

## **Today's Skills for Tomorrow's Services**

**October 17, 2024**

### **Program Descriptions and Presenter Information**

#### **Breakout Room 1: 9:15 AM – 9:55 AM Becoming More Confident when Cataloging.**

In this session you will learn some cataloging tips, get some insight into how to approach cataloging and learn some things that don't always get mentioned, but that are important to think about when creating an online catalog. You'll also hear about some pitfalls to avoid and see some examples of the different levels of completeness that a bibliographic record can have. If you need to build your confidence in the world of cataloging, this session will give you useful tips and a list of resources to refer to later.

#### **Speaker:**

Stacey has been a cataloger at the ND State Library since 2000. She earned her Masters Degree from the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign after working in a variety of libraries and deciding she wanted to be a cataloger. She has trained a lot of people to work with bibliographic and item records during her career at NDSL. When asked if she prefers cats or dogs, she chooses parakeets.

#### **Breakout Room 2: 9:15 AM – 9:55 AM North Dakota State Library Services Review for School Media Specialists**

Are you a new school librarian or need a refresher on State Library Services? This session is designed to provide an overview of what services and resources the North Dakota State Library offers to school librarians. Our role is support you as you help your students.

#### **Speakers:**

Al Peterson has been with the North Dakota State Library since 2000. He has held various positions in Public Services and Training. Currently, he is the Outreach Specialist for the North Dakota State Library.

Kathy joined the State Library in November of 2021 as a copy cataloger. January of 2023, she began working as the State Library Academic, Special, and Tribal Library Specialist. Kathy previously worked as an educator and school librarian.

Kathy and her husband Wayne ranch south of Beulah. They have four children and four grandchildren~~referred to as “grands”, and six “grandpets”~~they are referred to as “fur therapy”.

### **Breakout Room 1: 10:05 AM – 10:55 AM Spreading the Word about *Grandpa’s White Cane***

This fall, the North Dakota Association of the Blind (NDAB) will be donating a copy of the book *Grandpa’s White Cane* to every elementary school library in North Dakota, along with an invitation to visit each school to share information about vision loss and white cane safety with students. In this presentation, hear what a visit from NDAB will bring to your school and gain some first-hand knowledge on vision loss that you can share with your colleagues and students.

#### **Speaker:**

Trampes Brown is the Group Sales Director for the Minot Hot Tots baseball team and is active in many service organizations, including the Minot Lions and the North Dakota Association of the Blind, where he currently serves as Immediate Past President. He lost his vision in 2011 from Acute Glaucoma and, since then, has been active in advocacy efforts for the disability community, especially for those with vision loss.

Emily Stenberg Brown has personal and professional connections to vision loss, as she works as the Director of the Vision Resource Center at North Dakota Vision Services/School for the Blind (NDVS/SB) and is married to her co-presenter. Together, Trampes and Emily are excited to share this project with school librarians.

## **Breakout Room 2: 10:05 AM – 10:55 AM Digital Horizons: A Valuable Resource**

Digital Horizons is an online resource for thousands of primary and secondary sources (images, documents, videos, books, objects, oral histories, etc.) depicting life on the Northern Plains, and it is a regional consortium of various cultural heritage institutions. In today's digital age, historical and cultural content is needed online like never before, and Digital Horizons can help. This session will delve into Digital Horizons and explore what it is and how to use it, giving a general overview of Digital Horizons but also providing specifics on searching and new features.

### **Speaker:**

Trevor Martinson is the Digital Initiatives Specialist at the North Dakota State Library and oversees the agency's digital collections and digitization projects. He also offers consultation, training, and resources; manages the ever-popular ScanDay program; and serves as Secretary of the Digital Horizons consortium. When not updating metadata, scanning, preserving digital files, or exploring overlooked stories about the early Nonpartisan League era, Trevor enjoys reading and spending time with his wife and two kids.

## **Breakout Room 1: 11:05 AM – 11:55 AM Peculiarities of weeding**

This session will examine why we weed our collections and how it is helpful. We will go through the basics of the weeding process, where to get information about weeding, and easy tips on how to weed our collections.

### **Speaker:**

Dani Kappel has spent the last ten years working in several different types of libraries: academic, law, school, and public. She rejoined the North Dakota State Library in 2023 after originally working as a cataloger there in 2015. Dani enjoys reading, traveling, and spending time with her golden retrievers. She has a passion for all libraries and believes they play a vital role in the access and evaluation of information within the communities they serve.

## **Breakout Room 2: 11:05 AM – 11:55 AM Native American Literature**

Is there special consideration to be given when selecting Native American literature? If so, what criteria should be applied when evaluating Native American material? Where can Native American literature be purchased? Attend this session to find the answer to these questions and so much more.

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## **LUNCH BREAK**

## **Breakout Room 1: 1:05 PM – 1:55 PM Technology Tips and Tricks: Leveraging Your Computer's Potential**

Explore the built-in features of your operating system to enhance your computing capabilities. Discover useful keyboard shortcuts. Utilize built-in tools and commands to troubleshoot and resolve issues.

### **Speaker:**

Ryan Kroh is a seasoned technology professional with over 20 years of experience leading IT initiatives across various industries. As the Director of the Technology Services Division at the State Library, he oversees the Information Technology Department and Digital Initiatives.

## **Breakout Room 2: 1:05 PM – 1:55 PM Short and sweet lesson plans using ND Library Media Standards**

Do you feel a bit overwhelmed about addressing the ND 2022 Library Media Standards, especially in what are typically short library class periods? Have no fear! This session will give short and sweet lesson plan ideas to help decrease that stress!

### **Speaker:**

Tammy Kruger is the Literacy Specialist at North Dakota State Library. She has her MEd, Concentration in Library and Information Technologies from Valley City State University, and her MLIS from San Jose State University. Tammy has worked in various types of libraries, as well as taught early childhood.

## **Breakout Room 1: 2:05 PM – 2:55 PM How to Order Materials through Interlibrary Loan Using Our New ILL Form**

No library has everything that every one of their patrons needs. Libraries need to share materials between each other to serve the needs of their patrons. The North Dakota State Library provides academic, schools, and public libraries as with interlibrary loan services. This webinar will present information on our new interlibrary loan procedures and demonstrate how to send interlibrary loan requests to the North Dakota State Library.

### **Speaker:**

Steve Hammel has been Patron Services Director at the North Dakota State Library since June of 2022. The Patron Services department provides circulation, research assistance, and interlibrary loan to individuals, state employees, and libraries of all types across the state. The Talking Books program, which provides services to individuals who are blind or print disabled, is part of the department as well. Prior to coming to the State Library, he was the director of the Valley City Public Library for nine years. Additionally, he has worked as a branch manager and reference librarian in Louisiana, and as a children's librarian and reference librarian in Kentucky. He is currently the servant of two cats;

Beauty, who is the best and most beautiful kitty ever and Bert, who is a bit of a jerk on a regular basis.

**Breakout Room 2: 2:05 PM – 2:55 PM Grant Writing: Should I Apply?**

This session will cover the general process of looking for grants and evaluating whether your organization is a good fit for a particular grant application. Topics covered will include starting and managing the research process, the application process, and a few general writing tips.

**Speaker:**

James W. Murphy is the Grants Coordinator at the North Dakota State Library working with grants and statistics in the Library Development department. He has a background in library consulting, reader advisory, and public services. James holds undergraduate degrees in psychology and religious studies and a master's degree in library and information science. When not reading non-fiction or random Wikipedia articles, James enjoys the great outdoors, music, dancing, cycling, and, kayaking.

### **Breakout Room 1: 3:05 PM – 2:55 PM What’s Up with AI?**

When you hear the words Artificial Intelligence, what comes to mind? Curiosity? Acceptance? Fear? Trepidation? The session is an introduction to Artificial Intelligence or A.I. Will discuss what A.I. is, what are the advantages and disadvantages, and look at some A.I. tools. We will also discuss how A. I. can impact library services.

#### **Speaker:**

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### **Breakout Room 2: 3:05 PM - 4:00 PM Introducing the Climate Literacy Kits!**

The Climate Literacy Kits are programs in a box! Each of the four kits—kindergarten through second grade, third through fifth grade, teens, and adults--address such topics as 1) why climate is important and how it affects people, plants, and animals, 2) conservation opportunities, and 3) humans’ carbon footprints. Each age group’s kit contains five or six 45-60 lessons which can be broken down into smaller bites as needed.

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