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Around the State

- Over 90 people from four states attended a two-day workshop on U.S. Copyright Law in Fargo on November 4 and 5. Arlene Bielefeld, librarian and lawyer, made the topic interesting with her humor and personal experiences. NDSL plans to have Ms. Bielefeld back this spring to speak on licensing and ethics.

Dates

- Jan. 14-19 ALA Midwinter,
San Antonio, TX
Jan. 17 Martin Luther King, Jr.
Day, NDSL Closed
Mar. 28- Apr. 1 PLA,
Charlotte, NC
Apr. 13-14 Library Coordinating
Council, Bismarck
Apr. 27-28 Spring Workshops, Arlene
Bielefeld, Bismarck

Reference Corner

R.R. Bowker has launched a free web service called "Yours for the Asking". In a news release dated November 15, 1999 Bowker said the web site is "part of an ongoing effort to build a stronger community with librarians." Each month "Yours For The Asking" will list a new topic. The web site will include links to other web sites, posters, pamphlets, handouts, hotlines, graphics, clip art, and government documents that are available free or at a minimal charge. According to Bowker the emphasis will be "on selecting relevant topics and providing information of interest to a broad audience, including children, consumers, and inquiring adults." To access "Yours For The Asking" go to the NDSL home page at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us>, click on Links to other Information, scroll down to Miscellaneous Links and click on R.R. Bowker—Yours for the Asking.

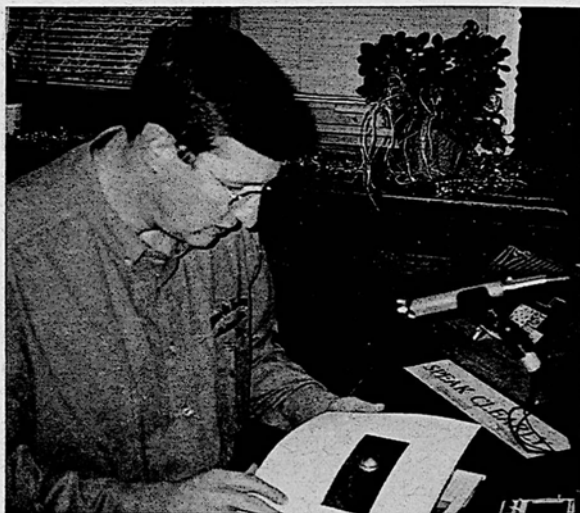
LIBRARY VISION 2004 GRANT AWARDS

The Library Coordinating Council met in Bismarck on October 28 and 29 to distribute \$125,000 in LV 2004 funds among a field of 16 applicants. Over \$320,000 in requests were received. Successful applicants and their award amounts are: Adams County Library, \$10,000; Beulah Public Library, \$14,850; Bismarck Library Media Center, \$2,100; Garrison Public Library, \$6,375; McLean Mercer Regional, \$25,700; New Dimensions Information Authority, \$4,240; State Historical Society of North Dakota, \$22,300; Stutsman County Library, \$15,700; Trinity Bible College, \$18,735; and MSU Bottineau Library, \$5,000.

Famous Voices

Some well known North Dakotans gave listeners of Dakota Radio Information Service (DRIS) an early Christmas present this year. Special holiday radio broadcasts were aired each Wednesday in December. The programs featured Senator Kent Conrad, Governor Ed and First Lady Nancy Schafer, Public Service Commissioner Leo Reinbold, former KXMB weather person Faune Riggan, and former Lt. Governor Lloyd Omdahl.

Some of the readers read several classic Christmas stories such as *The Grinch Who Stole Christmas*, *The Christmas Visitor* and *Polar Express*, and others shared personal memories of their own family traditions during the holiday season.



Sen. Kent Conrad reading for DRIS Christmas broadcast.

DRIS is a radio reading service provided by the North Dakota State Library. It is available free of charge to all print impaired citizens of North Dakota. The station uses a sub-carrier channel of Prairie Public Radio and is available only in the Central and Western parts of North Dakota at this time.

Copyright Law Workshop

The North Dakota State Library hosted a workshop on U.S. Copyright Law at the Doublewood Inn in Fargo recently. Arlene Bielefield, a professor of Library Science from Southern Connecticut State University, was the presenter. Arlene has written numerous books on the subject of libraries and the law, and has a Law degree as well as a Master's Degree in Library Science. She presented an overview of U.S. Copyright Law, and discussed issues surrounding technology and copyright. She also discussed some copyright issues concerning the Internet, and focused on interlibrary loan and copyright management. For more information about U.S. Copyright Law, visit the web addresses listed below. The following books, among others, are available from the State Library:

Arlene Bielefield and Lawrence Cheeseman. Libraries and Copyright Law. New York: Neal Schuman, c1993.

Arlene Bielefield and Lawrence Cheeseman. Technology and Copyright Law: A Guidebook for the Library, Research, and Teaching Professions. New York: Neal Schuman, c1999.

R.S. Talab. Commonsense Copyright: A Guide for Educators and Librarians. Jefferson, N.C.: McFarland & Co., c1999.

Copyright URLs:

The Copyright Office: <http://lcweb.loc.gov/copyright>
Fair Use Guidelines for Educators:
<http://www.utsystem.edu/ogc/intellectualproperty/cmcguid.htm#1>

General information (Groton school system site):
<http://www.groton.k12.ct.us/mts/pt2a.htm>

NDSL Employee News

Traci Juhala has been promoted from Reference/Cataloging to Head of Services for the Disabled effective November 8, 1999.

LaND Training

The North Dakota State Library is providing training to school librarians, support staff, and teachers to help them learn about the new statewide library database, Library Access North Dakota (LaND). LaND is part of Library Vision 2004, which is an ongoing project to connect the resources of libraries across ND to the Internet. The new service allows people to search multiple databases in a single search. This search engine will give all citizens access to the resources of the statewide network.

Training sessions will be held at the following sites:

Site: ND School of Science Library - Wahpeton
Date: February 10 **Time:** 1:00-4:00 PM

Site: ND State Library Reading Room
Date: February 15 **Time:** 9:00 AM-12:00 PM & 1:00-4:00 PM

Site: ND State Library Reading Room
Date: February 16 **Time:** 1:00-4:00 PM

Site: Bowman High School
Date: February 17 **Time:** 4:00-7:00 PM

Site: Minot Public Schools Administration Building
Date: February 22 **Time:** 1:00-4:00 PM

Site: Lake Region State College Computer Lab - Devils Lake
Date: February 28 **Time:** 1:00-4:00 PM

Site: MSU Library - Bottineau
Date: February 29 **Time:** 1:00-4:00 PM

Site: Williston High School **TBA**

Site: Grand Forks Area Teachers Center- Edu. Building UND Campus
Date: March 6 **Time:** 6:00-9:00 PM

Site: Valley City State University Library - Valley City
Date: March 7 **Time:** 1:00-4:00 PM

To sign up for one of these workshops please contact Carol Boganowski or Kristine Shrauger by calling 1-800-472-2104 or 328-3499 at least 7 days prior to the workshop.

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Around the State

Mayville Public Library celebrates its 100th anniversary June 22-24. A re-enactment of the original dedication ceremony is planned for the evening of Friday the 23rd.

Dates

March 9	Copyright Law Workshop, Bismarck
April 9-15	National Library Week
April 13-14	NDSL Spring Workshops, Bismarck
April 21	NDSL Closed, Good Friday
May 11	Trustee Workshop, Bismarck
May 12	Trustee Workshop, Fargo

Reference Corner

For those of you on the hunt for large print books, here are some helpful hints:

If searching in ODIN-web for large print items only, use the "Limit Search" command. If you are searching in a specific library, execute a basic search of any kind. After retrieving the results, click on "Limit Search", scroll down to "By collection:", choose "large print", click "Go", and you will see a listing of large print titles at that library. If you want to search "All ODIN libraries", you might do best using a Keyword search. In the basic search screen, type "print OR type AND large AND (whatever term you are looking for)". Boolean logic works best when searching all libraries because libraries catalog large print titles differently.

Wanting to browse new large print titles? Check out this web site: <http://www.largeprintbooks.com>. It is affiliated with amazon.com bookstore, but you need not buy anything to just browse the virtual shelves.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR GRADUATE WORK

The North Dakota State Library and the North Dakota Library Coordinating Council are making available two \$5,000 scholarships for eligible North Dakotans to acquire a master degree in library science. Scholarships are being made available with federal Library Services and Technology Act funds. After graduation, recipients must agree to work at least two years in a North Dakota library.

For eligibility and application details, contact Mike Jaugstetter at the State Library at 701-328-2492 or 1-800-472-2104.

COPYRIGHT LAW WORKSHOP

A copyright law workshop is scheduled for Thursday, March 9, 2000, at the North Dakota Heritage Center Auditorium located on the North Dakota Capitol Grounds. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. and the workshop is 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. The workshop will cover information about the Digital Millennium Copyright Act and the Sonny Bono Copyright Extension Act.

This workshop will be presented by Arlene Bielefield, MLS, JD. She is a faculty member at Southern Connecticut State University, and teaches courses on copyright, ethics, and collection development. The fee is \$35.00 and covers all materials (lunch is on your own). Please contact Carol Boganowski at 1-800-472-2104 for more information or to sign up.

Arlene Bielefield will present a second workshop featuring licensing and copyright laws on Friday, March 10, at the Fargo Public Library. If you would like more information or would like to sign up for this session, please call Jody French with SENDIT at 1-800-774-1091. The workshops are being sponsored by the ND State Library and SENDIT.

SPRING WORKSHOPS

The ND State Library will host its annual Spring Workshops April 13 and 14 in Bismarck. The workshops will feature Arlene Bielefield who is known for her expertise in the copyright field. The main focus will be ethics and licensing of electronic resources.

The cost is \$30.00 for one day or \$50.00 for both days. It will be held in the Brynhild Haugland Room at the North Dakota State Capitol. Thursday's session on ethics will run from 9:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Friday's session will cover licensing and will run from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon. Please contact Carol Boganowski at 1-800-472-2104 to inquire about or register for the workshop.

Money Donated

Amoco's retired employees in service (AmoCARES) recently donated \$1,000 to the North Dakota State Library's Dakota Radio Information Service (DRIS). DRIS is a service that provides individuals who are visually, physically, or reading impaired a chance to hear daily newspapers over closed-circuit radio.

Funds are donated from the Amoco Foundation in Chicago to organizations that use their AmoCARES volunteers.

State Library Services

The State Library has a toll free number available for anyone who needs to contact us at 1-800-472-2104 and by TDD at 1-800-892-8622. The Library is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Voice mail is available for messages after hours.

North Dakota Services for the Disabled may be contacted directly at 1-800-843-9948. You may also contact them by TDD at 1-800-892-8622. Talking books may be ordered by e-mail at tbooks@state.nd.us. Please include your name, mailing address, and phone number along with the books you would like sent.

The State Library offers training programs, research and reference services, interlibrary loan services, and many on-line information services.

Summer Reading

Librarians interested in ordering incentives from Upstart for your summer reading programs should have received the information and order forms. If you have any questions or need information about this year's theme, please contact Terri Wilhelm at 1-800-843-9948 or e-mail at twilhelm@state.nd.us.

NDSL is extending an open invitation to librarians who would like to share ideas, suggestions, or concerns about the summer reading program. Terri will present your ideas at the Cooperative Summer Library Program's (CSLP) meeting in Des Moines, Iowa, this April.

The summer 2000 theme is *Cosmic Connections*. You may order items from Upstart directly. Prices are guaranteed through July 31, 2000. For those of you who ordered before the December deadline the ship date is March 30, 2000. The theme for 2001 is already in the planning stages.

Library of Congress Celebrates Anniversary

The North Dakota State Library will be hosting a ceremony in honor of the Library of Congress Bicentennial. The celebration is tentatively set for May 1 at 10:00 a.m. in the Great Hall of the State Capitol.

A second-day issue of the Library of Congress commemorative postage stamp will be highlighted at this event. Anyone who wishes to attend is welcome. More information will be released about the program at a later date.

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Around the State

The Minot Public Library has received a Year 2000 Universal Access Award from the Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities. The Universal Access Awards are given to a public accommodation that has chosen to go beyond the minimum criteria specified in the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Dates

- May 1 Library of Congress event, State Capitol, Bismarck
- May 11 Public Library Trustees Workshop, Fargo
- May 12 Public Library Trustees Workshop, Bismarck
- May 18-19 ND Coordinating Council, Bismarck
- May 29 Memorial Day, State Library Closed

Reference Corner

How do you evaluate web resources and search engines?

Jan Alexander and Marsha Ann Tate of the Wolfgram Memorial Library at Widener University have expanded on the evaluation criteria we use every day to include web resources. Included in the web page are evaluation checklists for different types of web pages, teaching materials, bibliographies of web evaluation articles/books, and additional web evaluation sites. The web address is <http://www2.widener.edu/Wolfgram-Memorial-Library/webeval.htm>.

A web site that will provide a listing of search engines, reviews, and ratings of the different search engines is Search Engine Watch.

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Grants Add Holdings to Statewide Database

Thanks to grants made available through the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) and Library Vision 2004, several smaller public and school libraries throughout the state have added their library catalogs to On-line Dakota Information Network (ODIN). Just over two years ago the State Library pioneered a project of providing cataloging services to libraries wishing to join ODIN. Today 12 libraries, with a combined estimated total of over 150,000 titles, have taken advantage of the project.

Halliday Public School Library was the first library to have their library holdings added. Upon completion of the cataloging project, last fall training sessions on searching were provided to students, teachers, and parents. Students are especially excited to be able to search for information and material through the Internet. Many librarians have found that students who wouldn't dream of looking through the card catalog enjoy searching the electronic database.

While adding a library's collection to an on-line database involves a commitment of time and money, they have found it to be well worth the effort. One of the great advantages of putting records in electronic form is how it facilitates resource sharing. Communities such as Dickinson, Bottineau, and Beach have most or all of their public, school, and university libraries on ODIN (which has 2 million records.) This allows librarians to readily refer patrons, or provide interlibrary loan services, by having access to the other libraries' catalogs.

One of the most important goals of the State Library in providing cataloging services to small libraries is the facilitation of resource sharing, a major objective of Library Vision 2004. Once a library adds their holdings to an electronic database, patrons across the state of North Dakota have 24-hour a day access to the library catalog via the Internet.

Any libraries interested in obtaining more information on LSTA or LV 2004 grants, or want information on joining ODIN should contact State Librarian, Mike Jaugstetter, at 701-328-2492 or 1-800-472-2104.

Bicentennial Celebration Scheduled

The North Dakota State Library will host a celebration on May 1, 2000, in honor of the Library of Congress Bicentennial. The event will take place at 10:00 a.m. in the Memorial Hall of the State Capitol in Bismarck.

A second day issue of a Library of Congress commemorative postage stamp will be unveiled by the United States Postal Service. The stamp features the interior dome of the Library of Congress' reading room. The event is open to the public.

Reference Corner (Continued)

This site also provides a listing of search engines, searching tips, and search engine submission tips. There is the opportunity to subscribe to a free newsletter about search engines and changes in search engines. The web address is <http://www.searchenginewatch.com>.

Forums Held

The North Dakota State Library recently held four public forums around the state to get feedback on developments surrounding Library Vision 2004 (LV2004). The forums were open to librarians, the public, and media. The State Library will gather all the comments and report them to the Coordinating Council. The information will be posted on the State Library website in the near future.

LV2004 is a long term plan to implement and provide enhanced access to information and services to citizens of North Dakota through Internet connectivity.

Trustees Workshop Scheduled

Two public library trustee workshops are scheduled this May. The first one will be held in Fargo at the Comfort Suites on May 11 from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. The second workshop will take place in Bismarck on May 12 at the North Dakota Heritage Center from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Pat Wagner, a Denver-based trainer will conduct both workshops. Pat has worked with library organizations and boards for the past twenty years. Some of the topics covered will include: the difference between a library board and a Friends' organization, how to recruit new trustees, and how to run effective meetings. If you are interested in attending one of the workshops call Carol Boganowski at 1-800-472-2104.

The workshops are sponsored by the North Dakota State Library and are free of charge.

Student Writers Honored

A ceremony honoring the winners of a national letter writing contest called "Letters About Literature" was held in the Memorial Hall of the North Dakota State Capitol on April 24. The contest was co-sponsored by the North Dakota State Library Center for the Book and the Weekly Reader Corporation, a national publication that promotes reading.

Morgan Reese and Samantha Olson of Hughes Middle School in Bismarck took first place honors. Students were required to write a letter to the author of a particular book they read. Morgan wrote to author David Pelzer about his novel "The Lost Boy" and Samantha wrote to the anonymous author of the book "It Happened to Nancy". The two winners received \$100 from the National Library of Congress Center for the Book, a plaque from the ND Center for the Book as well as a gift certificate to Maxwell's Books in Bismarck.

Six other students, also from Hughes Middle School, won honorable mention and received printed certificates of participation and a gift certificate from Maxwell's Books in Bismarck. The students included: Breann Hanson, Caitlin McCarty, Nicole Nagel, Lyndon Jahner, Ian Carlson, and Scott Schroeder. Dr. Wayne Sanstead, Superintendent of Public Schools, presented the awards.

The North Dakota Center for the book is a non-profit organization whose mission is to promote and celebrate books, the literary arts, and North Dakota's intellectual heritage. It is an affiliate of the National Center for the Book in the Library of Congress.

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Around the State

In a poll conducted by the Grand Forks Herald, the Grand Forks Public Library came in 9th in a list of reasons why residents are proud to call Grand Forks home.

Dates

July	4	State Library Closed
July	6-12	ALA, Chicago
Aug	9	Governor's Summer Reading Awards, Bismarck
Sept	4	Labor Day, State Library Closed
Sept	20-22	NDLA Annual Conference, Dickinson
Oct	12-13	ODIN Directory Meeting, Bismarck
Oct	18-19	NDEA, Bismarck

Reference Corner

NDSL recently subscribed to The Foundation Directory Online. This will allow us to search more precisely for possible sources of grant money. If you need assistance to find grant support from foundations, call the State Library reference desk.

We have added some new books to our extensive Library Science collection. The Indispensable Librarian: Surviving (and Thriving) in School Media Centers in the Information Age by Doug Johnson, Facilities Planning for School Library Media and Technology Centers by Steven M. Baule, and Small Libraries: Organization and Operation by Donald J. Sager are just three of the recently added books. Added to our Reference collection is, Preservation of Library and Archival edited by Sherelyn Ogden. Check ODIN for other Library Science materials that have been added to the collection.

SUMMER READING CO-OP ASSEMBLES

The North Dakota State Library recently sent a representative to the annual Cooperative Summer Library Program (CSLP) in Des Moines, Iowa, this past April. The CSLP is a consortium of states working together to provide high quality reading program materials for children at a low cost.

Terri Wilhelm from the ND State Library attended the consortium to help develop ideas for future summer reading program themes, evaluate proposed artwork, and select vendors for summer reading incentives.

A high note of the meeting occurred when the vendor for this year's program told the cooperative that if it meets a certain sales goal for summer reading incentives, the cooperative would be eligible to receive a monetary rebate.

This year's theme is *Cosmic Connections*. If you need order forms, or have any questions about the summer reading program please contact the North Dakota State Library at 1-800-472-2104.

Membership in the co-op is open to regional and state library organizations. Presently there are twelve states participating in CSLP.

ND WOMEN'S ORIGINAL PAPERS ON INTERNET

The University of North Dakota's Cataloging and Special Collections Department has made it easier to find collections of original papers of North Dakota Women via the Internet at <http://www.und.nodak.edu/dept/library/Collections/spk.html>.

The Library Services and Technology Act funded project includes finding aids and inventories of the most significant collections of processed papers, records, and selected illustrative images of North Dakota women found within the Orin G. Libby Manuscript Collection. It includes bibliographic records for these collections into ODIN and OCLC, and offers scholars and researchers electronic finding aids to women's primary research material.

Some of the records in this collection include Pembina County Pioneer Daughters, American Association of University Women, and the papers of Jane Sinner.

Sandy Slater, Head of Department of Special Collections, and Shelby Harken, Head of Acquisitions, are supervising the project at the University of North Dakota's Chester Fritz Library.

STATE LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS HONORED

The sixteenth-annual volunteer recognition day took place at Bismarck's Kelly Inn last month. Over sixty people attended this year's event, which followed the theme, "Volunteers Leading the Way".



Cowboy Poet Bill Lowman entertains State Library Volunteers.

the Talking Books Program, and the Circulation Department.

Keynote speaker for this event was nationally recognized Cowboy Poet, Bill Lowman, from Sentinel Butte. Jim Cody, Eva Braun, and Jim Rouse received special honors for individually contributing more than 300 hours of volunteer service to the State Library. Their names were added to a permanent plaque displayed at the State Library.

Print-impaired citizens of North Dakota are encouraged to contact the State Library if they are interested in using the special services by calling 1-800-843-9948.

Each volunteer was presented with a certificate of appreciation for collectively contributing almost 3,800 hours of service to the State Library over the past year. Volunteers work with Dakota Radio Information Service (DRIS),

LV 2004 GRANTS

The State Library and the North Dakota Library Coordinating Council met in Bismarck on May 18, to evaluate and discuss eight Library Vision 2004 grant applications. One of the priorities for this grant round was to assist libraries in adding their records to established databases. This will make their library materials accessible to libraries and citizens in North Dakota. Final awards were made to four libraries. The State Historical Society was awarded \$18,740 to add their records to the Online Dakota Information Network (ODIN). The Allen Memorial Library at Valley City State University was awarded \$7,450 to add the materials of the Teachers Center to ODIN. Two grants were awarded to add records to the North Central Winnebago System: \$34,528 for Des Lacs/Burlington Public School records addition and \$19,370 for Drake Public School records addition. These records will be accessible by July 2001. The next grant round for libraries will begin in July 2000, with grant applications due to the State Library by October 2000.

PAMPHLETS AVAILABLE

The State Bar Association of North Dakota has the following informational pamphlets available for distribution:

Farm Debtor/Creditor Issues	Probate
Buying a Home	Bankruptcy/Bankruptcy Reorganization
Divorce and Separation	Personal Injuries
Child Support	Legal Fees
Custody	Fee Arbitration
Guardianship	Lawyer Referral & Information Service
Estate Planning	Complaint Against a Judge
Wills	Alternative Dispute Resolution
Revocable Living Trust	

The prices for pamphlet orders are as follows: 25 pamphlets \$7.50, 50 \$12.00, 75 \$15.00, 100 \$20.00, 200 \$32.50, 300 \$47.50.

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WE PAUSE TO REMEMBER

For the past four years his light was the first one on at the ND State Library. His soft-spoken manner and dry sense of humor was as recognizable as his signature. State Librarian Mike Jaugstetter died unexpectedly of natural causes on July 24, 2000.



He was born in San Francisco and moved to North Dakota from Pennsylvania eleven years ago. Although he was not a native North Dakotan his brother Bob said Mike was truly happy here. "He loved North Dakota for its history and its culture, its weather and its geography, its solitude, and its people."

Mike was a big advocate of further education in Library Science. He worked hard to give North Dakota librarians a chance to obtain their master's degree.

The people who knew Mike and worked with him in any capacity will remember him for his hands-off style of management, and his continuous dedication to bring harmony and technology to all libraries in the state.

He will not soon be forgotten by his friends, family, and co-workers. We will all deeply miss his presence.

*It's not your blue blood, your pedigree or your college degree.
It's what you do with your life that counts. - Millard Fuller*

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A North Dakota LSTA project was chosen by the Institute of Museum and Library Services in Washington, DC to be a "Highlight of the Month" this past July. The project cataloged and made available on ODIN and national databases 122 collections of the papers of influential ND women and ND women's organizations. The project was coordinated by Sandy Slater and Shelby Harken of UND's Chester Fritz Library.

Dates

- Nov. 2-3 - Coordinating Council, Heritage Center, Bismarck
Nov. 10 - Veterans Day Observed, NDSL closed
Nov. 23 - Thanksgiving Day, NDSL closed
Dec. 25 - Christmas Day, NDSL closed
Jan. 1 - New Years Day, NDSL closed

Reference Corner

With the start of school, students are beginning to ask for science project materials for class or science fairs. The State Library has updated resources for science experiments. Science Experiments on File contains detailed instructions of hands-on experiments in areas of earth science, weather, space, biology, chemistry, and physics. With the purchase of Science Experiments on File copyright permission is granted to copy any of the experiments and the safety precautions. Two other resources are indexes to science experiments contained in other works. Science Experiments Index for Young People is an index to experiments on the elementary and intermediate-level science books. Index to How To Do It Information is a subject guide of how to articles in craft, hobby, how-to and special interest magazines for all ages and grade levels.

INFORMATION ACCESS AVAILABLE

Citizens of North Dakota now have access to new information resources at their fingertips. The articles of hundreds of magazines, newspapers, and journals are now accessible 24 hours a day via the Internet. This venture allows librarians, patrons, and students to download entire articles from any computer with Internet access.

This is a statewide project and is funded through July 2001. The North Dakota State Library is seeking legislative funding for continued access to these resources in the next biennial budget. Libraries can obtain a direct connection to this service by registering at the following URL: <http://balder.odin.und.nodak.edu/register>. The databases can be accessed through the State Library's home page at <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us> as well as the homepage of all participating libraries by using your bar code and password.

This project consists of three different entities including:

1. The Gale Group Databases

- **General Reference Center Gold:** A general interest/business database to search magazines, newspapers, and reference books for information on business, industry, current events, the arts, science, and entertainment.
- **Expanded Academic ASAP:** Access to scholarly journals, magazines and newspapers with full-text and images for arts, humanities, social sciences, science, and technology.
- **General Business File:** Can research all business and management topics. It includes directory listings for over 150,000 companies as well as investment analysts' reports on major companies and industries.
- **Health Reference and Center Academic:** Use this database to find articles on fitness, pregnancy, medicine, nutrition, diseases, public health, occupational health and safety, alcohol and drug abuse, HMO's, and prescription drugs.
- **Computer Database:** Find computer-related product introductions, news, and reviews in areas such as hardware, software, electronics, engineering, communication, and the application of technology.
- **InfoTrac Student Edition:** (Formerly SuperTOM) Designed for schools to search magazines, newspapers, and reference books for information on current events, the arts, science, popular culture, and health.

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- **InfoTrac Junior Edition: (Formerly SuperTOM Junior)** Designed for schools to search magazines, newspapers, and reference books for information on current events, the arts, science, popular culture, and health.
- **InfoTrac Kids Edition (K-6): (Formerly PrimaryTOM)** Designed for schools to search magazines, newspapers, and reference books for information on current events, the arts, science, popular culture, and health.
- **Junior Reference Center:** Includes nearly 12,000 documents, 8,500 photographs and illustrations, 50 video and audio clips, and 3 complete Merriam-Webster's dictionaries (Collegiate, Biographical, and Geographical), the Junior Reference Collection is a complete reference source. It is a comprehensive, cross-curricular research tool. The JRC's search paths are distinguished by subject area: people, places, subjects, authors, books, timeline, and results are categorized by document type.
- **Contemporary Authors:** Provides complete biographical information and references on approximately 100,000 U.S. and international authors.
- **DISCovering Most-Studied Authors:** Provides comprehensive bio-bibliographical and critical information on 380 of the most-studied authors in the North American curricula. Representing a wide variety of nations, cultures, time periods, and genres. The database includes entries on authors such as Muhammad, Shakespeare, and Maya Angelou.

2. Bell & Howell Information and Learning Databases

- Full-text articles of five major national newspapers including: *The Los Angeles Times*, *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Washington Post*, and *The Minneapolis Star Tribune*. Access to these publications is available within a day or two of the original publication date.

3. Electronic Books (eBooks)

- Are electronic versions of printed books. They have the same information and are enriched with photos and illustrations. They can be viewed online from any computer connected to the Internet. With netLibrary's technology, you cannot only search titles, authors, and keywords, but the entire text of any eBook. This allows you to pinpoint the exact information you need twenty-four hours a day. You

can view eBooks free for 15 minutes for quick reference, or borrow them and read them at your leisure. These online books can be accessed through Library access North Dakota (LaND) webpage at: <http://ndsl.lib.state.nd.us>. The user will have exclusive access to the item for forty-eight hours and not have to worry about returning them because they automatically return themselves.

Representatives from many libraries and cooperatives agreed to support this statewide pilot project by providing funding for this wonderful statewide service.

Essay Contest

The North Dakota Center for the Book is inviting students across North Dakota to take part in an essay-writing contest. The Letters About Literature essay contest is a great opportunity for students to gain a better understanding of literature and motivate them to read more. Teachers can use this opportunity to give their students a new perspective on the power of the written word.

Contest participants will compete on two levels: Level I for Grades 4-7; Level II for Grades 8-12. A panel of judges will select the winning essayist in each category. Cash prizes will be awarded to the winners. Prizes will also be awarded to runners up of the state essay contest. The winning participants will then be entered in the national Letters about Literature contest sponsored by the Library of Congress Center for the Book and *Weekly Reader*. Winners of the national competition will receive a cash prize for their entry.

The ND State Library will be sending contest guidelines to all schools across the state. Deadline for entries to the State Library is November 15, 2000, or to *Weekly Reader* by December 1, 2000. For more information about the contest please contact Kristine Shrauger at the North Dakota State Library at 1-800-472-2104.

Cataloger Position

The North Dakota State Library is advertising to fill a cataloger position, either at a Cataloger I or II level. The Cataloger I position requires an ALA/MLS, no experience, and would perform original professional level cataloging utilizing Library of Congress classification schedules and subject headings. The Cataloger II would additionally require two years of experience and be responsible for supervising all aspects of state document services. For more information, contact the State Library.

Summer Reading Update

The summer reading incentive forms for 2001 have been mailed out to all the public libraries across the state. If you would like one and did not receive one, please contact Terri Wilhelm at the ND State Library. Please note the deadline for ordering summer reading incentives is **December 1, 2000**.

This year's theme is *Reading Road Trip USA*. Some of you may already have some great ideas to use with this year's theme and others may be waiting for the summer reading manual to start planning. The manual has not been shipped yet, but should be here by the end of October. The cost of the manual is \$10.00 and the State Library will pay shipping.

There has been one change this year for ordering summer reading T-shirts. They are now available through Upstart, the same company that provides incentives for the summer reading program. The T-shirts can be ordered when ordering incentives, but if you would like to wait to order shirts Upstart has assured us they will be available throughout the summer.

Librarian of the Year

The North Dakota Library Association's highest honor was given to State Librarian Mike Jaugstetter at this year's NDLA Conference. Mike served as the State Librarian for almost four years before he passed away this past July. He had worked at the State Library since 1989. The award was accepted on Mike's behalf by North Dakota State Library staff during the awards banquet.

Assistant State Librarian Cindy Larson said, "The award was appropriate considering Mike's successful efforts at improving libraries services statewide and making continuing education opportunities available to library staff throughout the state."

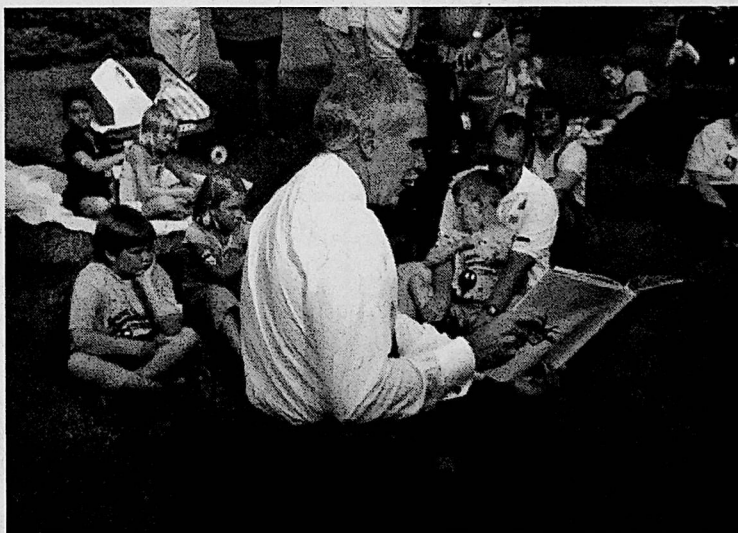
NDLA presents this award to any member who has made notable contributions to the North Dakota library profession, has furthered significant development of libraries in North Dakota, or has performed exemplary statewide service for an extended period of time.

State Library Holds Celebration

Summer readers from around the state were invited to attend a statewide summer reading party this past August. The party was sponsored by the North Dakota State Library, and held in honor of students who spent some of their summer vacation participating in summer reading programs at their local library.

North Dakota Governor Edward Schafer treated all the participants and their guests to an intimate-reading of the book *Wolf* by Becky Bloom. Also contributing to the party were Dr. Wayne Sanstead, Superintendent of Public Instruction; folksinger Ann Putz; and Judy Fried and the Cookie Cutter Clowns.

Summer Reading Coordinator Terri Wilhelm said, "The party was a way to celebrate the accomplishments of North Dakota's young readers." This year's theme was *Cosmic Connection's at Your Library*.



Grants Available

The North Dakota State Library will be sending information to libraries across the state about grants that are available to libraries that are interested in participating in the statewide database project. This information will be sent in January for the next round of grant approval.

The State Library will catalog a library's materials if they are added to the ODIN database (Online Dakota Information Network). All Library Vision 2004 applicants must be willing to share resources based on the existing North Dakota Interlibrary Loan Code.

These grants make it possible for you to:

- ◆ Automate your library using grant funds for start up costs.
- ◆ Provide your students and other patrons twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week access to your library's catalog.
- ◆ Access information from any location with an Internet connection.
- ◆ Share information with other libraries.
- ◆ Have an existing support structure of trained professionals to assist you with cataloging and technology.
- ◆ Participate in the economic development of your community by providing online reference sources.
- ◆ Provide an economy of scale for finances and personnel.

Accessing Bills

The 2001 Legislative Assembly convenes on January 9. If you would like to access versions of any 2001 bills, House and Senate Journals, bill status action reports, hearing schedules, and daily calendars go to <http://www.state.nd.us/lr/>. There is no charge for this service and this information will be updated at least once daily.

Libraries wishing to receive paper copies of a bill, bill status, journals, and hearing schedules can do so by subscribing to the 2001 legislative document distribution program. Daily UPS delivery begins January 10. The cost of this service is \$305. To subscribe to daily UPS service, make checks payable to the North Dakota Legislative Council and send to, 2nd Floor Capitol at 600 East Boulevard, Bismarck, ND 58505. There will be a \$25 late fee for any orders received after November 20, 2000.

Training Available

Training is available to any librarian, teacher, student, or citizen who is interested in learning more about library resources available on the Internet. The North Dakota State Library staff provides training on various topics including, basic ODIN (Online Dakota Information Network) searching, interlibrary loan, and strategies for searching the Internet. Locations having five computers in the same room and at least five participants can schedule a training session. Training can be scheduled at your facility or you can schedule a session at the North Dakota State Library in Bismarck. If you would like to schedule a training session or need more information about available training, contact Kristine Shrauger at 1-800-472-2104.

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