

Do You Have Extra Eclipse Glasses?

If you have extra or gently used eclipse glasses that you want to get rid of, the Space Science Institute has some suggestions:

1. [Send to someone you know in another country who will be experiencing a solar eclipse](#)
2. [Send to Astronomers Without Borders](#)
3. [Donate to Eclipse Glasses USA](#)
4. [Send them back to the Space Science Institute](#)

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Bias in AI

To begin, welcome to *Tammy's Teaching Tidbit* #100! I hope you have learned a great deal through reading these articles; I certainly have learned a lot while researching for them!

Now onto the actual topic of this article: bias in artificial intelligence. Bias in AI is a major concern with these tools. Remember, AI cannot critically think. It simply generates outputs based off information from users' prompts and what people have already created (and placed on the internet). As such, humans need to check AI responses for accuracy and inclusivity.

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Libraries in the News

[BSC Honors Former Library with Art Piece \(KX News\)](#)

The old library building that once stood on the campus of [Bismarck State College](#) (BSC) has been gone for some time — but now, it is being honored in a special ceremony with the unveiling of an art piece.

[Fargo Public Library to Host Prairie Garden Event on Wednesday, April 17 \(City News Room\)](#)

Area gardeners are invited to learn how to grow plants from seeds for pollinator and wildlife habitats at the **Prairie Garden Workshop** event on **Wednesday, April 17, at 6:30 p.m.** at the downtown **Main Library**, located at 101 4th St. N.

[Garrison Public Library Offers More Than Books \(KX News\)](#)

It's a week to celebrate a place to have fun and learn, and the Garrison Public Library is offering more than just checking books out. Library Director Malynda Kramber says they are a welcoming environment offering a lot to the community.

[June Primary Includes 5-Mill Levy Question for Mayville Public Library \(KNOX Radio\)](#)

The Mayville Public Library needs a little more money before it can hire a part-time or full-time librarian. It will be hard to replace 43-year librarian Margaret Rice... who passed away in January. In the June Primary... Mayville residents will be asked to vote for a 5-mill property tax increase to lift the finances of Mayville Public Library. Polls will be open for the primary on June 11.

[Minot Public Library Hosts Glue Stained Glass Craft \(KX News\) \(Video\)](#)

A local library is getting crafty once a month with their "That's Craftastic" program and each class features something different. The Minot Public Library started the "That's Craftastic" program so there are more interactive things to do at the library.

[Morton Mandan Public Library to Host 'Zoobookafoo' \(KX News\)](#)

Morton Mandan Public Library will be hosting an educational session in conjunction with the Dakota Zoo on Tuesday, April 16. The session will begin on the children's stage with a book highlighting the animal being featured from the Dakota Zoo.

[One Library, Two Buildings Event April 13 in Jamestown \(NewsDakota\)](#)

The One Library, Two Buildings event will be held at the Masonic Temple across the street from Alfred Dickey Library, on Saturday, April 13, from 1-4 pm for an open house to showcase the potential use of the Masonic Temple building as an addition to the James River Valley Library System.



Digital Collection Spotlight

By Trevor Martinson

Dakota Lithographs and Engravings



The “Dakota Lithographs and Engravings” collection reflects a diverse group of images of Dakota Territory and North Dakota. Many of the early lithographs come from “Harper’s” or “The Northwest” magazine and cover a wide variety of subject matter including agriculture, Indians of North America, the military, cities and towns, and more. Over 100 images are available online. The collection is administered by NDSU Archives and is available on [Digital Horizons](#).

[View the Collection](#)



Dinosaurs for Kids

If dinosaurs were to roam the earth today, people would likely react in one of two ways: terrorized or delighted. This list is for the second group! If you have a topic request for a *Top Picks* email me at tlkruger@nd.gov.

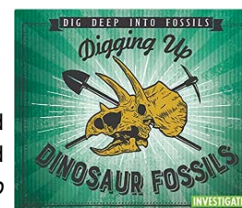
Digging Up Dinosaur Fossils by Charlotte Taylor

Publish Date: 2022

Publisher: Enslow Publishing

Summary: This informational text explains the history and science of dinosaur fossils. It comes with a glossary and other suggested readings and websites. *Digging Up Dinosaur Fossils* is a part of the *Dig Deep in Fossils* series.

Best For: Second through Fourth Grade



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Public Library State Aid Application April 1-30

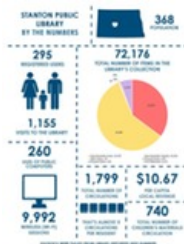
[Click here for more information](#)

State Aid applications opened on April 1, 2024, and need to be completed by April 30, 2024. Library directors can access and submit the application via the Counting Opinions website.

If you have any questions regarding State Aid to Public Libraries, please contact Allie Suko at ndsladm@nd.gov or (701)328-2492.

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Public Library Infographics



Each year, the State Library provides a personalized infographic based on the numbers your library submitted for the Public Libraries Survey/Annual Report. These infographics usually include the number of visits to your library, registered users, items, wireless sessions, programs, and circulations, but they can be personalized to meet your library's needs.

For more information, contact BreAnne at ndslpa@nd.gov.

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Post April Eclipse Survey

The Space Science Institute would like to hear from you! If your library held a program or multiple programs around the solar eclipse, please consider taking this survey to capture information about your participation and preparation for the 2024 April Eclipse.

[Take the Survey](#)

Opioid Crisis Support Kit for Public Libraries

Submitted by AI Peterson

The opioid epidemic was declared a national public health emergency in 2017, and the situation worsened due to the 2020 COVID pandemic. To aid staff at public libraries in determining how their library can address opioid use disorder in their community, WebJunction has developed the "Opioid Crisis Support Kit for Public Libraries." As the nation continues to struggle with the opioid crisis, this resource will help strengthen libraries, and, more broadly, the communities they serve. The kit will help libraries assess their staff strengths and capacity, identify key partners with whom to collaborate or coordinate, and plan and implement programming and services that support local needs. You can find this support kit as well as information to register for an upcoming webinar about the support kit by clicking on the link below.

[Access the Kit](#)

Kit of the Week

Solar Science : Multi-Generational Kit



This kit includes a Coronado Personal Solar Telescope and two large sunoculars to make solar viewing safe for everyone. It also includes the Big Sun, Small Moon activity.

Inside this kit: 1 Coronado Personal Solar Telescope that includes a case, 1 eyepiece with 2 lens caps, 1 telescope mount with storage box, 1 Azimuth control tension dial, 2 Azimuth slow motion control dials, 1 multi-lens holder, 2 large sunoculars with carrying pouch, 4 lens covers, a neck strap and a dust cloth, 15 paper plates and 2 books ("Moonbear's Shadow" by Frank Asch and "When the Sun Goes Dark" by Andrew Fraknoi and Dennis Schatz)

[Learn More and Reserve the Kit](#)

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