

**NORTH DAKOTA STATE LIBRARY
REPORT TO NORTH DAKOTA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION**

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FUTURE EVENTS

June 12-13	ODIN Advisory Council meeting – Valley City
June 14	“Behind the Scenes” event
June 19-20	Electronic Resources Searching Techniques (“For Credit” Training Session) – Bismarck
June 22-23	Electronic Resources Searching Techniques (“For Credit” Training Session) – Dickinson
June 26-27	Electronic Resources Searching Techniques (“For Credit” Training Session) – Grand Forks
June 29-30	Electronic Resources Searching Techniques (“For Credit” Training Session) – Fargo
July 21-29	Booth at North Dakota State Fair - Minot
August 21	ODIN/Online Library Resources Training – LaMoure Public School
August 23	ODIN/Online Library Resources Training – Northwood Public School
September 20-22	North Dakota Library Association Conference – Fargo
November 7-8	LSTA meeting – Washington, D.C.
December	FSCS meeting – Washington, D.C.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Booths: NDSL sponsored information booths at the following during the month of April: Jamestown Marketplace for Kids, Williston Marketplace for Kids, Burleigh County Senior Health Day, and Corpus Christi Health Fair.

NDSL Long-Range Plan: The State Library staff participated in a long-range planning session on October 28 to review the existing NDSL Long-Range Plan. A second session was held January 25, 2006. The Plan has been printed and is available upon request.

Public Awareness: During the past two months the following have been accomplished: mailed out information for Summer Reading Kick Off; submitted information to KFYZ and KXMB about Summer Reading Kick Off; created brochure for Governor’s Summer Reading Program, mailed Flickertale Newsletter.

State Aid to Public Libraries: A meeting was held on May 5 to discuss the issues surrounding State Aid to Public Libraries. Results of that meeting are on the State Library’s website.

Summer Reading Kick Off: The State Library and several other agencies and libraries partnered to have a Summer Reading Kick Off on June 1. The Kick Off was held in the buildings and on the lawns of the State Library and State Historical Society with 3,823 children attending the event.

Training: NDSL staff conducted an ODIN/Online Library Resources training session for the staff of Valerie Merrick Memorial Library in April. State Employee Library Orientation training sessions continue to be held twice each month.

INITIATIVES

Behind the Scenes Event: On June 14 and 15, children ages 10-16 will have an opportunity to see state agencies at work in a new cooperative program called “Behind the Scenes.” Children and their adult companions can visit seven agencies to participate in hands-on activities representative of what these agencies do. Participating agencies are: State Historical Society of North Dakota, State of North Dakota Facilities Management, State Tax Commission, North Dakota Forest Service, State Water Commission, North Dakota Department of Transportation, and the North Dakota State Library.

North Dakota Library Coordinating Council: The terms of three members end on June 30, 2006. Potential candidates have been contacted to see if it is acceptable to recommend them to Governor Hoeven for consideration. Five persons contacted are interested in being recommended and a letter with their names has been sent to Governor Hoeven.

Statewide Library Catalog: NDSL staff is getting the Game and Fish Department set up in ODIN so cataloging of their collection can begin.

Technical Services: Two NDSL catalogers have obtained approval from the Library of Congress to be able to enhance records on OCLC.

Training: State Library staff will conduct “for credit” training at four locations this summer. The fifteen-hour training sessions will cover the ODIN library catalog, Online Library Resources, and the searching of other library catalogs. The target audience is teachers and librarians. NDSL Reference Department staff is scheduling and conducting training sessions for the Online Library Resources and ODIN at North Dakota schools and public libraries. State Employee Library Orientation sessions are also being scheduled and conducted, and include training on the Online Library Resources and ODIN, information on the State Library’s services, and a tour of the State Library.

DATA for April 2006

INFORMATION SERVICES

Number of interlibrary loan requests processed: 2,596
Number of reference questions answered: 226
Number of telephone calls: 759
Number of items mailed: 2,846
Number of items checked out: 2,655
Number of walk-in patrons: 640
Number of E-books used: 61
Number of electronic newspaper articles used: 213
Number of electronic magazine articles used: 1,547

TECHNICAL SERVICES

Number of items cataloged for NDSL general collection: 145
Number of items cataloged for state document collection: 6
Number of electronic state documents added to collection: 0
Number of items cataloged for state agencies: 118
Number of items cataloged for statewide library catalog: 4,798
Number of items distributed through State Document Depository Program: 159
Number of items added to Library of Congress authority list: 0
Number of cataloging questions answered: 0

DISABILITY SERVICES

Number of items checked out: 4,573
Number of active patrons: 2,167
Number of telephone calls: 404
Number of volunteer hours: 451.25
Number of items recorded at NDSL: 5 books and 5 magazines
Number of DRIS listeners: 494