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ILEAD North Dakota

by Eric Stroshane

In the November, 2014, issue of the Flickertale, I wrote an article introducing ILEAD USA to North Dakota. In it, I put out an open call for team members, mentors, and instructors to apply to attend. It was a crazy invitation to take part in a unique and intensive year-long library leadership institute. Twenty-one brave souls picked up the gauntlet: three teams of four member each, three mentors, and six instructors. They came from public, school, academic, and special libraries. One team included participants from Minnesota and South Dakota, as well as some home state favorites.

Last month, we held the final conference of our 2015 ILEAD ND cohort, and the experience was extraordinary and memorable for all involved. The astonishing projects our teams developed throughout the year as well as the teambuilding, technology training, and leadership cultivation that permeated ILEAD have the potential to make a lasting impact on libraries throughout North Dakota, our tri-state region, and if the work is carried forward and replicated, far beyond that. What these folks accomplished far exceeded my expectations on every level.

So what projects were developed during the year? LEGO Robotics and STEM education kits for training, programming, play, and in some cases circulation from the Minot Public, Minot Air Force Base, and Ward County libraries. Check out their promotional videos on YouTube: 'Bots Across the County, 'Bots on Base!, and 'Bots in the Makerspace @ Minot Public Library.

Our Tri-State team developed an easy-to-use clearinghouse to help patrons and librarians keep up with the ever-changing technology and products related to eBooks an eReaders. It's a WordPress site called eBook Help Hub which they'll continue to update and add content to. You can check it out here: http://econtentleaders.com/

Finally, our in-house team cooked up the idea of a circulating aerial cinematography kit, complete with a drone and iPad for shooting and editing digital video. Expect to see much more of it during the coming year as we demonstrate it at conferences and roll it out for circulation to libraries.

We're still working on getting our final presentation videos edited and posted online, but when we do, you'll be able to find them on our ILEAD ND site, alongside the keynotes from all three sessions, an accounting of our intense work, and some amusing digressions and photos from our year together: https://ileadusanorthdakota.wordpress.com/

The State Library is hoping to offer ILEAD ND again in 2017, so keep your eyes peeled for the announcement—we'd love to see you there!

News and Thoughts...

from Mary J. Soucie, State Librarian

ILEAD USA wrapped up the last week of October. ILEAD stands for Innovative Librarians Explore, Apply and Discover. I am very thankful to all of the folks that participated in this leadership initiative in some way. First and foremost, a deep and heartfelt thank you to my colleagues at the North Dakota State Library. From our coordinators, Eric and BreAnne, to our instructors, Ryan, Steve and Kristin, who was also the official photographer, to our Team Unicorn Members, Shari, Krista, and Jessica and Team e-Content Leaders mentor, Stacey. I would also like to thank our colleagues that didn't appear to be directly involved but really were, because they allowed us to be involved in planning and out of the building for multiple days. To crib an oft-used quote, it takes a whole State Library to "raise" a leadership initiative!

We are also grateful to the other participants- Team Robot Minot with Paulette and Pam from Minot Public Library, Kerri from Ward County Public Library and Julie from the Minot Air Force Base Library and their mentor, Aubrey from Mayville State University; Team Unicorn mentor, Traci from Divide County Public Library; and the members of Team e-Content which included Emily from the Minnesota State Library, Stephanie from Kitchigami Regional Library System, also in Minnesota, and Daniel from the University of South Dakota. Our Director of Creativity, Kristin Kitko, added a richness to the event that was far and above what we envisioned.

Our teams worked hard on their projects and learned many new technological skills. The learning was accompanied by lots of laughs and a few tears along the way. We learned about java script, better marketing tools, project management, video editing, advanced video editing, project evaluation, how to be your tech support and many more topics. These topics were taught locally by our Instructor Core, led by NDSL Training Coordinator Steve Axtman.

North Dakota was one of 10 states participating in ILEAD USA. Each state was in session on the same days but the topics that were taught varied depending on local projects. In addition to our breakout sessions, or whole group instructional sessions as was often the case with our small group, the Illinois State Library streamed in keynotes. The speakers were inspiring and informative and spoke on a variety of topics. The keynotes can all be accessed at http://bit.ly/1SG2k9i.

Our creative director, Kristin Kitko, added much more to the process than we anticipated. She had participants doing all kinds of new tasks, including songwriting and playing new instruments. These can also be found on the Wordpress site.

When I received the call last September inviting us to participate from my good friend and colleague, Anne Craig, the Illinois State Library Director, I was excited to say yes because I was a mentor when I was in Illinois and knew how much I learned. I needed to talk to others in our library though before I could commit us. After several long talks with different NDSL team members, we decided to move forward as a participating state. We put out the call for teams and received no response. We decided to extend the applications and allow individuals to apply and we would match them with a team. We opened it up for a State Library Team and within an hour, Team Unicorn was formed. We also decided to try a tri-state team, with MN and SD since we have other collaborations in place with those partners. Team Robot Minot then submitted their application and we knew the project was a go! We were very excited to move forward.

The learning that takes place at ILEAD USA is a very important component of the initiative. I think the relationship building and connections that were made both between team members and with the larger group are the most important aspect of ILEAD USA and one of the reasons we wanted to bring it to ND. We are hoping to repeat ILEAD USA in 2017 but are waiting to see what happens with the multi-state cohort. If we are able to once again offer this opportunity, we really hope that you'll consider applying with a team, to be a mentor or to join our illustrious instructor core. We look forward to sharing more about ILEAD USA at various opportunities over the next year.

ONLINE LIBRARY RESOURCE

TutorND

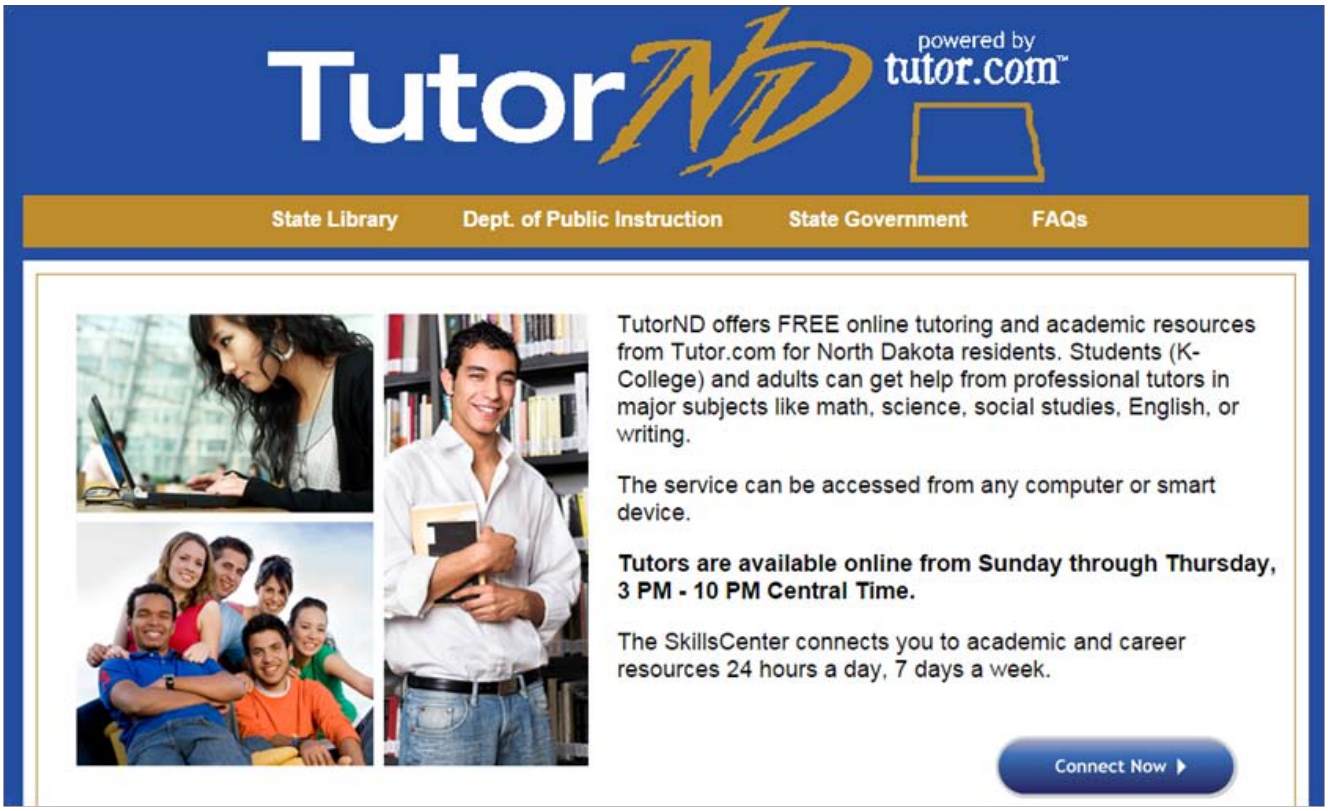
Free Online Help from Professional Tutors with TutorND

Professional tutors are available to help K-12 students, college students, and adult learners through TutorND, a free service provided by the North Dakota State Library for all North Dakotans.

Tutors are based in the United States and Canada. Every tutor is screened, certified and background-checked, and no personal information is shared between student and tutor. Student and tutor work one-to-one in a safe, secure, online classroom in real time. You use an interactive whiteboard, file sharing, and instant messaging to work through your problem. Get help with math, science, social studies, and English subjects.

Students can connect with a professional tutor from 3-10 PM Central Time, Sunday through Thursday, with any smart device that has a browser. TutorND also has a new GeoIP recognition feature. This means no login when accessing from any North Dakota location. If you are at a location outside of North Dakota, you can connect by using your free ND State Library card, or call your local library for the remote access login.

If you have any questions about connecting to TutorND, contact the North Dakota State Library at statelib@nd.gov or 1-800-472-2104. Free trainings are available remotely or at your library or school if you would like an overview of TutorND.



Upcoming WorldCat Discovery Training Classes

OCLC offers WorldCat® Discovery Services training in multiple formats. Instructor-led and self-paced training options, video tutorials and documentation provide the information you need to begin using WorldCat Discovery. Courses are available at no charge to OCLC member libraries. Dates and times for upcoming searching and configuration classes are provided below.

WorldCat Discovery Services will replace the OCLC FirstSearch service in late 2016. All libraries that provide access to the WorldCat database on FirstSearch can use WorldCat Discovery now as a part of their existing subscriptions. FirstSearch and WorldCat Discovery currently operate in parallel, to provide time for library staffs to become familiar with the new service.

Below are upcoming WorldCat Discovery instructor-led training classes on searching and configuration:

WorldCat® Discovery Searching Basics

- 4 November 2015 2:00 – 3:00 PM (Eastern Daylight Time, North America) Register
- 17 November 2015 9:00 – 10:00 AM (Eastern Daylight Time, North America) Register
- 15 December 2015 2:00 – 3:00 PM (Eastern Daylight Time, North America) Register

WorldCat® Discovery Searching: Advanced Topics

- 5 November 2015 2:00 – 3:00 PM (Eastern Daylight Time, North America) Register
- 18 November 2015 9:00 – 10:00 AM (Eastern Daylight Time, North America) Register
- 16 December 2015 2:00 – 3:00 PM (Eastern Daylight Time, North America) Register

WorldCat® Discovery Configuration Basics

- 10 November 2015 2:00 – 3:00 PM (Eastern Daylight Time, North America) Register
- 1 December 2015 2:00 – 3:00 PM (Eastern Daylight Time, North America) Register

WorldCat® Discovery Configuration: Advanced Topics

- 28 October 2015 2:00 – 3:00 PM (Eastern Daylight Time, North America) Register
- 11 November 2015 2:00 – 3:00 PM (Eastern Daylight Time, North America) Register
- 2 December 2015 2:00 – 3:00 PM (Eastern Daylight Time, North America) Register

Please visit the WorldCat Discovery Services Resources website for these training links as well as WorldCat Discovery documentation, tutorials and release notes.

We look forward to seeing you at a training class!

Please contact the North Dakota State Library at statelib@nd.gov or 1-800-472-2104 if you have questions.

Save the Date for the 2016 Summer Reading Workshops!

The Summer Reading Workshops will be held the last two weeks of February in Bismarck, Dickinson, Grand Forks, Jamestown, Minot, and West Fargo. Check back next month for the exact dates for each location and to register to attend.

New Book Club Kits

The North Dakota State Library has added four new titles to our growing collection of book club kits. Each kit will have ten copies of the books and a list of suggested questions that can be used to help stir conversations about the book.

Go Set a Watchman
by Harper Lee

All the Light We Cannot See
by Anthony Doerr

Breakfast with Buddha
by Roland Merullo

The Invention of Wings
by Sue Monk Kidd

These kits along with the rest of the book club kit collections can be checked out from the North Dakota State Library through KitKeeper, http://www.eventkeeper.com/kitkeeper/index.cfm?curOrg=nodak. Since KitKeeper allows kits to be reserved for a later date, we are asking that libraries please adhere to the due date and get the kits mailed back to us in time. We have to juggle some pretty tight schedules with some of our kits. If a kit is delayed for a week or two, the whole reservation schedule may get knocked off track, delaying the next library from receiving their book club kit and forcing them to postpone the start of their book club. Also, if you are missing a book and decide to mail back an incomplete kit, please get that book back as soon as possible and send us an e-mail at statelib@nd.gov letting us know that you are missing a copy of the book and are trying to get it back from your patron.

The Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) has launched the 2016 Teen Video Challenge, a national video competition for teens to get involved with reading and their public library's summer reading program. Teens across the country are invited to create a 30 to 90 second video with their interpretation of the 2016 teen slogan Get in the Game–Read in combination with reading and libraries. This is an opportunity for teens to showcase their creativity and have their ideas heard before a national audience.

The winning video from each participating state will be named one of the CSLP 2016 Teen Videos to promote summer reading nationwide. $150 will be awarded to the creators of the winning state video and their associated public library will receive prizes worth at least $50 from CSLP, Upstart, and CSLP partners. Winners will be announced by CSLP in April 2016.

For full details about the CSLP 2016 Teen Video Challenge and to find out how to enter in North Dakota, please visit http://library.nd.gov/videocontest.html.

FREE TRAINING WEBINARS

These webinars are free, live, and interactive. You will connect to audio using a headset or speakers. If you do not have a microphone, you can use chat to ask questions. You can find more webinars and training opportunities on our Facebook page under the events tab! http://on.fb.me/1xOGaLB

Creating a Culture of Yes at Your Library and in Your Community (WebJunction)

REGISTER: http://bit.ly/1LOxmJH

Wednesday, November 18, 2015, 12:00-1:00 PM CT

The immortal Kurt Vonnegut said, "The America I love still exists at the front desks of our public libraries." In this webinar, you can discover at least three ways to shift your library from good enough to unexpectedly amazing, and to take your community's image of the public library to new heights. Locate your library's first impressions, displays, customer service, policies and more on the "Yes-O-Meter." The insights you gain will invigorate the relationships between your staff and with your community.

Learning New Software with Computer Skills Center (Minitex)

REGISTER: http://bit.ly/1L75NYg

Thursday, November 19, 2015, 3:30-4:00 PM CT

Learning Express Library's Computer Skills Center includes video tutorials on a number of different software packages. From school and workplace essentials like Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint to more exotic tools like Adobe Illustrator or Microsoft Project, Computer Skills Center provides how-to videos and screencast demonstrations to build software proficiency. Join this webinar for a quick look at what's available to you and to your library users.

Freegal Suite (NDSL)

REGISTER: http://bit.ly/1iON6Sy

Tuesday, November 24, 2015, 10:30-11:30 AM CT

The Freegal (free and legal) suite includes: Freegal Music, Freegal Movies, Freading, and Rocket Languages. Each library card holder is limited to certain number of downloads per week. Users must login with a recognized personal library card number and password. This webinar will navigate each module, view site features and content, and discuss logins, accounts, and apps.

Documents to the Children – Grades 6-12 (Federal Depository Library Program)

REGISTER: http://bit.ly/1iyHE65

Tuesday, December 1, 2015, 12:00-1:00 PM CT

The goal of the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP) is to inform and educate the library community about Federal Government information resources and to advance government information literacy. This webinar is a general introduction to educational resources for educators and students. Find out which agencies have the best resources on art, culture, history, civics, reading, and STEM.

DISCLAIMER: The ND State Library highlights third-party webinars as a way to alert the library community to training opportunities. By doing so, we are not endorsing the content, nor promoting any specific product.

Repair and Renovation Grants

The North Dakota State Library (NDSL) received an appropriation of $250,000 for the biennium to be used for building renovation and repair grants for public libraries. The ND Library Coordinating Council will review and advise NDSL, who will award the grants. Projects, including reimbursement requests and other grant reports, will need to be completed by May 31, 2017. The grant application will be available by November 30, 2015.

Questions can be directed to a library development specialist or Assistant State Librarian Cynthia Clairmont-Schmidt.

E-rate: Form 470

Submitted by Al Peterson

The FCC Form 470, Description of Services Requested and Certification Form, is the first program form applicants file to request discounts under the E-rate program. Starting with FY2016, FCC Forms 470 must be filed using the E-rate Productivity Center (EPC pronounced epic). For information on how to file your FCC Form 470 using EPC, review the FCC Form 470 User Guide or watch the FCC Form 470 Video Tutorials.

By posting an FCC Form 470 and describing the services being requested, applicants are opening a competitive bidding process. Service providers can then review and respond to the applicant's requests for services. You must conduct a fair and open competitive bidding process. To ensure this, all potential bidders and service providers must have access to the same information and be treated in the same manner throughout the procurement process.

If you are planning on applying for E-rate funding this year, you may file your Form 470 anytime. If you have filed for E-rate last year, you are already set up in EPC. If you are applying for the first time this year, contact USAC at 1-888-203-8100 and request access to EPC.

Your FCC Form 470 MUST:

- Be detailed enough for potential bidders to understand your requirements and any reasons for disqualification. This includes being sufficiently detailed regarding the quantity and capacity of services.
- Be posted for the correct category or categories of service. Note that you should click "Category One" if you intend to post for Internet access, data transmission services, and/or voice services on the FCC Form 471; orclick "Category Two" if you intend to post for internal connections, managed internal broadband services, and/or basic maintenance of internal connections on the FCC Form 471.
- Indicate whether you have issued or will issue a Request for Proposals (RFP). If you issue an RFP, you must upload a copy to the FCC Form 470.
- Be posted on the USAC website for at least 28 days before you select a service provider; sign a contract (if appropriate); and file and certify your FCC Form 471.

Your FCC Form 470 MUST NOT:

- Be completed or signed by a service provider or feature a service provider as the contact person or technical contact person.
- Be an encyclopedic list of services.
- Specify vendors, manufacturers, or model numbers without including the words "or equivalent" or a similar qualification.

28-day posting requirement:

As noted above, your FCC Form 470 must be posted on the USAC website for at least 28 days before you choose a service provider, sign a contract (if appropriate), and file and certify your FCC Form 471.

If you know the services you want to request – or even if you only know some of them – you can post an FCC Form 470 now for the services you know and post another FCC Form 470 later for any other services if you wish to do so.

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Issuing an RFP:

You can prepare and issue an RFP in addition to your FCC Form 470. RFPs are not specifically required under program rules but may be required by your state or local procurement rules or competitive bidding requirements. An RFP describes the project you want to undertake in sufficient detail to inform potential bidders of the scope, location, and any other requirements for the project. You must also clearly indicate in the FCC Form 470 and/or the RFP any reasons that bidders could be disqualified and provide information on requirements imposed by state or local procurement rules and regulations.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 1-701-328-4021 or 1-800-472-2104. You can also e-mail me at alpeterson@nd.gov. I now have access to a read only site for EPC and I can actually see your application. This will help me out tremendously with assisting libraries through the E-rate process.

North Dakota Library Coordinating Council Corner

Submitted by Mary Soucie, State Librarian

The North Dakota Library Coordinating Council met at Trinity Bible College in Ellendale on November 2. The Coordinating Council adopted revised bylaws, which will be on the State Library's website by the end of the month. The Coordinating Council reviewed drafts of the guidelines, application and rubric for the Public Library Renovation and Repair grant. The State Library is in the process of revising the application and then testing it in Counting Opinions. We will make the grant guidelines available on our website shortly and the application in Counting Opinions.

The Council also reviewed and awarded the Library Vision 2020 grants. Two WorldCat, fourteen tablet and forty-two collection development applications were submitted. The total amount requested exceeded the available funds by about $40,000. The Council thoughtfully considered and discussed all of the grant applications, utilizing the grant rubric to assist in the process of awarding the grants. The State Library is in the process of sending out grant award letters. The Council awarded a total of $236,214 which funded forty-seven grants. The meeting concluded with visits to the Ellendale and Edgeley Public Libraries on November 3.

HELP!

Have you or someone you know found something awesome on our site: http://digitalhorizonsonline.org ? Tell us your stories, find us on Facebook or contact Stephanie at sbaltzer@nd.gov.

WE'RE NOW ON FACBOOK!

DIGITAL HORIZONS

SCHOOL AND LIBRARY GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

ALA TRUSTEE CITATION — DEADLINE: JANUARY 15

The ALA Trustee Citation recognizes public library trustees for distinguished service to library development, symbolizing and honoring the best contributions and efforts of the estimated 60,000 American citizens who serve on library boards. The award is presented during the ALA Annual Conference and equal consideration is given to trustees of libraries of all sizes.

To find out more or apply, visit their site at http://bit.ly/1yriZCW

ANTONIO PIZZIGATI PRIZE FOR SOFTWARE IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST — DEADLINE: DECEMBER 15

The Pizzigati Prize annually awards a $10,000 cash grant to one individual who has created or led an effort to create an open source software product of significant value to the nonprofit sector and movements for social change. Software from the nominated core developer must have already demonstrated its value to at least one nonprofit organization.

To find out more or apply, visit their site at http://bit.ly/1xdLh6Y

BANK OF THE WEST'S CHARITABLE INVESTMENTS PROGRAM — DEADLINE: ONGOING

Bank of the West supports nonprofit organizations dedicated to improving the quality of life, particularly of low- and moderate-income individuals and communities. Public nonprofit organizations in the following counties are eligible to apply: **Cass, Golden Valley, Griggs, Richland, and Stark**. Grants are awarded for education and job training as well as for community and economic development.

To find out more or apply, visit their site at http://bit.ly/1qpzq3M

EBSCO EXCELLENCE IN SMALL AND/OR RURAL PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICE AWARD — DEADLINE: DECEMBER 2

The EBSCO Excellence in Small and/or Rural Public Library Service Award is an annual recognition bestowed upon a public library serving a population of 10,000 or less in a manner demonstrating excellent service to its community as exemplified by an overall service program or a special program of significant accomplishment. The award honors a public library for all or any of the following: uniqueness of service of program; impact of program or service on community; how the service or program will affect the future of the library and its community. The award comes with a $1,000 honorarium.

To find out more information http://bit.ly/1xE6GTO

PAT CARTERETTE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT — DEADLINE: MARCH 1

The American Library Association (ALA) Learning Round Table will award up to $1,000 for a member to attend a professional development event between July 1, 2016, and June 30, 2017. This can be used to cover registration, travel, lodging, and other expenses. The grant winner will be announced at the annual ALA conference in Orlando next June.

To find out more or apply, visit their site at http://svy.mk/1SNQtX4

If you have applied for a grant you found in The Flickertale and received it, please let us know!

YOU'RE MOVING!

On December 31, 2015, EduTech's @Sendit emails will no longer function. Have you contacted the State Library with your new email address yet?

You can check by logging into your account at http://odinlibrary.org/primo-nds.html or by contacting our Reference Department at 1-800-472-2104 or statelib@nd.gov

New Librarian Resources at the State Library

- Including families of children with special needs : a how-to-do-it manual for librarians (Rev. ed.)
- Marketing and social media : a guide for libraries, archives, and museums
- Building a core print collection for preschoolers
- Digital paper : a manual for research and writing with library and internet materials
- Born reading : bringing up bookworms in a digital age -- from picture books to ebooks and everything in between
- Wikipedia U : knowledge, authority, and liberal education in the digital age
- Wild things! : acts of mischief in children's literature
- Autism in young adult novels : an annotated bibliography
- When books went to war : the stories that helped us win World War II
- Storytelling in business : the authentic and fluent organization
- The great dissent : how Oliver Wendell Holmes changed his mind -- and changed the history of free speech in America
- Slow reading in a hurried age

23rd Annual Writing CONTEST 2015 - 2016

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Letters About Literature

Read. Be inspired. Write Back.

A Library of Congress National Reading and Writing Promotion Program

The 23rd annual writing contest for young readers is made possible by a generous grant from the Dollar General Literacy Foundation, with additional support from gifts to the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress, which promotes the contest through its affiliate Centers for the Book, state libraries and other organizations.

Competition Levels:

Level 1	Grades 4 - 6
Level 2	Grades 7 - 8
Level 3	Grades 9 - 12

THEME

How did an author's work change your view of the world or yourself?

How to Enter

READ

Select a fiction or nonfiction book, a poem or play you have read and about which you have strong feelings. (Sorry, no song lyrics!) It might be a book that helped you through a difficult time or it might be a book that simply touched your heart or inspired you.

REFLECT

Think before you write. How did this author's work change you or your view of the world? How do you know it did? How and why are you different now than you were before you read this work?

Persuade

Write a personal letter to the author, stating how reading his or her work changed you. Be personal but also persuasive! Support your ideas with specific details, including details from the work itself. This is not a fan letter but rather a reflection on how an author influenced you.

WRITE

Type your entry in letter format – do not send handwritten letters. Your name and complete return address (either school or home) must appear in the upper right corner of the first page of the letter.

SEND

Mail your letter with the required entry coupon by the deadline date.

Need some tips to get started? Not sure how to write a personal letter? Visit read.gov/letters to read winning letters from past competitions and to access the Letters About Literature Teaching Guide.

Contact Shari Mosser at ssandwick@nd.gov or 701.328.3252

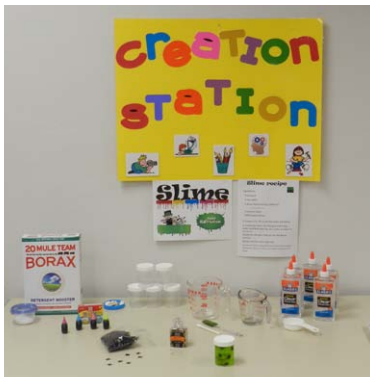
Pirate for a Day

In October, Walhalla citizens Crystal and Dale Anderson organized a "Pirate for a Day" program, which acted as the story time theme for the week, a community event for all ages, and a fundraiser for the library all in one program! People purchased "treasure maps" at the library for $1.00. Temporary tattoos were also available for $0.25 and eye patches for $0.50. People took their maps around town to be stamped by local businesses. Completed maps were eligible to be entered in a prize drawing. The deadline to turn in your map coincided with a pirate themed story time at the library.

Haunted Stacks

Submitted by: Bobbi Wood

It was a BOO-ISH endeavor. There were mazes, monsters, ghosts and ghouls! The Grand Forks Public Library brought out it's haunted side with an evening of fun for Grand Forks Families. The whole library was made into a house of horrors and with some help from friends, a place to have a good scaring time!



Maker Space at the School for the Deaf

Submitted by: Susan Schwab-Kjelland

Students at the North Dakota School for the Deaf experienced their makerspace debut the week of Halloween. Students followed a recipe to make their own **SLIME** and added other fun things like tiny spiders and glitter.

North Dakota Library Tidbits

- The Forman City Library recently held their annual book sale and just started a library LEGO Club.
- Mayville State University Library received a $24,906 grant for STEM kits through the Sparks! Ignition Grants for Libraries program of the Institute of Museum and Library Services.
- McVille Community Library hosted a potluck Book Tasting event on October 24th, where attendees were invited to share a book or simply sample from what was on offer. Participants spent about 3-5 minutes "tasting" each book and then rated each one they tried.
- Walhalla Public Library held a Murder and Mayhem event on October 30th. Attendees dressed in elegant evening wear while Jim Benjaminson, Walhalla's Mr. History, told tales of murder, mayhem, and "unusual activities" that happened early in Pembina County's rich and colorful history as the County was being settled.
- Edgeley Public Library started holding themed monthly LEGO building contests.
- Mayville Public Library received a $1,060 grant from the Libri Foundation.
- The Dickinson State University rodeo grounds will be the site of the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library.
- Dickinson Area Public Library hosted "The Revenge of Reading Scared," sponsored by the Heart River Writers' Circle. The event featured community members and Dickinson State University folks sharing excerpts of frightening tales and poems.
- Valley City Barnes County Public Library is upgrading their furnace units.
- Alfred Dickey Public Library (James River Valley Library System, Jamestown) opened a formal bidding process for renovations including new carpet and wall coverings. They are also in the process of acquiring a new bookmobile.
- Joan Jones is the new director of the Ellendale Public Library following Marian Trautmann's retirement after 8 years of service.
- Leach Public Library (Wahpeton) opened a community survey as part of their strategic planning process; all who complete it are entered into a drawing for a Kindle Fire HD 6.
- A Digital Scan Day was held at Harvey Public Library on October 14, facilitated with staff and equipment from the State Library. About 400 images were brought in for scanning to help preserve unique North Dakota information for researchers, genealogists, students, and the general public.
- Fargo Public Library held "From the Trails of Africa to the Ghost Towns of North Dakota," a Literary Night presentation sponsored by their Friends group and featuring the authors Jill Kandel and Terry Hinnenkamp.
- The Heart of America Library in Rugby recently held a Food for Fines event, where overdue fines were waived in exchange for donations of non-expired/non-perishable food items to the Rugby Food Pantry.
- Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library will be holding coloring and cookie club meetings for adults on November 14 and December 12.

Congratulations to Velva School and Public Library on being a 2015 Library Journal 5 Star Library!
Velva was the only North Dakota library to receive a star rating from Library Journal in 2015.

http://lj.libraryjournal.com/2015/11/managing-libraries/lj-index/class-of-2015/the-star-libraries-2015/#_

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CHINESE REFUGEE committee

Hon. Mayor
New Rockford, North Dakota

Dear Hon. Mayor:

In January 1962 ten members of the Chinese Refugee Committee will arrive in New Rockford preparatory to the establishment of a Chinese Refugee Center adjacent to your most excellent city.

Options have been taken on two sites very near New Rockford by the attorney for the Committee in the United States, Mr. Morgan Firth of New York City. One of the sites will be used for the construction of living quarters for approximately 2,500 Chinese refugees and their families--an aggregate of approximately 4,000 people. Upon the other site a completely modern factory will be built where pyrotechnic signal equipment to U. S. Navy specifications will be manufactured.

Naturally, a project of this magnitude will have far reaching effects upon your community; however, our Committee has had the experience of sponsoring two similar centers (in Brazil) and has found that, with a maximum of understanding and cooperation on the part of both the native residents and the new arrivals, the establishment of such a center can be highy satisfactory and beneficial to all concerned.

Any small city that has a large and sudden influx of new citizens suffers growing pains; however, when the majority of the newcomers are of a different race, cannot speak the local language, and have completely alien customs and practices, the growing pain s can be acutecunless careful planning in advance eliminates the obvious sources of friction. In order to lessen the burden upon you, the highest official of the city, Dr. Albert Choong, who supervised the establishment of both successful centers in Brazil, will work closely with you and the other civic officials for ten months before any appreciable number of refugees arrives. While Dr. Choong and two other Committee officials will remain in New Rockford a relatively long period of time, the other members of the committee visiting New Rockford in January will stay only two weeks.

The benefits to New Rockford will be incalculable. First of all, all construction will be done by local or area contractors. Secondly, a large cash payment will be made to the City of New Rockford to finance necessary expansion of existing public utilities. Mr. Charles E. J. Ho, longtime Deputy Commissioner of Public Works in Kowloon N. T., Hong Kong, will work closely with you on this. Third, when the factory is opened, approximately 25% of the jobs will be filled by New Rockford people; we feel that only in this way--by fostering close association between the newcomers and the local citizenry at common work--can a deep understanding between the two groups be established, an understanding that we hope

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One of our finds from our ScanDay in New Rockford in October. There were 3 letters sent to New Rockford officials in 1961 claiming that 4,000 Chinese refugees would be relocated to a site near New Rockford. Can you imagine? Apparently someone could since it appears that this was a hoax. Find it online: http://bit.ly/1O1LvUD

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