

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

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Booths: NDSL sponsored a booth at the Corpus Christi Health Fair on April 17, the Burleigh County Senior Health Fair on April 22, the North Dakota Home School Association Conference in Grand Forks, March 13-15, and the KFYZ Agri International Show on February 12 and 13. Planning for the State Fair booth has begun.

NACO Training: Two NDSL staff members attended NACO training in Minneapolis. With the completion of training, creation of NACO records (for the Library of Congress) by the NDSL will resume this summer.

Online Library Resources: Sent out e-mails on Listservs to let librarians know the State Library will be purchasing a statewide contract for a new Online Library Resource called Auto Repair Reference Center.

Public Awareness: Produced and distributed the May/June Flickertale Newsletter; sent out press releases and public service announcements to TV, radio, and newspapers promoting the statewide Summer Reading Program; added Bismarck's Summer Reading Kickoff Event to ND Tourism and Bismarck/Mandan Convention Visitor's Bureau websites; developed promotional materials for Bismarck's Summer Reading Kickoff Event.

Spring Workshops: The NDSL presented the annual Spring Workshops on March 31 and April 1 in Grand Forks and in Bismarck on April 3 and 4. Total attendance for the two locations was 102.

State Aid to Public Libraries: Payments were processed and mailed on April 30. This round of payments reflects the legislation that passed during the last session (House Bill No. 1309). Requesting input from the public library directors about the amount of State Aid they would like to request in the State Library's 2009-2011 budget request.

Statewide Catalog Development: Began verifying (double checking for accuracy) the Divide County Elementary and Divide County High School ODIN catalog records; assisted Mandan Schools with ODIN work in order to move books to the new Academy building; made site visits to Ashley School, Ward County Library, and Fessenden-Bowdon School; deleted from ODIN and OCLC another 3000 items for Northwood. NDSL staff is deleting the ODIN and OCLC records for the books lost in the Northwood tornado (7000 items were lost). The State Library is in the process of adding the Game and Fish Library collection to ODIN and is continuing to catalog the Grafton School Libraries' collections into ODIN. Pembina County Museum is a new cataloging project that will be added to the ODIN catalog as a sub-library of NDSL.

Training: Advanced Online Research classes will be offered this summer in Williston and Bismarck. The classes will be offered for credit and have been registered with the accrediting universities. Training sessions for the ODIN catalog/Online Library Resources and State Employee Library Orientation sessions will continue to be scheduled throughout the state and at the State Library. This type of training has become a permanent service offered by the State Library to librarians, teachers, students, and the general public.

Volunteer Event: NDSL hosted a Volunteer Event on April 25 to acknowledge the NDSL volunteers for their hours of service. Seventy-five (75) volunteers were awarded certificates of appreciation. Sister Mary Elizabeth Mason was honored for her 2000 hours of service that she has given during her years as a volunteer at the State Library. Chucky Suchy provided the program.