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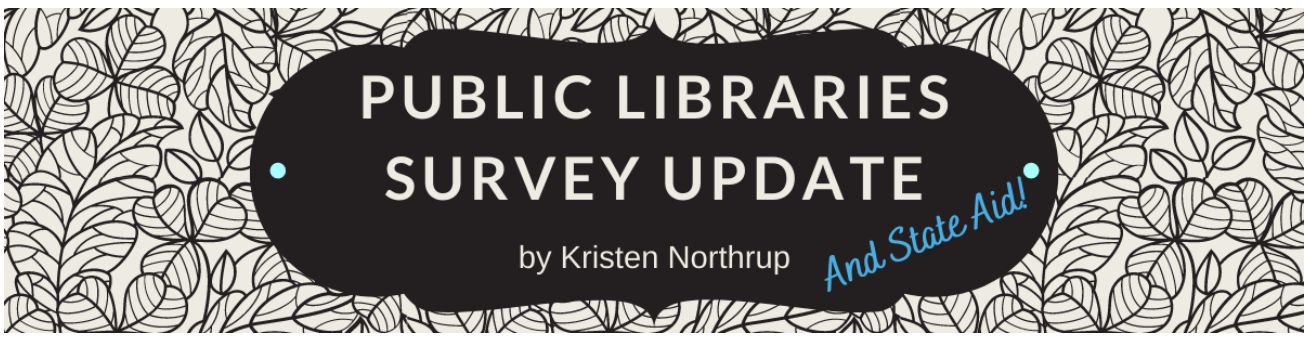

It's just around the corner! Both the State Aid to Public Libraries application and the Public Libraries Survey (PLS) open next week, on Tuesday, February 1. The website continues to be **Counting Opinions**, and the submission deadline is March 31, 2022.

Please do not visit Counting Opinions prior to February 1. Both forms will be briefly visible on and off until then for testing purposes, but they are not ready for data entry.

The walk-through webinar for the PLS will be Wednesday, February 9, 2:00-3:30 CST. The walk-through webinar for State Aid to Public Libraries will be Tuesday, February 15, 2:00-3:30 CST. Both webinars will be recorded, and the recordings will be posted to our YouTube channel soon after.

Register for the PLS Walk-Through Webinar at
https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZElf-6sqjouGNNUZKoC3O9I5Q5kscVH6Rqq

Register for the State Aid Walk-Through Webinar at
https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZIqce6tqjouE9JyygefZ3gjOmVUAzRhnIUg

Informational LibGuides are available for both **State Aid to Public Libraries** and the **Public Libraries Survey**.

Questions regarding State Aid to Public Libraries can be directed to Allie Suko at 701-328-3499 or **asuko@nd.gov**.

Questions regarding the Public Libraries Survey can be directed to Kristen Northrup at 701-328-4681 or **knorthrup@nd.gov**.

New Year, New(ish) Collection

The **Digital Initiatives Department** at the North Dakota State Library celebrated the new year by launching a new digital collection. Well, sort of. One of the existing collections has been rebranded. The popular "North Dakota County and Town Histories" collection is now the "**North Dakota Histories**" collection.

Don't panic, the collection hasn't moved. It's still accessible in the **same place on Digital Horizons**.

Why the change? The collection outgrew itself over the last couple of years. It included more than just town and county histories. Church, school, township, and organization histories were also part of the collection.

To more accurately reflect the collection's content, "county and town" was dropped from the name, and we're left with a more precise (and shorter) title: "North Dakota Histories."

The rebranding opened the door for consolidation, and certain items that were previously uploaded to different collections were moved to "North Dakota Histories," where they more accurately belong (such as the book about the **100th anniversary of Stern Clothing in Wahpeton**, the book about the **history of the International Peace Garden**, or the multi-volume series of **genealogies of people from Towner County**). Three new subcollections were created to accommodate the new additions to the collection: ND Biographies, ND Family Histories, and ND Military Histories.

To learn more about the collection, consult the **finding aid on LibGuides**. To browse or search the collection, visit **Digital Horizons**.

Teen Programming

For this week's Tammy's Teaching Tidbit, I'm going to talk about teens. Programming for middle and high school students can present a major challenge, especially when combatting just how busy of lives teens typically live. The middle and high school years offer more opportunities for classes and extracurriculars, as well as work outside of school. Then, there's the balance of keeping up with social groups, hopefully getting enough sleep, and finding time to maybe (just maybe) sit down for meals instead of eating on the go. In short, teens have a lot going on, and school libraries want to fit into teens' priority lists!

One of the best ways to accommodate for teens' hectic schedules involves using passive or anti-program activities. Schadlich clarifies anti-programs as activities that are left up for an extended period (such as a whole week) and can be conducted at teens' leisure (2015). Schadlich's book Cooking Up Library Programs Teens and 'Tweens Will Love outlines various options for anti-programming ideas and is available at the North Dakota State Library.

Another way to draw in tweens and teens is through Teen Advisory Boards. A Teen Advisory Board (TAB) puts teens at the forefront of their own library programming. TABs can be as active or inactive as their participants (and library personnel) want. Some activities TABs have been involved in include helping run school book fairs, creating promotional materials for the library, and planning and running events for peers.

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North Dakota Library Tidbits

Public fundraiser to preserve Mayville Library gaining...

(Mayville, ND) -- A grassroots effort to preserve and update the Mayville public library is reaching out to the residents of The Red River Valley. Several Mayport CG School District teachers and students are raising funds to replace mortar...

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Morton Mandan Library auction this week

BISMARCK, N.D. (KFYR) - If you're looking for a vantage desk or bookcase, the Morton Mandan Library may have you covered. The library will be hosting a silent auction over the next two days, selling furniture and books to help raise funds for new ...

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Veterans memorial library hosts hygge event

BISMARCK, N.D. (KFYR) - During the cold days, people love to stay cozy and warm. Bismarck's Veterans Memorial Library hosted a "Hygge hangout," a Danish word for all things comfortable, to do just that. "You know, it's just comfort ways to get...

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Minot Public Library extends remote activities as it...

Masks will now be required for certain children's programs at the Minot Public Library. This comes as the library made the decision to continue with the suspension of most in-person activities. Library Director Janet Anderson said the decision...

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Has your library made the news? Is something happening in your library that we should know about? Send an e-mail to ndslpa@nd.gov with a link (if applicable).

North Dakota Parks and Recreation

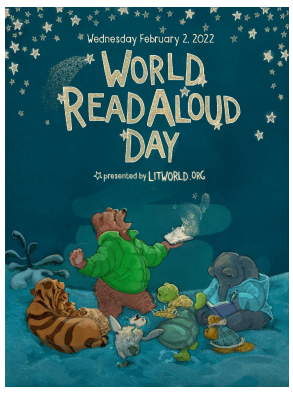
Many public libraries participate in the State Park Pass program, but have you ever checked out the Parks and Recreation website to see what all you can do in our state parks?

The North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department invites you to discover the unique beauty and history of our great state. Retrace the steps and glimpse into the lives of the Native Americans, trappers, traders, homesteaders, and explorers who came before us. Traverse the rugged Badlands and heavily wooded valleys, hike through the extensive trail system, visit historical sites, camp out, canoe, fish, and enjoy the great outdoors.

Learn all about what you and patrons can do in our state parks at **https://www.parkrec.nd.gov/**.

Get Ready For World Read Aloud Day!

Submitted by Shari Mosser



Join millions around the globe as we celebrate the power of reading aloud with the thirteenth annual World Read Aloud Day on Wednesday, February 2, 2022! World Read Aloud Day motivates children, teens, and adults to celebrate the power of words. This global literacy movement is about taking action to show the world that the right to read and write belongs to all people. World Read Aloud Day asks everyone to celebrate the day by grabbing a book, finding an audience, and reading out loud.

LitWorld founded the campaign to advocate for access to literacy and diverse stories, as well as the power of reading aloud - an activity that has an immensely powerful impact on children's development. "LitWorld's annual World Read Aloud Day has become a movement engaging hundreds of millions of people around the world in standing up for literacy as a foundational human right," says Dorothy Lee, Executive Director of LitWorld. "When communities have access to strong literacy tools, every aspect of life improves."

Head on over to **www.LitWorld.org** so you can join in the free virtual activities like author visits, live events and, other swag and activities.

Teaching Black History through Media Literacy with Britannica!

Submitted by Laurel Greene, Britannica Digital Learning

Join us next week for our webinar where we will explore Britannica's resources to support learning about Black history while developing strategies to support media literacy skills in the classroom. A recording of the webinar will be provided to all who register!

Register here:
Tuesday, February 1 at 3 PM CT
Wednesday, February 2 at 3 PM CT

Other News, Grants, and Webinars

Free Webinar: We Are NOT Okay: Library Worker Trauma ...

The emotional investment that many library workers have in the profession and the community expectations regarding the library's pandemic response have left many library workers experiencing trauma with very few places to turn for support. This ...

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Transitioning to Libby: Tips for winding down the OverDr ...

OverDrive will begin winding down the legacy OverDrive app by removing it from app stores in February 2022. Libby will soon be the primary app for users to enjoy your digital library.

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overdrive.zoom.us

Fiction Feburary: Read-Aloud Videos Perfect for...

A few months ago we celebrated Nonfiction November and shared read-aloud videos of some of our favorite nonfiction books. We had so much fun we thought we'd show some love to fiction next! Throughout the month of February we're sharing read-aloud ...

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Matchmaking with Macmillan Library

Join the Mac Lib team for a Spring 2022 Preview as they match Adult + YA books with new readers! Register now for this free, one-hour webinar on Friday, February 4 at 1 p.m. CT. Moderated by Booklist's Senior Editor, Collection Management and...

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The 2022 AARP Community Challenge Is On!

The AARP Community Challenge provides small grants to fund quick-action projects that can help communities become more livable for people of all ages. This year, applications will be accepted for projects to improve public spaces, housing, ...

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Celebrate Library Shelfie Day with These Nine Library Grants

In honor of Library Shelfie Day, which takes place on the fourth Wednesday in January, GrantWatch is sharing some of its favorite library grants that are currently available. These grants include funding for school and public libraries, training...

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www.grantwatch.com

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