

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

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The North Dakota State Library Spring Workshops will be held in Fargo on April 12 and 13 and in Bismarck on April 15 and 16. The Workshops include the following programs: creating and energizing friends groups, social networking in libraries, ideas for and discussion on summer reading programs, round table discussions on various topics, a panel discussion on increasing your library's role in the community, and hands-on learning in sessions presented by trainers from Gale, Ebsco, and the State Library.

NDSL sponsored an informational booth at the KMOT Ag-Expo in Minot on January 27-29 and the KFYR Ag-Expo in Bismarck on February 16-17.

Doris Ott and Cindy Larson recently attended a workshop in Washington, DC sponsored by the Institute of Museums and Library Services on "Audit of Federal Grants and Cooperative Agreements."

Tutorials for completing the Public Library Statistics have been produced and placed on the NDSL website.

Between July 1, 2009 and January 31, 2010, 149 Online Library Resources and/or ODIN training sessions were offered by State Library staff with 1502 participants attending.

Cindy Larson attended an Advocacy Training session for Project Compass in Sioux Falls, SD sponsored by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation; twenty-three North Dakota librarians participated. Doris Ott will be attending the Project Compass Summit in Portland, OR on March 22.

NDSL sent letters of appreciation to school and public libraries that are participating in the state Online Library Resources contract; and sent letters inviting non-participating libraries to do so.

The 2007-2009 State Library Biennial Report was completed, distributed, and placed on the NDSL website; persons wanting a paper copy can request and receive one.

Doris Ott will be attending the Public Library Association Conference on March 24-26.