

Upcoming Changes to the Public Libraries Survey

The Public Library Survey is always evolving to more accurately reflect what is happening in the nation's public libraries. This year's changes fall roughly into two categories:

1. Things you will record differently on the 2021 Survey, which will be open February 1 – March 31, and
2. Things you will record differently in 2023 but that you will need to start tracking in January 2022.

Today we're covering the first group for the 2021 Survey. Most of these changes should be easy. If it is something you did not track, however, do not worry. IMLS, the federal agency that administers the survey, recognizes this and just asks that you start tracking the information in the coming year. The changes below will also be covered in more detail over the coming months, including all the usual letters and webinars.

Other Circulating Physical Items

There are two questions for the new 'Other Circulating Physical Items' category: The number in your collection and the number of circulations in 2021. 'Other' is everything physical not covered by your pre-existing categories, such as tools, cake pans, wifi hotspots, fishing rods, etc. There will still be a separate question on State Park Pass circulation, and you will need to count those in both places.

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Ancestry Library Edition Remote Access Update

Beginning in March 2020, Ancestry Library Edition was temporarily expanded to allow remote access. After nearly two years of temporary remote access, Ancestry has made the difficult decision to end it. Remote access for Ancestry Library Edition will no longer be available after December 31, 2021.

The remote URLs and any messaging about remote access must be removed by December 31, 2021. Any remote access links that have not been switched back to the IP access URL will be disabled after the December 31, 2021, end date.

For more information, please visit the ProQuest website at <https://bit.ly/32DeKyU>.

If you have any questions about editing the links on your WordPress website, please contact BreAnne at ndsipa@nd.gov.



Up to 100 public and school libraries will be selected to receive an Inclusive Financial Literacy Programming Kit from ALA and the FINRA Investor Education Foundation to help them provide diverse financial literacy titles and programming for children and young people in their communities.

Each kit will contain:

- The Inclusive Financial Literacy booklist
- One copy of Rainy Day Ready: Financial Literacy Programs and Tools
- One print copy of five books from the booklist

For more information and to apply for the kit, please visit <https://bit.ly/3CEFX0o>.

Tammy's Teaching Tidbits



Curriculum Workshop in Minnesota Racial Inclusion

Welcome to Week Two of “Tammy’s Teaching Tidbit!” Last week, I highlighted the professional development book “Lessons Inspired by Picture Books for Primary Grades.” This week, I am discussing take-aways from the virtual “Curriculum Workshop for Minnesota.” The topic at hand was anti-racism. I realize that this is certainly a heated discussion in education and libraries. Let’s just take a step back for a moment and look at the inclusion piece of this argument.

Books can offer fantastic opportunities to act as both “mirrors and windows” for students. Stories become “mirrors” by allowing students to see themselves, their family and friend dynamics, and their own life experiences within the covers. Tales also act as “windows” by allowing students to witness the diverse experiences of others. These lessons are excellent empathy and critical-thinking skill-building exercises!

The special presenters for “Curriculum Workshop in Minnesota” modified a list from K12reader.com to help librarians in evaluating multi-cultural books. These criteria can be quite useful both for weeding old and purchasing new materials:

Checklist for Selecting Materials

(adapted from K12reader.com “Ten tips for Selecting Multicultural Books for Reading Instruction”)

The book...

- Avoids offensive expressions, negative attitudes, or stereotypical representations. If you feel that you have no instincts in this area, then do some research. Historically, what are some of the negative stereotypes that have been associated with a particular culture? Once you know what the stereotypes are, look at both the pictures and the text of a book for the presence or absence of such depictions.
- The author is from the culture being depicted. If not, be wary. A cultural insider is more likely to get it right. A good sign to look for is a biography explaining the author’s connection to the culture, or an author’s/illustrator’s note explaining the sources of information the author and illustrator drew upon in writing and illustrating the book.

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Upcoming NDSL Webinar Holds and Renewals

Using the public access catalog (PAC) can be confusing, but this webinar will discuss the steps needed to place holds, ask for renewals, and examine your patron record. Can’t find the Place Request button? Check out this webinar to find it!

North Dakota State Library Webinar: Placing Holds and Renewing Materials in the PAC

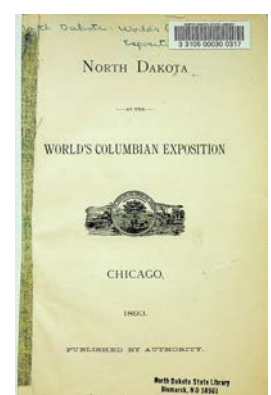
December 2 (3:00 PM – 4:00 PM CST)

This webinar will demonstrate how to place holds and renew items through the PAC.



I’m thankful for history. And thankfully (pun intended), as Digital initiatives Specialist, I get to work with history each day in one way or another.

Recently, the history I’ve been working with and exploring involves North Dakota at the 1893 Chicago World’s Fair (a.k.a. the World’s Columbian



Topics will include how to place a hold on an item, how to renew items received from a PAC library, and how to ask for renewals for items from libraries that are not in the PK12 consortium.

<http://www.library.nd.gov/webinars.html>

Exposition). I stumbled across a book in the stacks at the State Library called North Dakota at the World's Columbian Exposition, Chicago, 1893. The book intrigued me, so I decided to digitize it, and it's [now available online](#) as part of the State Library's digital collections.

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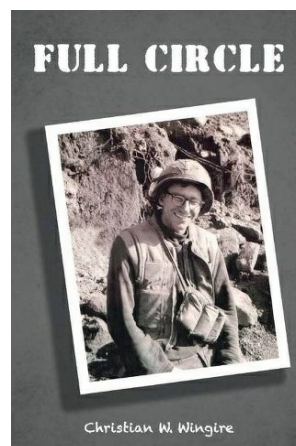
North Dakota Libraries in the News



Christmas Focus at Carrington City Library

CARRINGTON, N.D. (NewsDakota.com) - The Carrington City Library is getting into the holiday spirit with some Christmas-centered items. The first of which is the annual Christmas Around Town. Director Michele Seil says they're looking forward to...

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Medina Man's Vietnam Service & Story at JRVLS

JAMESTOWN, N.D. (NewsDakota.com) - The James River Valley Library System (JRVLS) holds numerous books, sharing stories from around the world. And some of these stories come from our area. Christian W. Wingire was born and raised in North Dakota,...

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Minot Daily News

Minot Public Library honored for second year

For the second consecutive year, the Minot Public Library has been recognized as a Future-Focused Library by the North Dakota Library Coordinating Council's Standards for Public Libraries. "It means a lot to be recognized as a library looking to...

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Bismarck library to host Jenkinson, Vogel

The Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library will host a conversation with Clay Jenkinson and Sarah Vogel next week. Jenkinson is a humanities scholar and host of the nationally syndicated radio program, "The Thomas Jefferson Hour." Vogel is an...

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Have you checked the comments left on your website lately? It's important to check the comments on your WordPress website regularly to ensure there aren't any outstanding messages that need to be answered or deleted. Some people may use the comment section of your website to ask questions, issue complaints, or request items, but a lot of the comments are scams or people wanting you to purchase something.

Some things you may want to consider are not including a "Leave a Reply" or Comment section on your website or unclicking "Allow comments" under Discussion when creating a new post. This way, people who want to get ahold of you will need to send an e-mail or message you on social media.

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If you have any questions or concerns about your WordPress website, please let BreAnne know at bmeier@nd.gov or 701-328-4656.



The next ND Library Marketing Meeting will take place on Thursday, December 2, at 2:00 PM Central Time.

The discussion for December will be on library marketing plans. Whether you've already written yours for 2022, are about to start planning, or have no idea what a marketing plan even is, please join us for a fun group discussion.

Register today at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84451220000>

If you have any questions or concerns, contact BreAnne at ndsipa@nd.gov.

American Rescue Plan: Humanities Grants for Libraries



ALA invites libraries to apply for funding through its American Rescue Plan: Humanities Grants for Libraries opportunity. This program is used to deliver relief to libraries recovering from the coronavirus pandemic.

Up to 200 U.S. libraries of all types (e.g., public, tribal, K-12, academic, special, prison) and representing a broad range of communities will receive \$10,000 through a competitive, peer-reviewed application process.

ALA will accept applications until December 2, 2021.

Selected libraries will receive:

- \$10,000 to support humanities functions of the libraries.
- One print copy of "Going Virtual: Programs and Insights from a Time of Crisis" by Sarah Ostman for the ALA Public Programs Office (ALA Editions, 2021)
- Online resources and support

For more information and to apply for this grant, please visit <https://www.ala.org/tools/programming/ARPhumanities>



**ALSC/Candlewick Press
"Light the Way" Grant**



The ALSC Programs and Services Recognition committee is accepting applications for the 2022 ALSC/Candlewick Press "Light the Way" Grant. The award consists of a \$3,000 grant to assist a library in conducting exemplary and replicable outreach to underserved populations through a new and innovative program or an expansion of work already being done.

Applications and supporting materials are due by December 20, 2021.

For more information and to apply, please visit <https://bit.ly/32tVwvy>.

Outdoor Moving Licensing

In response to COVID-19, Swank Motion Pictures has created a program for libraries to show outdoor movies on library property through June 30, 2022. This is an excellent opportunity for summer reading programs. Guidelines and an event request form can be found [on Swank's website](#).

ND Response

ND Response is a single source for accurate and timely information during major, pressing incidents impacting North Dakota citizens. This past summer, ND Response provided up-to-date information about wildfires that were raging in the state and provided timely information on burn ban restrictions and fire dangers.

November 1-5 was declared Severe Winter Weather Awareness Week, and ND Response has a bunch of great information about getting prepared for the inevitability of winter.

While the danger from winter weather varies across the country, nearly all Americans, regardless of where they live, are likely to face some type of severe winter weather at some point in their lives. That could mean snow or subfreezing temperatures, as well as strong winds or even ice or heavy rainstorms.

Included on the Severe Winter Weather site are documents about generator safety, getting your car ready for winter, outdoor safety tips, and more. There is a printable flyer on what to include in a winter survival kit that can be printed out on a color printer and hung up in your library.

Check out all the great information that ND Response has at <https://ndresponse.gov/> and especially check out their guides and resources on being safe during severe winter weather at <https://ndresponse.gov/severe-winter-weather>.

Other News, Grants, and Webinars



PLA 2022 Scholarships

To encourage equity, diversity, and inclusion in the library profession, PLA is sponsoring fifteen (15) general conference scholarship with five (5) scholarships in each of three categories: Early-career Library Staff Scholarships, Non-Salaried...

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FINRA Foundation Library Grants Program

Application deadline: March 1, 2022
Purpose: This grant program supports public libraries and academic libraries in their efforts to meet financial and/or investor education needs at the community level by providing high-quality education,...

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Understand Your Library's Community Better with Census Data

How well do you understand the diverse communities your library serves? Leveraging Census data can inform program and service development at your library. Data on education, home Internet use, income and poverty status, languages spoken, housing...

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Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries

The Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries provides funds to our Nation's neediest schools so that they can extend, update, and diversify the book and print collections in their libraries with the goal of encouraging students to develop a ...

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Mini Programming Awards | NNLM All of Us Program

The Network of the National Library of Medicine (NNLM) All of Us Mini Programming Awards will provide funding to library and community-based organization programs to meet the following goals: Raise awareness of , the National Institutes of Health ...

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Advancing Informal STEM Learning (AISL)

The Advancing Informal STEM Learning (AISL) program seeks to advance new approaches to and evidence-based understanding of the design and development of STEM learning opportunities for the public in informal environments; provide multiple...



Penguin Random House Grants for Small & Rural Libraries

Through the generosity of Penguin Random House, we are please to announce the establishment of a new grant opportunity for small and rural libraries nationwide! Not all applications will be selected for funding. If selected, grants will

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National Summer Programming Symposium

Who is this conference for? All library staff that are interested in summer programming. Where is the conference? Virtually anywhere with an internet connection. When is the conference? Thursday December 2, 2021 ~ 11:30 am - 4:30 pm (EST) How...

[Read more](https://www.eventbrite.com)
www.eventbrite.com

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