSL Closed
- Dec. 24 Christmas Eve,
NDSL Closed

Reference Corner

What Fantastic Fiction do I Read Next? R.R. Bowker's AV Marketplace 1999, The Whole Story: 3000 Years of Sequels and Sequences, Dictionary of Medical Syndromes, and Miller's Antique Encyclopedia are five new or updated books that have been added to the North Dakota State Library's reference collection. Remember NDSL allows the circulation of reference books to school and public libraries. The loan period will vary depending on demand. Because NDSL offers this service, each library does not need to purchase important reference books that receive a small amount of usage.

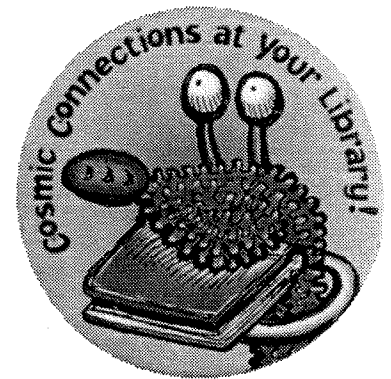
Summer Reading Program Changes Hands

The North Dakota State Library (NDSL) has agreed to administer the statewide summer reading program. Until now the North Dakota Library Association (NDLA) administered the program. The membership dues will continue to be paid by NDLA.

NDSL has appointed Terri Wilhelm as the new summer reading representative. Wilhelm will attend the Cooperative Summer Library Program's (CSLP) annual meeting to be held in Des Moines, Iowa, this April. She will also gather and disseminate information about the program to all public libraries across the state.

Grand Forks Public Children's Librarian, Rita Midstokke, and Children's Assistant, Terri David, represented the state at this year's consortium meeting in Utah. They presented the new statewide summer reading theme at the past NDLA convention. The summer 2000 theme is *Cosmic Connections*.

The North Dakota State Library will be mailing out merchandise order forms in the near future. For more information or input on future summer reading ideas contact Terri at the State Library at 701-328-1469 or 1-800-843-9948.



Libraries to Receive Free CD

Ancient stories about the Dakota and Ojibway Indians will be coming to a library near you. This fall the North Dakota State Library will mail out a free copy of the enhanced CD titled *The Elders Speak: Dakotah and Ojibway Stories of the Land*, to public and high school libraries across the state of North Dakota. The CD contains stories told by Gourd Woman (Mary Louise Defender Wilson) a Dakota Hidatsa elder and Eagle Heart (Francis Cree) an Ojibway elder and storyteller.

The storytellers speak of a land where the waters, buttes, stones, plants, and animals reveal the lessons and origins of humanity. This CD is a preservation of rare stories for future generations.

The Elders Speak is a project supported in part by the North Dakota Council on the Arts (NDCA), which receives funding from the State Legislature and the National Endowment for the Arts. It is also funded in part by the North Dakota Humanities Council. Makoche Recording Company and Troyd Geist (NDCA) produced the CD. If you are interested in purchasing a copy for your own collection check the website: www.makoche.com for ordering information.

Agencies Update Abstract

The efforts of the North Dakota State Library, the University of North Dakota, and the North Dakota Library Association (NDLA) have made it possible for the Statistical Abstract of North Dakota to be updated. It has been over ten years since this information has been updated. Some of the information included in the abstract is population statistics, income and expenditure, and agriculture.

Scot Stradley with the University of North Dakota, who also helped raise some of the funding for this venture, is heading the project. Other funding was provided by the North Dakota State Library and money raised through the North Dakota Library Association's (NDLA) Annual Ron Rudser Continuing Education Memorial Auction. The abstract is a resource for students, librarians, legislatures, and the general citizenry of North Dakota. It will be housed on the State Library's home page, which can be accessed online at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us> and should be available in early 2000.

Library Directories Available Soon

The North Dakota State Library is publishing a new North Dakota Library Directory at the end of January. This directory will contain up-to-date information on academic, public, school, and other libraries. The directories will be sold through advance orders only at \$10 each. No additional copies will be printed.

Please send your request and payment before January 21 to:

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If you have any additions/changes for your library or if you have any questions, please contact Sheryl at 701-328-2492 or 1-800-472-2104 or e-mail shaldors@state.nd.us.

New faces at ND State Library

The North Dakota State Library welcomed two new employees recently.

Traci Juhala started work at NDSL on August 30 as a Reference/Cataloging Librarian. Traci received her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of North Dakota in Music and Norwegian. She went on to get a masters degree in Scandinavian Studies from the University of Edinburgh and a M.S. in Library and Information Science from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She is a native of Bismarck, North Dakota, and enjoys cooking, walking, music, crocheting, and embroidery. She plays the cello and piano and is a member of the Bismarck/Mandan Symphony Orchestra.

Derek Jorgenson started work at NDSL on September 1 as a Technical Services Assistant. Derek graduated from Dickinson State University with a bachelors degree in University Studies. He plays piano and violin and is a member of the Bismarck/Mandan Civic Chorus. He also enjoys running, biking, and tennis.

Copyright Law Workshop

The North Dakota State Library is bringing Arlene Bielefield, MLS, JD, to Fargo on November 4 & 5 for a Copyright Law Workshop. Ms. Bielefield is on the faculty at Southern Connecticut State University in the department of Library Science and Instructional Technology. It will be held at the Doublewood Inn, 3333 13th Avenue South, Fargo, ND. For more information look on our home page, <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us> or call Kristine Shrauger at 701-328-3252 or 1-800-472-2104.

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