

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

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Legislative Session: House Bill 1013, which contained the State Library budget, was passed in both houses and signed by the Governor. It contained funding for the current North Dakota State Library services which include: \$1.2M for State Aid to Public Libraries; \$237,000 for Library Vision 2010 grants; \$200,000 for Online Library Resources; reference and interlibrary loan services; training; talking book and radio reading services; cataloging; and state document services. It also included an optional package of \$100,000 for State Aid to Public Libraries and \$120,000 for Online Library Resources.

Think Tanks: Share Your Input - Attend a Library Think Tank!

The North Dakota Library Coordinating Council and the North Dakota State Library invite you to participate in a day-long Think Tank to further develop the long range vision for libraries in North Dakota. The Think Tanks will be held from 9:30am-4:00pm in three locations: May 28 in Dickinson at the Days Inn, May 29 in Minot at the International Inn, and June 5 in Fargo at the Doublewood Inn.

All citizens of North Dakota, including librarians, library staff, students, and library board members are encouraged to participate in the Think Tanks. The goal to further develop the vision for libraries in North Dakota will be better met with input from a broad section of librarians, board members and the public. Lunch will be provided, and a mileage reimbursement of \$.20 per mile is available for one vehicle per library. A drawing will be held at each location for one free registration to the 2010 State Library Spring Workshops.

Summer Classes: The North Dakota State Library training staff is offering a class on Advanced Online Research in two locations for one graduate credit this summer. Classes will be in Devils Lake at Lake Region State College, in Room #15 on June 15th and 16th and Bismarck at Bismarck State College, in the library computer lab, June

18th and 19th. Graduate level continuing education credit is available for teachers from Minot State University, the University of North Dakota, and North Dakota State University. Credit is available for Library Media Specialists from Valley City State University.

Registration for the class and credit will be posted on the State Library's Web site at <http://www.library.nd.gov/summerworkshop.html>, or you may register by calling Sue Clark at 1-800-472-2104.

In addition to a fee for credit, which is \$50.00, there is a workshop fee of \$10.00. If you choose not to take the course for credit, the cost will be \$10.00.

The Advanced Online Research class will explore basic and advanced searching methods for the Online Dakota Information Network (ODIN) catalog, Online Library Resources, and selected Internet sites. This class is designed for public librarians, teachers, and school library media specialists who have a basic familiarity with the online resources.

Summer Reading Program: The 2009 children's theme is "Be Creative @ Your Library" and the teen theme is "Express Yourself @ Your Library".

Governor Hoeven recently proclaimed Monday June 1, 2009 "Summer Reading Kickoff Day @ Your Library". A summer reading kickoff event is a great way to attract community and media attention to your library!

If you have questions about the manual or anything related to summer reading programs in North Dakota, please feel free to contact Adam at the State Library. You can also check out Summer Reading Program information on the State Library website at www.library.nd.gov/publicawareness.html.