In November 2017, the Red River Rainbow Seniors began an oral history project, “Breaking Barriers: Harvesting LGBTQ Stories from the Northern Plains,” focusing on older LGBTQ people and their allies. The original digital files and the transcriptions will be in the North Dakota State University Archives. Prairie Public Radio’s excerpts from some of interviews are available at the [podcast](#).

The Red River Rainbow Seniors Oral History Committee has prepared a program featuring excerpts from three interviews in which members of this pioneer generation share their stories of challenge and resilience. The State Library is partnering with them to bring this moving and historically significant program to public libraries statewide, starting in late spring/early summer of 2020.

### NEW POLICY FOR KITS

The North Dakota State Library has issued a new policy regarding book club and STEM kits. Due to kits being returned late or being returned without all the books or pieces, patrons will not receive additional kits until everything has been returned from their previous kits.

These kits are on a very tight schedule and delays cause the kits to be late to their next destination. Please be courteous and return kits by the due date with all the materials.
From Mary J. Soucie, State Librarian

It’s the time of year that we turn to focusing on gratitude. As I’ve shared the last few years, every year in November I participate in #ThankfulNovember on Facebook where each day I post something I’m grateful for. Sometimes, I include pictures but often, I don’t. I use a variety of hashtags but always include #grateful and #thankfulnovember. This year, I’m adding the year to the end of the second hashtag to make them easier to search. A friend of mine posted a list of items, and each day you share one of that category that you’re thankful for. The list includes things like people, pets, memory, gadget, website/blog, food; there is one for each day of the month. I thought about doing this but had already started my traditional posting. On the one hand, I like the list as it may force me to focus on things I take for granted, but on the other hand, I really like the free form of posting whatever comes to mind that day. As is my norm now for this column in November, I’d like to share my #librarygratitude with you.

For our profession: I am very grateful to have found my vocation pretty early on. This is my 25th year of being a librarian and I am still grateful each day to go to work and serve. Libraries are one of the last spaces that serves all people equally and that doesn’t ask for anything in return to use our facility. The librarians that I know are passionate about serving their community and about preserving the tenets of our profession: intellectual freedom; consistent service to all without considering race, gender, socioeconomics, nationality, etc.; equitable resource sharing and bridging the digital divide.

For my library peeps: my library circle continues to grow. I have so many people that have started as colleagues and become friends, and my life is blessed beyond measure by my library tribe. I literally have contacts in every state and several territories that I can reach out to for just about anything.

For my COSLA colleagues: When I took the position as State Librarian, it didn’t really dawn on me that I was joining an elite group of 56 people, 50 states, D.C. and 4 territories. I am so grateful for those colleagues that have mentored me, laughed with me, supported me, and embraced me. I could not do my job successfully without this tribe.

For my various library associations: I currently belong to four associations; one local, one regional and two national. I cannot begin to express my gratitude for the experiences I’ve had, the relationships I’ve formed, and the friends that I have gained through these associations. I’ve had the honor to serve on the board of all of these associations, or the division of one of them, and I have learned so much through those experiences.

For my ND Library Land colleagues: I continue to be so impressed by North Dakota librarians and all that they do to serve their communities. My experience before coming to North Dakota was primarily with public and school libraries. I have really enjoyed learning about academic libraries and the similarities and differences with the other library types. North Dakota Libraries rock, and it is my honor and pleasure to work with all in the North Dakota Library community. I treasure so many colleagues that have truly become friends.

For my NDSL crew: I am truly blessed to work with such a collegial, dedicated, and caring staff. Customer service is at the heart of everything we do, and we all strive to serve the Library Community, State Government, and the citizens of North Dakota in the best way possible.

For Kirsten Baesler and the DPI team: I am truly lucky to have a boss that gets the library world as much as Kirsten does. The DPI team and the NDSL team continue to grow in the ways that we work together. I am thankful for our colleagues at ND Vision Services/School for the Blind and ND School for the Deaf as well.

I hope that you will take some time this month to reflect on the different things that you are grateful for. I’d love for you to share your #thankfulnovember with me. If sharing on Facebook isn’t your thing, pick up the phone or shoot me an email.

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The Digital Public Library of America (DPLA) brings together institutions from around the United States to one digital repository for users to search thousands of records from just one website. DPLA includes institutions like the Library of Congress, the Smithsonian, Harvard University, and more. The North Dakota State Library is a member of the Big Sky Country Digital Network hub from Montana and has all of our Digital Horizons collections included on DPLA. Not only does the State Library contribute, but the State Historical Society of North Dakota and Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library also have their collections as part of this consortium.

Right now, you’re probably thinking so what? Well, the best part of being a member of DPLA is that users can search all of the records at once and every item that has to do with their search term will come up. So, the records found in North Dakota will be found alongside items from the Library of Congress. With these records all being found in one spot, the site drives traffic to North Dakota items and researchers who didn’t know that Digital Horizons existed. It is also a great place to start any North Dakota Studies class. You don’t need to know which institute to start with. You can search them all, and see what comes up.

If you have any questions about DPLA please email us at ndlstrain@nd.gov.

BIG CHANGES COMING SOON!

As some of you may have heard, ODIN is changing. Starting on December 11, 2019, ODIN will officially split into two different catalogs. The North Dakota State Library, along with schools and public libraries that use ODIN, will migrate to III Polaris, while the academic libraries will continue using ExLibris’s ALEPH until they migrate to ExLibris’s ALMA in July 2020.

Polaris will offer school and public libraries a web-based client for patron services and circulation. One of the new features is the ability to place holds on other ODIN Polaris libraries materials. With this migration from ALEPH to Polaris, we’ll be featuring a new public access catalog. Starting December 11th, the PRIMO interface will no longer be used for searching and requesting materials through the North Dakota State Library or other ODIN schools and public libraries catalog.

Some find change challenging, and there are always bugs to work out when a library migration happens, but, overall, you will be happy with the new catalog. After we are up and running, we’ll be developing web-based tutorials on how to use the new catalog. Also, feel free to contact the Reference Department at the North Dakota State Library (701-328-4622) if you have questions or need assistance.
In preparation of the 2020 Census, I am a member of the Education and Libraries Task Force, a subcommittee of the North Dakota Complete Count Committee. The Committee is working with the Census Bureau to ensure that we have the most complete count possible. The outcome of the census impacts so many things that we don’t even think about, but some obvious ones are representation in Congress, education, Medicare, and roads.

The Education and Library Task Force is focusing on the populations that are served by schools and libraries as well as the education and library communities. We are brainstorming ways for those communities to help get the word out about the census. We are also providing a work plan to the consultant that will be hired to help market the census collection in North Dakota.

The most immediate need, right now, is to assist with the hiring of census workers. The U.S. Census Bureau is in the middle of a statewide recruiting effort-seeking employees to help conduct the 2020 Census. As a public space in our communities, we are asking that you make your facilities available to Census recruiters who want to reach out to library patrons. This would include setting up a table during peak business hours or posting/leaving flyers for patrons. Also, please considering using your own Facebook Pages to share information about the 2020 Census and job openings. NDSL will be sharing some ads with you via our listservs as well as the NDLA and Schlibtalk listservs.

If you have activities planned to promote the census, please send them to ndslpa@nd.gov so we can share them with the Complete Count committee.

APPLY NOW FOR DIGITAL SKILLS FUNDING

Applications are now open for funding from Libraries Lead with Digital Skills to host digital skills workshops for job seekers and small business owners in your community! Details on how to receive $1,000 and the application are available at the Libraries Lead website. Selected libraries will then have the opportunity to receive an additional $3,000.

We strongly encourage all libraries to apply, as it will be a great opportunity to shine a spotlight on how you are supporting your community’s economic growth through digital skills training. The application deadline is Wednesday, December 11.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your Library Development Specialist.

DID YOU KNOW...

Interlibrary Loan is one of the most heavily used resources at the State Library? 55,870 items were loaned out from ND libraries in 2018!
NEW CURRICULUM FOR COMMON SENSE EDUCATION
Submitted by Carmen Redding

Common Sense has been around since its founding in 2003. Over the past year, they have redone their website and organized their curriculum in a more user-friendly manner. If you have not used the curriculum in the past, Common Sense has many free lessons K-12, waiting for you to explore. For those of you who are familiar with Common Sense, you will find updated videos with a professional touch. The curriculum remains basically the same. The digital pieces (Passport and Compass) are available for grades 3-8. The digital components for 9-12 have been incorporated into the lessons.

The curriculum categories are 1. Media Balance & Well-Being, 2. Privacy & Security, 3. Digital Footprint & Identity, 4. Relationships & Communication, 5. Cyberbullying, Digital Drama & Hate Speech, and 6. News & Media Literacy. All lessons are filtered by grade. Once you click on the appropriate grade, the lessons will appear. The lessons are identified by category on the top right. You can then move through the categories to see if additional lessons are available. The younger grades have fewer lessons and the amount increases as you move through the grades.

The North Dakota Department of Public Instruction has rolled out their first ever Computer Science and Cybersecurity Standards. You will be able to meet many of the standard's requirements for your grade levels by using Common Sense Education. If you have general questions about Common Sense, click on the Common Sense Media link to read more. Once again, all these lessons are FREE! No strings attached!

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT:
HOLIDAY TREAT OR STEM PROGRAM? YOU DECIDE
Submitted by Abby Ebach

Transform your usual holiday crafting programs by purchasing some sugar and sprinkles and plugging in a microwave. Teach patrons of all ages to “bake” using nothing but a microwave and a mug. Ask participants to bring their own festive mug (but make sure you have spares), and bake away using any of these fun Christmas Cookie in a Mug recipes. Not in the mood to bake? Decorate plain white mugs in a DIY craft or create hot cocoa or other holiday treats “in a jar” for your patrons to make at home (or give as a gift).

TRAINING REQUESTS

We know that it isn't always easy figuring out who to send a request for a training or visit to, so we have created an easy to fill out form that will hopefully take all of the guess work out of contacting us. Just fill out the form to let us know what you would like. Some of the choices we have are Database Trainings, Library Visits, and Tours of the State Library. Once you submit the form, we will be in touch with you to set up your training.

This request form can be found under Training for Libraries and Education, or you can click here.

If you have any questions about this form, please contact the North Dakota State Library 1-800-472-2104 or ndsltrain@nd.gov.
TRAIN THE TRAINER PROGRAM
Submitted by Carmen Redding

YALSA’s Transforming Teen Services: Train the Trainer program (Chicago cohort) convened in Chicago, Illinois, on October 30th. Carmen Redding, School and Youth Services Specialist from the State Library, and Bree Schmidt, Teen Librarian from the Fargo Public Library, attended. They spent 2 ½ days learning about community building, identity and equity as well as connected learning and computational thinking for teens. They are bringing back what they learned to share with librarians all over the state. Stay tuned for more information as Bree and Carmen roll out state training after the first of the year.

NDSL LAUNCHES 3 NEW DIGITAL COLLECTIONS
Submitted by Trevor Martinson

The State Library has launched three (yes, three!) new digital collections.

The Gordon and Emma Anderson Collection includes photos, documents, and objects relating to the Anderson and Landers families from the Kenmare and Crosby areas of North Dakota, from the late 1800s to the late 1900s.

Prairie Recipes includes cookbooks and recipes from the collections of institutions and private citizens across North Dakota.

The T. E. McMillan Diaries is a collection of diaries from 1888 to 1947 depicting the daily life of a North Dakota homesteader and farmer.

These new collections, along with the State Library’s other collections, can be accessed online on Digital Horizons by anyone from anywhere, completely free of charge. There are currently only a couple items in each collection, but more are on the way.
When it gets too cold to venture out, I like to bury myself in a cocoon of blankets and try to solve a mystery from the comfort of my living room. This month, we'll be looking at an assortment of the best standalone mysteries that 2019 had to offer, and I'll see if Nancy Drew taught me everything I need to know to solve them.

Icy weather provides the setting for Lucy Foley's *The Hunting Party* when a group of old friends go on their traditional end-of-the-year vacation, all the way to a remote lodge in the Scottish Highlands. Of course, they get snowed in and, of course, one of them winds up dead on New Year's Day—but who did it and why?

*The Stranger Diaries* by Elly Griffiths is described as a modern gothic mystery, so I'm there even before I hear the plot, but, thankfully, the story is intriguing. Clare Cassidy is a high school English teacher with a penchant for a Gothic writer named R.M. Holland who used to live in her hometown. When a friend turns up dead with a line from Holland's most famous story on her body, Clare finds herself living out her curriculum—and failing will have deadly consequences.

Daniel Sánchez Arévalo's first translated novel, *Alice's Island*, is family drama with a thick coating of mystery laded on top. Alice Dupont thinks she has the perfect marriage, right up until she gets a phone call that her husband died in a car crash on an island hundreds of miles away from their home. Her attempt to figure out why her husband was hiding a secret life on the island leads to her creating a secret life of her own, ingratiating herself with the small community and transforming into a woman she barely recognizes.

Anybody who knows me knows that I would put up with all sorts of spooky nonsense for a prime piece of real estate, so I was feeling pretty envious of the main character in Lexie Elliott's *The Missing Years*. Ailsa Calder has inherited half of a beautiful, eerie manor on the Scottish Highlands—so far so great—and leaves noisy London behind to settle the estate. Does she have a mysterious half-sister living in the manor? Of course. Are they visited by strange nighttime intruders as Ailsa tries to delve deeper into her family’s secrets? Obviously!

There's been buzz about our next book since early last year, and it's easy to see why. Denise Mina's *Conviction* explores the disintegration of a young housewife's life when her favorite hobby—listening to true crime podcasts—leads her to a shocking revelation: she knew the victim of one episode and she's pretty sure she knows what actually happened.

By all accounts, South Korea is the next country to look towards in our insatiable hunger for great international thrillers and Un-su Kim shows us why in *The Plotters*, an exciting story featuring an assassin raised in the fantastically-named Library of Dogs who finds an out from his dangerous life in a trio of unusual young women even as Seoul's murky underworld tries to hunt him down.

Finally, we end the year with Alex North's *The Whisper Man*, a terrifying thriller about a father and son, Tom and Jake, trying to make a fresh start in what happens to be a famous serial killer's hometown. The Whisper Man has been in prison for years, but when a young boy goes missing and Jake begins to hear a strange whispering at his window, Tom ends up embroiled in a dangerous investigation.

It's hard to believe it, but the year is almost over, and that means it's time to take a look back at just exactly what 2019 has done for us. Next month, we’ll discuss 2019’s award-winning novels and try our best to complete our reading challenges before January.

By Jessica Robinson
SCHOOL AND LIBRARY GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

ACCELERATING PROMISING PRACTICES FOR SMALL LIBRARIES  DEADLINE: DECEMBER 2

Accelerating Promising Practices for Small Libraries (APP) supports projects that strengthen the ability of small and/or rural libraries and archives to serve their communities and to build grantee capacity through participation in a community of practice. Awards will range from $10,000 to $50,000.

Learn more and apply at http://bit.ly/2qNmGuq.

SCIENCE KITS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES   DEADLINE: JANUARY 19

Each grant awarded by IEEE as part of their Science Kits for Public Libraries program provides up to $2,000 to establish a circulating science kit collections program. Libraries that already have circulating science kits are not eligible for this grant. This grant is only open to libraries in IEEE Region 4, which just happens to include all of North Dakota.

Visit their website to learn more and apply: http://bit.ly/2KeBkBS

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.

Visit their site to find out more and to apply: http://bit.ly/1qpzq3M

MIDCO FOUNDATION  DEADLINE: TBD

The Midco Foundation provides funding assistance to organizations that advance socially desirable goals in the Midco service area (which includes most of North Dakota from Anamoose to Zap). Eligible projects include facilities improvements, equipment, programs, and special projects, but not operational costs. The Spring 2020 grant application window opens on December 2nd.

Be one of the first to apply at: http://bit.ly/2fPujdP

PRAXAIR  DEADLINE: TBD

Praxair makes contributions to support their communities, provide educational opportunities, promote diversity and inclusion, advance health & wellness programs, and preserve and protect the environment. They also make contributions to organizations and universities in support of STEM education.

Register to apply at: http://bit.ly/2Swyomr
UNIVERSAL CLASS COURSE OF THE MONTH: 
**ADVERTISING, MARKETING, AND SALES WRITING**
Submitted by Angie Houser

One of the hardest parts about any business (libraries included) is marketing. If you have never done it before, it's difficult to get started. Especially if you are unsure of who your audience is. Well, Universal Class has a course for that. Advertising, Marketing, and Sales Writing will teach users how to write effective and efficient advertising for their business. It will begin with an overview and then what not to do in written advertising. It will then go into the different types of advertising and marketing in order to make you proficient in the field.

This course has 13 lessons, 27 exams and assignments, and averages around 12 hours to complete.

If you have any questions email us at ndsltrain@nd.gov.

All of this is available with a public or State Library card. Check out this course and more today!

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LIBRARY LESSONS ALIGNED TO AASL STANDARDS
Submitted by Carmen Redding

Are you looking for a book of library lessons? Better yet, are you looking for lessons that are aligned to the new AASL standards? Look no further. Librarian, Maureen Schlosser, and classroom teacher, Rebecca Granatini, have teamed up to give you a book full of lessons inspired by picture books. This brand new paperback focuses on six different picture books, one for each of the six foundations: inquire, include, collaborate, curate, explore, and engage. Each picture book is used to generate four cumulative lessons, one for each of the domains: think, create, share, and grow.

Their book is intended for primary grades, but with a little imagination, these exercises could easily translate into lessons for all elementary students. These co-authors' modules exemplify the art of collaboration. But most importantly for the librarian, these lessons show the standards in practice, an arduous task given the depth and complexity of the 2017 standards.

Your library budget doesn’t have room for professional resources? The North Dakota State Library can help you out. We have a copy in our collection, and we can request a copy through interlibrary loan. In case, you are a librarian for the older students, don’t feel left out. A new book is due out this winter for the secondary grades. I’ll share that with you as soon as I can get a copy.
Libraries have been circulating “non-traditional” items since at least the 1800s so it’s no surprise that North Dakota libraries are embracing unique collections. In 2017, the Minot Public Library (MPL) was approached by volunteers with the AmeriCorps VISTA Program about providing a tool library and since MPL had experience circulating unique items such as tablets, robots, video games, and more, the library staff jumped on board. The MPL tool library was not just about being trendy though. The goal of the VISTA program is to promote resiliency, and the purpose of the tool library is to help people become more resilient which was especially important in Minot following the 2011 flood. The MPL Tool Library officially opened in March of 2018 and has drawn a lot of attention and provided for some great learning experiences. In this webinar, MPL Director, Janet Anderson, will describe the work that went into opening a tool library and share some of the important lessons the staff have learned.

How does a library respond to a community in deep crisis around race and social justice? That’s the question that Richland Library in Columbia, S.C., grappled with in 2017. Recognizing that there was no single answer, they launched initiatives on multiple internal and external fronts. Starting with a Social Awareness Taskforce, geared toward community engagement and courageous conversations, they explored topics surrounding social and criminal justice, women’s rights and race. By using innovative approaches like Circles of Dialogue and mobile empathy labs, nearly 1,500 people have participated in the library’s race, equity and inclusion programming. To further their efforts, they have also focused internally, empowering staff to lead the charge to understand their biases, macroaggressions, and cultural competence through Let’s Talk gatherings, Check Your Bubble worksheets, and other effective tools. Hearing how Richland Library moved the needle on honest dialogue, empathy, and equity with their staff and community, you will be inspired to dig in and do the work at your own library.

This webinar will go over what to expect from the 2020 Census, why a census is important to a state, and the role that libraries could play in the coming months. (Description and title subject to change)

The Wash and Learn Initiative, or WALI, brings technology and library programming to people where they are- in laundromats! In this presentation, you will learn about the mission of the Wash & Learn Initiative; what makes literacy programs in laundromats unique; and how librarians are engaging laundromat patrons during programming. Participants will walk away with a newfound understanding of learning spaces in ordinary places.

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.
Establishing custody and visitation is one of the most frequently requested topics by self-represented patrons of the North Dakota Supreme Court Law Library and North Dakota Legal Self Help Center.

Following are legal research and other resources available in North Dakota for establishing custody and visitation.

Next month’s article will provide legal research and other resources for modifying, or amending, custody or visitation in North Dakota state district court judgments.

CUSTODY AND VISITATION = RESIDENTIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND PARENTING TIME

In 2009, the North Dakota State Legislature changed the term “custody” to “residential responsibility.” The Legislature also changed the term “visitation” to “parenting time.”

Note that some North Dakota laws have not yet been updated to the new terms and still use “custody” and “visitation.”

ESTABLISHING CUSTODY AND VISITATION AS PART OF A DIVORCE OR LEGAL SEPARATION

When parents are married to each other, custody and visitation is established as part of a divorce or legal separation case in North Dakota state district court.

A divorce is a judgment of a North Dakota state district court that dissolves, or ends, the marriage.

Unlike a divorce, a legal separation judgment does not dissolve the marriage. However, a legal separation judgment ends many of the legal responsibilities spouses have to each other while they are married.

The Contested Divorce for Plaintiff and Defendant Informational Guide is a good place to start legal research and to find the basic steps in the divorce process.

- Direct the patron to the Family Law section of the ND_Legal_Self_Help_Center webpage. Click on the Divorce link to find the Informational Guide.

The Legal Separation for Plaintiff and Defendant Informational Guide is a good place to start legal research and to find the basic steps in the legal separation process.

- Direct the patron to the Family Law section of the ND_Legal_Self_Help_Center webpage. Click on the Legal_Separation link to find the Informational Guide.

ESTABLISHING CUSTODY AND VISITATION BETWEEN PARENTS WHO WERE NEVER MARRIED TO EACH OTHER

When parents were never married to each other, custody and visitation is established as part of a parenting responsibility case in North Dakota state district court. The father’s paternity must already be established in order to bring this type of case.

The Contested Parenting Rights and Responsibilities for Plaintiff and Defendant Informational Guide is a good place to start legal research and to find the basic steps in the parenting responsibility process.

- Direct the patron to the Family Law section of the ND_Legal_Self_Help_Center webpage. Click on the Establishing_Custody_and_Visitation link to find the Informational Guide.

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ESTABLISHING CUSTODY AND VISITATION AS PART OF A PATERNITY ADJUDICATION CASE

If a father’s paternity has not been established, custody and visitation may be established as part of a paternity adjudication case in North Dakota state district court.

Chapter 14-20 of the North Dakota Century Code contains the requirements for bringing a paternity adjudication case to a North Dakota state district court.

- The ND Legal Self Help Center does not have any self-help resources available specifically for paternity adjudication.

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR ESTABLISHING CUSTODY AND VISITATION

North Dakota law has residency requirements that must be met before a North Dakota state district court has the authority to establish custody and visitation.

More information about these residency requirements and exceptions to the residency requirements are in the Informational Guides listed above.

Divorce and Legal Separation Residency Requirements:

When custody and visitation will be established as part of a divorce or legal separation case, two residency requirements must be met.

First, the spouse starting the divorce, the Plaintiff, must be a resident of North Dakota for at least the past 6 months.

Second, the children must have lived with a parent in North Dakota for the past six months before the case starts. There are limited exceptions to this requirement.

Parenting Responsibility and Paternity Adjudication Residency Requirements:

When custody and visitation will be established as part of a parenting responsibility case or a paternity adjudication case, the children must have lived with a parent in North Dakota for the past six months before the case starts. There are limited exceptions to this requirement.

NEW LIBRARIAN RESOURCES AT THE STATE LIBRARY

- Archives in libraries: what librarians and archivists need to know to work together
- Coaching and mentoring for work-life balance
- Sudden selector’s guide to government publications
- On reading well: finding the good life through great books
- The public option: how to expand freedom, increase opportunity, and promote equality
- Crochet to calm: stitch and de-stress with 18 simple crochet patterns
- Seamless youth services for every age and stage
- Cultivating curiosity in K-12 classrooms: how to promote and sustain deep learning
- Well-read black girl: finding our stories, discovering ourselves: an anthology
- Why Does Media Literacy Matter? 4-book series for ages 14-18
- Motors for makers: a guide to steppers, servos, and other electrical machines
- Coding / DK Findout!
North Dakota Library Tidbits

- Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library recently held their Fall Used Book Sale. Eager buyers lined up waiting for the doors to open so they could pick their fill of books from around 50,000 pounds of available titles sold at $1 per pound.

- Morton Mandan Public Library held a Haunted Library event with games, activities, and trick-or-treat stations for Halloween.

- Susie Sharp, director of the Eddy-New Rockford Public Library, was named New Rockford’s Employee of the Month for October.

- Minot Public Library, through the support of Independence, Inc., and The Good Talk Network, now offers accessible video gaming in the library using specialized adaptive controllers which allow those with vision or stability problems, and limited hand strength or motion to experience the benefits of playing and gaming.

- Beulah Public Library received four grants from the North Dakota Library Coordinating Council: a collection development grant, a network infrastructure grant, an innovative partnership grant with the ND Heritage Society to digitize Beulah newspapers from 1914 through 2017, and an innovative partnership grant with the Hazen and Stanton Public Libraries as well as West River Head Start and ND Right Track to bring Conscious Discipline training to their communities.

- Casselton Public Library held a Fall Canvas Painting class in partnership with Artin’ Around.

- Bernice Ferguson Library (Michigan) is holding its second annual Christmas Extravaganza.

- Private fundraising efforts for the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library have surpassed the halfway mark on their way to the $100 million in donations needed to secure a $50 million match in State funding.

- North Dakota Farmers Union released a children’s book (Our Family Farm) and has been donating copies of it to public and school libraries statewide.

- The Enderlin GFWC Clio Club celebrated their 21st year holding Scholastic Book Fairs and to date has raised $23,000 for the Enderlin Municipal Library.

- McVille Community Library recently hosted a concert performed by a classical guitar duo from Serbia; it was made possible through the support of the Nelson County Arts Council.

- Eddy-New Rockford Public Library partnered with the New Rockford Lions Club to do a spooky Halloween photo shoot for patrons using a green screen.

- Minot Public Library has partnered with Minot Area Council of the Arts to create Arts in the Library, a monthly series of concerts featuring local musicians that follows on the success of their summer concert series, Arts in the Park.

- The Robert E. Herman Foundation granted the Williston Community Library $50,000 to renovate their community meeting room, which hosts all of their library programs.
Digital Delights

This is a 1945 Thanksgiving menu at the Naval Training Center in Great Lakes, Illinois. The menu lists the foods that would be served. Several pilgrims are depicted on the menu.

Credit: Gordon and Emma Anderson Collection, North Dakota State Library.

Check out Digital Horizons at: http://bit.ly/33RGStG

Please submit library news to ndslpa@nd.gov.