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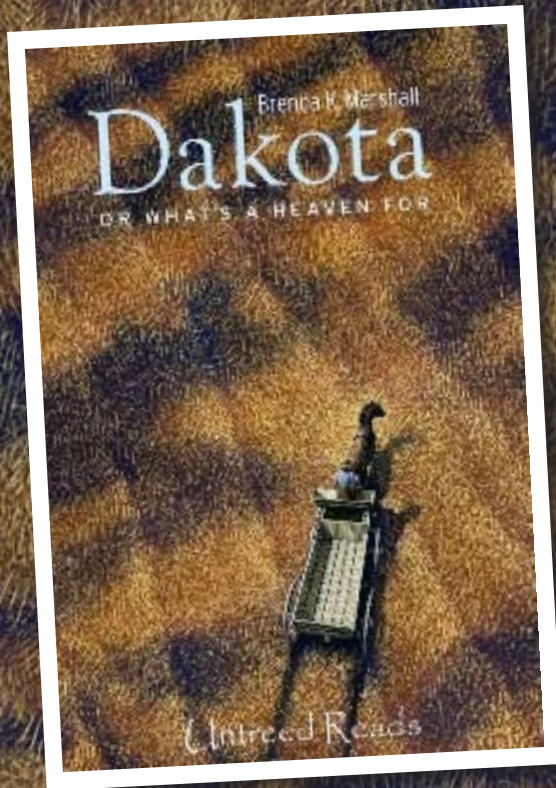
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President's Message

BY RITA ENNEN, NDLA PRESIDENT

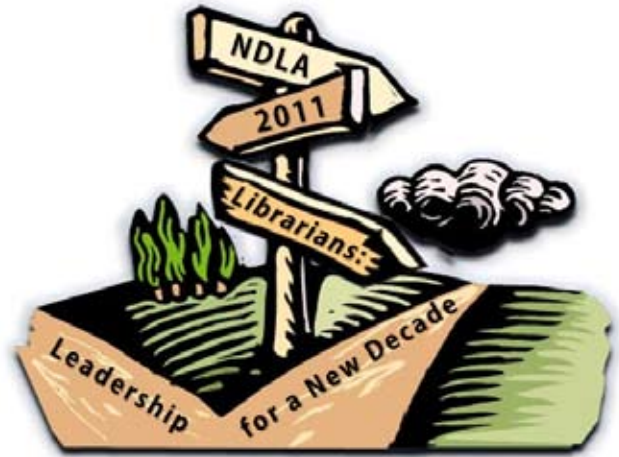


Summer is finally here! (I hope that is true by the time you read this.) Summer programming is under way and we are all as busy as bees in keeping with the season. I know many of us are coming to the change in the fiscal year and the data gathering that

goes with it. I hope you will have the opportunity to reflect on what this tells you about your services, and that you will find many reasons to celebrate as well as some things to spur you to make changes or try something different.

Last November, Eileen Kopren, Assistant Director/Head of Public Services at Stoxen Library at Dickinson State University, and I attended an ACRL immersion program on assessment. If you ever have a chance to attend an immersion program, take it. It is a very intense and dynamic way to set aside time to focus on an issue. I am still working on processing all of the information we received, but we have already made some changes to our library instruction program based on what we learned. The immersion program has also made me think about how we can intentionally improve our services as a whole.

As librarians, we have and report all kinds of statistical data. We take surveys and use many methods to try to determine how patrons feel about the services we provide. But what do we do with all of that? As I write this, I am preparing a survey that we do every two or three years as a way to get regular feedback about our services. I find myself thinking, "Have I really designed this tool to find out what we can be doing better, or am I just hoping to hear that everyone thinks we're great?" I know that we need to learn both what we do well and what we can do to continue to improve our services. What do you think?



I hope you will start planning now to be at our annual conference at the Grand International Inn in Minot, September 21-24. This year's theme is "Librarians: Leadership for a New Decade." Kostas Voutsas, who teaches on leadership, ethics, and intercultural communications, will give one of the pre-conference workshops. I have attended a couple of his workshops in the past and I know we will learn a lot from a truly exceptional speaker. You'll find more information about the conference in this issue of *The Good Stuff* as well as on the conference website (www.ndla.info/Conference/11conf.htm). We're going to have a great time in Minot!

Please also take time to read the executive board reports and minutes on the NDLA website. This is one of the ways in which you can "keep tabs" on what your elected officers are doing. For example, we had an extended discussion at our March Executive Board meeting regarding candidates for office that was spurred in part by a member question. Please forward your questions and concerns to any member of the board. It is important for us to hear from the members if we are to work well for you.

I wish each of you a wonderful summer and look forward to seeing you in Minot.

Director's Corner

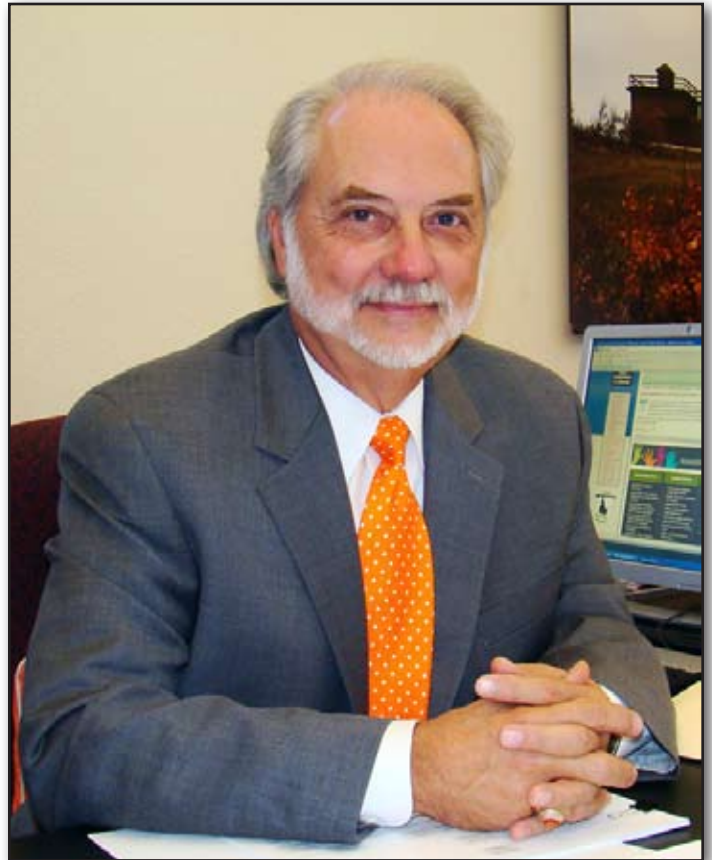
BY CARRIE SCARR, EDITORIAL COMMITTEE MEMBER

Hulen Bivins is the new North Dakota State Librarian. He took over the reins at the State Library in December, replacing Doris Ott, who retired in November. Bivins was attracted to the State Librarian position because state librarians are in a unique position to decide library policy. Bivins holds degrees in history, library science, and law, and says his law degree is beneficial in understanding state and federal legislation. He predicts that the library profession will see more librarians with law degrees and MBAs in the future.

While Bivins is from Alabama, he is no stranger to snow. As a member of the Montgomery Ski Club, he and 40 or 50 other members would brave the cold and snow for ten days each winter. Still, Bivins wasn't sure if he could survive a North Dakota winter and was comforted when State Library staff told him this last year was the snowiest December and the coldest January on record.

Bivins has noticed some differences between North Dakota and Alabama. One of the major differences is that Alabama's state library agency only has jurisdiction over its public libraries, while North Dakota has a legal basis for work with school, university, and public libraries. Alabama's state library has a mentor role with non-public libraries to encourage a cooperative collaboration of all types of libraries for common goals, programs, and services. One of Bivins' greatest challenges has been understanding and working within the rules and procedures of the North Dakota Legislature. In Alabama, he was able to personally interact, both formally and casually, with legislative members, but in North Dakota, protocol and rules dictate that he communicate through precise channels.

Bivins told about one interesting legal/censorship situation that happened in 2008 when he was the Assistant Director at the Alabama Public Library



Hulen Bivins

Service. A male patron at the Ragland Public Library was taking an online health course, which required him to view male reproductive organs in order to obtain his nursing technician certificate. A female patron saw the male patron's computer monitor and informed the local sheriff about what she saw on the screen. The sheriff, without notice, confiscated the computer and took it to the police station. A major conflict quickly developed in the small town of Ragland regarding community standards (as interpreted by the Sheriff) and library censorship. The female patron filed charges against the male patron, which increased the tension. Eventually, the charges were dropped.

In the end, the library's computer was returned within 24 hours. Legally, law enforcement

could make a copy of the hard drive or take the hard drive (if another hard drive was used to replace the one that was removed), but could not remove a computer from the library without a court-ordered subpoena. It should be noted that the library had filtering software, although the software didn't place a block on the information that the male patron was accessing. Bivins says filtering may be set at different levels and that the level selected is a local option that should be based on community standards. Many libraries use filtering software in order to qualify for e-rate funding. Filtering is a tradeoff where libraries take federal dollars and, in turn, must abide by federal regulations.

During his tenure as State Librarian, Bivins plans to work to increase both public library hours and library employee wages. He believes that by accomplishing both of these goals, the result will be stronger libraries with dedicated and concerned library employees – a winning result for North Dakota's citizens and for the state's continued economic growth.

Bivins is an avid reader. At this writing, he was reading *The Judas Strain* by James Rollins, and *The Disappearing Spoon: And Other True Tales of Madness, Love, and the History of the World from the Periodic Table of Elements* by Sam Kean. He also enjoyed golf and gardening when he was in Alabama, but isn't sure if he will fill his spare time in North Dakota in the same way.

If you're heading to the NDLA conference in Minot this fall, be sure to look for Bivins. While he didn't take any road trips during the winter months, he's looking forward to doing so this spring and summer and getting to know librarians from around the state. If you need a conversation starter, ask him how he likes his oysters prepared. Bivins says Gulf oysters are what he misses most about Alabama.

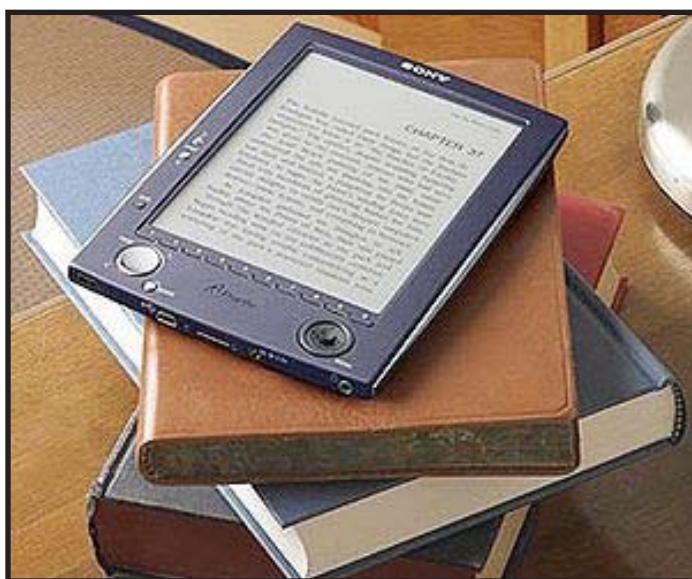


Membership Report

(as of June 3, 2011)

Compiled by Kathy Thomas
Membership Chair

Academic & Special Libraries Section	76
Health Sciences Information Section	25
Public Library Section	119
School Library & Youth Services Section	79
Archives/Records Management Roundtable	14
Government Documents Roundtable	30
New Members Roundtable	24
Technical Services Roundtable	40
Associate members	6
Institutional members	10
Student members	3
Trustees	32
New members	20
Total members	282



Make Your Vote Count!

What You Need to Know about NDLA Electronic Voting

BY SANDI BATES, 2009-10 NOMINATIONS, ELECTIONS & VOTING COMMITTEE CHAIR, AND LAURIE MCHENRY, PAST PRESIDENT

Editor's note: This article originally ran in the December 2010 issue. We are running it again to help ensure that NDLA members are informed about the changes to the election process.

Background

At the 2010 annual NDLA conference, the membership approved the NDLA Constitution and Bylaws changes necessary for our organization to conduct business online through a survey tool. The procedural changes were requested to be more environmentally friendly, to be good stewards with membership dues, and to provide a way to conduct business that does not require waiting for the annual conference. Voting and discussion online are new options that technology has made available.

Email Address

Our new format for conducting business **requires** that those who wish to participate in online discussions and voting have an email address. This may sound basic, but not all NDLA members have an email address, or do not have one registered with NDLA as part of their membership profile. NDLA will **not** mail paper ballots. The only time paper balloting may be used will be at annual conference meetings and only if a paper ballot is deemed necessary at that time.

Email addresses are free. If you need assistance obtaining an email address, we suggest you visit your local library and ask the librarians for help.

NDLA has a policy that prevents the sharing or otherwise distributing of email addresses.

SurveyMonkey

Currently, the Nominations, Elections and Voting Committee uses SurveyMonkey (www.surveymonkey.com/) as the voting instrument. There are some



peculiarities with the SurveyMonkey tool that members need to understand.

At the end of each survey or ballot, as a requirement of SurveyMonkey, a message appears that asks if the person using the ballot would like to "Opt Out." If you choose to opt out, YOU WILL NOT BE CONTACTED TO VOTE IN ANY FURTHER (OR FUTURE) ELECTIONS OR TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY FUTURE SURVEYS.

To: mchenry@law.und.edu
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Here is a link to the survey:
<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx>

This link is uniquely tied to this survey and your email address. Please do not forward this message.

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<http://www.surveymonkey.com/optout.aspx>

"Opt Out" is controlled by you. If you opt out and then decide you want to enter back into the NDLA voting process, you must go to the SurveyMonkey home page (www.surveymonkey.com) and opt back in (scroll to the very bottom of the page; in the fine print, select EMail Opt-Out, currently, the last selection in a shaded area). Enter your email address to begin receiving ballots and surveys again. NOTE: If you have opted out from SurveyMonkey from any other organization using the same email address, you will also be blocked from receiving NDLA ballots and surveys.

In order to abstain from a vote, do not Opt Out. Rather, choose the "Abstain" selection on the ballot or survey to voice that opinion.

Prior to each vote, you should receive an email telling you to expect a ballot within the next 48 hours. The subject line will be North Dakota Library Association Ballot. The ballot should come on a Tuesday or Wednesday. Please check your spam, junk, or quarantined mail before contacting the Survey Administrator to notify her/him if you did not receive a ballot.

PLAY! Just Press

By SHARI MOSSER, INTERLIBRARY LOAN, STATE LIBRARY,
FOR THE INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM COMMITTEE

Video games can be a great source of entertainment and learning for all of your patrons. That is why many libraries are beginning to bring video games into their collections.

Games have evolved beyond a ball and two paddles. Many games include social and interactive aspects like chat or online competitions. Others can be expanded or altered by downloading player-created content. Video games are under scrutiny around the country as some parents and special interest groups raise concerns about game content. Some groups have called for laws regulating access to games based on their topics and themes; others advocate for an outright ban on violent games. Several states have tried passing laws restricting access to violent video games, but every such law has been invalidated by the courts under the First Amendment.

Your library needs to be informed about the content in video games to make informed purchasing decisions for your library and to give accurate advice to anyone wishing to play a video game. That is where the nonprofit ESRB (Entertainment Software Rating Board) can help.

ESRB Rating Symbols



Taken from ESRB (www.esrb.org/ratings/faq.jsp)

ESRB ratings have two equal parts: rating symbols and content descriptors. Rating symbols appear on the front of the video game and suggest age appropriateness for the game. They also appear on the back along with content descriptors that indicate elements in a game that may have triggered a particular rating and/or may be of interest or concern. These descriptors warn about violence, sexual or suggestive material, strong language, use or depiction of drugs, alcohol and tobacco, as well as gambling in the game. Each ESRB rating is based on the consensus of at least three specially trained adult raters who typically have experience with children through prior work experience, education, or by being parents or caregivers themselves. To eliminate the risk of outside or industry influence, the identities of ESRB raters are kept confidential, and they are not permitted to have any ties to or connections with any individuals or entities in the computer/video game industry.

Here are some additional resources for librarians seeking more details or different perspectives about video games:

- YALSA (Young Adult Library Services Association) www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/yalsa/yalsa.cfm
- GamerDad www.gamingwithchildren.com/
- X-play www.g4tv.com/games/xplay/
- GameSpot www.gamespot.com
- Children's Technology Review www.childrensoftware.com

people Stuff

Compiled by Marlene Anderson, Editorial Committee Member

Vicky Harmel is the new Assistant Director at the Heart of America Library in Rugby. She replaced **Dianne Tuff**, who retired the first of the year.

Kristi D. Harms began as the new Director of the Bismarck Public Library on June 1, 2011, after serving as Director at the Jefferson County Public Library in Madison, Indiana. She is a Minnesota native and holds a master's degree in library science and information from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Welcome to North Dakota, Kristi!

Thomas T. Jones, Director of Bismarck Public Library, was honored at a retirement reception on May 31, 2011. Tom served as Director of the Bismarck Public Library for 35 years and was instrumental in multiple projects, including tripling the size of the library from 17,000 square feet to over 70,000 square feet launching a million dollar endowment campaign through the Library Foundation, constructing a full-service coffee shop in the library with private donor funds, and renovating the Children's Library. He also served as NDLA President from 1979-1981 and was honored as NDLA's Librarian of the Year in 1999. During his career, Tom developed and sponsored a successful legislative initiative to establish a state aid formula for public libraries and also worked to create the Central Dakota Library Network, a consortium which now spans five counties with an integrated library system containing 560,000+ items. Tom's dedication and vision changed the landscape of librarianship and service within the community of Bismarck as well as the entire state. Best wishes for your retirement, Tom. You will be missed!



Samantha Lind is the new director of the Garrison Public Library. She replaces longtime director **Michelle Gehring**. An appreciation open

house was held at the Library in honor of Gehring on April 13, 2011.

Congratulations to **Ann Pederson**, Medical Librarian at the Altru Health System's Medical Library in Grand Forks. Ann was recently elected to a three-year term as an OCLC Americas Regional Council (ARC) Delegate to the OCLC Global Council. As such, she will represent the interests of OCLC members in the Americas and, in particular, those of us in the Minitex region, to the OCLC global governance body. Ann joins **Wilbur Stolt**, Director of Libraries at the University of North Dakota, on OCLC's ARC. If you have questions or comments about OCLC for Ann, she can be reached at (701) 780-5187 or apederson@altru.org. For more information on the Global Council and the recent election, see: www.oclc.org/us/en/councils/americas/default.htm

Kathy J. Zaste resigned as library director at Turtle Mountain Community College and has taken a new position.

An Invitation ...

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A Look at NDLA's Executive Board: New Members Roundtable

BY LAURA TRUDE, NMRT CHAIR

Coming into my position as the New Members Roundtable (NMRT) Chair, I didn't know what to expect. I had recently graduated from a library science program when I started my first professional job in North Dakota. I joined the North Dakota Library Association (NDLA) at the suggestion of one of my colleagues and received permission and funding from my supervisor to attend the NDLA conference in 2009. It was at that conference that I was asked to serve as Chair-elect for NMRT. "Sure," I said, having no idea what I was getting into, but eager to be involved in my profession.

Once I began my term as chair in fall 2010, the previous chair handed me a large binder of meeting minutes and other records related to NMRT. In most sections, the secretary would handle the binder, but we did not have a secretary last year and will likely be eliminating the position in favor of selecting someone at each annual meeting to take minutes instead. E-mails from other executive board members and the NMRT policy handbooks and bylaws guided me in my new responsibilities.

My first duty was to review the handbook and bylaws and forward any suggestions for changes to the Constitution, Bylaws and Policies Committee. Since we had decided to eliminate the position of secretary at our annual NMRT meeting, I identified

the relevant clauses in the policies and handbook and forwarded the recommended changes to the committee. Next, the Executive Board wanted me to submit a budget request to the Finance Committee. I had no idea what I would need money for, but learned from the handbook that NMRT awards two \$100 Grassroots Grants for people to attend the NDLA conference, gives a plaque as part of the Friendly Booth Award at the annual conference, and reimburses the NMRT chair certain travel expenses for NDLA board meetings if the employer does not cover them.

As of this writing, I have attended two board meetings, one in Jamestown and one using video conferencing. The Jamestown meeting was quite fun as a big group of us piled in a van from Grand Forks and drove for three hours. This gave me a chance to really get to know my colleagues better. The meeting was also interesting as we discussed issues like hiring a lobbyist and I was also able to present my ideas for improving our Association. I learned a lot and felt like I could really contribute to my profession and be a part of it.

I also submit quarterly reports for each board meeting. From past examples on the NDLA website under "Meeting Reports," I found these reports summarized what I had done since the last meeting in my capacity as chair. For the Grassroots Grant, the editor of *The Good Stuff* asked me submit a short piece advertising the award. Later, I will send an e-mail to North Dakota libraries asking them to post an advertisement for it. Next on my list is to find people interested in serving as 2012 Chair-elect and to put together a conference program. I have already solicited ideas for the conference program, so I need to choose one and find someone to speak about it.

For the rest of my term, I will attend a few more board meetings, help select the Grassroots Grant and the Friendly Booth Award winners, conduct the NMRT annual business meeting at the fall conference, and put together a social for new members attending the conference. I look forward to helping set the direction of our state professional association and hope you will also take advantage of this opportunity to get to know other professionals in the state and influence the profession.



A Look at NDLA's Executive Board: Meet Your ALA Councilor

By **SHELBY E. HARKEN,**
NORTH DAKOTA CHAPTER COUNCILOR

The NDLA ALA Councilor is properly known as the North Dakota Chapter Councilor and serves on the ALA Council. The ALA Council is comprised of elected members-at-large, representatives appointed from sections and roundtables, and chapter councilors (one from each state). The work of the ALA Council and the councilors is to make libraries more visible, demonstrate the need for libraries, promote professional development, protect readers' rights and intellectual freedom, and promote funding for libraries.

ALA Council is ALA's legislative body and resolutions it passes drive the policies carried out by various ALA offices or letters sent to Congress in support of U.S. law. In some cases, the Council's decisions control the direction of lobbying efforts or public statements by ALA or its President concerning issues such as cuts in spending for libraries or restrictions on access to library resources or public documents.

In my role as North Dakota's Chapter Councilor, I attend three required Council sessions and the Chapter Councilor's meeting. In addition, I attend ALA membership meetings to hear reports on finances, budgets, etc.; attend a meeting where candidates for President-elect and the

Executive Board give their campaign speeches; and attend a general membership meeting where current topics are discussed. I have made a few comments at those sessions and I vote in the Executive Board election at the second Council meeting. I also attend the American Library Association-Allied Professional Association meetings (ALA-APA). ALA-APA serves as a resource to both staff and employers for research, activities, and understanding in the areas of better salaries, comparable worth, pay equity, and similar programs related to the status of all library employees. There are two forums held in the late evenings between Council sessions where wording of resolutions is hammered out. I attend at least one of the two Chapter Relations Committee meetings (this is an ALA committee focused on how ALA should assist the work of chapters, but is not comprised of councilors). Councilors are invited to a member reception the night before Council begins and the President's reception after the President's Program. Hence, there are 25 hours of meetings at ALA related to Council. Councilors may also sign up for a leadership session for a fee at the beginning of the conference. Unless I have a conflicting committee meeting, I try to attend all Council activities and represent NDLA in the discussion and votes taken.

It takes several meetings to understand how Council and the adjunct groups work. Many of the councilors-at-large have served for many years, whereas chapter councilors have term limits. This creates a good mix of organizational memory and new ideas. Council members are given a large number of documents to read before each Council session and also do additional work between council meetings via listservs. Additionally, local issues can be publicized to gain large support, e.g., campaigns to fight a loss in funding for a state's library budget.

Another part of my role as Chapter Councilor is sending announcements to the NDLA listserv, posting longer documents on NDLA's ALA Councilor blog, and reporting on the activities of ALA Annual and Midwinter meetings, which are included in the quarterly reports posted on the NDLA web page.

Librarians: Leadership for a New Decade NDLA Annual Conference



BY PHYLLIS BRATTON, CONFERENCE CHAIR

It's all about leadership!

- ✓ Save the dates: September 21-24, 2011
- ✓ Save the place: Grand International Inn, Minot
- ✓ Save your feet: Wear the traditional librarian-ish "comfortable (AKA sensible) shoes" because you're going to want to make it to as many sessions as possible.

The 2011 conference theme is "Librarians: Leadership for a New Decade." The program is in the planning stages; here is a snapshot of some of the things ahead:

- **Leadership Track** – We'll start with a pre-conference workshop by Kostas Voutsas on leading an organization through generational differences, improving communication in the workplace, and developing efficient practices to save time and money. This will be interactive with group discussions, so bring your problems along and get them solved. (Kostas is also VERY funny; come prepared to laugh!)
- **Continuing Education Track** – School library media specialists can earn up to two CE credits while having a great time with other school librarians.
- **Conference Book Club** - Discuss *Dakota, or What's a Heaven For?* with author Brenda K. Marshall. Be sure to buy the book (or borrow your library's copy, of course), read it over the summer, and come prepared to get it autographed while you talk over the themes with the author.
- **Lots of Other Stuff** - E-reader panel on different e-book technologies and OverDrive; programs offered by NDLA sections and roundtables; a post-conference; and more.

Last, but not least, do think about a session that YOU want to offer to the membership at the conference. This is your chance to let others know what you have learned, what you have accomplished, how you have changed your library for the better, and to share insights about our profession. The program proposal form is available on the conference website at www.ndla.info/Conference/11conf.htm. Come and share with us.

See you in September!

Legislative Day at the Capitol

On February 9, 2011, NDLA had a Legislative Day booth at the State Capitol. NDLA members who volunteered to staff the booth and promote all types of North Dakota libraries included Kelly Steckler, NDLA's Legislative Chair; Mark Holman, Charlene Weis, Tom Jones, Valerie Albrecht, and Cathy Langemo. These members shared information about libraries with those who stopped by the booth and answered questions about e-readers, cost and justification of building projects, story time activities, Internet usage, etc.



Individual Professional Development Grants Available from MPLA

By ERIC STROSHANE, MPLA REPRESENTATIVE

First, I want to say that I hope everyone who had the opportunity to attend the recent joint Montana Library Association/Mountain Plains Library Association conference in Billings had a wonderful and highly informative time. I will be reporting on the conference in the August issue of *The Good Stuff*.

Next, I want to remind MPLA members that there are professional grants available to you. Yes, there is money out there for librarians! What are grants awarded for? A number of things, including:

- Formal course work leading to an advanced degree in library science or a related discipline
- Formal course work not leading to an advanced degree, but directly related to your library position
- Attendance as a participant or presenter at a library or scholarly workshop, seminar, or conference (including the MPLA annual conference)
- Visits to another library to receive or provide significant advanced training in library services or procedures
- Library-related research projects

How much money is available? There are two levels of individual professional development grants: mini-grants (up to \$150) for projects requiring minimal financial support, and regular grants (up to \$600) for projects requiring substantial financial support.

Some restrictions do apply:

- You must live in the MPLA region
- You must be an MPLA member and have been a member for at least one calendar year for a mini-grant or two calendar years for a regular grant
- You must work in a library, hold a position or office associated with a library, or be a student accepted in an advanced degree program in library science or a related discipline
- You cannot have received a professional development grant from MPLA within the past three years

Three grant application deadlines remain in 2011: August 3, October 5, and December 7. To apply or get more information, visit the MPLA website at www.mpla.us (Choose Grants).



Save the Statistical Abstract

One day in third grade, my elementary school librarian encouraged me to read yet another Boxcar Children book. I flat out refused. I was getting older and growing up, but after a million summers spent with their grandfather, Mr. Alden, they never had. This particular day, I wanted something different. "No, Mrs. Nelson," I said, "I want to know where the REAL books are."



Many librarians and information specialists find their way to this profession from a similar search for personal truth and a dire need to make sense of the world around them. Even as a precocious nine-year-old, somehow I knew that facts, tables, sources, and citations were the basis of the "Knowledge is Power" commercials on TV. Welcome to the reference section!

One of the most easily accessible, understandable, quotable, and revered tomes in the reference section is *The Statistical Abstract of the United States*. An unassuming volume, it is sometimes hardbound to guard against rigorous usage, and usually sits in the general vicinity of C 3.134; if you use the Superintendent of Government Document Classification system. If not, catalogers, do what thou wilt. Its sources are numerous, sometimes unfathomable, and most of the time un-findable from any other source out there.


The Statistical Abstract has been published since 1878 -- only a scant 14 years after the U.S. Government Printing Office itself was created. It is a very useful tool. For example, if your mother-in-law starts ranting about how dangerous riding your motorcycle is, you can say, "In table 1069 in the *Statistical Abstract of the United States*, it states that in 2007 the National Highway and Traffic Safety Administration only recorded 4,973 motorcycle related fatalities, but for that

same timespan, they recorded 16,520 occupants were killed in passenger car accidents." It is a very special tool. Priceless, really. You can also wow your friends with random facts like, "Did you know that the *Statistical Abstract of the United States* recorded over 8,851 total deaths of passengers and over 12,567 crew deaths on the Atlantic/Pacific coasts the year the Titanic sank, i.e., 1912?" Or, entertain yourself during a really long and annoying delay at La Guardia Airport in New York by noting that table 1044 states that, "In the fourth quarter of 2008, the average number of on-time departures for this airport was 81.3%." Of course, your flights are somehow always in the other 18.7%. Suspicious? We think so, too.

Although we have begun to feel the tremors and shifts of change under our collectively firmly-footnoted feet, let us not forget that innocent thirst for knowledge and precociousness that drove us to this profession. Libraries, literature, and free information advocacy are paramount even in this age of wielding Occam's razor due to budget cuts.

I encourage all librarians to rise up to the challenge to save *The Statistical Abstract of the United States* and its C 3.134:-classed cousins authored by the Commerce Department's Statistical Compendia Branch. The 2012 budget, as it currently stands, does not include funding for the Statistical Compendia Branch, and it would be a grave mistake to allow the elimination of our Government's support of these resources.

The Statistical Abstract of the United States, State and Metropolitan Area Data Book, County and City Data Book, USA Counties, and the State and County Quick Facts are invaluable to library and information professionals as well as students, faculty, staff, citizens of the United States, and the patrons of the world. Contact your U.S. Senators and Representatives today!



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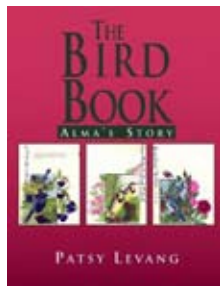
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Gerald (Ger) Medenwald of Manvel, North Dakota, began writing short stories in college, put his pen down for 35 years, then picked it up again about ten years ago. In *Beauty Tips for the Dead* (\$18, 350 p.) his first published book, he writes: "Creativity, intelligence, ambition, determination and a bottomless cauldron of uncensored ideas – David and Jonathan have it all. They're marketing geniuses. But when David kidnaps the senator's son ... even Jonathan begins to accept that perhaps, just possibly, they may have stepped over a line." For more information about the book and the author, visit the website at <http://riverratpress.com>.



The Bird Book: Alma's Story (\$101.99, softcover; \$111.99, hardcover, 204 p.) by **Patsy Levang** of Keene, North Dakota, is something special. Alma, who worked on the book from 1960-1980 and died in 1986, was a woman about whom not much is now known, but she may have had some kind of psychological disorder that led her to live her life as a recluse in her room. What we do know is that she loved the birds she could see and hear outside her window. She created beautiful artwork in watercolor, pencil, and colored pencil as well as simple prose pieces about birds. After Alma's death, her family, Patsy Levang's cousins, sent the book to Levang because they wanted someone to complete Alma's work. For a long time, Levang thought about how to approach the project. The end result is *The Bird Book: Alma's Story*. The book was chosen for the New Title Showcase at the 2011 [BookExpo America](#) in New York City, May 26-28. For complete details and ordering information, visit <http://patsylevang.com/index.htm>. The book is also available from www.BarnesandNoble.com and www.Amazon.com.

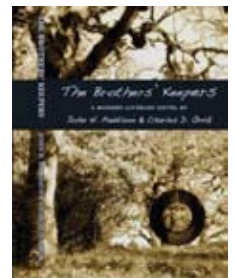


Culbertson, Montana, is about 42 miles straight west of Williston, North Dakota. **Ruth McLaughlin**, who grew up on a Montana farm

between the two in the 1950s-60s, has penned *Bound Like Grass*, an "honest look at the cost of the homesteading adventure on succeeding generations." The author received a Montana Arts Council Fellowship and her book was recently honored with the 2010 Montana Book Award and was a finalist for the High Plains Book Award in the Best First Book category. For complete information, visit <http://boundlikegrass.com/>.

Bridges Across North Dakota, NDLA's top Notable Document at the 2010 NDLA Conference, has also received national honors from the American Library Association. The book was named to ALA's Notable Government Documents list for the best state publications of 2010 and is one of 11 state publications recognized by ALA. *Bridges Across North Dakota* was developed by the North Dakota Department of Transportation in partnership with the State Historical Society of North Dakota, Federal Highway Administration, and Kadmas, Lee & Jackson, an engineering firm headquartered in Bismarck. For more information about the book, see the North Dakota in Print column in the December 2010 issue of *The Good Stuff*.

John H. Paddison and his brother-in-law, **Charles D. Orvik**, have penned *The Brothers' Keepers* (\$11.99, 316 p., pbk.; \$2.99, ebook). The story, set in the fictional town of Farmington in northeastern North Dakota during and after the Great Depression, is based on Orvik's early years and explores questions of child neglect and child abuse. Dr. Paddison is a Professor Emeritus at Central Arizona College. Charles Orvik is a retired attorney and practiced law in Rugby for more than 40 years. For complete information, visit <http://paddison-orvik.com/introduction>.



The members of St. Peter Lutheran Church, located near Chaffee and Leonard, have published their fourth cookbook, *Caring & Growing on the Prairie*, in honor of their 125th anniversary. With 450 recipes, it is a local bestseller and



has something for everyone, including recipes for dishes that are quick and easy and for those who are diabetic or watching their weight. For more information, contact St. Peter Lutheran Church, 4713 150 Ave SE, Leonard, ND 58052; 701.347.4147; email: cookbook@stpeter-stjohn.com.

If you're from North Dakota, chances are you've visited the Chateau de Mores State Historic Site in Medora. **Coleen Hanes** and **Jane Cook** have done more than visit; they've worked at the site for many years and began writing and collecting stories about things that happened at the chateau – humorous stories about visitors and staff, interesting tidbits of information, and other adventures and misadventures of working at a historic site. In February, **Chateau Anecdotes and Capers** was published. It is available at Western Edge Books (www.westernedgebooks.com/) in Medora.

Holly Hands, a 2009 graduate of Grant County High School in Elgin, can add “published author” to her list of accomplishments.

Compromise (\$13.95, 152 p., pbk.; \$7.99 Nook download) is the first of a planned series of three or four books. The book is available online from www.BarnesandNoble.com, www.Amazon.com, and www.WestbowPress.com



The author's first public book signing was held at the Elgin City Council room on June 11.

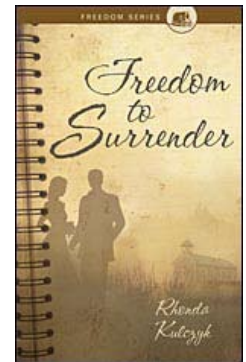
A murder mystery web series, **Curtain Call**, was recently launched by North Dakota native, **Michael Stromenger**. Stromenger hails from Larimore and is a UND alum now living in the Fargo-Moorhead community. Seventeen 5-10 minute episodes are posted online at www.curtaincallseries.com/.

Trista Jaszczak, a writer, mother, and Air Force wife who currently calls North Dakota, where her husband is stationed, home, recently published

Darkness Falls: Hunted (\$29.95, 264 p., hardcover). The novel began as a short story in a high school English class and has been 8 years in the making. For more information, visit the author's website: www.tristajaszczak.com/index.php.

Freedom to Surrender (\$16.99, 308 p., pbk; \$10.99, ebook download), the third novel in the Freedom series by **Rhonda Kulczyk**, is now available.

The book tells the story of a young school teacher, who has never planned to marry until a handsome minister moves into the parish next door. The book is available in bookstores or online from www.tatepublishing.com/bookstore, amazon.com, or barnesandnoble.com. The author was raised in Deer Lodge, Montana, and now lives in Tioga. Her other novels include *Freedom to Love* and *Freedom to Live*.



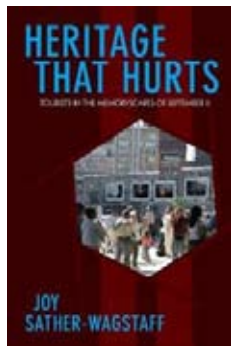
Organizers of the **Dakota Memories Oral History Project**, in cooperation with Prairie Public Broadcasting, aired a new radio program titled **German-Russian Food Traditions** on April 13, 2011. Narrators shared memories of traditional German-Russian food practices, including stories about canning, butchering, traditional German-Russian dishes, and more. The narrators grew up on the Northern Plains in the regions of South Dakota, North Dakota and Saskatchewan. Merrill Piepkorn, host of “Hear It Now” on Prairie Public Radio, provided context for these fascinating anecdotes. A CD of the program is available for \$20 from GRHC (www.ndsu.edu/grhc/dakotamemories). You can also find ordering information for other programs created as part of the project on the site.

The latest book from Minot native **Joseph L. Gavett** is a work of historical fiction entitled, **Guardians of the Frontier: Isaac Cross, 1815-1859** (\$16.95, 248 p., softcover). The story is about Isaac Cross, a young man who comes West in search of adventure and finds it. When



complete, *Guardians of the Frontier* will be a trilogy with each book following a new member/generation of the Cross family. Anticipated publication dates for the other two books are December 2011-January 2012 and November-December 2012. For more information about this book and others by Gavett, visit <http://juddworkshoppublications.com>.

Joy Sather-Wagstaff, an assistant professor of anthropology at NDSU, is the author of *Heritage that Hurts: Tourists in the Memoryscapes of September 11* (\$89, 243 p., hardcover; \$34.95, 243 p., pbk.). Her book explores the role played by tourists in making memorial sites such as the 9/11 memorial meaningful spaces. The book is available online from www.BarnesandNoble.com and www.Amazon.com.

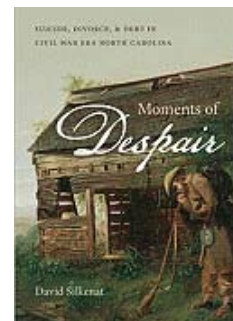


Glory Monson of Rugby has been a writer and teacher whose work as a playwright and librettist has seen numerous stage productions, and whose poems and short stories have been published in literary magazines. Now she has published her first novel, *Huldre: Journey of the Hidden Ones* (\$19.95, 563 p. softcover), the story of a “journey of discovery for five young adults ... [whose] “lives unexpectedly collide in North Dakota in 1934 near the end of the Dust Bowl and Great Depression.” Monson said, “The book has been in my head for 30 years ...” For details and ordering information, visit the author’s website at www.gloryanmonsonstudio.com/.

Norwegian Mafia families? Can you imagine that? **Christopher Panneck** and **David E. Hall**, who wrote, directed, and produced *The Lutefisk Wars*, can ... and did. Their “mockumentary” opened the Fargo Film Festival on March 5 and won the Festival’s Prairie Spirit Award. The 86-minute comedy unravels deep secrets in the fictional town of Newford, North Dakota, about the dark history of the warring factions of the Norwegian mafia. Visit the official site and view a trailer at www.lutefiskwars.com/.

Retired South Central District Judge **Robert O. “Bob” Wefald** of Bismarck recently published his autobiography, *Moments* (\$10, 202 p., paperback). Wefald reminisces about growing up in Minot, his service in the United States Navy, time spent in politics, and his life as a judge. It also contains eight pages of pictures and an appendix of Burleigh County legislative members starting from statehood and continuing to the present. Wefald had 400 copies printed at United Printing in Bismarck to give to friends and family and also donated 250 of those copies to the North Dakota State Bar Foundation (504 N. Washington, Bismarck, ND 58501; (701) 255-1404 or (800) 472-2685; info@sband.org; www.sband.org/) to be sold for \$10 each. Books can be purchased at the Foundation office and proceeds will go to the Foundation.

David Silkenat, an assistant professor of history and education at NDSU, recently penned *Moments of Despair: Suicide, Divorce, and Debt in Civil War Era North Carolina* (\$45, 288 p., hardcover). Paul D. Escott of Wake Forest University said, “This original and outstanding book is significant not just for scholarship about North Carolina but also for our understanding of southern culture as a whole in the Civil War era. The research is impressively thorough, and the analysis is wisely and thoughtfully done.” Published by the University of North Carolina Press, *Moments of Despair* is available from them as well as online sellers www.Amazon.com and www.BarnesandNoble.com.



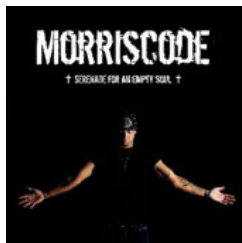
This is cool! The **NDSU Institute for Regional Studies** has a new collection devoted to both audio and written transcripts of oral histories from various institute collections entitled *North Dakota Voices from the Past*. Check it out at: <http://library.ndsu.edu/digital/voices-from-the-past/>.

Clyde Bauman (AKA Milo Hatzenbuhler) has released an all-vocal album, *Prairie Memories*:



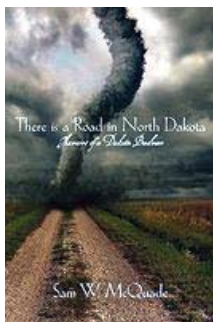
Songs of Home, Life, and Faith (\$15, CD; \$11, download). Bauman was born on a farm and raised in Bismarck and started performing as farm boy rock star, Milo Hatzenbuhler, as a lark during his college days at Dickinson State. He has recorded five albums of comic songs and stories as Milo. This latest CD is more serious and is meant to reflect the Dakota prairies and the richness and heritage of work and faith. The CD is available locally in Bismarck at the Rainbow Shop, Eckroth Music, Lee's Hallmark, and the Heritage Center Museum Store. It is also available on Bauman's website at www.farmboymusic.com.

Serenade for an Empty Soul is the debut album of **Morriscode**, an acoustic/indie/rock group out of Grand Forks, North Dakota. It is available for download at itunes for \$9.99 <http://itunes.apple.com/us/album/serenade-for-an-empty-soul/id413965043>.



NDSU Libraries' Germans from Russia Heritage College recently announced publication of **Streeter Descendants Then 'Til Now** (\$55) by **Sandi Dewald**. The book includes some 8,000 entries for people who live in or have roots in Streeter, North Dakota. The author is a lifelong resident of Streeter, a Germans from Russia descendant, and a local historian. For details and ordering information, visit the GRHC site at <http://library.ndsu.edu/grhc/>.

There is a Road in North Dakota (\$18.95, 446 p., pbk.) is a memoir by **Sam W. McQuade**, who was born and raised in Bismarck. The book chronicles the author's early life, young adulthood, and return to Bismarck in 1975 to run the family business, McQuade Distributing, after the accidental death of his brother. McQuade is a graduate of St. John's University and holds a master's degree in comparative literature from Denver University. The book is available at Barnes and Noble in



Bismarck and online from www.BarnesandNoble.com and www.Amazon.com.

Scranton native **Randi Perkins** penned "The Last Harvest," a story about a conversation with his dad, which was selected for publication in **This I Believe: On Fatherhood** (edited by Dan Gediman, \$19.95, 208 p., hardcover). More than 90,000 essays were submitted for consideration for publication in the book. Perkins is a graduate of Dickinson State University and now lives in Nashville where he is an inspirational folk singer-songwriter and author. For more information about Perkins, visit his website at www.randiperkins.com.

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Digital Libraries

Digital libraries can bring popular books to library patrons as well as photographs and documents to researchers and the curious. What follows is not a comprehensive list of North Dakota's digital collections, but a glimpse of what's available online from a few North Dakota libraries. If you haven't visited the digital collections of University of North Dakota, North Dakota State University, and Theodore Roosevelt Center, you're in for a treat!



Library2Go (<http://ndlibrary2go.lib.overdrive.com/A8AB2570-739F-4B99-AC31-F0BA6107158A/10/669/en/default.htm>) is an example of a digital library developed by a group of North Dakota public libraries working with OverDrive (www.overdrive.com/), a company that distributes downloadable media to library patrons on their iPods, Nooks, and Blackberries. Several North Dakota academic libraries (Bismarck State College, Dakota College at Bottineau, Jamestown College, Mayville State University, North Dakota State School of Science, and Valley City State University) are also providing downloadable content to their patrons through OverDrive.

University of North Dakota

www.library.und.edu/digital

Chester Fritz Library at University of North Dakota (UND) provides digital collections on its website that include political cartoons, pottery, newspaper columns, photographs, videos, and poetry. Three of the most interesting collections include the University Archives Collection, UND Writers Conference Archives, and the Elizabeth Barrett Browning Project. The University Archives Collection includes things like photographs from President John F. Kennedy's UND visit in 1963. The UND Writers Conference Archives includes videos (1970-2010) from notable authors such as

Oliver Sacks, Louise Erdrich, and Allen Ginsburg. Much of the collection is in the process of being digitized, but most of 2003 and one session in 2004 are currently available. Unlike the other collections that can be used for browsing, the Elizabeth Barrett Browning Project is for the serious researcher. This collection provides accurate and accessible poems with annotations. Future work on this project will include images of the manuscript pages, which will surely illustrate the pains of transcribing the poet's handwriting.

North Dakota State University

<http://library.ndsu.edu/digital>

North Dakota State University (NDSU) provides extensive digital collections that include photographs, lithographs, engravings, leaflets, and political cartoons. My two favorite collections from NDSU include Fargo Public Library Collection and Institutional Repository. The Fargo Public Library Collection contains over 100 images that the Fargo Public Library entrusted to the NDSU Institute for Regional Studies in 1998. These unique images include floods, Fargo's Carnegie Library (1954-2003), and a historical postcard. The Institutional Repository includes scholarly works where you'll find a PowerPoint on NDSU Blogging by Andrew Mara, oral history interviews (Germans from Russia Heritage Collection), or information about 2010 North Dakota Alternative Crop Variety Performance. For those of us outside NDSU, the Institutional Repository provides a rare glimpse into the departments, conferences, workshops, and research projects at NDSU.

Theodore Roosevelt Center

www.theodorerooseveltcenter.org

The Theodore Roosevelt Center, located at Dickinson State University, is currently working to reach out to the digital community by digitizing Theodore Roosevelt documents and photographs. This is an enormous undertaking since the Roosevelt papers are housed in the Library of Congress, Houghton Library at Harvard University, and six National Park Service sites. Documents such as letters and diary entries, as well as photos,

can be viewed. In addition to the website, there's also a blog (www.blogtrc.org) filled with documents, photos, stories, and news.

Getting Your Own Digital Collections Online

Getting your documents and photographs online will most likely involve many discussions about copyright, staffing, and budget. Finding the right software to meet your library's needs is also key step in the process.

For small collections, with limited technology, staff, and budget, Flickr (www.flickr.com) and PastPerfect (www.museumsoftware.com) are both good options to explore.

- For the library that isn't sure if digital photographs are a worthwhile pursuit, Flickr is an excellent place to start. Flickr offers two accounts types – free and Pro. While the free version is a good way to try out Flickr, the Pro account allows unlimited uploads and unlimited storage for \$24.95 per year. For an example of how libraries can use Flickr, see NDSU's University Archives Flickr (www.flickr.com/photos/ndsu-university-archives), which includes both photographs and scanned images.
- If your library is ready to invest in its own software (vs. storing images online), PastPerfect's software works right out of the box for a reasonable price (the total price will depend on your add-on features, the basic program is \$870).



A Taste of North Dakota Tradition

Read North Dakota Publishing an Ethnic Cookbook

Read North Dakota is publishing *A Taste of North Dakota Tradition*, a cookbook of favorite ethnic recipes from North Dakotans. Whether your ancestors settled in North Dakota in the 1800s, your family is indigenous to the state, or you are a new immigrant, your ethnic recipe submissions are welcome. The goal is to make *A Taste of North Dakota Tradition* "a valued cookbook that reflects the many wonderful cultures living in our state."

Read North Dakota wants to know about the recipes that are important to you. Tell them about your dish, how to prepare it, where you learned to make it, and why it is important to you. Has it been passed down through the generations in your family? Did your family bring it with them when they migrated to America? Is it a dish common in your community? You can share your stories and recipes by submitting them online via the Prairie Public website (www.prairiepublic.org/television/submit-your-family-recipes). You can also print a PDF version of the submission form from the site or request a printed form by calling Prairie Public at 1-800-359-6900. The deadline for submissions is Friday, July 1.

Six recipes will be selected by Read North Dakota to be prepared at the Prairie Public Broadcasting studio kitchen by the submitting cook as a part of the promotion for the cookbook. The television program will air this fall.

Read North Dakota is dedicated to celebrating and promoting literature created in and about North Dakota. Partners in the ethnic cookbook project include the State Historical Society of North Dakota, North Dakota Humanities Council, North Dakota Council on the Arts, Prairie Public Broadcasting, and North Dakota Library Association.

Summer Reading Kickoff

Governor Jack Dalrymple proclaimed Friday, June 3, "Summer Reading Kickoff @ Your Library Day" in support of summer reading programs throughout the state. This year's summer reading theme is "One World, Many Stories" and libraries are hosting summer reading activities in their communities. Summer reading programs help children hone and keep up their reading skills as well as develop an interest in reading and lifelong learning. The **North Dakota State Library** and **Bismarck and Morton Mandan Public Libraries** hosted their 8th annual summer reading kickoff event at the State Library and North Dakota Heritage Center on the capitol grounds on June 3.



BARK at Bismarck Public Library

The **Bismarck Public Library** is now using the BARK (Bismarck Animals Reading with Kids) program to help kids practice reading with very non-judgmental listeners! The sessions, in which kids read out loud for 20 minutes to a therapy dog, are for children entering first through sixth grade. Currently, there are six therapy dogs in the program. The **Morton Mandan Public Library** has also started a read-aloud-to-dogs program called "Reading Tails."

Book-A-Thon Raises Funds for School Library

Bottineau Middle School students participated in a Book-A-Thon and raised \$1,270 to purchase and donate 93 books to the **Bottineau Middle School Library**. The event was held in conjunction the PTO Book Fair. In May, the students had the opportunity to see the books they donated and put bookplates with their names on them into the books.

Tea at the Library

The GFWC Bottineau Study Club served more than 100 guests and raised more than \$600 for the library through free will donations at its annual **Bottineau Public Library** Tea on May 5, 2011.

Pamida Donates to Library

Bottineau's Pamida store recently donated more than 100 books to the **Bottineau County Public Library** as a way of giving back to the community and sustaining literacy. Beth Reitan, library director, said that most titles were added to the circulating collection and the duplicates were shared with Westhope School.

Digital Magnifier Donated

The Bowman Lions Club donated a digital handheld magnifier to the **Bowman Regional Public Library** to help seeing-impaired individuals. The magnifier can enlarge print or pictures up to 14 times, change background colors or the color of the printed text, freeze frame something for better viewing, and more.

Great Outdoors Library Loan Project

Central Dakota Library Network patrons can read about the great outdoors and then explore North Dakota's state parks through a special project of the North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department and Central Dakota Library Network. The project allows library card holders of the public libraries in Beulah, Bismarck, Garrison, Hazen, Mandan, Max, Riverdale, Stanton, Turtle Lake, Underwood, and Washburn to check out a daily state park vehicle pass just as they would a book. The pass provides entrance to any North Dakota state park, waives the \$5 daily vehicle fee, and is good for seven days. There are a few rules and limitations. For example, camping is not included as part of the pass. For details, visit www.parkrec.nd.gov.

Dakota Discussions at Ellendale

The **Ellendale Public Library** hosted a three-part Dakota Discussions series during the months of March, April, and May. Dr. Rebecca Chalmers, English professor at the University of Mary, led discussions of *The Grapes of Wrath* by John Steinbeck, *Native Son* by Richard Wright, and *The Bluest Eye* by Toni Morrison. Dakota Discussions is a program of the North Dakota Humanities Council and many libraries participate each year. For more information, visit the NDHC website (www.ndhumanities.org/index.html).

New Room at Finley City Library

The end result of two years of planning is an additional room for the **Finley City Library**. The room on the east side of the building was completed last October and currently houses most of the library's paperback collection. The addition was funded with a combination of library funds and a Finley Community Foundation grant. Finley Lumber donated a significant portion of the cost of materials and also coordinated the work. The new room was dedicated on June 9. The library also recently received a grant from the Libri Foundation and selected children's books worth more than \$1,400. The Libri Foundation was established in 1989 "for the sole purpose of helping rural libraries acquire new, quality, hardcover children's books they could not otherwise afford to buy." For more information, visit the website at www.librifoundation.org.

Teen Tech Week

Teens at the **Grand Forks Public Library** celebrated Teen Tech Week by taking part in "Framed," a digital photo contest. Contestants used their imaginations to illustrate how nature and technology come together. The first place winner was Rachel Perry with a photo entitled "*Communication between Technology & Nature.*" Second place went to Andrew Godon for *Perfect Start to a Fishing Day*, and third place to Angela Vrolyk for *Unchanging Love*. The Friends of the Grand Forks Library contributed the prizes -- two Flip cameras and an iTunes card. The winning photos were displayed in the library.



An Enchanted Exchange

Several Grand Forks area teens were attired in new dresses at their proms this spring courtesy of the **Grand Forks Public Library's** "An Enchanted Exchange," a prom dress swap. The library collected 56 gowns during February and early March and invited girls to a four-hour event where they were able to try on dresses, snack on food, and win prizes. Fourteen area businesses contributed coupons for meals, flowers, tanning, nails, hair, henna tattoos, and massages. K-Mart also loaned a clothing rack. The library plans to make this an annual event.



Library Sales Tax Rejected

Grand Forks voters said "no" to a sales tax for a new library on May 3, 2011, with 62 percent voting against the measure. If the measure had passed, the city would have added a 1% sales tax and kept it in place until \$20.8 million was raised or 36 months had passed. The no vote was a sharp contrast to a survey last year that found that 71% of Grand Forks adults favored a new library. Among the pre-vote issues were differences on where a new library should be located and whether to raise the sales tax by one-half percent or by one percent.

Reading Month Raises Funds for Harvey Public Library

B. M. Hanson Elementary School celebrated Reading Month in March with a book fair, a Read-In, reading goals, and guest readers. Students in grades K-7 also collected coins and donated \$1,267 to the **Harvey Public Library**.

Great Reads

During the winter months, the **Heart of America Library** Reading Group in Rugby enjoyed reading and discussing several classics, including *The Grapes of Wrath* by John Steinbeck; *Brave New*

World by Aldous Huxley; *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee, and *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* by Betty Smith.

Rugby Celebrates 125 Years

July 1-4 will be an exciting time as Rugby/Pierce County celebrates its 125th anniversary. The **Heart of America Library** will share in the event by hosting an exhibit by the Germans from Russia and a gathering of authors raised in Rugby.

Approval Denied

On April 4, the Jamestown City Council unanimously denied a request from the **James River Valley Library System Board** to approve purchase of the Essentia (formerly Innovis) site for \$690,000 for a new library. Essentia Health Care will vacate the site when it moves to the Jamestown Regional Medical Facility later this year. Purchase of the land required approval by both the City Council and the County Commission. Because of the city's action, approval was considered a moot point by the Commission. A motion to approve the purchase at the Commission meeting on April 5 died for lack of a second. James River Valley Library System Board members continue to brainstorm and plan a capital campaign and other events. Jim Nyland, Vice Chair of the Board, said, "We're looking at all opportunities." The cost of a new library is estimated at \$7 million.

Norwegian Gems Series

Lake Region Public Library in Devils Lake hosted a series of presentations entitled "Norwegian Cultural Gems" on April 28, May 5, and May 12, 2011. "Trolls, Nisse & Folktales" examined some of the best-known folktales of Norway and featured troll and nisse paintings and drawings by Theodor Kittlesen. "Folk Arts of Norway" on May 5 focused on the art of rosemaling (rose painting), woodworking, carving, knitting, and needlework like Hardanger. The "Syttende Mai Desserts" program on May 12 featured demonstrations on making (and eating) traditional delicacies. Syttende Mai (May 17) is Norwegian Constitution Day.

Brenda Marshall Book Discussion

Brenda K. Marshall, author of *Dakota, Or What's a Heaven For?*, visited the **Lake Region Public Library** on May 3, 2011, for a book discussion and signing. If you missed this event in Devils Lake, you have another chance to discuss the book with the author at the NDLA Conference in September. Marshall's book is this year's NDLA Conference Book Club selection.

Plants Grow the Library

The **Maddock Public Library** held its fourth annual plant sale fundraising event during the month of May. Proceeds will be used to update computers, purchase books, and purchase new shelving for the library's expansion and move to the Opera House on Central Avenue.

But the Book Was Better ...

The **Friends of the Morton Mandan Public Library** and Cinema 100 Film Society sponsored their sixth annual book/film discussion series, "But the Book Was Better ...", with a discussion of the book, *Winter's Bone* by Daniel Woodrell, on February 27 and the film of the same title on March 20. Brian Palecek and Marlene Anderson led the discussions at the Morton Mandan Public Library.

National Library Week Celebrated

Libraries throughout the state celebrated National Library Week 2011, April 10-16. This year's theme was "Create a Story @ Your Library." **Bismarck State College Library** took that theme to heart by inviting guest writers (students, faculty, staff) to contribute a line or two to a story that began with this line: *It was a dark and stormy night at the BSC Library when the librarian heard a noise ...* The finished story was read out loud at an open house celebration on April 14. To read the story, visit the Library's "Read It! Read It!" blog (<http://readitreadit.wordpress.com/>) and go to the April 14 posting in the April 2011 archive list.

Vision 2014 Grants

The **North Dakota Library Coordinating Council** and **North Dakota State Library** awarded Library Vision 2014 grants in January and April 2011. In

January, grants totaling \$64,759 were awarded to 64 North Dakota libraries to purchase computers for student and public use and facilitate access to online resources. In April, \$23,075 was awarded to eight North Dakota libraries to purchase technology as part of the goals of Library Vision 2014. For details, visit the Librarian Resources section of the State Library website (<http://library.nd.gov/librarian.html>).

Talking Books and Braille Program

On March 3, 2011, the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS), which is the talking book and Braille program of the Library of Congress, celebrated 80 years of helping visually impaired and physically handicapped individuals enjoy reading their favorite books and magazines. For more information about Talking Books services available to North Dakotans via the **State Library**, visit www.library.nd.gov/disabilityservices.html.

Tutor ND

Beginning July 1, 2011, the North Dakota State Library will provide free tutoring services to North Dakotans of all ages. Through Tutor ND, users will be able to interact with professional tutors one-on-one via the Internet at tutornd.com. A presentation and demonstration of the service was held on June 22 at the State Library.

State Library Spring Workshops

The **State Library's** annual spring workshops were held in Bismarck at the Radisson Hotel and Bismarck State College Library, March 30-April 1, 2011. If you weren't able to attend, you can find an archive of Spring Workshop resources on the State Library's website at: www.library.nd.gov/training.html#tab_2.

Anthropology Professor Emeritus Donates Folklore Collection

In February, Timothy J. Kloberdanz, NDSU Professor Emeritus of Anthropology, donated about 10,745 individual



folklore items to **NDSU's Institute for Regional Studies**. All of the folklore was collected by Kloberdanz and his anthropology students during a period of more than 30 years (1977-2010). "The folklore is mostly regional," says Kloberdanz, "and it serves as a wonderful resource for scholars, students, writers and anyone else who wants to get an up-close look at everyday life and traditional culture. It does not take long for someone to run across items that are familiar. In the past, when I shared some of this folklore in class, there were howls of delight and laughter. But at other times, there were tears and periods of absolute silence. This is the power of folklore. It can make us laugh or weep. But inevitably, it always makes us think deeply about ourselves and what it means to be human."

The "Folklore Collection of Dr. Timothy J. Kloberdanz and His NDSU Students" is currently housed at the NDSU Institute for Regional Studies in the Skills and Technology Training Center. Some of the material was published in the book, *Sundogs and Sunflowers: Folklore and Folk Art of the Northern Great Plains*, compiled by Kloberdanz and NDSU alumnus Troyd A. Geist.

John Bye, Director of the Institute for Regional Studies and University Archivist, describes Kloberdanz's folklore donation as "monumental." He adds, "I foresee great use of the collection." The collection is accessible to researchers and the general public. For more information, visit the website at <http://library.ndsu.edu/archives>.

Sherwood Public Library Receives Libri Foundation Grant

Another North Dakota library to receive grant funds from the Libri Foundation is the **Sherwood Public Library**. To qualify for the two-to-one match, the Sherwood American Legion Bothun-Peterson Post 213 donated \$350. The entire grant of \$1,050 was used to purchase children's books for the library.

Library Expansion Funding ... Not Yet

The 2011 Legislature decided against funding expansion of **Stoxen Library** and the Theodore

Roosevelt Center at Dickinson State University. DSU President Dr. Richard McCallum said DSU will again propose funding for the project during the next biennium.

Good Things Happening at Underwood

The addition of a television at the **Underwood Public Library** allows library patrons to view the Underwood Access Channel to stay informed about what's happening in the community and to build awareness of community priorities. Adding this service to the library was one of the goals of the Horizons program, a project to help residents learn about becoming community leaders to reduce poverty in the community. The library has also added children's books, teen books, and books on math and science through a grant from the Libri Foundation. For the local match, the Friends of the Library raised \$350 by selling concessions at movies.

New Bookmobile Approved

On March 1, the Ward County Board of Commissioners approved spending some \$179,000 to purchase a new bookmobile from Meridian Specialty Vehicles in Bozeman, Montana, for the **Ward County Public Library**. With a new bookmobile scheduled to hit the road in August, a new logo to decorate the sides of the bookmobile was also in order. Artists, readers, and library patrons of all ages were invited to submit their ideas to a "Design the New Bookmobile" contest. The winner will receive a \$50 gift card from Barnes & Noble. As of this writing, the winning entry has not been announced.

Imagination Library

On April 26, 2011, Williston Public Schools hosted its first Dolly Parton's Imagination Library at the **Williston Community Library**. North Dakota's First Lady, Betsy Dalrymple, and other special guests took turns reading books to attendees. The Imagination Library is a program that provides books free of charge to children who might not otherwise have access to reading materials. 456 children in the Williston area are currently enrolled in the program to receive a free

book every month from birth to age five. More than 4,000 books have been distributed so far. As part of the program, newborns also receive a book while in the hospital. 120 books have been given to Williston-area newborns so far this year. For more information on the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program, go to <http://imaginationlibrary.com/>.

Centennial Rededication Ceremony

A centennial rededication ceremony of the historic **James Memorial Library** (621 1st Avenue West) in Williston was held on February 27, 2011. The program mimicked the original dedication program held in 1911 and featured music and guest speakers, anniversary cake, lemonade, and coffee. Now functioning as an art center, the building was originally built as a library in memory of D. Willis James by his wife and son. The James family provided funds to build and furnish the library while the Women's Civic League provided furnishings for the basement and landscaping. In 1959, a two-story addition was completed. The building was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1979. After the Williston Community Library was built in 1983, the James Memorial Library building was vacant for several years, although it served as Williston's centennial headquarters in 1986-87. In 1993, the James Memorial Preservation Society was formed to ensure the building's continued presence. Since then it has functioned as an art center, is used for special civic events, and is also available to rent.



NDLA E-mail Lists

SUBMITTED BY KATHY THOMAS, MEMBERSHIP CHAIR



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- You can manage or change your list options at <http://listserv.nodak.edu/>. Click on "SUBSCRIBER'S CORNER," then on "Log in." Log in with the e-mail address you use to receive NDLA messages; you'll then establish a listserv password.

If you have any questions, contact Kathy Thomas (Kathryn.Thomas@ndsu.edu) for all lists, except NDLA-HSIS. For NDLA-HSIS, contact Karen Anderson (Karen.Anderson@und.edu).

Canoe Kudos

Nomination Form

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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Position _____

Sponsor's name _____

Reason for Nomination _____

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Send nomination form and a \$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.



About E-Readers and Kindle

I recently joined the e-book reading community. Some people tell me they would never get an e-reader because it wouldn't feel like a real book. I used to think that way, too, but then I got a Kindle and a cover. The cover opens like a real book. I found I like my e-reader much better than a traditional book. When I open a traditional book, I don't like reading the page on the left side because it is awkward to hold the page down as I read. With my Kindle I always get to read the "good" (right) side. I also don't have to worry about holding the weight of 900 pages when reading from my e-reader. Another thing I like is being able to have many books at once without the physical weight. The cover that I purchased even allows me to fold it backwards so I can place it on a table and read hands-free. With Kindle, I can purchase a book right away if I want a copy to keep. It arrives in a few seconds and there's no extra postage. E-books are also usually cheaper than traditional books. Many of the bestselling e-books are \$9.99 or less while many classics are free or inexpensive. When I buy books on my e-reader, they don't take up additional room on my already cluttered bookshelves either.



If you have more tips for e-book readers, send them to me and I will put them in my next column.

Reader Comments

When I asked librarians what they liked about their e-readers, I received these replies. Thank you for your contributions!

- "I love my Kindle because if I fall asleep at night while I'm reading, I don't have to worry about losing my place. Apart from portability, it's the best feature, if you ask me!" -- Traci Juhala, Bismarck Public Library
- "I can tell you what I DON'T like about them: how they aren't partial to being read in the tub." *plop* ;-)-- Kalan Davis, Chester Fritz Library,

UND [Karen's note: Kalan, you might want to buy a waterproof case.]

- "I love how portable my Nook is! It's great during short breaks at work and I am especially looking forward to only taking my Nook with me on vacation next week. What's better? Filling your carry-on with three or four books, or simply bringing a Nook filled with as many as you want? Can't wait for this flight!" -- Renea Waldner, West Fargo Library
- "I have a Kindle. I like its portability, especially when I travel – the ease of getting a book and the ease of reading a book. It's easier to stay on track. I don't have to keep re-reading the same sentence or paragraph. I still do buy some books in paper and I still check books out of libraries. I would like to check out books from a library onto the Kindle. -- Sally Dockter, Chester Fritz Library, UND

Checking out eBooks

Sally Dockter's comment about wanting to check out books from her library on her Kindle brings up a good point. I would like to do that, too, but at this time it is not possible. [Editor's note: Recently, Amazon and OverDrive announced the [Kindle Library Lending](#) program, which will enable Kindle customers to borrow and enjoy eBooks from our library, school, and college partners in the United States. The program is scheduled for launch later this year.] Still, there are other e-readers that do work with the software that my public library is using.

E-reader Recommendations

People have asked what kind of e-book reader I recommend. I imagine some of you are probably trying to decide which kind to buy, too. Here are some questions to ask yourself.

1. Where do you like to buy books? If you like Barnes and Noble, you would probably like a Nook. If you like Amazon, you would probably like a Kindle. Or, do you prefer a Sony or some other kind of e-reader? Do some



research to find out where you can purchase e-books for different kinds of devices and how they work.

2. Which e-book readers are compatible with your library's downloadable collections?
3. Do you need an e-reader that has wireless only, or do you want one that has 3G wireless access? If you want 3G wireless, find out if access is free or if you need to buy a data plan.
4. Do you want an e-reader that allows you to access the Internet?

Kindle Tips

I have the latest generation Kindle; if these tips don't work on your device, it may be because it is a different generation.

Date & Time

To see the date and time on the home screen, type DATE or TIME on the home screen and press the home (square) button.

Numbers

Press the Sym (Symbol) key to see a list of numbers to type, or press the ALT key and the first letter in the top key row (Q) to type the number one; ALT and the "W" for 2; ALT and the next letter "E" for 3, etc.

Calculator

You can use your Kindle third generation as a calculator. Click any key on the home screen to show the search box. Erase the key you typed. Press the SYM key and type your equation, for example: 2+2=. Then click SYM to close the symbols and click SEARCH MY ITEMS. You will see the equation with the answer at the top of your screen right above your books.

To see the complete dictionary definition

When you bring up a word in the dictionary, and you can't see the complete definition, click the arrow button next to the SYM button to see the rest of the definition.

Free Kindle books

To search for free Kindle books, type "free Kindle books" into the Amazon search box.

To add a bookmark for a specific area of a page

You can use the directional keys around the home (square) key to go to the part of the book where you want your bookmark to start, then double click on the home (square) key.

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There is a mobile page for Facebook. You may want to use this site to access it. Hopefully, it will display Facebook pages better on your device. It is: <http://m.facebook.com>.

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Waterproof your Kindle

Amazon sells waterproof cases for the Kindle.

Kindle Owners blog

The Kindle Owners Blog is one of the places you might like to go to. It has some interesting information. It is at www.kindleowners.com/. This is where I learned about waterproof cases for the Kindle.

Searching

You can look up a word by typing from the main screen or from a screen in a book. Then, click on the arrow on the right side of the home (square) key to see various options, e.g., store (Kindle's), Google, Wikipedia, dictionary, or something else. Choose the resource you want to use by arrowing to it and pressing the control key.

TechTips & More is a column that gives tips about technology (TechTips) and other things that our readers do in their libraries to make their lives a little easier or more efficient (More). Please submit your tips to Karen Anderson at Karen.Anderson@und.edu

Systematic Review Workshop: Professional Development Grant Report

BY SANDI L. BATES, MLIS, HEAD OF REFERENCE AND USER EDUCATION, HARLEY E. FRENCH LIBRARY OF THE HEALTH SCIENCES, UND

Thank you for the great opportunity to further my professional development by attending the "Systematic Review Workshop: the Nuts and Bolts for Librarians," April 11-13, 2011, at the University of Pittsburgh Falk Library of the Health Sciences. The professional development grant I received from NDLA was pivotal in my being able to attend this significant training. The conference recruiting materials promoted the course for "Health science and medical librarians who wish to acquire the core knowledge needed to collaborate in the conduct of systematic reviews, technology effectiveness reports, comparative effectiveness research, or any other scholarly or clinical activity requiring comprehensive literature searches."

After two and one-half days, I can say that this was the most significant training I have received from a continuing education workshop. It was well organized with material presented by professional staff who are currently collaborating on at least two systematic reviews themselves.

Systematic reviews (SRs) have become one of the most important tools for medical professionals to use when making decisions about patient care and treatment. They are considered the highest level of evidence used in the practice of evidence-based medicine. By using systematic reviews, clinicians are able to save valuable time, point to areas of research that are lacking, and provide objective evidence appraisals. SRs often guide health care policy and can resolve contradictions in the literature. Lastly, because randomized control trials are expensive and time consuming, SRs can identify if a proposed study has already been conducted and thus avoid duplication. Most librarians are familiar with The Cochrane Collaboration, but London's Evidence for Policy and Practice Information and Co-ordinating Centre and The Campbell Collaboration in Oslo, Norway, both have significant SR repositories.

What exactly is a systematic review? "A properly conducted systematic review faithfully summarizes the evidence from all relevant studies on the

topic of interest, and it does so concisely and transparently." (Cook, 1997)

For the librarian, this means assisting in identifying search terms, identifying best databases for subject topics, and locating grey literature items such as regulatory information or conference proceedings. In a perfect world, librarians would be listed among the authors for a published study because of their contributions to a scholarly work.

The core instructional tool was a systematic review authored by three of the instructors. Using this systematic review, we worked through the process of conducting a literature review search using standard databases such as PubMed; learned about clinical trial repositories for the United States and abroad; and looked at various ways to find copies of conference proceedings, reports, regulatory commission information, and standards we should use when contributing to the written article. We did exercises to utilize what we were learning and apply the concepts. It was especially helpful to use the SR because the instructors could act like the primary investigators recreating conversations to show a real world scenario. I think that helped to take out some of the intimidation factor we may experience when we have an opportunity to work on these intricate and integral articles.

Two very important sections for me were the session addressing suggested methods for project organization, search delivery, and reference management, and another session dealing with methodology filters and best ways to apply them when searching. Complex to create, the methodology filters also need to be adapted to each individual database adding to the decision on when to use them and to know if pre-built filters exist, such as some of those in PubMed.

The Institute of Medicine recently released new standards for writing systematic reviews that include having a librarian or other information professional as part of the review team. Those interested can read here: [/www.iom.edu/Reports/2011/Finding-What-Works-in-Health-Care-Standards-for-Systematic-Reviews/Standards.aspx](http://www.iom.edu/Reports/2011/Finding-What-Works-in-Health-Care-Standards-for-Systematic-Reviews/Standards.aspx). The challenge now is to see how the standards will be adopted and enforced. The Cochrane Library

currently has its own standards and guidelines for its review groups.

I, fortunately, was immediately able to share what I learned through a poster session at the Midwest Healthcare Educators' Academy in Grand Forks, May 23-25. In addition, I will also be able to better explain how systematic reviews are researched and written when I address the year two medical students at a lecture in the fall. The Harley E. French Library of the Health Sciences also is working to prepare a marketing strategy to alert our faculty and students to the availability of our staff to

become a systematic review team collaborator, and facilitators in the systematic review process.

In addition to NDLA, I also want to thank my library director, Lila Pederson, and assistant director, Barbara Knight, for providing additional funding and mentoring support so I could attend this workshop.

Cook, Deborah; MD, MSc; Mulrow, Cynthia; MD, MSc; Haynes, R; Brian MD, PhD Annals of Internal Medicine. 126(5):376-380, March 1, 1997 Systematic Reviews: Synthesis of Best Evidence for Clinical Decisions.

TREASURER'S REPORT

As of March 31, 2011 (End of 1st Quarter)

By MICHAEL SAFRATOWICH, NDLA TREASURER

Editor's note: Approved by electronic vote of the Executive Board on April 15, 2011.

	Beg. Balance	Receipts	Disbursements	End. Balance
CHECK BOOK 1/1/2011	\$5,104.85			
NDLA Funds	\$5,104.85			
Annual Conference 2011				
Book Sales	\$2,182.59	\$26.00	\$285.14	\$1,923.45
Centennial Cookbook	-\$3,898.19		\$2.15	-\$3,900.34
Dues 2011	\$661.79	\$7,585.00	\$30.76	\$8,216.03
HSIS Partner Account	\$2,231.64			\$2,231.64
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Other receipts/disbursements		\$25.00	\$3,711.08	
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Interest		\$1.16		
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NDLA CD	\$20,229.30			
Interest				
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Professional Development CD	\$20,010.08			
Interest		\$9.92		
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				\$20,020.00
TOTAL investment accounts	\$62,612.99			\$62,625.67
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