

Next Big Library Read November 2-16

The nights are growing longer during this magical time of year. To get into the spirit of the season, enjoy a “coming-of-age story of family and the supernatural” for free during [Big Library Read](#), the world’s largest digital book club. From November 2-16, patrons can join thousands of others around the globe in borrowing Olivia Stephens’s *Artie and the Wolf Moon*. Both e-book and audiobook versions are available without waitlists or holds on the Libby app or by visiting <https://ndlibrary2go.overdrive.com/>.



In the award-winning *Artie and the Wolf Moon*, Artie Irvin sneaks out against her mother’s wishes and spots a massive wolf—then watches it don a bathrobe and transform into her mom. Thrilled to discover she comes from a line of werewolves, Artie asks her mom to share everything—including the story of Artie’s late father. Her mom reluctantly agrees and recruits some old family friends to help Artie figure out her own wolflike abilities. Artie thrives in her new community and even develops a crush on her new friend Maya. But as she learns the history of werewolves and her own parents’ past, she’ll find that wolves aren’t the scariest thing in the woods—vampires are.

Big Library Read is an international reading program that connects readers around the world with an e-book through public libraries. *Artie and the Wolf Moon* is the 32nd selection of this program which began in 2013 and takes place three times per year.

Artie and the Wolf Moon was published as an e-book and audiobook by Lerner Publishing Group. The title can be read without waitlists or holds on all major computers and devices through Libby or libbyapp.com, including iPhone®, iPad® and Android™ phones and tablets. Through Libby, readers can also “send to Kindle®” [U.S. libraries only]. The title will automatically expire at the end of the lending period, and there are no late fees.

If you are looking for bookmarks, social media graphics, press release template, and more, visit <https://biglibraryread.com/marketing-materials/>.



Website Header

Over the upcoming weeks, we will be showcasing various sections of [NDSL's new website](#). Please stay tuned each week to discover new features and gain insights on seamless navigation.



Let’s discuss the upper portion of the webpage, commonly referred to as the header. It is divided into two segments: the left section showcases our brand logo, while the right section features an interactive area. Within the interactive area, you will discover our social media icons, including Facebook, YouTube, and Instagram. Adjacent to these icons is the website’s search box, which is exclusively designed for searching our website. Please note that you will not be able to search the catalog or LibGuides using this box.

Above the search box, you will find quick links for the Library Catalog, Library Card, and LibGuides. When you select the Library Catalog, you will be directed straight to the catalog’s search screen. Opting for the Library Card link will lead you to the application forms and enable you to update your library card information. The LibGuides link provides access to resource and information guides made specifically for libraries, covering a wide range of subjects.

Next week: Navigation Bar – About Us



[Sweater Weather Reading Challenge inspires all ages to read this winter \(KFYR-TV\)](#)

For children and teens, reading can feel like an educational obligation. For many adults, reading can feel like a chore. The Minot Public Library is making reading fun again with the new Sweater Weather Reading Challenge. From Oct. 1 through Feb. 28, the challenge invites all ages to read with the chance to win prizes.



NDSL's New Website Survey

Whether you love, hate, or are indifferent to NDSL's new website, we want to hear from you! By taking this 10 minute-survey, your answers will help us figure out what is going well and what improvements should be made. We appreciate you taking time to fill out this survey.

[Take The Survey](#)

Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries Grant

Due November 27, 2023

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 love of reading and learning.

The grant is to be used to purchase school library books, e-books, and magazine requests as outlined in your grant application. Use of the funds for shelving or furniture of any kind, equipment (i.e.: computers, electronic readers, Kindles, etc.), staffing, software, videos, guides, tests or exams, classroom book sets, or similar items, is prohibited.

[Learn More & Apply](#)



Promoting the Online Library Resources Survey

NDSL's Public Awareness Department is going to be reimagining the promotional materials available for ND libraries who want to promote the online library resources. We need your feedback on what types of materials your North Dakota library would like to see in the future. Which resources would you like to promote? Do you like having bookmarks on hand? Would you prefer digital-only? Let us know!

This short survey will take approximately five minutes to complete.

[Take The Survey](#)



Ada Lovelace

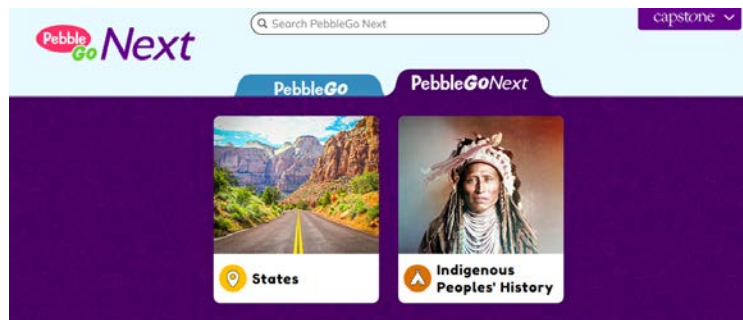
This Teaching Tidbit highlights a woman in STEM: Ada Lovelace.

History

Born Augusta Ada Byron on December 10, 1815, in London, England, Ada was the only child of poet Lord George Gordon Byron and strait-laced Annabelle (Milbanke) Byron. George and Annabelle were not well suited and separated about a year after they wed. Infant Ada, just a matter of weeks old at the time, never saw her father again (Ada, 2021).

In a perhaps desperate attempt to keep her daughter from developing Lord Byron's moodiness and unpredictability, Annabelle placed utmost importance on Ada learning mathematics and science. Additionally, she wanted her daughter to become fluent in French. This push for academics would go on to serve Ada greatly, although her father's fanciful view on life could not be entirely dampened. Ada often combined imagination with science to create theories. For example, at the age of 12, Ada wanted to learn how to fly. She studied birds, as well as tested different types of materials to determine their effectiveness for potential flight. Ada documented her findings in a guide which she called *Flyology* (Morais, 2021).

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PebbleGo/PebbleGo Next

PebbleGo is specifically geared toward K-2 learners to help students learn foundational research skills and provide critical early-reader supports, including audio voice overs and text highlighting. This resource includes easy navigation, videos, and games to keep students engaged and learning. Your patrons/students have access to the Animals and Biographies modules.

PebbleGo Next is tailored to meet the needs of students in grades 3-5. This resource includes curriculum-connected content, information-rich articles, straightforward navigation, videos, and timelines to keep students engaged and learning. Your patrons/students have access to the States and Indigenous Peoples' History modules.

For promotional materials, letter templates, calendars, lesson plans, and more, visit <https://www.pebblego.com/resources>.

[Access PebbleGo](#)

Digital Delight

Bangs family in an automobile, ND School for the Deaf, early 1900s

The Bangs family sits in an automobile outside of a building on the North Dakota School for the Deaf campus in Devils Lake. D. F. Bangs, the school's superintendent, sits in the driver's seat. His wife, Cora Bangs, and a girl sit in the back.



Dwight Freeman Bangs was born on July 3, 1863, in New York City, where his father, Egbert L. Bangs, was a teacher at the New York School for the Deaf. In 1865, the Bangs family moved to Michigan, where Egbert Bangs became the superintendent of the Michigan School for the Deaf. While living in Michigan, Dwight Bangs became proficient in sign language. After schooling, Dwight Bangs became a teacher at the Minnesota School for the Deaf. In 1888, Dwight Bangs married Cora Van Dorin. In 1895, Dwight and Cora Bangs moved to Devils Lake, North Dakota, to become the superintendent and matron of the North Dakota School for the Deaf, roles they served in until 1912. After 1912, they moved to Nebraska and later to Minnesota. Dwight Bangs died in 1934 and is buried in Flint, Michigan.

[Digital Horizons](#)

Niche Academy Highlight

by Al Peterson

Niche Academy keeps growing and growing.

Category: [Research 101](#)

Pathway: [Research Essentials](#)

New Tutorial: [Research Essentials: Understanding Peer Review](#)

This tutorial provides a good review of what exactly a peer-reviewed article is and how to find one.

Category: [Library 101- Library Boards and Friends Groups](#)

New Tutorial: [Welcome to the Board – Evaluating and Firing a Director](#)

In continuation of the Welcome to the Board series, this tutorial will walk you through how to evaluate a director, how to implement a performance improvement plan, and how to fire a director.

Category: [Library 101- Library Staff Training and Development](#)

New Tutorial: [Telephone Skills: Part 1 – Taking and Making Calls](#)

New Tutorial 2: [Telephone Skills: Part 2 – Holds, Transfers, and Messages](#)

These tutorials will provide the skills and knowledge to increase your confidence and comfort so you can deliver excellent customer service.

[Start Learning](#)



Social Media Audits, Part 1

If your library is on social media, you may want to periodically conduct a social media audit of all the platforms you are on. This may seem like just another thing to add to your ever-growing to-do list, but without a social media audit, you may be wasting time and energy on ineffective social media posts that could be spent elsewhere.

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Resources at the National Indian Law Library FDLP Academy

Wednesday, November 8 (12:00 PM - 1:00 PM)

There are 574 Federally recognized Native American tribes in the United States, all with their own unique governments and laws. Unlike the laws for many jurisdictions in the U.S., however, these laws can be difficult to find, if they are accessible at all. This session will discuss some of the reasons tribal law can be hard to find and the best resources for locating tribal law, including tribal websites, legal publishers, and NILL's Tribal Law Gateway. The session will conclude with a brief description of some of the other resources available to researchers through the National Indian Law Library.

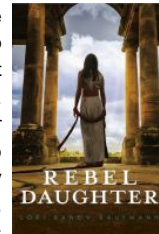
[Register for this Webinar](#)



Book Club

"Rebel Daughter" by Lori Banov Kaufmann

"Esther dreams of so much more than the marriage her parents have arranged to a prosperous silversmith. Always curious and eager to explore, she must accept the burden of being the dutiful daughter. Yet she is torn between her family responsibilities and her own desires. Meanwhile, the growing turmoil threatens to tear apart not only her beloved city, Jerusalem, but also her own family. As the streets turn into a bloody battleground between rebels and Romans, Esther's journey becomes one of survival. She remains fiercely devoted to her family, and braves famine, siege, and slavery to protect those she loves. This emotional and impassioned saga, based on real characters and meticulous research, seamlessly blends the fascinating story of the Jewish people with a timeless protagonist determined to take charge of her own life against all odds."



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

[Reserve](#)

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