



The North Dakota State Library partnered with the Bank of North Dakota to bring the College SAVE Summer Reading Champions Campaign to participants of the 2021 Collaborative Summer Library Program, “Tails and Tales.”

Every student completing their library’s goal for “Tails and Tales” 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 350 children took advantage of the contribution. In addition, there were ten recipients selected from random drawings who were awarded \$529 College SAVE contributions.

“Once again, thousands of families from across the state chose to make reading a priority in their households over the summer,” says State Librarian Mary Soucie. “We look forward to a continued partnership with the Bank of North Dakota and North Dakota public libraries to continue to provide wonderful opportunities to the youth of our state.”

Over 3,800 youth from over 40 libraries participated in this year’s summer reading campaign. The \$529 scholarship recipients are Dillon Gregoryk, Jack Heib, and Nolan Holien from the Fargo Library; Ian Lach from the Ward County Public Library; Samia Cartwright from the Grand Forks Public Library; Jayden Kornkven from the Casselton Public Library, Jack Myklebust from the Hazen Public Library; Aliethia Nelson from the Beulah Library; Stella Perleberg from the Lakota City Library and Abigail Hovde from the Edna Ralston Library in Larimore.

“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).

## North Dakota State Library- Sponsored Webinar on North Dakota Local Foods

November 4, 2021 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM CST.

This Local Foods presentation will provide you with a clear idea of what local foods is, how the North Dakota Department of Agriculture supports the state's local foods community, why it's important to buy this type of food, and where you can purchase it.

Kristine Kostuck, the North Dakota Department of Agriculture's Local Foods Marketing Specialist, will be providing the presentation. Before accepting her position in July, Kristine had been active in the local foods scene for several years with her side business, The Jar Bar, a company that grows, preserves, and sells a wide variety of items.

Register at <https://bit.ly/3jNkJa9>.

## Library Marketing Group Monthly Meeting

There will be a virtual meeting for the North Dakota Library Marketers on Thursday, November 4, at 2:00 PM Central Time.

If you are in charge of promoting your library's services and have questions or want to discuss tools and resources you use, please join us.

Whether marketing is your full-time job or just one of many hats you wear, this group can help!

Register to join the meeting at <https://bit.ly/NDLibraryMarketing>.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let BreAnne know at [ndsipa@nd.gov](mailto:ndsipa@nd.gov).

## Expand Your Horizons with Talking Books

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Do you enjoy books and magazines but have difficulty reading? The North Dakota State Library Talking Book program offers an array of services for citizens of North Dakota who are unable to read standard print materials because of a visual, physical, or reading disability.

This past year, Rachel Sorenson was introduced to the program by her sister, Chelsea who began working as a Reader Advisor for the ND State Library in Bismarck, ND this past April. The Talking Book program is administered by the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS), a division of the Library of Congress. Any interested persons can apply for the program by filling out the application on the website. Talking Book machines are available at no charge to anyone with a qualifying disability.



When learning about the program, Chelsea said that she instantly thought of her twin sister who has always loved listening to books since she was little but relies on family or others to read to her. The Talking Book program allows Rachel to be in control and listen to books anytime with the push of a button. The state library has a catalog of over 100,000 books available that can be ordered by calling, emailing or mailing in the order form. A patron's profile is updated with their preferences and favorite authors and can be used for choosing books. Once chosen, books are duplicated onto a cartridge with a person able to borrow up to 5 cartridges at a time, even more if they are ND Titles. Cartridges are mailed to and returned by patrons at no cost. People can even check out sacred texts such as the Bible in different versions, Quran, Torah, etc. long term if they desire.



The Talking Book device is easy to use and reader-friendly. Users can customize the tone of voice and adjust the reading speed for their comfort level. Rachel has even used it at night to listen to books before going to sleep and the device will turn itself off. Chelsea stated that people taking advantage of this program vary from small children to the oldest patron being 109 years old! One of the most meaningful things for her has been hearing stories of how the program has impacted people's lives. New users to the program are contacted after a couple of weeks to ensure that they don't have unanswered questions or support needed. Many say that listening to books is the best part of their day, especially if their other activities are limited due to age or disability.

If you or someone you know might be interested in utilizing this wonderful program, don't hesitate to inquire through the website listed above or by calling the state library at 701-328-1408. You won't regret it!

### **Eligibility Requirements:**

- An individual who is blind or has a visual impairment that makes them unable to comfortably read print books.
- An individual who has a perceptual or reading disability.
- An individual who has a physical disability that makes it hard to hold or manipulate a book or to focus or move the eyes as needed to read a print book.

**For more information, please visit**

**<http://library.nd.gov/talkingbooks.html> or call 701-328-1408.**



Mango Languages provides your patrons an opportunity to learn over 60 languages, including Spanish, German, and Norwegian. There are also courses for people who want to learn English.

Each course immerses users in real-world situations using native speaker audio and includes a voice comparison feature to help you nail the pitch-perfect accent. Memory-building exercises strengthen critical thinking skills and empower you to break down words and sentences to build new phrases on your own.

## **New Niche Academy Pathway: 2021 NDLC Library Vision Grants**

Need to review for your 2021 Library Visions Grants?

A new Niche Academy Pathway has been created to help you review the grant writing process. The Pathway "2021 NDLC Library Vision Grants" can be found under the Grant Writing and Management category.

All three presentation recordings are included as tutorials in this Pathway, along with links to grant guidelines, grant templates and forms, the Counting Opinions portal, and Library Vision 2024 document used by the North Dakota Library Coordinating Council to award grant money. Also

Online library resource guides are now available on the State Library's website. These guides include information about the resource, how to access usage statistics, and the webinars, training, and promotional materials available. A new guide will be added each month at <http://bit.ly/NDSLMarketing>.

Mango Languages is also available as an app. This online library resource is only available to patrons of public libraries or the State Library.

For more information about Mango Languages, contact the State Library at [statelib@nd.gov](mailto:statelib@nd.gov) or 701-328-4622.

included is the contact information for the Library Development Department.

While you are in this category, check out some of the other grant writing resources as well. You can access these resources by accessing Niche Academy and selecting the Grant Writing and Management category at <https://bit.ly/3Ektv76>.

## Old Maids Convention, Napoleon, ND, early 1900s

A group of women poses for a photograph on the front steps of a house. The sign at the back says Old Maids Convention, Napoleon, Nov. 24-25.



The women are identified as (back row): Helen Sullivan, Mary [Hause?], Mary Laney, Blanche [Heath?], E. Jane Washburn; (middle): Mary Kane, Jennie Ryan, Cora Bryant, Nellie Merrill Bleck, Aliva [Halset?], Pearl [Diersen?], Tillie Nelson; (front row): Ethel [Gilfillan?], Clara Lee, Maude Roach, Miss McKenzie, Margaret Hartnett, Judith [Rice?], Rosa Kane, Mrs. [Carmody?], Katherine O'Donald.

Credit: North Dakota Memories (ND State Library).

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## North Dakota Libraries in the News



**Fargo Public Library to host "Mayhem and Murder"**



**Minot Public Library cancels**

## themed...

(Fargo, ND) -- Are you a fan of things that go bump in the night? Are you a Halloween enthusiast? Local residents are invited to test their knowledge of all things spooky at a "Murder and Mayhem" themed trivia event next week at the Fargo Public...

[Read more](#)

[www.am1100theflag.com](http://www.am1100theflag.com)

## children's programming for...

MINOT, N.D. - The children's library at the Minot Public Library has canceled its programming for the remainder of the year amid health concerns over the COVID-19 pandemic. A Halloween puppet show scheduled for this Saturday, Oct. 30 from 10:30...

[Read more](#)

[www.kfyrtv.com](http://www.kfyrtv.com)

## Summer Reading Idea Exchange Oceans of Possibilities

Mark your calendars, it's oh-fish-ial! We haven't seen our first snowflake, but I'm ready to get you EXCITED about Summer Reading! We have an Ocean of Possibilities before us! And don't keep your ideas sea-cret! Please bring along any ocean-themed ideas you have perch-olated on. Hopefully, you can join us for some crafts, science, and no more fish puns. But I can't promise that you won't walk the plank!

### Wednesday, November 10th

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Minot Public Library, 516 2nd Ave SW, Minot

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/minot-summer-reading-idea-exchange-tickets-191856456827>

### Wednesday, November 17th

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Fargo Public Library, 102 3rd St N, Fargo

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fargo-summer-reading-idea-exchange-tickets-191854681517>

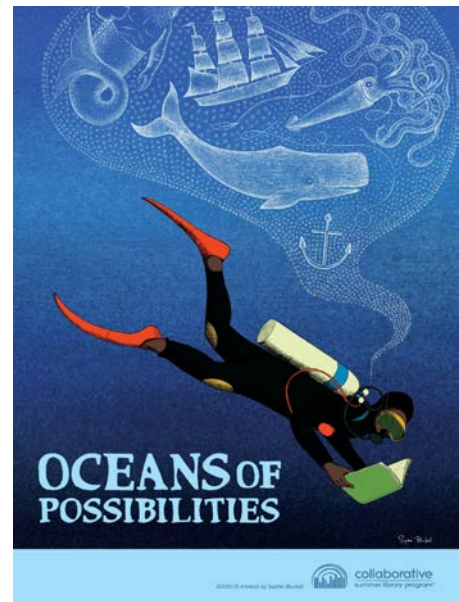
### Thursday, November 18th

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

ND State Library, 604 E Boulevard Ave, Bismarck

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/summer-reading-idea-exchange-tickets-191849114867>

Pizza will be ordered with the cost split between those who partake in it. Feel free to bring your own lunch.



## Other News and Webinars

**Registration: Leading Big in Small Spaces**

Join us for a lively morning of rapid-fire presentations from small and rural library leaders like you. We'll meet in Zoom from 9am-12:30pm Eastern on Wednesday, November 17, 2021 (you may have received an email saying it was Thursday 11/18, but Wed, 11/17 is correct). Please let us know you are joining us by registering below! Questions? [kt.jr@nicheacademy.com](mailto:kt.jr@nicheacademy.com) or Fort [kt@umich.edu](mailto:kt@umich.edu).

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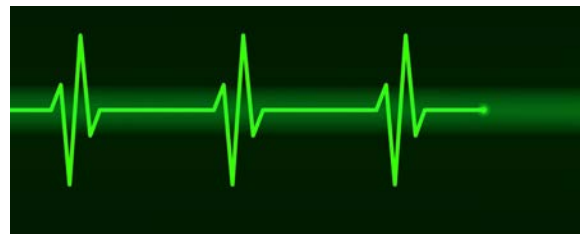
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[Read more](#)  
[docs.google.com](https://docs.google.com)



## Half the Victory: Preparing for the Opioid Crisis

Miguel de Cervantes wrote "To be prepared is half the victory ." Join Kevin King to learn how the Kalamazoo Public Library (KPL) took a proactive approach to preparing for opioid overdoses in the library.

[Read more](#)  
[www.nicheacademy.com](http://www.nicheacademy.com)



## Institute for Research Design in Librarianship (IRDL) -...

The Institute for Research Design in Librarianship (IRDL) is a continuing education program for academic and research librarians designed to create a growing community of confident librarian-researchers. The year-long program begins with a Summer ...

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[library.lmu.edu](http://library.lmu.edu)



## Apply Now: Let's Talk About It: Women's Suffrage

ALA has announced a new grant for libraries designed to spark conversations about American history and culture through an examination of the women's suffrage movement. Through Let's Talk About It (LTAI): Women's Suffrage, participants will read a ...

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[programminglibrarian.org](http://programminglibrarian.org)



## The Causes of Reading Difficulties and How to Help...

Serious difficulty with word recognition can have pernicious consequences for students. Many students with word recognition difficulty are identified with a specific learning disability in reading, often dyslexia. There are at least six ways to ...

[Read more](https://home.edweb.net)  
[home.edweb.net](https://home.edweb.net)



## IMPACT Libraries

This project focuses on computational thinking (CT) programming and assessment in libraries and other informal learning environments. The term computational thinking is meant to capture the concepts and practices associated with using computers...

[Read more](https://impact.ischool.umd.edu)  
[impact.ischool.umd.edu](https://impact.ischool.umd.edu)

## NEH Public Humanities Projects Grants

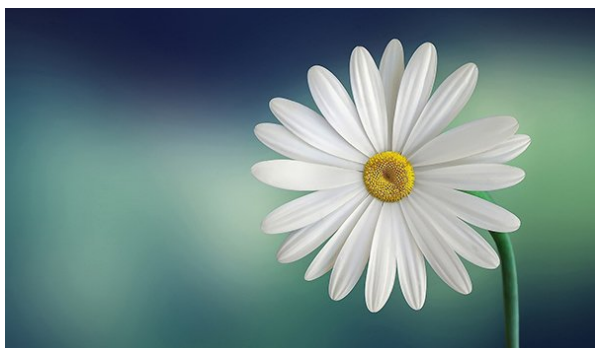
The Public Humanities Projects program supports projects that bring the ideas of the humanities to life for general audiences through public programming. Projects must engage humanities scholarship to analyze significant ...

[Read more](https://www.neh.gov)  
[www.neh.gov](https://www.neh.gov)

## Connecting Communities Digital Initiative Grant

Connecting Communities Digital Initiative (CCDI): Through CCDI, the Library will fund 2 grant programs for applicants to create digital or digital/physical interfaces, publications or exhibits that incorporate Library of Congress digital materials...

[Read more](https://blogs.loc.gov)  
[blogs.loc.gov](https://blogs.loc.gov)



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[www.nicheacademy.com](http://www.nicheacademy.com)

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"The latest round of ESSER Funding through the ARP Act is your district's opportunity to dream big-incorporating a much more strategic spending plan to reform and reinvent education." -Heather Bassett, Government Affairs Liaison and Policy...

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[www.familytreemagazine.com](http://www.familytreemagazine.com)



NASA'S UNIVERSE OF LEARNING

## Hosting 'Girls STEAM Ahead with NASA' events: Tips for...

During this webinar, you will learn about several free resources from NASA's Universe of Learning and hear how facilitators incorporated them into their own Girls STEAM Ahead with NASA event. Join the conversation to share best practices, ask...

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[ngcproject.org](http://ngcproject.org)

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