

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

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FUTURE EVENTS

January 11 - 16	ALA Midwinter Conference – Philadelphia
March 25 - 29	Public Library Association Conference – Minneapolis
March 31 - April 1	State Library’s Spring Workshops – Grand Forks
April 3 - 4	State Library’s Spring Workshops – Bismarck

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Booths: A booth at Fargo Entertainment EXPO was staffed by the NDSL on October 26 and 27.

Grants: Finalized grant guidelines for the next round of LSTA/LV 2010 grants. The following libraries received grants in the July 2007 grant round: Bowman Regional Public Library, Dickinson Area Public Library, Grafton Public School Library, Hankinson Public Library, and Mandaree Public School Library.

Public Services: A North Dakota State Library “Ask a Librarian Page” is now accessible from WorldCat.org.

Training: Have added some tutorials to the State Library website for the Online Library Resources. Presented three Online Library Resources training sessions for staff and students at Hebron Public School (38 participated). From July 1, 2007 to November 1, 2007, 21 Online Library Resources and/or ODIN training sessions have been offered with 243 participants attending.

INITIATIVES

IT: Beginning design work for web site makeover.

North Dakota Library Coordinating Council: Arranged for NDLC members to make site visits to grant recipients.

Statewide Catalog Development: Pembina County Museum is a new cataloging project. Their collection will be added to the ODIN catalog as a sub-library of NDSL.

Training: Developing a “Homework Helper for Parents.” Continue to add tutorials to the State Library website for the Online Library Resources. NDSL Training Department staff is scheduling and conducting training sessions for the Online Library Resources, ODIN, and WorldCat at North Dakota schools and public libraries. State Employee

Library Orientation sessions are also being scheduled and conducted by the Public Services Department, and include training on the Online Library Resources and ODIN, information on the State Library's services, and a tour of the State Library. Staff is developing an online registration form for State Employee Library Orientation.

PERSONNEL

Two open positions.

Naomi Frantes resigned her position as Head of Technical Services. The State Documents part of the Technical Services Department will become a separate department with Kristin Northrup as the Head. Elizabeth Jacobs will be the Head of Technical Services. The position in Statewide Catalog Development, vacant due to Elizabeth's promotion, will be posted in state as well as nationwide.

Joanne Olson, Circulation Assistant, is retiring on December 31.