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State Park Passes

In partnership with the North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department, the North Dakota State Library has State Park Passes available for check out for seven days. These passes get you in the park for free. Any additional charges, such as camping and rentals, are the responsibility of the pass holder. These passes are also available at your local public library.

For more information, please contact the State Library at 701-328-4622 or statelib@nd.gov.

Upcoming State Library Webinars

The North Dakota State Library is conducting two webinars this month in addition to the other available webinars. For a list of all webinars available, please go to http://library.nd.gov/publications/Webinars/June2022.pdf.

When registering for webinars, make sure the time zone is set correctly for your area.

Learn About Your North Dakota State Library (Exclusive to State Employees)
June 9, 2022 (2 to 2:45 p.m.)

This webinar will provide state employees with an overview of the services and resources provided by the North Dakota State Library. An emphasis will be put on how the State Library can assist state employees with work or personal research and library services. Attend at https://bit.ly/3auRall.

Introduction to the PAC
June 15, 2022 (2 to 2:45 p.m.)

This webinar is designed to be the demonstration of basic features of the Public Access Catalog (PAC). Topics include Accessing the PAC, My Account, Search, and other features. Register at https://bit.ly/3GNrFy7.

Placing Holds and Renewing Materials in the PAC
June 16, 2022 (2 to 2:45 p.m.)

This webinar will demonstrate how to place holds and renew items through the Public Access Catalog (PAC). Topics will include how to place a hold, how to renew items received from a PAC library, and how to ask for renewals on items from libraries not in the PK12 consortium. Register at https://bit.ly/3xcj2dk.

You've maybe already heard about Talking Books, or may even be a current patron, but have you heard of BARD?

BARD stands for Braille and Audio Reading Download, and with it, you have access to the full catalog of books and magazines from the National Library Services (NLS) for the Blind and Print Disabled. In the same way that you would order books through the Library's Talking Book service, BARD allows you to search, download, and read any of the thousands of titles in our database without having to wait on cartridges coming in the mail. You can use BARD in a regular computer browser, in an Android or iOS phone application, with your current talking book player, or with your own commercial player.

In order to use BARD, you must be part of the Talking Books program. You can find the application for Talking Books at http://www.library.nd.gov/talkingbooks.html.

If you are already a Talking Books patron and are interesting in utilizing BARD, give us a call at 701-328-1408 or email tbooks@nd.gov and our Reader's Advisors can get you set up with an account!

Online Summer Reading Challenges Through Beanstack

Are you looking for a reading challenge for this summer? Register today through Beanstack at **https://librarynd.beanstack.org/reader365** today.

North Dakota Emerging Readers! Summer 2022
June 1, 2022 - August 19, 2022
Ages 0-6

Explore an Ocean of Possibilities with your library and Beanstack this summer! Log the books you read to earn badges and rewards.

North Dakota Kids Read! Summer 2022
June 1, 2022 - August 19, 2022
Ages 7-12

Explore an Ocean of Possibilities with your library and Beanstack this summer! Log the books you read to earn badges and rewards.

North Dakota Teens Read! Summer 2022
June 1, 2022 - August 19, 2022
Ages: 13-17

Explore an Ocean of Possibilities with your library and Beanstack this summer! Log the books you read to earn badges and rewards.

North Dakota Reads! Summer 2022
June 1, 2022 - August 19, 2022
Ages: 18+

Explore an Ocean of Possibilities with your library and Beanstack this summer! Log the books you read to earn badges and rewards.

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New Items Added to Digital Horizons

Here is a highlight of the items added to the various digital collections of the North Dakota State Library.

North Dakota Memories

- 4th of July parade float, Tioga, N.D., 1954
- Aerial view of Nick Tangsrud farm, Divide County, N.D., 1956
- Boating at Chautauqua, Devils Lake, N.D., 1890s
- Champion basketball team, McHenry County, N.D., 1920
- Chester White pig on the Tangsrud farm, Divide County, N.D., 1927
- Construction on Sheyenne River dam, Lisbon, N.D., 1950s
- First school in Cavalier County, N.D., circa 1918-1920
- Graduating class, Starkweather High School, 1923
- Norwegian children's group in Band Day parade, Williston, N.D., 1972
- Starkweather High School, State Championship Six Man Football Team, 1939
- Whist game on Christmas, Divide County, N.D., 1953

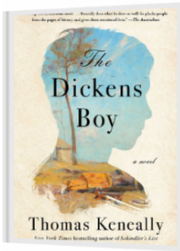
North Dakota State Documents

- Biennial Report of the N.D. Water Commission (1950-1954 and 1975-2009)
- Biennial Report of the ND State Board of Health (1893-1898 and 1901-1902)
- Compiled Agricultural Statistics of North Dakota (1930-1934)
- Report of the ND Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor (1922-1932)

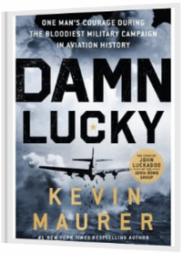
Find thousands of images, documents, videos, and oral histories depicting life on the Northern Plains from the late 1800s to today at **http://digitalhorizonsonline.org/**.

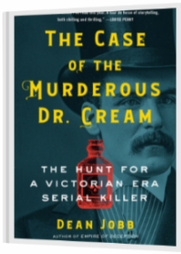
New Items Available at the North Dakota State Library

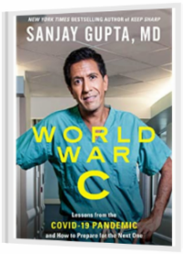
New Fiction Books



New Nonfiction Books







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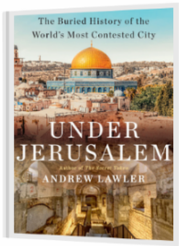

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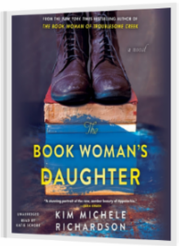

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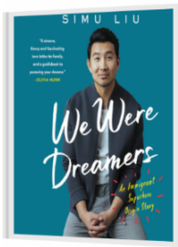

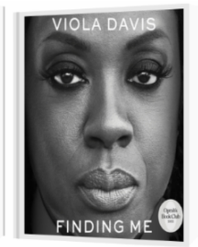

All About Herbs

Submitted by Al Peterson

This month's Universal Class highlight is (excuse the pun) a different flavor from the more professional development articles. All About Herbs is an eleven-lesson course that explores the culinary, medicinal, and spiritual purposes of herbs.

This class will cover all the basics about herbs and prepare you to explore all the many uses of herbs. You will learn the many benefits of cooking with herbs and incorporating them into your favorite dishes, the main traditions of herbal medicine and how they can be wonderful additions to your medicine cabinet, and even find out how to start growing your own herbs in containers.

So, if you have the thyme and have always been curious about herbs, check out All About Herbs under the Arts, Crafts, & Hobbies category in Universal Class at **https://www.universalclass.com/i/course/learn-about-herbs.htm**.

State Documents Depository

Are you looking for a state agency's annual report, newsletter, handbook, or other types of publications from years past? These documents are accessible via the State Library's **online catalog** as part of the State Document Depository.

The State Library collects, preserves, and disseminates all North Dakota state government documents produced for public use. In addition to paper copies, the online catalog also includes the electronic versions when available.

If you are interested in learning more about the State Document Depository or would like to request a title, visit **http://library.nd.gov/statedocdeposit.html** or call 701-328-4622.

Book Review

"Book Scavenger" by Jennifer Chambliss Bertman

Reviewed by Shari Mosser

After twelve-year-old Emily and her state-hopping family move to San Francisco, she teams up with her new friend James to follow clues in an odd book they find. Emily and James hope to figure out its secrets before the men who attacked Emily's hero, publisher Garrison Griswold, solve the mystery or come after them instead!

Have you always wanted to play a game filled with riddles, ciphers, and mysteries where books were the prize? That is the purpose of the Book Scavenger game. You choose a book to send on an adventure and pick a place to hide it. Then you create and upload a clue for others to find it. When it's found, you and the seeker earn points which will earn you a higher rank in the game! This concept alone intrigued me enough to pick up this book. However, I kept reading it because it was a fun read. The puzzles and mysteries ranged from easy to "huh, I couldn't figure that out!" There are also real-life instances about authors and other book-related games written in the book.

So if you or someone you love is a book-loving, game-playing, puzzle-solving dreamer, then this book is perfect for you. Otherwise, the story and action are lively enough to make this a good read.

"Book Scavenger" is available in the North Dakota State Library's **collection**.

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