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One of the greatest challenges our Association faces is to conduct the ongoing business of NDLA throughout the year as an organization distributed over 70,700 square miles (no, I just looked it up, but please continue to imagine I’m encyclopedically brilliant, anyway). Not only do we conduct an annual conference and have done so for over a century (!), NDLA members are involved in numerous other areas of professional and library endeavor.

This year we’ve worked very hard on developing a mentorship program to foster increased professional development and involvement by librarians and library staff in our state. Over the next few months, we will pilot this initiative with a limited group, then evaluate its performance and effectiveness toward ultimately making it more widely available to all NDLA members who wish to participate. Look for more details elsewhere in this issue of *The Good Stuff* from Committee Chair Aubrey Madler and also plan to attend Aubrey’s conference program this fall.

Other initiatives we continue to explore and work on include strategic planning for NDLA, library advocacy and funding, planning for the upcoming legislative session, issues of intellectual freedom and challenges, and more. Our NDLA Executive Board is comprised of 29 members, elected and appointed, who have all worked tremendously hard this year on our behalf. Special committees for ad-hoc work (planning, initiatives, etc.) and to review awards (Flickertail, Librarian of the Year, Major Benefactor) also add to the vibrancy and variety of our activities and accomplishments. As you read this issue of *The Good Stuff*, you can reflect on the work of another committee of the board (and its long-standing chair, Marlene Anderson).

As NDLA President this year, I have had countless opportunities to be grateful for the energy and willingness of board members to volunteer their time, contribute to discussions in-person and online, and work together on projects for the good of our organization. Really, it’s the gift we give ourselves.

I am pleased about the work and progress we’ve made this year. There will be more of the same in the next one, and I look forward to helping out on the new board that will take over at the end of our fall conference. Some of you may be thinking to yourselves, “Gosh! They are all so industrious and professional … I could never serve on our NDLA Executive Board.” Well, I wish you would not think that. Yes, to watch us all in action may seem as if the very gods themselves are in conclave over the fate of the world. This is merely an illusion. We, too, were once mortals as you are, and it was only once we took up the heroic mantles of NDLA board membership that such diadem descended upon us.

I invite those who read this message to experience this pleasure firsthand. Become active in the various sections and roundtables, or contact board members to learn about and join a committee. We are not bereft of these opportunities. And we’re all very nice people. And afterwards, you will no longer have to wonder what it’s like to have super powers that can change the world. You will have done so. And very soon thereafter, you will have a plastic action-figure made in your likeness, and your own line of fragrances and colognes. Really, NDLA involvement is the first step to greatness and renown.

See you all in Bismarck this fall!
By Al Peterson
2014 Conference Planner and Past President

As Conference Chair, I want to personally invite you to come to Bismarck for the 2014 NLDA Annual Conference. This year, North Dakota is celebrating 125 years of statehood. Our theme is “Providing Library Services for North Dakota for the Next 125 Years.” I hope you find this conference a rich, rewarding experience.

As librarians, our role in the future of North Dakota is vital. As more materials move toward digital formats, North Dakotan librarians will be on the forefront assisting our patrons not only with digital materials, but also with the devices used to display or play these items. We will continue providing our patrons with reading materials and community-based programs, and we will remain a vibrant and important component of our communities. To those who ask if libraries will still be around in the next one hundred years, I enthusiastically tell them, “You betcha!”

This year, we made a few changes for the conference.

In order to reduce conference costs, a full breakfast will not be provided. Rather, we will have a continental style breakfast in the exhibit hall during break. The hotel does have a full service restaurant. For those who enjoy a good biscuit sandwich, Hardee’s isn’t too far away from the hotel. Also, please note that an instructor fee, separate from the credit fee for the continuing education credit, has been added to registration.

I would like to thank President-elect Stephen Banister for organizing the vendor hall, President Victor Lieberman for all of his assistance, and the members of the Bismarck local arrangements committee for their work on putting on this conference. I would also like to thank Minitex for sponsoring the opening reception.

Hotel Information
This year, our conference will be held at the Ramada Inn (formerly the Best Western Doublewood Inn) in Bismarck. NDLA has reserved a block of rooms from September 16-19. The rates are $95/night (Double Queens) and $105 (King). To make your reservation and get the conference rate, contact the Ramada Inn (1-800-554-7077 or 701-258-7000) and ask for a room in the NDLA block. The block is available until August 26, 2014.

Opening Reception: Former Governors’ Mansion
The conference opening reception will be held at the Former Governors’ Mansion in Bismarck (320 East Avenue B) on Wednesday, September 17, from 7-9 p.m. All conference attendees are invited to attend. You’ll have a chance to meet old friends and make new ones while enjoying self-guided tours of the mansion and hors d’oeuvres, coffee, and iced tea. “Old timey” background music from local pianist Diane Schilling will add to the ambience. Staff will also be on hand to answer questions you may have about the history of the mansion.
About the Former Governors’ Mansion

The Former Governors’ Mansion consists of a large, two-and-one-half story, restored Victorian house and carriage house. It served as the North Dakota governors’ residence from 1893 to 1960 -- 21 chief executives called it home. Unique room exhibits feature the restoration process, architectural style changes, and the furniture used by several governors.

The house was originally built in 1884 as a private residence by Asa Fisher. At various times, he was a wholesale liquor dealer, register of the Bismarck Land Office, and president of the First National Bank. In 1893, he sold the house to the state for $5,000.

In 1975, the house was given to the State Historical Society of North Dakota with the hope that it would be operated as a historic house museum. With the completion of extensive research and restoration, the house has been restored to the way it might have looked in 1893. Restoration features are highlighted throughout the house to show the kind of work that was done. The features include samples of wallpaper that were exposed to indicate changes in style and taste.

The Former Governors’ Mansion has ramps for both buildings with limited ADA accessibility in the mansion. There is an ADA restroom in the carriage house.

-- Source: http://history.nd.gov/hp/sites/fgm/fgm.html

Awards Banquet, Silent Auction, and Entertainment

The annual awards banquet will be held the evening of Thursday, September 18. The banquet keynote speaker will be former U.S. Senator and author Byron Dorgan. The theme for our silent auction is “Literary Heroes for the Next 125 Years” and all libraries are encouraged to participate with a donated basket in the spirit of the theme. Auction proceeds will go to the NDLA Professional Development fund. Questions about the auction can be directed to Traci Juhala (tjuhala@cdn.info) at Bismarck Public Library. See page 12 for auction details.

When the speeches are finished and the awards presented, the silent auction wrapped up, and the plates and cutlery cleared away, we’ll turn the evening over to “The Wild Trivia Tour.” Scott Wild is Bismarck’s local DJ and trivia guy extraordinaire. He is a great friend to libraries and other non-profits in the community and will provide a fun evening of trivia and music. Come prepared to play hard!

Pre-conferences
– Wednesday, September 17

Pre-conference I

Black Belt Librarians: the Essential Elements of a Real World Security Program

Full Day Workshop – 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 1 – 4 p.m. (Lunch on your own)

• How to inform patrons of rules in a way that will most likely get them to comply and keep staff as safe as possible
• How to make sure that YOU are not the behavior problem!
• How to recognize different patron emotional levels and the best strategies to use for them

A security professional for more than 25 years, including 17 years as the security manager of the Public Library of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, Warren Graham left the library in 2006 to establish Warren Davis Graham Training and Consulting. Graham has made countless presentations and is a leading speaker internationally on practical, day-to-day library security procedures.

Pre-conference II – 1-4 p.m.

Pre-conference II program / presenter information unavailable at press time

Opening Keynote Speaker
– Thursday, September 18

Betsy Dalrymple became First Lady of the state of North Dakota on December 7, 2010, when Governor Jack Dalrymple was sworn in as North Dakota’s 32nd Governor. She immediately set out to work for the people of North Dakota and advance her long career of public service, with special emphasis on early childhood education and volunteerism.

Betsy grew up near Detroit, Michigan, and earned a bachelor’s degree in developmental psychology and
teaching from Briarcliff College in New York. She worked as an elementary school teacher in Fargo before devoting time to her children as a stay-at-home mom.

As an active community member, Betsy has served on the Casselton School Board and the Fargo-Moorhead Area Foundation. She has also been involved with the Fargo-Moorhead Junior League, Red River Human Services Foundation, and the North Dakota Protection & Advocacy Project.

Betsy’s awards include: the Children’s Champion Award by the North Dakota Association for the Education of Young Children (2011); the Ready Child Community-Based Award of Excellence by the North Dakota Education Association (2012); and the Love Without Fear Award by the Abused Adult Resource Center (2014).

The Governor and First Lady were married in 1971 and have four daughters.

Awards Banquet Keynote Speaker – Thursday, September 18

U.S. Senator Byron L. Dorgan served as a Congressman and Senator for North Dakota for 30 years before retiring from the U.S. Senate in 2011. He served in the Senate Leadership for 16 years, first as Assistant Democratic Floor Leader, and then as Chairman of the Democratic Policy Committee. He was Chairman of Senate Committees and Subcommittees on the issues of Energy, Aviation, Appropriations, Water Policy and Indian Affairs.

Senator Dorgan is now active in his post-Senate life teaching, speaking, consulting, writing, and much more. He is a recognized leader in the fields of energy policy, economic issues, aviation policy, Native American issues, trade policy, health care, and more. He is considered a compelling public speaker and one of the best debaters in the U.S. Senate.

Senator Dorgan is a visiting professor at two universities lecturing on energy, economic policy, and political affairs. He works part time as a Senior Policy Advisor with the Washington, DC law firm, Arent Fox. He is also a Senior Fellow with the Bipartisan Policy Center, a Washington, DC think tank focusing primarily on energy issues. Dorgan is chairman of a program he funded at the Aspen Institute, The Center for Native American Youth, which assists Native American children and has an emphasis on teen suicide prevention.

The Senator is the author of four books. The first, Take This Job and Ship It, was released in 2006 and was a New York Times bestseller. It was followed by Reckless... How Debt, Deregulation and Dark Money Nearly Bankrupted America (And How We Can Fix It) in 2009. Dorgan co-authored the novel Blowout (2012) and released a second book in this “eco-thriller” series, titled Gridlock, in July 2013.

Senator Dorgan earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of North Dakota and a Master’s of Business Administration from the University of Denver. He is married to Kim Dorgan and has four children: Scott, Shelly (deceased), Brendon, and Haley.

Flickertale Luncheon Keynote Speaker – Friday, September 19

Dorothy Hinshaw Patent has been writing nonfiction trade books for children for more than 40 years and has seen many trends and changes over the years in the industry. In her talk, One Author’s Story: Past, Present, and Future, she will take you along the way as she develops her love of nature as a child and finds a way to satisfy her hunger for adventure and knowledge about the natural world and domesticated animals through her research and writing.

Patent has written 140 books, mostly nonfiction and photo-essays for children, including: When the Wolves Returned, an ALA Notable Children’s Book; The Right Dog for the Job, which earned a starred review from School Library Journal; Saving Audie: a Pit Bull Puppy Gets a Second Chance, an IRA/CBC Children’s Choices Book; and Dogs on Duty, an ALA Notable Children’s Book and Charlotte Award winner. She has received many awards, including most recently the 2014 Edward O. Wilson Biodiversity Technology Pioneer Award for Exemplary Advocacy of Biodiversity through the Authorship of Children’s Science Literature.
Patent is a vice president of iNK Think Tank, a company devoted to helping children learn to love reading through nonfiction trade books (www.inkthinktank.com and www.nonfictionminute.com).

Patent lives with her husband, food writer Greg, on the edge of the forest in Missoula, Montana. Her two sons have provided her with five wonderful grandchildren. Learn more about her at www.dorothyhinshawpatent.com

Post-conference Workshop
– Saturday, September 20

Applying the Lexile Framework for Reading
Jane Scott, Educational Facilitator, MetaMetrics, Inc.

Discover how you can make Lexile measures actionable in your school. This full-day workshop provides extensive, interactive training on how to use the Lexile Framework for Reading to maximize student reading growth. Attendees will participate in group activities that provide hands-on learning experiences that will impact day-to-day decisions about reading and instruction. Information and classroom simulation activities will help participants set measurable goals for students, as well as monitor, differentiate, and evaluate reading instruction. Topics covered include:

- The development of the Lexile Framework for Reading
- How media specialists can support the curriculum
- Understanding Lexile measures as indicators of text complexity and reading level
- How Lexile measures may be utilized to support text selection and facilitate reading growth
- Using Lexile measures to match readers to text and forecast comprehension
- Monitoring student progress toward college and career readiness
- Accessing online tools and resources to support targeted instruction and student achievement across all content areas and grade levels
- Utilizing state databases (where available) to identify Lexile-linked resources and differentiated content
- The effects of summer learning loss and the importance of summer reading programs
- Parental and community involvement in literacy growth
- Informing students about how to select text
- Understanding the relationship between Lexile measures and the Common Core State Standards
- A guided and interactive tour of www.Lexile.com

Jane Scott joined MetaMetrics in 2008 and is responsible for designing and conducting professional development for educators at the school, regional, and state levels around the country. MetaMetrics is the developer of the Lexile Framework for Reading and the Quantile Framework for Mathematics. Mrs. Scott has 25 years’ experience as a classroom teacher. Prior to retirement from public education, she spent seven years as the curriculum facilitator for a large school district in North Carolina. While serving in this role, she spearheaded the district’s transition to Lexiles and developed “Student Data Notebooks” as the vehicle for students to track their growth and to ultimately take ownership of their own learning. She has also served as a consultant to the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction in the areas of teacher retention and license renewal, and also served as a trainer for various state math initiatives.

Conference Programs and Presenters
- Preliminary Schedule

Note: Days, time slots, and programs may change

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2014

Pre-conferences
9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1 - 4 p.m. (lunch on your own)
Black Belt Librarians: the Essential Elements of a Real World Security Program - Warren Graham

1 - 4 p.m.
Pre-conference II program / presenter information unavailable at press time

Other Activities
1 - 4 p.m. - Free Tours of the Capitol Building and Heritage Center available for those not attending pre-conferences
5 - 8 p.m. - Exhibit Hall Set-up
4:15 - 7 p.m. - NDLA Executive Board Meeting
7 - 9 p.m. - Opening Reception at the Former Governors’ Mansion (320 East Avenue B)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2014

6 - 10 a.m. - Exhibit Hall Set-Up
7 a.m. - 5 p.m. – Registration
7:30 - 8:30 a.m. - Business Meetings
New Members Roundtable
Archives and Records Management Roundtable
Health Science Information Section
Government Documents Roundtable

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8:30 - 10 a.m. - Welcome, Announcements, and Morning Keynote Speaker, First Lady Betsy Dalrymple

10 - 11 a.m. - Opening of Exhibits

11 - 11:50 am. - Business Meetings
   School Library and Youth Services Section
   Public Library Section
   Academic and Special Libraries Section
   Technical Services Roundtable

12 - 1:30 p.m. - Lunch and First General Session

1:45 - 2:45 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

Next-Generation Collaboration & Library Services with Alma - Steve Hargis and Andrew French
Presented by Steve Hargis, Regional Account Manager, Ex Libris Group, and Andrew French, Solutions Architect, Ex Libris Group. Ex Libris next-generation library management solutions are providing significant benefits for libraries to overcome challenges such as budget reductions, staffing changes, increased operational expenses, and demands for new services. Over 340 academic institutions, including 4 consortia, have selected Ex Libris Alma to address these challenges and are realizing efficiencies across their operations, reducing many of the tasks associated with traditional acquisitions, cataloging, and electronic resource management. Alma is also powering the next-generation of collaborative services, enabling not only improved resource sharing, but also collaborative collection development, collaborative technical services, and much more. Join Steve Hargis and Andrew French to learn more about Ex Libris Alma and the exciting outcomes that clients are realizing across North America.

Hello, Tech Support? - Greta Guck
Patrons turn to library staff for support when they try to download ebooks, access online information resources, etc. from home. This program will focus on best practices for providing technical support for library services over the phone. This session will offer tips, tricks, and hands-on practice for building a tech-confident staff.

Changing School Libraries: Common Core, Collaboration, and Collection Arrangement - Leslie Gunderson
This presentation will look at how school libraries should be changing to fit the times. Common Core resources, collaboration opportunities, and collection arrangement options will be explored.

The North Dakota Legal Self Help Center - Jeanne McLean
An explanation of the needs of the self-represented and how the North Dakota Legal Self Help Center provides assistance to people representing themselves in our legal system. The program cannot give legal advice but can provide explanations about the law and procedure and also provide simplified forms for the person’s use.

North Dakota’s Federal Depository Libraries: Discover a Wealth of Information - Alicia Kubas
Whether you are looking for lesson plans, statistics, primary historical sources, or legislative information, government documents can provide you with unexpected treasures. Learn how the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP) helps ensure public access to federal resources and about some of the gems housed in North Dakota’s joint regional depository libraries at UND and NDSU. This session will also address how UND and NDSU split their responsibilities as depository libraries, and will highlight resources from various federal agencies spanning the last 200 years of United States history.

3 - 3:50 p.m. - Concurrent Sessions

3D Printing at the NDSU Libraries - Janine Kuntz
NDSU Libraries received a grant to fund the set-up of a 3D printing service for its students, staff, and faculty. The program will feature a brief discussion of the growing trend of 3D printing in libraries and their educational value, including a demonstration of a Makerbot Replicator 2 printer. The heart of the presentation will cover how NDSU Libraries created and implemented a service model and will share their experience from beta testing to launch of the service.

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Infographics for Information Literacy - Patricia Caldwell
This presentation will show how teachers can merge ACRL definitions of visual and information literacy into practice with infographics. It will also delve into the pros and cons of using infographics in the 21st century classroom.

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4 - 4:50 p.m. - Concurrent Sessions

E-Magazines from the North Dakota Zinio Collection - Elizabeth Jacobs
Through the North Dakota Zinio collection, patrons of all North Dakota public libraries can check out, download, and read full-color, popular e-magazines at no cost. Learn how to connect, browse, create accounts, and download magazine issues to read anytime, anywhere, on any computer or mobile device.
Digital Resources from Public Media - Lynette Burgan
PBS Learning Media includes more than 36,000 standards-based lessons, video clips, interactives, images and more, available 24/7. Become familiar with the resources public media has available to all educators and students, from apps and games to self-paced lessons and interactives.

Minitex Cataloging & Metadata Update - Sara Ring
Technical services takes its turn in the spotlight with new cataloging rules and models (RDA, FRBR) and emerging adoption of the Library of Congress-led Bibliographic Framework Initiative (BIBFRAME). Join Minitex staff as we explore the evolving BIBFRAME initiative and share updates on RDA, OCLC WorldShare, our work with digital initiatives, and other cataloging and metadata news.

10 - 10:50 a.m. - Concurrent Sessions

Engage Your Community with a One Book, One Community Project - Lori West with Diane Fink
One book, one community projects are a wonderful opportunity for an entire community to look to books for thoughtful discussion and enrichment. They are also a fabulous way for libraries to develop partnerships with other organizations in their communities. The Fargo Public Library, the West Fargo Public Library, and the Moorhead Public Library are in their third year of a one book, one community project. Learn some tips and tricks from Fargo Public Library and West Fargo Public Library staff members on how to plan a successful campaign and survive until the end.

Looking a Gift Horse in the Mouth: What to Do When Someone Gives You a Second-Hand Book Store - Phyllis Bratton
Over the last five years, Raugust Library at Jamestown University has been given some 20,000 books from four major donors. This program describes how we evaluated them, added (or didn’t add) them to our collection, and gave away, sold, or otherwise disposed of them. It outlines our work flow, describes setting up an online store on Amazon, tallies the monies received, and shows what we did with the funds. Along the way we found many gems, several puzzles, not a few disasters, and learned a lot from our mistakes. It’s been fun!

Crafty Librarians! - Lesley Gunderson
In the school world of standards and assessments, kids (and adults!) sometimes need a brain break. These 10 crafty activities can be used as part of a literature tie-in lesson or for a library lunch / book talk / family reading night. You will get a chance to make and take at least two of the ideas. Come and get crafty!
11 a.m. – 12 p.m. - Concurrent Sessions

**Mentoring North Dakota Librarians - Aubrey Madler**
Aubrey will lead a discussion on a new, exciting mentoring opportunity for NDLA members.

**Downloading Talking Books on iOS devices - Susan Hammer-Schneider**
Downloading books from the BARD website for the visually and physically impaired has just become easier using an iOS device. Patrons can enjoy reading their books on an iPad, iPhone, or iPod. This session will demonstrate how librarians can assist their visually and physically impaired patrons with downloading their own books.

**North Dakota Libraries and Christian-themed Information Needs - Joseph Rector**
Christian-themed information is an important part of the information needs landscape of North Dakota. A recent survey of Christian-themed information needs in the context of church libraries was conducted among three Baptist congregations in North Dakota. Using the survey results as a starting point, this presentation will explore the role of public libraries as providers of Christian-themed information as well as additional genres of information addressing the spiritual information needs of an increasingly diverse population of library users in North Dakota.

**A Year in the Life of Minitex: a 2014 Update - Anne Hatinen**
What’s new at Minitex? The statewide databases, digitization initiatives, and more! Join Minitex staff for an update on a range of Minitex services, including database services, digitization and cataloging, and resource sharing. We’ll also highlight our newly formed vision and goals and our specific directions for meeting them. We look forward to hearing your thoughts on how Minitex can further collaboration with libraries in North Dakota.

12 - 1:30 p.m. - Flickertale Luncheon with Author Dorothy Hinshaw Patent

1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. – Second General Session

2:30 - 3:30 p.m. – Concurrent Sessions

**Using Freely Available Tools to Protect Your Digital Content - Sara Ring**
Managing digital content over time can be challenging as one has to protect against file corruption, format obsolescence, and other natural and man-made disasters. There are small steps you can take now to help ensure access to your digital content in the future. The presenter will define the concept and purpose of technical and preservation metadata, but the majority of the presentation will be spent demonstrating some of the freely available tools that can help you monitor the health of your digital files. We’ll show Fixity tools, e.g., Exact File and Hash My Files, that tell you if your files have changed over time at the bit level. We’ll also show the multi-purpose program DROID (file format identification and file property information), as well as other tools that help with file duplication detection and metadata quality control.

**Common Core Standards: Will they improve education in our state? - Panel Discussion**
This panel discussion and Q & A session will discuss whether the Common Core Standards being adopted in North Dakota will provide students with knowledge and skills necessary for success in the global community. The panel will be comprised of two academic librarians, two or more K-12 School librarians, and a representative from DPI. There may also be a presentation by a team of educators from Park River, North Dakota, who presented a project at the 2014 ISTE National Conference in Atlanta.

**Painful Computer and Network Upgrading - Steve Hammel**
To provide the best service for our patrons, public libraries need to keep computers and networks up to date. Find out how the Valley City Barnes County Public Library upgraded all of its patron computers and their network infrastructure, and learn about the problems encountered along the way and the resources used to successfully complete the project.

3:45 - 4:45 p.m. - NDLA Executive Board Meeting

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2014

Post-conference – 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

**Metametrics - Applying the Lexile Framework for Reading - Jane Scott, Facilitator**
NDLA 2014 Annual Conference
"Providing Library Services for North Dakota for the Next 125 Years"
September 17-20, 2014 Bismarck, ND
Deadline for early registration is September 3, 2014

Name badge information:
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[ ] I will serve as a conference host & introduce a speaker. I understand that I will be contacted at or prior to the conference with more information about the session I will host.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEES

Preconference:
Warren Graham- The Black Belt Librarian
(MPLA Member Discount *MUST BE A CURRENT MEMBER OF MPLA)

DPI Presentation- Common Core and North Dakota School libraries

Conference:
Full Conference $130.00 ________
Thursday only $65.00 ________
Friday only $65.00 ________
Additional Banquet ticket(s) [ ] x $25.00 ________

Post Conference:
Lexile Workshop by MetaMetrics Professional Development $50.00 ________

If non-member add $35.00 ________
If postmarked after September 3 add $15.00 ________

Total ________

Full conference registration includes Thursday and Friday continental breakfast and lunch and Thursday Awards Banquet. One-day registration includes continental breakfast and lunch for that day only. All meals will be buffet to allow for vegetarian and other dietary needs. Non-member fee includes NDLA dues through Dec. 31, 2014 or Dec. 31, 2015 if you are a first time member.

CONTINUING EDUCATION FEES (Payable separately to Valley City State University)

Instructor Fee: $50.00
1 continuing education credit: conference fees plus $50.00
2 continuing education credits: conference fees plus $100.00

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Full refund of registration fees will be made if canceled more than two weeks before the conference. A $25 processing fee will be assessed if canceled less than two weeks before the conference. No refund will be made once the conference is underway.
A-tisket, a-tasket. What will be in your basket?

All libraries are invited to participate in the 2014 NDLA Conference Silent Auction. The theme is “Literary Heroes for the Next 125 Years” and the auction is being organized by committee members Traci Juhala, Sarah Matthews, and Lora Rose of the Bismarck Public Library. The auction will be held during the annual conference awards banquet on Thursday, September 18, and proceeds will go to NDLA’s Professional Development fund.

Here’s what you need to know:

1. The committee would like contributions to come in a basket, or some other holding device. Both large and small baskets are welcome.

2. The theme allows you to focus on any author, literary figure, or literary movement that strikes your fancy. As part of the “stuff” in your basket, you may want to consider things like tickets to a concert, movie vouchers, a weekend stay at your lake cabin … get creative!

3. Baskets can be dropped off at the conference registration table. Or, if you have your basket ready early and are in the area, you can drop it off at the Children’s Library in the Bismarck Public Library before the conference.

4. To help the committee get a general idea of how many items to expect, send a note to Traci Juhala (tjuhala@cdln.info) if you plan to donate a basket. The committee would like that information by September 15, 2014. If you don’t get around to sending a message, not to worry. Don’t let it stop you from bringing a basket. More baskets = more fun!

We can’t wait to see what’s in your basket!

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Library Vision 2020

The North Dakota Library Coordinating Council (NDLCC) and the North Dakota State Library held a series of Think Tanks throughout the state in April and May for the purpose of updating Library Vision 2014.

At their May meeting, the Council reviewed proposed amendments to the draft version of Library Vision 2020 (LV2020) and invited librarians to submit final comments. The NDLCC planned to adopt the final version of LV2020 at their meeting on July 30, 2014.

You can find more information at [www.library.nd.gov/coordinatingcouncil.html](http://www.library.nd.gov/coordinatingcouncil.html).
Announcing NDLA Mentorship Program

By Aubrey Madler, Chair

Development of the NDLA Mentorship Program is underway. The ad hoc committee consists of Aubrey Madler (chair), Mayville State University; Allison Radermacher, Ellendale Public School; and Tina Grenier, North Dakota State College of Science.

During the last six months or so, the committee met via conference call several times and shared many emails in order to keep the process moving. A big thanks goes to Lori West, Professional Development Committee Chair, and everyone who helped her gather information and begin thinking about what this program could be. Committee recommendations went to the NDLA Executive Board this spring and we have the approval to move forward.

What You Can Expect in the Coming Year

July-September 2014

• Information added to the NDLA website
• Call for volunteers to participate in the beta phase of this program during which we will match about ten mentor/mentee pairs across the state
• Presentation at our annual conference led by Mary Soucie, our State Librarian, and the Mentorship Committee
• Potential big news from the State Library regarding a grant for a supplementary mentoring program

November 2014-April 2015 and Beyond

• Mentor/mentee pairings made and consultations underway

May-June 2015

• Survey of beta participants regarding the process and their experiences

July-August 2015

• Fine tuning based on pilot program participant feedback

September 2015

• Panel discussion at NDLA conference and announcement of any changes/updates

What You Can Do

Begin thinking about what this program can do for you. Attend the conference session on mentorship. Fill out an application to become a mentor or mentee this September!
Explore Arizona While Attending MPLA

By Paulette Nelson, MPLA Representative

Since the 2014 AzLA/MPLA Conference is in Arizona in November, you might want to consider getting away from the cold and snow and visiting some of the local sights while you’re there. The conference will be held at the Radisson Fort McDowell Resort and Conference Center in Scottsdale/Fountain Hills, November 12-14.

If you are up for walking, you might want to consider The 10 Most Celebrated Public Art Works You Can See in a 60-Minute Walk. With more than 70 public art works dotting the city’s landscape, it’s difficult to see all of Scottsdale’s public art pieces in an hour, or even a day. This self-guided, 60-minute walking tour through downtown Scottsdale will introduce you to 10 of the most-celebrated Scottsdale public art works, including striking bronze statues, dramatic fountains, and interactive installations.

You may also want to take part in the Scottsdale Art Walk. This is a 30-year Scottsdale tradition that takes place every Thursday night from 7 to 9 p.m. The free, year-round event is staged at galleries along Main Street and Marshall Way in the downtown Arts District and is a leisurely, go-at-your-own-pace public showing of works by artists from around the globe. Browse a wide variety of works, stop in for a meal at one of the local restaurants, or hop on a horse-drawn carriage ride.

No matter what your artistic style, Scottsdale has a museum to suit your interests. For the latest and cutting-edge modern exhibits, visit the Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art. Nearby, the Phoenix Art Museum features international and outstanding works of art and fashion design, while the Heard Museum celebrates the Southwest’s American Indian cultures.

If you are into architecture, you might want to tour Frank Lloyd Wright’s winter home, located alongside the majestic McDowell Mountains. Wright’s influence is still seen all around Scottsdale and its surrounding area – most notable are the spire that sits on the northwest corner of the Promenade shopping center and Gammage Auditorium in nearby Tempe, Arizona.

If museums and art are not your thing, you can always visit the Desert Botanical Garden. At the garden, you’ll see more than 20,000 individual plants from deserts around the world and learning about desert living, colorful wildflowers, and the diverse plants and people of the Sonoran Desert.

For a fun experience, you could always visit the Phoenix Zoo. The Zoo was founded in 1962 and has more than 1,400 animals on display and 2.5 miles of walking trails. It is divided into four main areas: the Arizona Trail (American Southwest flora and fauna), the Africa Trail (animals from Africa), the Tropics Trail (rain forest animals), and the Children’s Trail, which includes a petting zoo.

If golf is your game, you will be in golfer’s paradise with more than 200 courses in the city and the surrounding area. There are also plenty of shopping and nightlife activities for conference participants to enjoy.

Now is the time to make your plans for MPLA, including a mini vacation while in the area. Hope to see you there!
Notable Documents
Every year, NDLA members are given the opportunity to vote on their favorite state documents. The three documents with the most votes are then sent to the American Library Association’s Government Documents Roundtable. Two of the three documents that we sent last year were included in the 2013 national list of best government publications. The entire list can be viewed on the Library Journal website (http://reviews.libraryjournal.com/2014/05/best-of/three-decades-of-excellence/).

The two North Dakota documents selected for the 2013 national list are:

**The Coach and the College: The Role of Athletics in the Financial Survival of a Small Liberal Arts College**
Paperback, 200 p., $20; ISBN 9780911042771; OCLC # 839686418

“Amidst the cheers, pride, tailgating and excitement of college athletics, lurks, for many Americans, the disconcerting sense that many colleges have abandoned their academic integrity and the proper relationship between academics and athletics. Located on the rolling farmland of North Dakota sits Jamestown College, whose experience with athletics offers a stunningly different perspective of how athletics and academics can work together to promote the general well-being of the institution...”

DVD, 77 min. $24.95 – OCLC #814018524

“Focusing on the history, traditions, and material culture of the Mandan people, the documentary integrates historical imagery, contemporary interviews with residents of Fort Berthold, interviews with historians and research specialists, and ethnographic and archaeological data that trace 800 years of Mandan resilience, adaptability, and continuity in the Upper Missouri River Valley. It begins with a contemporary portrait of the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara people and travels backwards through space and time, recounting the unspeakable tragedy and loss incurred by the construction of the Garrison Dam; the peak of Mandan population, power and prosperity and agriculturalists and traders on the Heart River during the 16th century; and the origins of a cultural identity that is bound in memories of ancestors and inextricably tied to the Missouri River landscape.”

Be sure to stop by the GODORT booth at the NDLA Conference to vote for your favorite state documents for 2014!

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**Canoe Kudos Nomination Form**

Name ________________________________

Home Address ________________________________

Work Address ________________________________

Position ________________________________

Sponsor’s name ________________________________

Reason for Nomination ________________________________

Send nomination form and $10 donation (checks payable to NDLA) to: Lori K. West, Professional Development Committee Chair, Fargo Public Library, 102 3rd St. North, Fargo, ND 58102-2138.

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NDLA has a vehicle for recognizing individuals who do a wonderful job in their libraries or who have shown support or done something special for libraries. Any member of NDLA can honor a deserving individual by submitting this nomination form along with a $10 donation to the Professional Development Grant Fund. NDLA will present the honoree with a Canoe Kudos pin and, if appropriate, submit a press release to the local newspaper. Canoe Kudos honorees will also be listed in The Good Stuff. You may buy or receive more than one pin.

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Longer kudos?
You may print this form and use the back!
The Mountain Plains Library Association (MPLA) is seeking a newsletter editor to compile, write, and edit our bimonthly newsletter. This is a terrific opportunity for someone who loves libraries and who has excellent writing skills and a creative spirit.

The Mountain Plains Library Association (MPLA) is a twelve-state association of librarians, library paraprofessionals, and friends of libraries in Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming.

The mission of the MPLA newsletter is to support the Association in promoting the development of librarians and libraries in the MPLA region. The newsletter aspires to:

- promote connections among MPLA states and members
- provide a record of the Association
- feature state library activities
- promote professional development opportunities
- disseminate reports related to Association activities
- spotlight new trends and best practices in librarianship

**Position Summary**

The MPLA Newsletter Editor writes and edits the *MPLA Newsletter*, which is distributed on a bi-monthly basis (6 times per year) via the MPLA web site and through an e-mail distribution list. The newsletter contains items of interest to MPLA members and sponsors.

The editor is assisted by a support team, including the MPLA Communications Committee, which serves in an advisory capacity; a news “wrangler,” who will help gather news from member states, and a proofreader. The editor is expected to work closely with the MPLA Executive Secretary, members of the Executive Board, state association staff, advertisers, and joint conference planning committees in preparing each issue.

Additionally, the editor will attend MPLA Executive Board meetings at the invitation of the MPLA President and at the Association’s expense. The editor will also serve as an ex-officio, non-voting member of the MPLA Communications Committee.

*Editor’s note: For the complete position summary, including qualifications and duties and activities, go to http://www.mpla.us/jobline/mpla.pdf*

**Projected Contract Period**

September 2014 – August 2015 (renewable subject to annual review by the Administration Committee)

**Compensation**

MPLA will pay $300 per issue of the newsletter, which is to be published six times a year. Additionally, the editor is given a paid MPLA annual membership and a 15% commission on any new advertising that is sold for the newsletter.

**To Apply**

Please send a cover letter, resume, writing sample, and newsletter/graphic sample to librarywendy@gmail.com.
Best. **Reference Question.** Ever.

We’ve all had them .... Questions from library users that have made us laugh or shake our heads or maybe even tear up a little. At any rate, they are memorable!

Sally Dockter, Head of Reference & Research Services at UND’s Chester Fritz Library, shared this story:

*This is not the best ref. question ever, maybe potentially the scariest. I was looking through our Primo search logs and came across this one that someone typed in: “risk factors for becoming a psychopath.”*

Have a library story you’d like to share? Send it my way: Marlene Anderson, Chair, *The Good Stuff* Editorial Committee (Marlene.Anderson@bismarckstate.edu).

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**Dakota Gold**

**NDLA Celebrates 100 Years**

**Centennial Cookbook and History**

*A Great Gift for the Cooks in Your Life*

**Conference Price $18**

(No Sales Tax!)

*Dakota Gold*, a celebration of NDLA’s first 100 years, made its debut at the 2006 NDLA Conference.

Chock full of historical information and tried and true recipes from NDLA cooks, *Dakota Gold* has something for every taste.

Make checks payable to North Dakota Library Association

Conference sales tax exempt

Proceeds will be used to support NDLA continuing education grant funds
Editor’s note: Both the slate of candidates and the proposed NDLA Bylaws change were approved by the Executive Board at its May 2014 meeting and will be placed on the upcoming ballot for vote of the membership. The proposed bylaws change was also published in the June 2014 of The Good Stuff.

NDLA OFFICER CANDIDATES

SUBMITTED BY SUSIE SHARP, CHAIR, NOMINATIONS, VOTING & ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT-ELECT CANDIDATE

Greta Guck

Current position: Library Director, Leach Public Library, Wahpeton

Education: MLIS, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee; BA, English, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

Professional Involvement: NDLA, NDLA-NMRT Secretary (2013-14); MPLA; ALA; past member of Wisconsin Library Association

Vision Statement: I was introduced to the wonderful world of North Dakota libraries a mere 2½ years ago when I began my professional career at the wonderful Minot Public Library. In less than three years, I find myself running for President-elect of NDLA. I credit this to the incredibly inclusive and supportive environment of the North Dakota library community. Whether it be the stellar staff at the State Library, or the many seasoned librarians who have taken me under their wing, I think that North Dakota is a great place for newly-minted librarians to start honing their craft. As President-elect of NDLA, I would like to continue this culture of collaboration, sharing of expertise, and nurturing new professionals. I would like to place an emphasis on professional development opportunities, mentorship, and fostering new and innovative ideas. I am passionate about providing top of the line library services to the residents of our fine state, and I think that a strong and committed professional association is the key to accomplishing that goal.

SECRETARY CANDIDATE

Mary Lorenz

Current Position: Reference Librarian, Grand Forks Public Library

Education: MLIS, Emporia State University, Kansas; BS, Elementary Education, University of North Dakota

Professional Involvement: Current member of NDLA, MPLA, ALA, and YALSA; NDLA Secretary (2013-2014); NDLA Public Library Section Secretary (2012-2013)

Vision Statement: One of the purposes of NDLA is to promote librarianship. I feel we need to work to promote membership to our organization by informing all North Dakota library workers of our organization’s purpose, encourage more involvement within the organization through education and mentorship, plus add a separate membership rate for library aides and assistants. Hopefully these changes will put NDLA on the right track to inspiring future librarians.

TREASURER CANDIDATE

Michael Safratowich

Current Position: Bibliographic Control Librarian, Harley E. French Library of the Health Sciences, School of Medicine and Health Sciences, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks

Education: MLS, University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee; BA, Music, Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota.

Professional Involvement: Current member of NDLA, Treasurer since 2001; Membership Committee Chair, 1997-99; Professional Development Committee
Chair, 1992-93; HSIS Chair, 1990; Conference Exhibits Chair, 1989; Baker & Taylor Grass Roots Grant Committee Chair, 1986-88; Midwest Chapter / MLA Conference Finance Chair, 2005; Current member, North Dakota/Manitoba ACRL Chapter

Vision Statement: Serving as NDLA’s Treasurer has given me an appreciation of the work the Association does to promote librarians and library services in North Dakota. The upcoming year will be especially exciting as NDLA works towards developing advocacy for libraries in North Dakota. A grant from the Otto Bremer Foundation was received to support this work and enhance the ability of individuals, libraries, other organizations, and society to identify and meet development challenges as they relate to library services. I look forward to working on financial aspects of this project and I thank you for the opportunity to serve as Treasurer over the past years. I would be pleased to continue in the position.

ALA COUNCILOR CANDIDATE

Laurie McHenry

Current Position: Cataloging & Metadata Librarian, Thormodsgard Law Library, University of North Dakota

Education: MLS, Southern Connecticut State University; BA, Elementary Education, Oregon State University


Vision Statement: The role of the ALA Councilor (North Dakota Chapter Councilor) is to represent North Dakota at ALA Council meetings. It is also to promote ALA membership and activities for NDLA members. This representation gives North Dakota a voice on a national level. Events, legislation, and funding at the national level affect us here in North Dakota. ALA discussions and resolutions provide the groundwork for lobbying done by ALA in Congress. I believe that we in North Dakota can also affect that larger world, as was shown in the initiatives for rural libraries. Currently, there are many issues facing libraries with regard to funding, privacy, freedom of speech, and the constant change in operational and organizational structures. I would love the opportunity to serve as a liaison of information on these issues and to make North Dakota’s voice heard at a national level. My past involvement in NDLA and ALA provide me with the relevant experience to represent NDLA issues to ALA and ALA topics to NDLA.

SECTION & ROUNDTABLE OFFICER CANDIDATES

ACADEMIC & SPECIAL LIBRARIES SECTION
• Chair-elect - Samuel Stover, User Services Librarian, Valley City State University
• Secretary – Appointed at annual conference

ARCHIVES / RECORDS MANAGEMENT ROUNDTABLE
No candidates

GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS ROUNDTABLE
• Chair-elect: Alice Kubas, Stacks Supervisor, NDSU Libraries
• Secretary: Appointed at annual conference

HEALTH SCIENCE INFORMATION SECTION
• Chair-elect: Dawn Hackman, Reference Librarian, Harley E. French Library of the Health Sciences, UND
SECRETARY: Merete Christianson, Health Sciences Librarian, NDSU Libraries

NEW MEMBERS ROUNDTABLE
• Chair-elect: Megan Richardson, Reserves & Evening Supervisor, NDSU Libraries

PUBLIC LIBRARY SECTION
• Chair-elect: Janet Anderson, Adult Services Librarian, Minot Public Library
• Chair-elect: Steve Hammel, Library Director, Valley City Barnes County Public Library

SCHOOL LIBRARY & YOUTH SERVICES SECTION
• Chair-elect: Aaron Stefanich, Children’s Librarian, Grand Forks Public Library
• Secretary: Traci Juhala, Head of Children’s Services, Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library

TECHNICAL SERVICES ROUNDTABLE
No candidates

PROPOSED CHANGE TO NDLA BYLAWS
Submitted by Virginia Bjorness, Chair of the Constitution, Bylaws, & Policies Committee

The following proposed Bylaws change addresses election issues and simplifies the process of determining the winning candidate. The goal of this Bylaws change is to resolve the conflict in the current Bylaws that allows for more than two candidates to be placed on the ballot for any given office and the requirement that the winning candidate receives a majority vote (which is usually meant to be more than 50% of the votes cast). If three or more candidates are on the ballot for any office, there is a possibility that no one candidate will receive more than 50% of the votes. This proposed Bylaws change also sets a procedure for handling tie-vote issues.

The Bylaws change relates to Article III, Section 2B of the NDLA Bylaws. It was drafted by the Constitution, Bylaws, and Policies Committee and approved by the Executive Board on May 9, 2014.

Existing statement:

Article III (Nominations and Elections), Section 2B (Elections) of the current NDLA Bylaws states:

B. A majority vote of all returned election ballots determines election results. The Nominations, Elections, and Voting Committee determines and reports the results of the balloting to the Executive Board which validates election results and in disputes regarding elections serves as the final arbiter.

Proposed change:

If passed, Article III, Section 2B would read:

B. For each office the candidate receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected. The Nominations, Elections, and Voting Committee determines and reports the results of the balloting to the Executive Board which validates election results and, in disputes regarding elections, serves as the final arbiter. In the case of a tie vote, the successful candidate shall be determined by lot conducted by the Executive Board.

The changes between the existing Bylaws and the above proposal are:

1. changing the requirement from “majority vote” to “largest number”
2. the insertion of two commas in the second sentence
3. the addition of a procedure for handling tie votes

The above proposed Bylaws change will be placed on the upcoming ballot. A copy of the full Bylaws can be found at http://ndla.info/bylaws.htm.
The State of READING

The Not-So-Good News

_Reading at Risk: A Survey of Literary Reading in America_, a 2004 report by the National Endowment for the Arts, found that not only is literary reading in America declining rapidly among all groups, but that the rate of decline has accelerated, especially among the young.

_To Read or Not to Read: a Question of National Consequence_ (www.nea.gov/research.TORead.pdf), a 2007 report from the NEA (National Endowment for the Arts), drew these “unsettling” conclusions:

- Americans are spending less time reading
- Reading comprehension skills are eroding
- These declines have serious civic, social, cultural, and economic implications

In 2011, the National Assessment of Educational Progress, or “The Nation’s Report Card,” found that only 34 percent of American fourth-graders read at a proficient level. In other words, 66% of American fourth-graders were not proficient in reading. Yikes! Research also shows that 20 minutes of reading a day can prevent a child from losing literacy skills (Source: _Parade_, July 6, 2014, p. 9), and that nearly two-thirds of low-income families in the U.S. own no books. (Source: www.RIF.org)

A recent (April 2014) survey conducted by Harris Poll for Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) and Macy’s shows that only 17 percent of parents say reading is a top summer priority. Some of the other key findings of the survey, which was completed by more than 1,000 parents with children ages 5-11, include:

- On average, parents say their child spends 17.4 hours/week watching TV or playing video games, 16.7 hours/week playing outside, and only 5.9 hours/week reading.
- Parents who consider reading to be extremely or very important are twice as likely to have a child who reads every day.
- Children who were involved in a reading program last summer were up to two times more likely to read every day. Yet, over half of parents said their child did not participate in a reading program at all last summer.
- Last summer, children who read because they wanted to were twice as likely to read as children who read because they had to.
- Despite the proliferation of e-books and digital formats, 83 percent of parents said their child preferred print books for summer reading, compared to 7 percent preferring tablets and 4 percent preferring e-readers.

The Good News

There are organizations working to promote literacy and the value and joy of reading. Here is a sampling.

**The Big Read**

www.neabigread.org/

“The Big Read supports organizations across the country in developing community-wide programs which encourage reading and participation by diverse audiences.” It is “a program of the National Endowment for the Arts, designed to revitalize the role of reading in American culture by exposing citizens to great works of literature and encouraging them to read for pleasure and enrichment.”

**Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP)**

www.cslpreads.org/

Librarians, particularly those who work in public libraries, are very familiar with CSLP. It is “a consortium of states working together to provide high-quality summer reading program materials for children, teens, and adults at the lowest cost possible for their public libraries.” CSLP began in 1987 in Minnesota and has grown into a nationwide program. There are programs for early literacy, children, teens, and adults.
Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library
http://usa.imaginationlibrary.com/

Imagination Library was started in 1995 by Dolly Parton for the children in her hometown of Sevier County, Tennessee. The program inspires a love of reading and guarantees all children will have quality books in the home. Today, the program has a nationwide reach. North Dakota’s First Lady Betsy Dalrymple has made it one of her initiatives in our state.

International Reading Association
www.reading.org/

“The mission of the International Reading Association is to promote reading by continuously advancing the quality of literacy instruction and research worldwide.” The nonprofit organization has been around since 1956 and “supports literacy professionals through a wide range of resources, advocacy efforts, volunteerism, and professional development activities.”

North Dakota Reading Corps

“North Dakota Reading Corps (NDRC) is a regional initiative that combines the people power of AmeriCorps with the science of how children learn to read. The goal is to help every child become a successful reader by the end of 3rd grade.” The NDRC was recently awarded an $800,000 federal grant to improve childhood reading proficiency in grades kindergarten through 3. The grant money will be used to hire and train AmeriCorps volunteers to work in 36 schools in Jamestown, West Fargo, Fargo, Bismarck, and Mandan. Paid tutors are required to commit either 450 or 675 total hours with the program during the school year from August to May, which is about 15 to 20 hours per week. Interested individuals can apply at www.ndseec.com. Find out more on the NDRC’s blog at http://seec.areavoices.com/ndreadingcorps.

Reading Is Fundamental (RIF)
www.rif.org/

Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) is the largest children’s literacy nonprofit in the United States. RIF’s vision is “a literate America in which all children have access to books and discover the joys and value of reading.” To that end, RIF prepares and motivates “children to read by delivering free books and literacy resources to those children and families who need them most.”

Reading Rainbow
www.readingrainbow.com/

Reading Rainbow was an award-winning children’s television series that encouraged reading among children. It was aired by PBS from 1983 until 2009, and actor Levar Burton hosted each of the 155 episodes that were produced. Ever since the show was cancelled in 2009, Burton has been on a mission to develop it in a digital space. In 2011, Burton and Producer Mark Wolfe acquired the rights to Reading Rainbow. Using the crowd-funding platform Kickstarter, they raised $1 million in less than 12 hours. They have now exceeded their original $5 million target via Kickstarter, but continue to welcome donations to the project. The plan is to develop two subscription-based versions of a Reading Rainbow website – a home edition for kids and families and a classroom version for teachers with accompanying lesson plans.

Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge
www.scholastic.com/ups/campaigns/src-2014

Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge is a free online reading program for children. The theme of the 2014 summer reading challenge was “Reading Under the Stars.”
Bridget J. Burke has been named Dean of Libraries at North Dakota State University. Burke most recently was Associate University Librarian for Special Collections and the Digital Library at Boston College. She earned her bachelor’s degree and Master of Library Science degree at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and a master’s degree in American history at Wesleyan University. Burke begins work on September 15, 2014.

Head of Circulation Services (and soon-to-be mom) Alyssa Feik is leaving Bismarck Public Library to become a stay-at-home mother with her first child, Desmond. Her colleagues will miss her, but wish her all the best as she starts this new chapter in her life.

Bismarck Public Library welcomes Elizabeth Jacobs as the new Assistant Library Director. She replaces Christine Kujawa who was promoted to Library Director this past May. Elizabeth was formerly a Field Services Librarian at the North Dakota State Library.

BreAnne Meier has moved from her position as a Cataloging Librarian at the North Dakota State Library to a position as a Library Development Specialist in the new Library Development Department (formerly Field Services Department).

Longtime friend and supporter of NDLA, Kaye Rudser, passed away on July 3, 2014. Kaye was a school librarian for many years at Dakota School at Minot Air Force Base and was the widow of Ron Rudser, who was a librarian and library science instructor at Minot State University at the time of his death in 1986. After Ron passed away, Kaye established NDLA’s Ron Rudser Memorial Continuing Education Grant and continued to contribute to the fund throughout her lifetime. Kaye’s family requested that memorials be made to the Ron Rudser Memorial Continuing Education Grant in her honor. To recognize the outstanding contributions that both Ron and Kaye Rudser made to libraries and NDLA, the Executive Board voted to rename the grant fund the Ron and Kaye Rudser Memorial Continuing Education Grant.

We welcome Mary Sheahan to North Dakota! Mary is the new director of Stoiken Library at Dickinson State University. She earned her MLS from the University of Denver and was the director of a rural community college library in southwest Arkansas before moving to Dickinson. In her pre-librarian life, Mary was a nurse. Mary plans to attend the NDLA Conference in September – be sure to say hello and introduce yourself.

In August, Janet Spaeth retired from UND after nearly 20 years at the Chester Fritz Library as the head of On-Campus Instruction. Prior to that, she taught for 15 years in Library Science, the Center for Teaching and Learning, and English. Dr. Spaeth received her PhD in English at UND, with a specialty in children’s literature and the westward experience. The Library hosted a reception celebrating her career on July 31.

Laura Trude resigned her position as Business Reference Librarian at the UND Chester Fritz Library on August 11th to become the first business librarian at NDSU.

Bismarck Public Library’s Teen and Reference Librarian, Kathy Vander Vorst, is moving to Fargo because her husband got a job promotion. Kathy has been a part of the Bismarck Public Library team for the past 11 years. She started the Teen Department from scratch and has developed it to the point that the library will be starting to plan for a future Teen Center. Bismarck Public Library Director Christine Kujawa says Kathy is a wonderful librarian and that her work has been invaluable.
Welcome to NDLA!

New members since the last issue of The Good Stuff are Mary Sheahan (Dickinson), Beth Twomey (Fargo), and Ginger Louden (Lisbon)

Help us increase our membership in 2014 — tell your co-workers about NDLA and consider an institutional membership for your library! If you’re at a public library, please consider memberships for your trustees or board of directors. Membership information and forms can be found on our web page at www.ndla.info — click on “Membership.” Dues can be paid by check or PayPal. NDLA’s membership year is January to December.

Membership Report

(as of August 4, 2014)
Submitted by Theresa Norton, Membership Chair

Academic & Special Libraries Section 74
Health Sciences Information Section 28
Public Library Section 97
School Library & Youth Services Section 75
Archives/Records Management Roundtable 24
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New Members Roundtable 23
Technical Services Roundtable 26
Associate members 7
Institutional members 9
Student members 6
Trustees 14
New members 2014 22
Total 2014 members 259

Library Events and Conferences

• August 18-19, 2014 - Upper Midwest Digital Collections Conference, University of St. Thomas, Minneapolis campus, Minneapolis
• September 2014 – Library Card Sign-up Month
• September 17-20, 2014 – NDLA Annual Conference, Bismarck
• September 18-20, 2014 – ALSC National Institute, Oakland, CA
• September 21-27, 2014 – Banned Books Week
• October 1-3, 2014 – South Dakota Library Association Conference, Pierre
• October 8-9, 2014 – Minnesota Library Association Annual Conference, Mankato
• October 12-18, 2014 – Teen Read Week
• October 19-25, 2014 – National Friends of Libraries Week
• October 27-29, 2014 – Internet Librarian 2014, Monterey, CA
• November 2014 – Picture Book Month
• November 15, 2014 – International Games Day
• January 30 – February 3, 2015 – American Library Association Midwinter Meeting, Chicago
Drag and Drop Web Design

You may already be familiar with LibGuides and the ways they facilitate construction of topical pages suitable to the personal enrichment needs of academic, public, and school library patrons. Libraries use LibGuides in a variety of ways—as pathfinders, to support class work, as tutorials, and to market library services. If you aren’t working at an institution that subscribes to LibGuides, don’t despair—there are still fun, flexible, and free ways that you can meet your users’ needs online.

Drag and drop web design services allow you to create sites quickly, easily, and without any programming knowledge. Just like with LibGuides, you can use the sites you create to support research, promote your resources, showcase curated collections of resources, or provide bibliographic instruction. While these drag and drop services lack some of the utility of LibGuides, sites created with them do have a punchier visual presentation. Here are a few examples of sites created using Weebly:

- Android Apps for Homework Help
- Hip Hop History, Culture, and Technique
- Theodore Roosevelt National Park WebQuest

Designing a site with Weebly is as easy as can be: you select a theme and then drag and drop elements from the sidebar to wherever you want them to appear on your site. You can tweak your site’s theme using the tabs at the top of the page. When you’re ready to go, you just hit Publish and your site will be live and online, free of charge. Weebly isn’t the only drag and drop site creator, it just happens to be the one I’m most familiar with. Wix is another I’ve seen put to effective use, but there are oodles of others.

Now, before you venture out into the wild world of library pathfinder creation, I leave you with this caveat: compilations of resources are great, but they quickly grow stale. This makes them ideal for seasonal deployment or one-time events, but they require vigorous updating if you plan on reusing them. There’s nothing sadder than an outdated resource guide!
The Bachelor Farmers ($26.96, 148 p., hardcover; $14.50, 148 p. pbk.; $8.99, ebook) by Fargo native Brenda Sorrels tells the story of “two Norwegian brothers, Jon and Hans, who learn the meaning of love from a most unlikely source.” The tale is set in the winter of 1919 in northern Minnesota and is written in three parts. The Bachelor Farmers is available from Barnes and Noble, Amazon, and Lulu.

Add Beulah to the list of North Dakota places that are celebrating their centennial year in 2014. As part of the celebration, a group of women took on the task of collecting business and family histories for a Beulah Centennial history book. The book sells for $45. For more information, visit the website or the Beulah Centennial Facebook page.

A Bismarck author and former Tribune staff member has penned Bull ($14.99, 144 p., softcover), a novel about a “19th-century Mandan Indian -- Black Bull Medicine -- maliciously dropped into 21st-century North Dakota as a Black Angus bull calf.” Frederic Smith also wrote The Baggage Room (see The Good Stuff, August 2011, p. 28). For more information or to order a copy, visit the author's website. The book is also available online from Amazon.

The Ghosts of Devils Lake: True Stories from My Haunted Hometown ($11.99, 198 p., pbk.; $5.99, ebook) includes 60 accounts of mysterious things. Author Corrine Kenner grew up on a farm near Devils Lake and has penned more than a dozen books on the paranormal. She has a degree in Philosophy from California State University. Find out more at www.corrinekenner.com and www.ghostsofdevilslake.com. Kenner gave a presentation for North Dakota Chautauqua on July 2, 2014, in Devils Lake.

Because George Schubert wanted to know more about his family history and “wanted to chronicle what people went through back then, the hardships they faced,” he took on the task of digging into his own family background. Little did he know that it would turn into a 20-year research project, including finding and contacting family members and others who might be able to answer his many questions. The end result is a self-published book entitled A Child from the North Dakota Prairie. The book is available at the UND Bookstore and Ferguson Books & More! in Grand Forks. The author retired from UND after teaching speech pathology and audiology for almost 50 years.

August 15, 2014, is the release date for Ghosts of North Dakota: North Dakota's Ghost Towns and Abandoned Places, Volume 3 ($34.95, 110 p., hardcover). The Ghosts of North Dakota project is “an endeavour to photographically document the remains of North Dakota’s pioneer towns before they vanish to the ages.” North Dakota natives Troy Larson and Terry ‘Rat’ Hinnenkamp are partners in the effort. For complete information, visit the website at www.ghostsofnorthdakota.com/. All three volumes can be ordered online from the website, or from Amazon and Barnes and Noble, and are also available at local bookstores.

Fargo filmmaker Greg Carlson is one of 12 finalists in the 2014 International Documentary Challenge. His film, The Hammer and The Axe, premiered at Toronto’s Hot Docs fest in May and can be seen at www.theaudienceawards.com. The five-minute documentary follows apprentice Tim Jorgensen as he learns the blacksmithing trade and life lessons from Doug Swenson at Swenson’s forge north of Hawley, Minnesota. Carlson teaches filmmaking at Concordia College.

Hardship to Freedom: Ukrainian Immigrant Life in North Dakota ($25, DVD) is a documentary film about Ukrainian immigrants who homesteaded in western North Dakota. It premiered at Dickinson State University’s Beck Auditorium on July 18, 2014, as part of the Ukrainian Cultural Festival. It was directed and produced by Ken Howie, who graduated from Belfield High School and the Colorado Institute of Art. The DVD can be purchased through the Ukrainian Cultural Institute. For details, contact Agnes Palanuk (701-483-1486; uci@ndsupernet.com) at the Institute.
The North Star Chapter of Minnesota has released *Hollyhocks and Grasshoppers: Growing up German from Russia in America* ($12.95, 168 p., pbk.), an anthology of essays, stories, and poems from its members. The book includes some North Dakota stories, including Joan Froh’s account of her mother, who wrote for the *Ashley Tribune*; Dallas Zimmerman’s story about growing up on a farm in McIntosh County; and a story from Ashley native Penny Kramer Eberhart. NDSU Professor Tom Isern praised the book, saying, “There is no better expression of the collective memory of a memory group than this new book.” The North Star Chapter of Minnesota is an organization dedicated to the preservation of the Germans from Russia heritage. *Hollyhocks and Grasshoppers* can be purchased from the Chapter’s website as well as online from Amazon and Barnes and Noble.

**Hooked Like a Fish in Rio** (CD, $7; download, $1.98) is a two-track disc released by Penumbra, a Grand Forks band. Band members include Steven Rand, Jeffrey Anvinson, Ron Franz, and Steve Augustin. The group previously released an album, *Black Dog at Night*, and a single, *Snow Blowin’ Blues*. The newest release is available from a variety of places in Grand Forks, including Arioso Music Academy, Scott’s Music, Skip’s Budget Drug, UND Bookstore, and Hugo’s, as well as online from CD Baby, iTunes, and Amazon. For more information, visit Penumbra’s website at [www.penumbrajam.com/](http://www.penumbrajam.com/).

After several years away from the music business, DuWayne Heyd of Grand Forks has released a new country album, *I Love You Because* ($16-20, CD or download). The 13-track album is a collaboration with his wife, Rhonda, who sings and co-wrote some of the songs. Heyd released his first album, *There’s a Song in My Heart*, in 1997. His second album, *Goin’ Country Style*, was awarded “Country Album of the Year” in 1998 from Airplay International. Heyd’s song, “Your Jealousy,” was named “Country Song of the Year” in 2001 and was from the *Burning Bridges* album, which was awarded a Gold Album award that same year. When his first wife became ill, Heyd took a break from music to become a full-time caretaker and provider for his family. After she passed away in 2011, he met his second wife, Rhonda, and decided to write and perform again. For more information, visit [www.duwayneandrhondaheyd.com](http://www.duwayneandrhondaheyd.com).

Thanks to Mary J. Markland, SE Clinical Campus Librarian, UND School of Medicine & Health Sciences, for alerting us about a new web resource for North Dakota. *North Dakota Compass* “tracks social indicators that measure progress in our state by region, counties, reservations and larger cities. Compass tracks trends in topic areas such as children and youth, economy, health, housing, and workforce (with more currently being developed).” The website says: “North Dakota Compass is modeled after Minnesota Compass, an award-winning community indicators project led by Wilder Research. The North Dakota Compass project was developed in 2012 by The Center for Social Research at North Dakota State University and Wilder Research with generous funding from the Bush Foundation. As in Minnesota, many key stakeholders, content experts, and data users were consulted in determining topic areas, key measures, and resources to include on the site.” Check it out!


**Plant a Pocket of Prairie** ($14.95, 40 p., hardcover) by Minnesota author Phyllis Root teaches children about the endangered prairie ecosystem and encourages them to “plant a pocket of prairie” in their own backyards. While the focus is on the Minnesota prairie, the lessons apply to North Dakota prairiescapes as well. The book was published by the University of Minnesota Press. The *Publishers Weekly* review (January 27, 2014, p. 195) said, “In lilting, free-verse passages, [Root] lets kids know that even small plots of native plants can replicate prairie conditions …. [Betsy] Bowen’s woodblock illustrations lend the right low-tech, homemade feel to the pages.” The book is available in bookstores and from the University of Minnesota Press, Amazon, and Barnes and Noble.
Ranch hand, cowboy poet, and songwriter DW Groethe is a Williston native now living just across the state line in Bainville, Montana. His poems have been published in four chapbooks and five books, including his latest (2013), *Prairie Song: a Meander of Memory: New and Used Poems* ($18). To find out more about Groethe and order a copy of *Prairie Song* as well as his other books and CDs, visit www.cowboypoetry.com/dwgroethe.htm.


*Running with the Antelope: Life, Fitness, and Grit on the Northern Plains* ($29.95, 256 p., hardcover) is a memoir by world class athlete Melanie Carvell, who grew up in Mott in the 1970s. Carvell “learned to run on the northern Great Plains where the winters are long and harsh and the wind tests the human spirit.” She has competed and placed in world duathlon and triathlon competitions, and “attributes her national and international success to her agrarian roots and the challenge of biking, running, and swimming in one of the most formidable landscapes of America. Her motivational philosophy is, “If I can do these things, given the modesty of my upbringing and the harshness of the Dakota climate, so can you.” Carvell is a registered physical therapist and the director of the Sanford Women’s Health Center in Bismarck. *Running with the Antelope* was published by The Dakota Institute. Clay S. Jenkinson wrote the foreword for the book.

*Since We Told the Truth* ($19.95, pbk.; $9.99, ebook) is the sequel to a book by nine former members of Hutterite colonies in North Dakota and Manitoba that was released last year, *Hutterites: Our Story to Freedom*. In their second book, “The Nine answer many of the questions raised by the readers of *Hutterites* and then boldly step beyond their life as Hutterites to bring a national perspective to their story.” For more information about the books and The Nine, visit their website. The books are available from local booksellers and online from The Nine website, Amazon, and Barnes and Noble.

Hazen native Rebecca Melland-Kuo has penned her first novel, *Sitka’s Mirror: a Journey to World War II* ($17.95, 168 p., pbk.). The book is based on actual events as told by the author’s grandfather, Clarence Melland, who grew up on a North Dakota farm. In 1940, at the age of 19, he headed to Sitka, Alaska, a place he called the last real frontier. After joining the Navy in 1942 and serving during World War II, he returned to North Dakota. A book signing reception was held on July 9, 2014, at the Hazen Public Library. The author earned an undergraduate degree from NDSU and a PhD in genetics from the University of North Dakota. *Sitka’s Mirror* is available online from Amazon and Mayhaven Publishing.

Hebron native Gwen Sebastian got the attention of the nation when she appeared on the second season of *The Voice*. Sebastian recently released a new single called *Small Town Soul*. She also has several CDs and singles to her credit; among them are *Gwen Sebastian* ($10, CD), *Annie’s New Gun* ($9.99, download), *V.I.P. Barefoot Girl* ($8, CD), *Invitation* ($10, CD), and *Christmas in July* ($10, CD). A DVD entitled *Live in Nashville* ($25) is also available. To find out more about the singer and purchase her music, visit www.gwensebastian.com/.

Two romance novels, *Twisted Engagement* and *Loving*, have been penned and self-published by Sandi K. Whipple of Berthold. The books were published through CreateSpace. Copies are also being sold at Main Street Books in Minot and are available online from Amazon and Barnes and Noble. You can also find more information at the author’s website, www.sandikwhipple.com. Whipple is now working on a third romance called *Dancing with a Cowboy*.
The official release date for Victory, a six-song extended play album by Tigirlily, is August 18, 2014. For those who can’t wait, it is available for purchase on iTunes ($3.99) now. Sisters Kendra and Krista Slaubaugh of Hazen are Tigirlily. Another album, A Good Place to Start, and several singles are also available for download from their website and iTunes. For more information, visit the website at www.tigirlily.com.

Watford City was the place to be from June 26-29, 2014, for a celebration of the town’s 100th birthday. As part of the celebration, Watford City, North Dakota: Celebrating 100 Years ($125) was published. The book features 500+ plus pages of information about Watford City’s history, including stories about families, businesses, and organizations. You can peek inside the book via the centennial website at www.watfordcitycentennial.com/Merchandise.aspx and also place an order online. A Taste of History: a Collection of Recipes ($25) is also available via the website. It includes more than 700 recipes and bits (bites?) of historical information. A 50-minute documentary film, Cowboys and Crude: the McKenzie County Story, was shown at the 6 Shooters’ Showhall & Café during the Centennial celebration. The documentary was organized by Vawnita Best, who ranches in the area, and produced by Cody Shimek, who also did the film, Small Town Soldiers, in 2009. At this writing, Cowboys and Crude is not available for sale, but I will keep watching for it and let you know when/if it becomes available.

To watch for …

Fractured Media from Billings, Montana, is funding a documentary project on the Bakken oil boom through a Kickstarter campaign. The High Plains Heritage Project will document “the changing social and cultural landscape of eastern Montana and western North Dakota.” Find out more at www.kickstarter.com/projects/fractured/high-plains-heritage-project.

Kat Perkins, a Scranton native who had a long run on NBC’s “The Voice” earlier this year, is working on an album. To keep up with Kat, check out her website or follow her on Twitter.

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The **Friends of the Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library** started a Little Free Library campaign this summer. The Friends sought applications from Bismarck residents who wanted to give a Little Free Library a home in their front yard. Ten homeowners were selected based on why they wanted to become a caretaker of a Little Free Library as well as by location to ensure the libraries were spread throughout the community. Homeowners agreed to keep the Little Free Library “stocked with great reads for all ages, ensure it is posted in an accessible location, and keep the Little Free Library in good repair.” Sponsors, who gave a one-time $750 donation, were secured for each library and were recognized with a plaque on each little library. The Bismarck Public Library provided used books to get things started. The campaign was organized by Friends board member Beth Schatz-Kaylor. Some community events are also being planned to celebrate the Little Free Libraries this fall. For more details, visit the website.

On July 22, 2014, readers of all ages were invited to a discussion of *The Giver* by Lois Lowry at the Bismarck Public Library. Lowry’s book won the 1994 Newbery Medal. Two lucky winners also received a pair of tickets for the film version of the book, which will be released on August 15. In 2012, for its One Book, One Community project, the Fargo, West Fargo, and Moorhead public libraries also chose *The Giver*.

Celtic fingerstyle guitarist Jerry Barlow gave several concerts at North Dakota venues, including libraries, during July 2014. He appeared at the Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library (July 15), Minot Public Library (July 22), Bottineau County Public Library (July 23), and Fargo Public Library (July 24). The concerts were free and open to the public.

*Orphan Train* by Christina Baker Kline is the 2014 choice for the One Book, One Community project. Since 2012, the Fargo Public Library, West Fargo Public Library, and Lake Agassiz Regional Library (Moorhead, MN) have teamed up “to promote one book that the entire community reads together …” Moorhead Community Education is also a partner this year. The website will give you all the details about this year’s events and plans.

The Finley Public Library held a “Guess the number of books we have in our inventory and on our website” contest. Creta Moe was the lucky winner of a $20 gift certificate to The Press Box in Finley.

It was a Saturday afternoon at the Grand Forks Public Library and patrons were involved in their own...
business when Batman swooped in to dazzle the imagination and keep those pesky villains in check! Saturday, July 26th, was “Batman Day” at the Grand Forks Public Library, and featured Batman crafts, movies all day, and a visit from the Dark Knight himself. There were plenty of costumed villains and pint-sized caped crusaders in the mix as well!

The Griggs County Library is getting a bit of a facelift. New energy efficient front windows were installed, the west door will be replaced, and a new book drop is being installed. The book drop has three labeled sections to keep materials separate and prevent heavy books from being dropped on top of DVDs and other fragile materials.

Leach Public Library in Wahpeton unveiled its new Early Literacy Station in July. The station, created by AWE (Advanced Workstations in Education), is a touch-screen computer loaded with educational software that meets state and Common Core standards from around the country. There is no Internet access on the station, but there are 70+ programs to keep kids engaged and learning. The Friends of the Leach Public Library provided funding for the literacy station.

The book choice for the 2014 VCSU (Valley City State University) Common Reading Program is Quiet: the Power of Introverts in a World that Can’t Stop Talking by Susan Cain. Interested community members were invited to read the book and attend a panel discussion at the Vault Coffee Shop on August 7, 2014. The Common Reading Program is in its second year and was founded by a campus-community group called “What in the World is Going On?” The group is sponsored by VCSU’s Division of Communication Arts & Social Science and its purpose is to address issues of local, national, and international importance. The 2013 book selection was The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot. For more information, visit the group’s Facebook page or call 701-845-7321.

Half a world away …

Jessica Fisher, a Dickinson native and Peace Corps volunteer, wants to create a school library for the school where she teaches English in Venda, South Africa. A book drive is underway and is being coordinated through the African Library Project. To find out more about Jessica’s particular project and how you can help, visit Jessica’s South African Book Drive.

Summer Reading Programs

Through CLSP (Collaborative Summer Library Program), North Dakota kids were engaged and reading all summer long. Public libraries throughout the state participated in the program and each library hosted activities and events uniquely tailored to its own community. The 2014 theme, Fizz, Boom, Read, lent itself to all kinds of science-related fun.

The Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) began in 1987 with ten Minnesota regional library systems and has grown into a multi-state collaborative effort. It aims to “provide high-quality summer reading program materials for children, teens, and adults at the lowest cost possible for their public libraries.”

The theme for the 2015 children’s summer reading program has already been selected -- Every Hero Has a Story. Really, it’s not too soon to start thinking about how to implement that theme in your library next summer!
Here is a small sampling of summer reading activities in the state’s libraries this year:

As part of the Teen Summer Reading Program, Bismarck and Morton Mandan Public Libraries are sponsoring their sixth annual Teen Summer Photography Contest. Area photographers, grades 6-12, who hold a library card and are in good standing, are invited to enter up to two photos in the contest. The photos must illustrate this year’s summer reading theme, “Spark a Reaction.” The entry deadline is August 29 and winners will be announced in October. All photos will be on display at both libraries throughout the year.

Arch Ellwein visited the Bottineau County Public Library on June 25, 2014, and the Minot Public Library on July 16, entertaining kids with his “Believe It or Not. It’s Science” program. When Ellwein visited the Lake Region Public Library in Devils Lake on June 26, he did his science program in the afternoon, as well as an evening performance for kids of all ages, as Sgt. John Ordway of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. Ellwein’s visit to Devils Lake was made possible through a grant from the Arts Council of the Lake Region.

Kids of all ages were invited to the Fargo Public Library for its 2nd annual worm races on July 8, 2014. The event was part of the “Fizz, Boom, Read” summer reading program. Worms were provided!

Summer readers at the Valley City Barnes County Public Library had a chance to get a yard sign this year. Kids who completed their summer reading received a completion certificate as well as a yard sign that said, “A Library Reading Champion Lives Here! Valley City Barnes County Public Library.” Very cool!

This collage of photos from the Grand Forks Public Library is a representative illustration of the fun of summer reading throughout the state.
TREASURER'S REPORT
As of June 30, 2014 (End of 2nd Quarter)
By Michael Safratowich, NDLA Treasurer
Editor's note: Approved by electronic vote of the Executive Board on July 2, 2014

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__ $20.00 Student (for persons enrolled in a library school program (3-year limit))
__ $20.00 Trustee (for library board members)
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$_________ Institutional Membership Dues (does not include personal memberships)

__ $50.00 Up to 3 FTE staff (one person from library's staff may register at conference member rate)
__ $100.00 4-9 FTE staff (two persons from library's staff may register at conference member rate)
__ $150.00 10 or more FTE staff (three persons from library's staff may register at conference member rate)

$_________ Donation to the Professional Development Grant Fund*

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* A receipt will be mailed to you indicating the amount of any donations. Thank you!

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