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## We're Counting On You

Submitted by Mary Soucie, State Librarian

The 2020 Census is quickly approaching. North Dakota's hard-to-count populations have been identified as oilfield workers, Native Americans, college students, and the federal military. The second level of hard-to-count populations is new immigrants, frontier counties, seniors, and the homeless. The third level of hard-to-count populations is children under five. An accurate census is important for so many reasons. We are expected to surpass our highest population, which was set in the 1930 census. There are not only federal programs but also state-level programs that are reliant on the population to determine at least part of the level of funding received. The State Library's federal dollars are based partially on population. For every one person that is missed in the census, the state will lose approximately \$19,100 in federal dollars over the next ten years.

There are many ways that libraries of all types can be involved in assisting with the census. We will be sharing two images that you can use as a background on your computers that encourage participation in the census. Your library can serve as a Question Assistance Center (QAC), designating one or more computers for use to complete the census in March and April. You can hang flyers, hand out bookmarks, and promote the census on social media.

The Census Bureau still has hundreds of jobs open. Job seekers can text "ndjobs" to 313131 to receive a direct link to the application or visit [2020census.gov/jobs](https://2020census.gov/jobs) to complete an application. Please share this information on your social media sites and within the library.

Consider having a "Census Day" program. The census opens on March 12 for our state, but the official Census Day for everyone is April 1st. Share your program ideas on our public library

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listserv and/or via the NDLA listserv. Census Day programs aren't just for public libraries either; we are encouraging all library types to think of some way to promote the census on April 1st.

Visit <https://www.commerce.nd.gov/census/> or [ndcensus2020.gov](https://ndcensus2020.gov) for information about the North Dakota census collection. [The American Library Association](#) has put together some great resources for libraries and the census. The North Dakota State Library has also created a [LibGuide](#) for more information.

Governor Burgum has set a goal for our state to have the highest completion rate. Libraries are in a great position to help meet that goal. Please reach out if you have any questions about the census.

# News and Thoughts...

from Mary J. Soucie, State Librarian

I was honored to be invited to attend Governor Burgum's 2020 State of the State Address in Grand Forks. I learned—or was reminded of—quite a few facts about our state. My biggest takeaway is that this is a great time to be a North Dakotan. North Dakota has been ranked the third best state to raise a family and the best state for millennials. We've experienced thirteen percent growth in the last decade and are expected to have our highest state population since the 1930 census.

Ninety percent of the land in North Dakota is privately owned farm and ranch land, so agriculture is definitely still an important part of our state. North Dakota is the lead producer in the country of oats, canola, flaxseed, sunflower, spring wheat, durum wheat, dry edible peas, and honey. We've been the top producer of honey for the last fifteen years. We are the second highest producer of crude oil, the sixth highest producer of ethanol, seventh for wind, eighth for coal, and tenth for natural gas and biodiesel. Governor Burgum talked about some of the research and development that is being done in the state in the area of fuels and how we can better utilize fossil fuels in a more environmentally friendly way. We have over two thousand wind turbines in North Dakota, and blades for some of them are built in our state.

We have had sixteen federal level cabinet visits to North Dakota in the last three years. There is interest in our R&D projects in the areas of energy, agriculture, and technology. We are leading the country in research into

unmanned aircraft. At the presentation, the Governor's remote for his presentation was delivered to him via drone, which was pretty cool. Technology is now our third economic area, although tourism is the third economic area when you look at the gross domestic product (GDP).

Governor Burgum gave an update on the strategic initiatives that his administration focuses on. Those initiatives are Main Street ND, reinventing government, tribal relationships, transforming education, and behavioral health and addiction. Much progress has been made in each of these areas. He also shared his administration's cultural aspirations which are citizen-focused, growth mindset, leadership everywhere, to work as one, and make a difference for the citizens of North Dakota. These initiatives and aspirations have led to increased collaboration among state agencies and with other organizations, increased efficiencies, and new and exciting services to and opportunities for North Dakota citizens.

One of the things that I appreciate most about Governor Burgum and Lieutenant Governor Sanford is that they lead from a place of gratitude. The values of gratitude, curiosity, humility, and courage inform and guide their leadership of our great state, and I am in turn grateful to be living and working in a state that cherishes and lives these values. To quote Governor Burgum, "We are strong, growing, and full of boundless opportunity, and it is indeed a great time to be a North Dakotan!"

# ONLINE LIBRARY RESOURCE

## Mango Languages

Is your New Year's resolution to learn a new language? Learning a foreign language can be daunting. Luckily, the State Library has a database that can help! Mango Languages is available through a browser or an app to anyone with a public or state library card.

Mango Languages offers over 70 languages, each with a set number of units, chapters, and lessons that will take you from the basics to the more advanced areas. Some of the languages have robust units that will help you gain fluency. There are also lessons on subjects like slang, superstition, and English loanwords.

As of 2020, Mango Languages has a new feature: family profiles. One person can create an account and then add subsequent logins for their spouse or children. This way, a child does not have to have a separate library card or e-mail address.

Visit your local public library's website to access Mango Languages.

If you have any questions about Mango, please e-mail [nds1train@nd.gov](mailto:nds1train@nd.gov), call 701-328-4622, or check out our webinars and tutorials on our [YouTube channel](#).

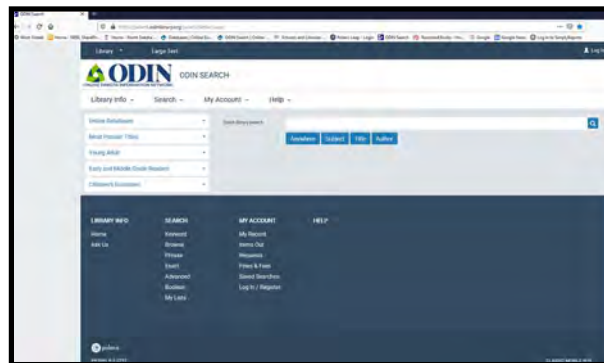


## Introduction To The New Public Access Catalog: Getting Started

There have been a lot of questions about our new Public Access Catalog (PAC). This is the first in a series of articles that will explain the basic operations of the new catalog to provide you with some guidance.

First of all, if you have PRIMO bookmarked in your browser or on your desktop, be aware that the only function that is still active in PRIMO is article searching. If you are trying to request an item, you will need to use the new PAC, and any materials checked out will only be displayed in the new PAC. So, if you are using PRIMO to search for books, DVD, and other materials that are not articles, you won't find what you are looking for.

The new ODIN Public Access Catalog works best when using Firefox or Google Chrome.



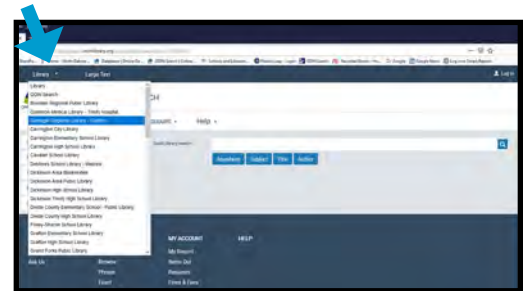
*The new ODIN Public Access Catalog*

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In the upper left corner, you will see a dropdown box. This allows you to select all ODIN libraries or a specific library, such as the North Dakota State Library.

Next to the Library dropdown box, you have the option of increasing the size of the text and screen size by clicking "Large Text."

In the far right-hand corner, you'll find the Log In.



Logging into your account is the same as before. If you are having difficulty logging in or forgot your password, you can reset your password by clicking the "forgot your password" link. You will then receive an e-mail with a link to change your password.

If you don't want to use your barcode to sign in, you can create a new username. However, you will need your barcode and password to set up your username. If you don't already have a State Library card, you can register for one by clicking on the ["Click here to register now" link](#). Once we finish processing your new card, we will send it to you through the mail.



Next month's article will go into more details about the home screen, but here are brief descriptions of some of the other features you'll find on the PAC:

**Library Info** - takes you back to the home screen and also has an "Ask Us" question box. To use the "Ask Us" feature, you will need to be signed in.

**Search** - provides you with different search options.

**My Account** - this is where you'll find what items you have checked out, make renewals, see if you owe any fines, etc. You must be signed in to use My Account.

**Help** - offers helpful hints on different types of searches.

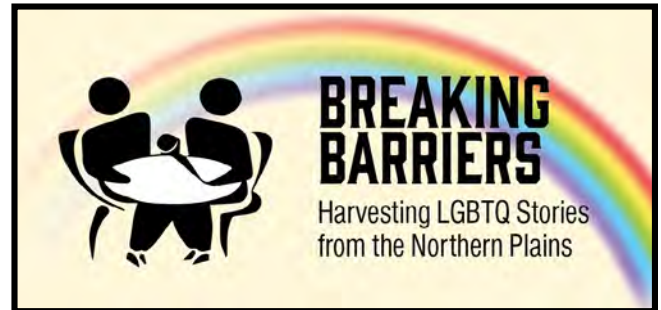
If you are having any trouble with the new catalog or need further assistance on navigating your way around it, please contact our Public Services Department at 1-800-472-2104 or [statelib@nd.gov](mailto:statelib@nd.gov).

## Red River Rainbow Seniors

Submitted by Traci Lund, NDLA President & Divide County Public Library Director

I have a fun new programming opportunity for any library that would like to participate. And, even better, it is FREE!!!

The North Dakota Library Association - Public Library Section will be the new host organization for the Red River Rainbow Seniors (RRRS). (Links below) The North Dakota State Library is no longer able to be the host due to unforeseen circumstances, so we are taking the reins on this opportunity.



To start off, the RRRS is asking for our help in arranging a program tour. They will be applying for the Humanities North Dakota Quick Grant in February to cover expenses involved in traveling to libraries outside of Fargo. Since they will be applying for this grant, they asked if we could help with the following in a timely manner:

- Create a lineup of approximately 12 public libraries for RRRS to visit and present their oral history program between April and October of 2020
- These folks have day jobs, so they're looking to only have 1 library visit scheduled per week. However, they are looking into possibly doing a 2-3 day tour to get to all the libraries around the state.
- There is no charge to the libraries for this program.

If your library is interested in being a host site for the RRRS, please respond to me personally at [dcl@nccray.net](mailto:dcl@nccray.net), and I'll take care of handing over all the information to Larry Pederson, Coordinator of the RRRS.

If you have any additional questions, please let me know. I would be happy to help!

Flickertale Link: <http://library.nd.gov/flickertale/2019november.pdf>

Facebook Red River Rainbow Seniors: <https://www.facebook.com/RRRainbowSeniors/>

### Did You Know...

...that almost 40% of North Dakotans that have library access to library service have library cards? In smaller communities, 60–70% of residents have library cards.

**RENEWAL AND DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE  
THE RAMADA, BISMARCK, ND  
APRIL 6-7, 2020**

**FEATURED PRESENTATIONS:**

**BEYOND AN APPLE A DAY**

Bobbie Newman, Community Engagement and Outreach Specialist at the National Network of Libraries of Medicine Greater Midwest Region

Are you interested in engaging with other librarians to improve your knowledge and comfort with health and wellness related reference and services? This class from the National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NNLM) will cover the health information seeking behavior of consumers and the role of the librarian in the provision of health information. We will discuss the importance of health literacy and the role libraries can play and the health reference interview. We will explore free evidence-based online health resources. We will share creative ideas for health information outreach.

**SECOND DAY:**

Breakout sessions the second day will include: Mill and Levies Basics for Public Libraries, Copyright in the Classroom and Public Libraries, Trustee Trainings and LibGuides, and so much more.

**PROGRAM & AGENDA:**

Our full program is available [online](#), as is a quick agenda at a glance for those who just want a rundown of what will be going on.

**GRADUATE CREDIT:**

School library media specialists can get one professional development credit from Valley City State University. Carmen Redding, the School & Youth Services Specialist and Mary Soucie, the ND State Librarian, will teach an additional session Monday evening for those who want the credit. VCSU charges \$50 for the credit, and you will need to register for it separately. [Registration is now open for this credit.](#)

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Renewal & Development will be held at the Ramada in Bismarck, ND. A block of rooms has been reserved for our participants. Call 701-258-7000 and let them know you're attending the State Library's conference to get state rate.

**REGISTRATION:**

Registration is now open and can be found through Eventbrite [here](#)

Contact Angie Houser at 701-328-3495 or [nds1train@nd.gov](mailto:nds1train@nd.gov) if you have questions.

***Note: Programming subject to change.***

# THE READING NOOK

By Jessica Robinson

There's something incredibly comforting about genre fiction, in its familiar conventions and character types, and romance is one of the star players of genre. Once you're hooked, few romance authors will let you go, and a quick overview of some new titles coming out this year should show why.

A jilted wedding planner has to work with the man who ruined her wedding in Mia Sosa's *The Worst Best Man*. Lina was humiliated when her fiancé's brother Max convinced him to call off the wedding, but she threw herself into work and eventually managed to land a huge hotel magnate as a client. Just when she thinks she's really turning things around, Max shows back up as the client's marketing expert, and not all of the sparks flying between them are from anger.

For anybody else obsessed with home remodeling shows, Christina Lauren's *The Honey-Don't List* is going to be a must-read of March. Here a beleaguered assistant named Carey and a bored structural engineer named James must work together to keep the married stars of their hit design show from taking everybody down as their relationship dramatically falls apart.

In Sajni Patel's *The Trouble with Hating You*, Liya is happy with her life and her career, even if she is perpetually single. So, when she goes to a dinner party with her parents and finds out that it was just a cover to introduce her to an arrogant lawyer named Jay, she has no problem walking out. Cut to a week later when, of course, Jay shows up as her company's newest hire.

*Beach Read* by Emily Henry is the perfect romance novel for devoted bookworms. January is a romance writer in a rut; Augustus is a literary fiction superstar who's tired of the depressing storylines that won him awards. While on vacation in neighboring beach houses, the two decide to swap gimmicks. Obviously, this means that January will have to take Augustus

on romantic work trips while Augustus takes her to meet with members of a death cult, all in the name of research.

Best friends meet in all kinds of ways, but in Farrah Rochon's *The Boyfriend Project*, three women become instant friends when they discover via Twitter that they're all dating the same man. Samiah, London, and Taylor vow to spend some time focusing on themselves in the wake of this betrayal, but Samiah's biggest project—a cutting-edge friendship app—is only just starting to get off the ground when she meets too-good-to-be-true Daniel at work.

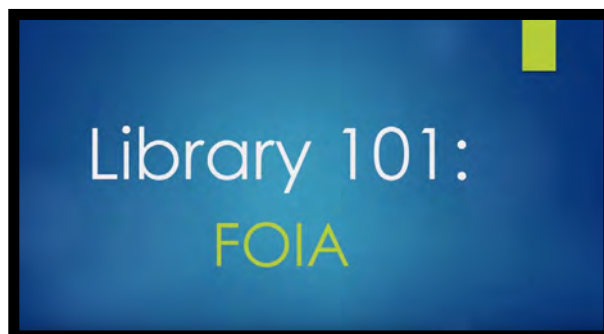
In Sara Desai's *The Marriage Game*, Layla is trying to start over again in her hometown with the help of her extremely devoted family. Layla wants to launch a new business from the upstairs office of her father's restaurant but, unbeknownst to her, he's set up a dating profile for her and is funneling all of her prospective dates right up to her door. Meanwhile, Sam is a stressed CEO in search of a quiet office space to decompress. When a series of serious miscommunications occurs, Sam is forced to share an office with Layla and her steady stream of suitors.

In addition to these new and intriguing standalone titles, several veterans of the romance genre have new books coming out this year, including *Chasing Cassandra*, the sixth book in *The Ravenels* by Lisa Kleypas; the eighteenth book in J.R. Ward's *Black Dagger Brotherhood* series, *The Sinner*; Jasmine Guillory's fifth *Wedding Date* book, *Party of Two*; *Daring and the Duke* by Sarah MacLean in her *Bareknuckle Bastards* series; *Wild Rain*, the second book in the *Women Who Dare* series by Beverly Jenkins; and *How to Catch a Queen*, the first book in a new series called *Runaway Royals* by Alyssa Cole.

Next month, we will dive head-first into the wonderful world of graphic novels and go over some of 2020's most intriguing new titles.

## YouTube Video of the Month: Library 101: FOIA

This month's video is a Library 101, but it deals with a topic that everyone has heard of but nobody really knows a lot about. This video will go over the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Because it is a Library 101, the video discusses the basics FOIA, why it's important, and some of the ways that the act is enforced. Don't miss out on this quick informational video for an important topic to librarians.



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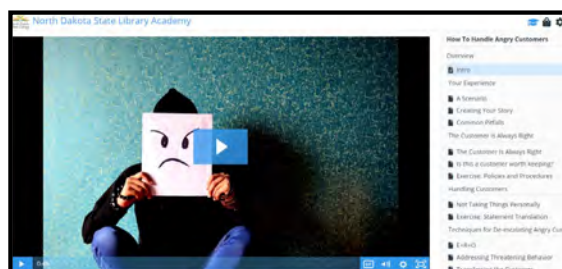
## Program Spotlight: Intergenerational Gardening

It may be February, but let's think Spring. Help your patrons get a jump start on their flowerbeds and gardens by hosting an all-ages planting program. Planting seeds in the late winter allows them to germinate inside in the relative warmth without freezing outdoors. By planting early, vegetables, herbs, and flowers will bloom earlier and for longer in the season. See if your local Extension Office would be interested in hosting a class on planting seeds and caring for them before they get transplanted when the ground thaws. Young and old alike will enjoy this program as adults help children learn more about where their food comes from and how their favorite flowers prepare to bloom.

## Course of the Month:

### [How To Handle Angry Customers](#)

This month's course, "How to Handle Angry Customers," can be found in the Niche Academy database. Unlike Universal Class, the courses in Niche Academy allow you to jump around the lesson, do not require login information, and do not provide continuing education units.



This course begins with an introduction into the subject matter and then will walk you through or patron. The course also includes tips on how to not take things personally and techniques for de-escalating an angry customer. The lessons are brief, so it shouldn't take more than one or two hours to complete.

If you have any questions, please e-mail us at [nds1train@nd.gov](mailto:nds1train@nd.gov).



## SCHOOL AND LIBRARY GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

### [Great River Energy Community Contributions](#)

**Deadlines: March 10, June 10  
September 10, December 10**

Great River Energy contributes to organizations in the communities they serve and the communities where their employees live. Awards of \$500 to \$2,500 are given to nonprofit organizations focusing on community service, education, the environment, and youth. Contributions in North Dakota are targeted to requesting organizations in Oliver, McLean, Mercer, and Stutsman counties. Please note the new application deadlines this year if you've applied previously. To apply or find further information, [visit their Community Contributions site](#).

### [EBSCO Solar](#)

**Deadline: May 1**

EBSCO Solar is a grant program making three \$100,000 grants available for applicants looking to fund a library solar project to offset electricity costs. Solar power is the cleanest and most abundant renewable energy source available. EBSCO believes they can make a critical impact on improving the environment and wants to help libraries make the transition to green power. All academic, school, and public libraries that are current EBSCO customers are eligible to apply. [FAQ's and the application form are available on EBSCO's solar site](#).

### [Master of Library and Information Science Degree Grant \(NDSL\)](#)

**Deadline: May 31**

The North Dakota State Library provides a training grant encouraging North Dakotans to pursue a Master of Library and Information Science degree from an ALA-accredited school (ALA/MLIS) and to work in North Dakota. Applicants must be employed by a North Dakota public school library, a public library, a public academic library, or the State Library. Applicants must be accepted into an ALA/MLIS program prior to the award. Applications may be submitted for a total amount of up to \$8,500. To learn more or apply, [head to the State Library's PDF about this grant](#).

### [Ottertail Power Company Grant](#)

**Deadline: Ongoing**

Otter Tail Power Company provides financial support for general operating and program expenses to qualifying organizations and activities in the communities they serve. Previous recipients in North Dakota include Lake Region Public Library, Minnewaukan Public Library, and Forman Public Library, and many ND public schools. To determine if you qualify or to apply for a grant, [visit their Donations and Grants page](#).

### [Verizon Foundation](#)

**Deadline: Ongoing**

The Verizon Foundation's funding priorities are STEM education for K-12 youth and domestic violence education and prevention for youth, women, and older adults. New applications are by invitation only, but you can contact your local community relations manager to ascertain your eligibility at: <https://www.verizon.com/about/responsibility/grant-requirements>

## NEW LIBRARIAN RESOURCES AT THE STATE LIBRARY

- On the road with outreach : mobile library services
- Beyond banned books : defending intellectual freedom throughout your library
- Transforming young adult services (2nd edition)
- Before they read : teaching language and literacy development through conversations, interactive read-alouds, and listening games
- Modernizing learning : building the future learning ecosystem
- A practical guide to mental health & learning disorder for every educator : how to recognize, understand, and help challenged (and challenging) students
- Teaching media literacy (2nd edition)
- Code this game! (guide to creating a video game in Python)
- Awesome STEM science experiments : more than 50 practical STEM projects for the whole family
- A velocity of being : letters to a young reader
- Calling all minds: how to think and create like an inventor (written for ages 8-12)
- A coding mission (Adventures in Makerspace series, ages 8-12)

## *Free Webinars Provided By The North Dakota State Library*

### **Property Tax & Mill Levy Basics**

Presenter: Kim Vietmeier, North Dakota State Tax Department

When: Thursday, February 20, 1:30-2:00 (CST)

Register: <http://bit.ly/2Qgl8T3>

How is a property assessment determined? How does an assessment directly affect a mill levy? We will touch base on how values and budgets are separate functions, yet work together to provide county wide services.

### **Library Programming & the 50th Anniversary of Earth Day**

Presenter: Kira Heeschen, Education Coordinator at the Earth Day Network

When: Thursday, March 19, 1:30-2:00 (CST)

Register: <http://bit.ly/2ONQxfg>

On April 22, 2020, people all over the world will be commemorating the 50th anniversary of Earth Day. The Earth Day Network invites you to join us in this webinar to get ideas and inspiration for how your library can celebrate with us. Through the year of 2020 we are coordinating cleanups, teach-ins, citizen science projects, art exhibitions and more! Youth and adults in over 190 countries around the world celebrate Earth Day and this anniversary year is an exciting opportunity for you to join a global movement working towards a cleaner, more sustainable environment.

**Note:** If webinar registration is full or you cannot attend, please e-mail [ndsitrain@nd.gov](mailto:ndsitrain@nd.gov) to get the recording.

# Free Training Webinars

## **Springing Forward: Books For Young Readers (Booklist)**

**Register:** <http://bit.ly/39FbykH>

*Tuesday, March 3 (1:00 PM - 2:00 PM CST)*

Your clock won't be the only thing springing ahead this March; accompanying the shift in seasons is a bevy of beautiful new books for youth. In this free, one-hour webinar moderated by Books for Youth senior editor Julia Smith, representatives from Disney Book Group, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Books for Young Readers, Running Press Kids, and Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing will introduce an array of exciting forthcoming releases for the younger set (approximately ages three through 10). Don't miss this glimpse at the latest and greatest in kid lit!

## **Cultivating Protective Factors for Safe Libraries and Resilient Communities (WebJunction)**

**Register:** <http://bit.ly/2SD2CVY>

*Thursday, March 5 (2:00 PM-3:00 PM)*

Every day, public libraries open their doors to people facing ongoing life challenges, such as poverty, mental health symptoms, substance abuse, or domestic violence. The library may be the only protective place they can turn to, the only place that can counter the debilitating negative factors that govern their lives. Join this webinar to explore the ways the library functions as a "protective factor" and to understand how the library, staff, and patrons exist within a community-wide context of safety. With consideration for how poverty, race, or other often stigmatized challenges impact the patron experience, learn practical and applicable ways to assess your library's relationship with patrons, local law enforcement, social workers, and other organizations. Hear how the Sacramento Public Library learned through crisis to address staff and community trauma and to build resilience through more compassionate and inclusive policies and practices.

## **What Kids Are Reading (and Not Reading) in 2020 (edWeb)**

**Register:** <http://bit.ly/2SkXDdp>

*Tuesday, February 20 (10:00 AM–11:00 AM)*

What are the most popular books and series at each grade level? How can we help students to engage more deeply with the texts they read? Are there proven steps we can take to increase students' nonfiction reading?

These are just a few of the questions answered in What Kids Are Reading, the world's largest annual survey of K–12 reading habits. Attend this edWebinar to explore the most actionable insights from the new 2020 report —along with educators' tips for motivating struggling readers and for incorporating SEL into reading instruction.

Participants will also explore strategies for:

- Identifying the topics students find most engaging
- Integrating more digital and nonfiction reading into your curriculum
- Helping students build stronger background knowledge
- Creating a district culture that recognizes daily reading time as non-negotiable

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## Legal Research Resources for Eviction

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

Eviction is a frequently requested legal research topic by self-represented patrons of the North Dakota Supreme Court Law Library and North Dakota Legal Self Help Center.

Following are legal research and other resources in North Dakota for evictions.

### What is Eviction?

Eviction is an accelerated, or sped up, civil court action to determine the right to physically possess the leased property. The action is also referred to as forcible detainer. The eviction action only involves possession of real property (real estate), rather than personal property.

A landlord may evict a tenant for one or more of the eight reasons for eviction allowed by North Dakota law. A landlord can't evict a tenant without an order from a North Dakota state district court that says the landlord met all of the legal requirements.

Because eviction is an accelerated civil court process, North Dakota eviction law strictly limits the ability to combine eviction with other claims related to the lease agreement.

### Eviction Definitions

**Lease:** an oral or written contract where a landlord gives a tenant the temporary possession and use of real property for reward and the tenant agrees to return possession to the landlord at a future time.

**Lessor/Landlord:** the person who rents or leases real property to another.

**Lessee/Tenant:** the person who rents or leases real property from a lessor/landlord.

**Personal Property:** anything that isn't real property. For example, furniture, dishes, clothing, and appliances.

**Real Property:** real or immovable land, including anything that is fixed to the land that is incidental or immovable by law. For example, an apartment within an apartment building, a condominium within a complex, a house, or a room within a house.

**Writ of Execution** (also called Writ of Execution for Possession, Writ of Restitution, or Writ of Eviction): an order from a North Dakota state district court judge or judicial referee needed to give physical possession of the real property back to the landlord. A writ of execution can't be issued until after the judge or judicial referee orders that the landlord met all of the legal requirements for eviction.

### Eviction Process

In North Dakota, a landlord may begin the eviction process when one or more of the eight reasons for eviction exist.

The most common reasons for eviction are failing to pay the rent more than 3 days after its due, remaining in the property after the end of the lease, and violating a material term of the written lease agreement.

**Step One: the landlord arranges to serve the tenant a 3 day notice of intention to evict.** The 3 day notice of intention to evict is a document that gives the tenant notice the landlord intends to evict the tenant. The tenant has 3 days to comply before the landlord begins the court process for eviction.

For 4 of the 8 reasons to evict, a 3 day notice of intention to evict is required before the landlord can start the court process.

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**Step Two: the tenant is served a summons and complaint for eviction.** If the tenant doesn't comply with the 3 day notice of intention to evict, or if the 3 day notice of intention to evict wasn't required, the landlord arranges to have the summons and complaint for eviction served on the tenant.

Service of the summons and complaint on the tenant starts the court process for eviction. The process moves very quickly once the summons and complaint are served.

**Step Three: the eviction hearing is held within 3 to 15 days from the date the tenant was served.** North Dakota eviction laws require that the eviction hearing occur within 3 to 15 days from the date the tenant was served the summons and complaint.

At the hearing, the landlord must prove the reasons for eviction they included in the complaint. The tenant has the opportunity to tell their side to the district court judge or judicial referee at the hearing.

If the judge or judicial referee decides the landlord met all of the legal requirements to evict the tenant, the tenant can be evicted the same day as the hearing. However, during the hearing the tenant can ask for up to 5 days to move out.

**Step Four: the tenant must move out by the date in the eviction order.** If the judge or judicial referee orders the eviction, the eviction order will state the date the tenant must leave the property.

If the tenant doesn't leave before the date indicated in the eviction order, the Writ of Execution goes into effect. Then, the Sheriff or the Sheriff's deputy will escort the tenant off the property.

## ND Legal Research Resources For The Eviction Process

[The ND Legal Self Help Center's Eviction for Tenants Informational Guide](#) contains legal research resources and basic information about the eviction process in a North Dakota state district court from a tenant's perspective.

[Chapter 47-32 of the North Dakota Century Code](#) governs evictions in North Dakota.

[Chapter 47-16 of the North Dakota Century Code](#) contains North Dakota laws related to leasing real property.

**City or county ordinances** may include additional lease requirements. The website for the individual city or county may host their ordinances, or their ordinances may be available in print.

[Chapter 14-02.5 of the North Dakota Century Code](#) contains North Dakota laws related to housing discrimination.

[Chapter 23-10 of the North Dakota Century Code](#) contains North Dakota laws related to mobile home parks, trailer parks and campgrounds.

[Chapter 23-11 of the North Dakota Century Code](#) contains North Dakota laws governing city and county housing authorities.

Information about federal fair housing laws and regulations is available at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development website of [www.hud.gov](http://www.hud.gov).

## OTHER RESOURCES

[Legal Services of North Dakota publishes a Landlord Tenant Law handbook.](#) The handbook contains useful information about landlord/tenant rights and responsibilities.

The North Dakota Office of the Attorney General publishes consumer resources. One consumer resource is a [Tenant Rights brochure](#).

## *North Dakota Library Tidbits*

- Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library recently hosted a Families Around the World Program including informational booths, cultural activities and crafts, storytelling in languages from around the world, and a touring Green Card Voices photo exhibit of immigrants telling their life stories with photos and videos
- Michigan Library recently displayed projects from the Lakota Cloverleaves 4-H Club members
- Minot Public Library recently purchased a new green screen and standing lights for their Makerspace
- Grand Forks Public Library began their \$600,000 renovation project to paint over avocado-green walls, replace burnt orange carpeting, improve electrical infrastructure, and widen aisles to improve accessibility
- Cavalier County Library and the Northern Lights Arts Council are sponsoring a community book discussion in Langdon with UND professor Michelle Sauer facilitating
- Oakes School & Public Library hosted a code-cracking library escape game; 23 7th grade students attended
- Minot Public Library's Josh Pikka visited the Parker Senior Center to help older adults with technology, including digital literacy, location privacy, and other hardware and software concerns
- Williston Community Library is working with local artists to modernize the look of their facility with large paintings and murals
- AARP is offering free tax preparation assistance at the Morton-Mandan Public Library and Dickinson Area Public Library
- On Martin Luther King, Jr., Day, numerous volunteers showed up to help prepare for Casselton Public Library's upcoming book sale
- A dedicated patron of the Elgin Public Library is over 1,200 books into her quest to read every book they hold on their shelves: "I just thought I'd start in the beginning [...] and they've all been pretty good."
- Mayville Public Library is holding their annual Love Your Library book sale coinciding with Valentine's Day and lasting through the end of the month
- Dickinson State University is planning to renovate Pulver Hall to house the Theodore Roosevelt Digital Library, classroom or office space, and housing for 66 students

# Digital Delights



Jacob and Eva Schumacher from Streeter, ND, are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in this photo from 1958.

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**DIGITAL  
HORIZONS**

Check out Digital Horizons at:  
<http://bit.ly/2HqnoCQ>

## UPCOMING EVENTS

February 16-22	<a href="#">Engineers Week</a>
February 17	<a href="#">NDSL Closed</a>
February 20	<a href="#">Webinar: Property Tax &amp; Mill Levy Basics</a>
March 19	<a href="#">Webinar: Library Programming &amp; the 50th Anniversary of Earth Day</a>
April 6 & 7	<a href="#">Renewal &amp; Development</a>

Please submit library news to [ndslpa@nd.gov](mailto:ndslpa@nd.gov).

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