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## College SAVE Summer Reading Champions

### Bank of North Dakota

The North Dakota State Library partnered with Bank of North Dakota to bring the College SAVE Summer Reading Champions Campaign to participants of the 2023 Collaborative Summer Library Program, "All Together Now."

Every student completing their library's goal for "All Together Now" received a redeemable certificate for a \$10 contribution to an existing College SAVE account or a \$25 contribution to a new College SAVE account. More than 450 children have taken advantage of the contribution and families have until December 31, 2023, to redeem the certificate. In addition, there were 10 recipients selected from random drawings who were awarded \$529 College SAVE contributions.

"This partnership with the Bank of North Dakota allows us to continue supporting North Dakota libraries with summer reading programs," says Lexi Whitehorn, North Dakota State Library literacy specialist. "Our libraries serve North Dakota children of all ages while encouraging them to not only read, but to enjoy all the other activities and programs the libraries have to offer. Programs like College SAVE allow libraries to offer incentives for reading that not only benefit our children now, but in their future as well."

Over 3,500 youth from over 35 libraries participated in this year's summer reading campaign. The \$529 scholarship recipients are Ruth Karges, Fargo Public Library; Mila Lende, Fargo Public Library; Theodore Wentz, Grand Forks Public Library; Loveleigh Henry, Dickinson Area Public Library; Hawkins Hubrig, Minot Public Library; Brynlee Boger, Morton-Mandan Public Library; Kennedy Wiedrich, Hazen Public Library; Devaughn Moore, New Town City Library; Carson Follman, Cando Community Library; and Nora Brown, West Fargo Public Library.

"Bank of North Dakota congratulates all of the young people who participated in their local library's summer reading programs," states Todd Steinwand, Bank of North Dakota president. "It is well-established that reading is an important component of academic success which leads to a well-prepared workforce."

The College SAVE Plan is a 529 plan established by the State of North Dakota. Bank of North Dakota acts as trustee of the College SAVE Trust and is responsible for administering the Plan. To learn more about College SAVE, visit [collegesave4u.com](https://collegesave4u.com).

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## New Website Survey

The North Dakota State Library published our new website in June, and we are seeking feedback! Whether you visit the website daily, weekly, or yearly, we would like to hear how we can improve functionality, what's going well, what you like, and what you dislike about the website.

The survey will take about 10-15 minutes to complete. Thank you so much for taking the time to share your feedback.

[Take The Survey](#)

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# Libraries in the News

## [KX Conversation: Scan Day – Importance of Digital Preservation \(KX News\)](#)

"For our October 5th KX Conversation, Brooke Williams and Jamarlo Phillips spoke with Trevor Martinson, the digital initiatives specialist at the North Dakota State Library..."

## [Williston library hosts 'Conversations Beyond Life' \(KX News\)](#)

"The Williston Community Library is going to host "Conversations Beyond Life" twice this month..."

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## American Archives Month 2023

Submitted by Trevor Martinson

October has more to offer than just pumpkin spice lattes. It is also American Archives Month!

During this event, archives across the country celebrate and promote the items in their collections. It is an opportunity to focus on the immense value archives (and archivists) provide, as well as an opportunity for the public to learn more about archives. Archives are wonderful cultural heritage institutions that tirelessly work to preserve the past for future generations.

North Dakota has several archives, particularly associated with college and university libraries. There is also the State Library's friendly neighbor, [State Archives](#) (a division of the State Historical Society of North Dakota).

Although the State Library is not an archive, the State Document Depository comes close. The [State Document Depository](#) collects, preserves, and disseminates all North Dakota state government documents produced for public use. This includes annual reports, strategic plans, audits, meeting minutes, newsletters and magazines, brochures, handbooks, maps, statistics, public university catalogs, Cooperative Extension publications, and research results.

On the other hand, the [State Library does have a digital archive](#). It is publicly available online via the Digital Horizons website. There, you will find several collections containing county and town history books, atlases and plat books, diaries, state documents, political cartoons, cookbooks, and thousands of images that celebrate North Dakota and its people. You can learn more about these collections by visiting [LibGuides](#) or browse the collection directly on [Digital Horizons](#).

Learn more about American Archives Month by visiting the websites of the [Society of American Archivists](#) (SAA) and the [National Archives and Records Administration](#) (NARA).



## Enrich Learning with Book Clubs in the Classroom and Library Webinar

This Follett webinar entailed the experiences of John Arther, a sixth-grade teacher, and Carrie Friday, a high school librarian, with running book clubs. Both presenters brought tips and tricks for running successful book clubs.

The presentation started out with defining "book clubs." This activity can look a few different ways.

1. All students read the same book.
2. Students choose from a selection of books and meet with others who are reading the same book.
3. Students read different titles that share a theme.

The key component is that students read and discuss books!

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## Sneak Peek ...

Submitted by Lexi Whitehorn

There is something new and exciting coming to librarians of all types! Each week until it is ready for the reveal, I'll post a clue as to what is coming. The clues will get more defined as the reveal gets closer. Clue #1 is below; can you guess what it is?

Clue #1:



### Artificial Intelligence Resources

At first, this final article was going to focus on the various types of AI and their uses, but there is an overwhelming amount of information that changes quickly, so I decided to provide various resources for you to access as your schedule allows. I have attended the webinars provided and read through many of the additional resources. I hope you find this information useful as we continue to navigate the AI world. Neither NDSL nor I endorse any of the information below but supply the information as resources.

[AI and Libraries: Enhancing Services and Engaging Communities](#)

*From WebJunction: Join this webinar to explore the world of artificial intelligence (AI) and applications for libraries. Don't miss this chance to expand your knowledge, improve library services, and enable communities to benefit from the latest AI advancements.*

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## Beanstack

Submitted by Lexi Whitehorn

September is always a crazy month. Kids and parents adjusting back to school routines, sports, last minute vacations – tons of activities and happenings that can prevent us from sitting down and reading a good book. But even with the change of the seasons, readers across North Dakota managed to read, a total of 12,561 minutes for the Hispanic Heritage month challenge!



How spooky can you get this month? October's challenge, *Hallow-READ 2023*, requires patrons to read 360 minutes. Even with a busy schedule, there are ways to sneak in some reading time.

- Read on lunch breaks.
- Listen to an audiobook in the car. Libby is great for listening on trips. With thousands of titles, patrons are sure to find something they like!
- Bring a book to sports events – read during half-time or before the game.
- Get up from the desk and take a 15 min walk. Listen to an audiobook while soaking in the last of the nice weather.

Beanstack



# Talking Book Update

## Topic for October's Many Faces of BARD program

### NLS BARD Support

The topic for the October 12, 2023, Many Faces of BARD program will be the BARD 2.0 website, An Introduction and Demonstration. The program will begin at 6:00 PM and last for one hour. After the demonstration, NLS staff will take questions about the demonstration or anything else relating to BARD. This program will be recorded.

[Learn More](#)

## The Science of Reading Symposium

Submitted by Lexi Whitehorn

Next week on October 10th (11:00 AM - 3:00 PM), Amplify is hosting a free, virtual webinar on the Science of Reading. Hear from experts in the literacy field, get access to resources, and learn how to be a driving force for change management. Here is the agenda but please note that times are listed in eastern standard time.

Time	Session
12:00 p.m.	<b>Welcome</b> Susan Lambert, Host of Science of Reading: The Podcast
12:10 p.m.	<b>Leading the Shift to High-quality Literacy Instruction</b> Dr. Kymyona Burk, Senior Policy Fellow at ExcelinEd
1:00 p.m.	<b>How Building Knowledge Narrows Gaps</b> Natalie Wexler, Author, The Knowledge Gap
1:45 p.m.	<b>How Teachers Shape Learning: Content-rich Literacy Instruction in the Elementary Grades</b> Dr. Sonia Cabell, Associate Professor of Education at Florida State University
2:30 p.m.	Choice of: <b>Literacy Instruction Supporting English Language Learners</b> Claude Goldenberg, Professor of Education at Stanford University or <b>Making the Content Stick: Knowledge-building in the Classroom</b> Mitchell Brookins, Education consultant and former school administrator
3:15 p.m.	<b>Equity 2.0: Rethinking the Who, What, and How</b> Kareem Weaver, Co-Founder and Executive Director at FULCRUM

This symposium will be recorded so even if you are getting ready to attend NDLA or don't have four hours to devote to professional development at a single session, you will still get access. After registering, you will receive a personal workbook to help guide you through the symposium and help support the Science of Reading at your school or library, and you will receive a resource guide for change management.

[Register](#)

## Promotional Materials Available For Your ND Library

Are you looking for bookmarks to promote the Online Library Resources (OLRs) available through your library? Need some social media graphics? Check out the State Library's [Marketing webpage!](#)

This webpage includes links to all the OLRs' promotional webpages that have social media graphics, communication templates, and flyers and brochures that you can download and print.

The State Library also provides materials for some of the OLRs that you can order using the form found at <https://bit.ly/ndsipaform>. Just fill in the amount of the materials you would like, and we will send them to you as soon as possible.

We are redoing the promotional materials that we have on hand. If you have any requests or ideas, please contact BreAnne at [ndsipa@nd.gov](mailto:ndsipa@nd.gov).

[Promotional Materials](#)



## German

The annual festival of Oktoberfest, which originated on October 12, 1810, in Munich, Germany, is the catalyst for why we are featuring the German language courses found in both the Mango and Rocket Languages resources. This festival takes place over a two-week period, ending on the first Sunday in October. Numerous cities in the United States still hold Oktoberfest each year.

[Mango](#) has 5 units of study that will focus on the four skills necessary to connect in another language: grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation, and culture. It also includes 16 lessons dedicated to Oktoberfest.

[Rocket Languages](#) gives you access to beginner, intermediate, and advanced German lessons.

If your library would like to promote these or any of the other online library resources through the State Library, please fill out the form at [www.bit.ly/ndsipaform](http://www.bit.ly/ndsipaform), contact BreAnne at [ndsipa@nd.gov](mailto:ndsipa@nd.gov) or visit <https://www.library.nd.gov/marketing>.

### Reference:

Britannica Library, s.v. "Oktoberfest," accessed September 29, 2023, <https://library.eb.com/levels/referencecenter/article/Oktoberfest/56933>.

[Start Learning](#)



## Social Media Policies for Employees

In the last article, we discussed creating internal social media policies/guidelines for staff who are authorized to post via the library's social media account. This week, we will discuss guidelines/policies for employees who have personal accounts on social media.

These guidelines are not meant to limit or restrict an employee's rights to utilize social media for personal reasons. They are meant to keep the library, employees, and patrons safe.

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## New Items Added to Digital Horizons

A highlight of the items added to the various digital collections of the North Dakota State Library.



### [North Dakota Histories](#)

- Dickinson and Fertile Stark County, 1908
- Fort Abercrombie Centennial, 1957: 1857-1877
- Wells County, North Dakota's Agricultural Eldorado

### [North Dakota Memories](#)

- Military portrait of Michael Sperle, 1917-1918
- North Dakota Boys' and Girls' Clubs Song Book
- Schmidt family, near Streeter, N.D., late 1930s
- School diploma of Evangeline Hoffer, 1957

## [North Dakota School for the Deaf](#)



- NDSU Supt. Smith Christmas card, 1964
- Portrait of Arthur P. Buchanan, circa 1937-1945
- Portrait of Carl F. Smith, circa 1967
- Snapshot of NDSU Supt. Driggs, circa 1921-1937

## [Political Prairie Fire](#)



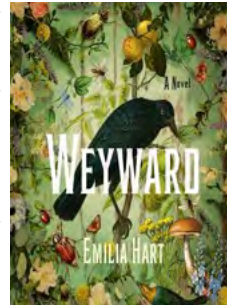
- Attorney General Langer's Opinion on Courses of Study, 1919
- Brinton and Waters rock the boat [political cartoon]
- Langer, Kositzky and Hall [political cartoon]
- Macdonald again loses out in attempt to oust Miss Nielson, 1919 [newspaper article]
- Portrait of Frank S. Talcott, circa 1913
- Recall Election Called by Hall in Proclamation, 1921 [newspaper article]
- Report of the N.D. Industrial Commission, 1922
- Report of the N.D. Industrial Commission, 1924

[Digital Horizons](#)

# Kit of the Week

## Book Club Kit: "Weyward" by Emilia Hart

2019: Under cover of darkness, Kate flees London for ramshackle Weyward Cottage, inherited from a great aunt she barely remembers. With its tumbling ivy and overgrown garden, the cottage is worlds away from the abusive partner who tormented Kate. But she begins to suspect that her great aunt had a secret. One that lurks in the bones of the cottage, hidden ever since the witch-hunts of the 17th century. 1619: Altha is awaiting trial for the murder of a local farmer who was stampeded to death by his herd. As a girl, Altha's mother taught her their magic, a kind not rooted in spell casting but in a deep knowledge of the natural world. But unusual women have always been deemed dangerous, and as the evidence for witchcraft is set out against Altha, she knows it will take all of her powers to maintain her freedom. 1942: As World War II rages, Violet is trapped in her family's grand, crumbling estate. Straitjacketed by societal convention, she longs for the robust education her brother receives--and for her mother, long deceased, who was rumored to have gone mad before her death. The only traces Violet has of her are a locket bearing the initial W and the word weyward scratched into the baseboard of her bedroom. Weaving together the stories of three extraordinary women across five centuries, Emilia Hart's Weyward is an enthralling novel of female resilience and the transformative power of the natural world.



This book club kit includes ten books, a discussion guide, and a sign-in sheet.

[Request This Kit](#)

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