2016 AWARD RECIPIENTS
Submitted by Kelly Henkel

The SDLA conference held in Watertown this year was a great success! The annual Awards Banquet, held Thursday night, gave the SD library community the opportunity to honor and acknowledge the people who make our libraries work.

This year, our Librarian of the year is Nina Mentzel. We know her as the librarian who helped us solve problems with ILSes at SDLN and now as the Metadata Librarian at the SD State Library and primary driver of SD’s new ILL system, Share-It.

The award for Friends of the Library went to Anne Dunham and Shari Kolbeck from Vermillion Public Library. These two retired librarians ensure the success of the library’s book shop and help raise funds for library programming. As retired librarians, Anne and Shari prove you can take the librarian out of the library, but they will probably just join the Friends group and come back.

Teri Ewalt received the New Librarian of the Year award. Ewalt, Director of the Webster Public Library, has transformed the library into a center for community and literacy; she has overseen a makeover, the expansion of the summer reading program and has secured grants to grow the library’s collection. She is also known for going on house calls to bring items to the elderly and homebound.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT...

DANIELLE LOFTUS

As the 2016-17 SDLA president, I look forward to working with all of the dedicated librarians in South Dakota. It’s very rewarding to work as part of something bigger that brings value to so many. Thank you for giving me this opportunity.

Our strategic planning, which began a year ago, has given us lots of work to do, but we now have a road map. Some of the items we will be working on in our committees include:

- training opportunities and webinars for all interests and types of librarians

- expanding networking for young professionals and new members at the annual conference

- a marketing plan which will help us not only advertise training and grant opportunities, and advertise our legislative concerns, but also help with recruiting new members

SDLA is celebrating 100 years! What a notable milestone. Look for the big celebration at the annual conference in Chamberlain, September 27-29, 2017. Bring your memorable stories and/or plan to make new ones. This will be fun!

Danielle Loftus

Professional Development Grants

The Professional Development Grants Committee is currently accepting applications for several grants. Two grants up to $450 each are available to assist SDLA members already established in the area of librarianship with the costs of attending conferences, workshops, or other professional learning opportunities. Deadlines are March 15 and September 15. Two scholarships of up to $500 each are available to assist SDLA members with the costs of professional education in the field of librarianship. Deadline is May 15. Two SDLA Conference grants are available to defray costs of registration, travel, and hotel expenses, etc. Grants up to $400 may be awarded. Deadline is 45 days prior to conference. Visit www.sdlibraryassociation.org for more information.
FROM THE MPLA REP...
BRENDA HEMMELEMAN

The MPLA/CALCON (Colorado Association of Libraries) Conference just wrapped up in Loveland, CO. The conference was fabulous with a wide variety of programming, great speakers, food, exhibitors and the awards banquet. CAL has a large number of awards categories, and I am visiting with the SDLA executive board about the possibility of adding a couple of categories to our awards list. The CAL awards list can be seen at http://www.cal-webs.org/?page=AwardsList

Mickey Coalwell of Kansas has assumed the MPLA presidency, with our own Melissa Clark of SDSU as the VP/President-Elect. One of our projects for the upcoming year is to finalize the MPLA strategic plan. The MPLA executive board has voted to add a new membership category, an author membership. This new membership type will need approval from the entire MPLA group of members, so stay tuned for an online vote. The board also voted to have the YMCA of the Rockies at Estes Park once again host the 2018 MPLA Leadership Institute.

I want to congratulate the South Dakota MPLA members! SD consistently has the highest number of MPLA members in the 12 state region and one person at the conference asked me to share with other states how we do it. Thank you for your support and I would ask you to continue that support by renewing your membership when the reminder comes to you soon. MPLA membership year runs January through December, so those of you who are not MPLA members, please consider joining. MPLA has professional development grants available, but you must be an MPLA member to apply. Also, there is a possibility that future MPLA Leadership Institute applicants may also need to be MPLA members. That is an idea that has been brought up to the executive board.

Mark your calendars now for the MPLA/Nevada Library Association joint conference which will be October 16-18, 2017 at the Hard Rock Hotel at Lake Tahoe, Nevada. Join or renew at http://www.mpla.us/services/membership/
The Distinguished Service Award isn’t given out every year but this year we had two! The first recipient was Digital Design and Access Librarian at Dakota State University, **Risë Smith**. Smith is described as “librarian’s librarian” and has spent over 30 years in the service of library patrons. Risë was also involved in various SDLA committees, was an SDLA vice president-president-past president and was involved in MINITEX and SDLN committees. Thank you for your commitment and hard work for the SD library community!

This year’s second Distinguished Service Award was given to **Ethelle Bean**, Director Emeritus of the Karl Mundt Library at DSU. Ethelle served as president of SDLA and the American Library Association Council as well as various SDLA and SDLN committees and advisory roles at DSU. Bean was instrumental in the creation of the SDLN consortium that served SD libraries for decades. In her speech at the awards ceremony, Ronelle Thompson stated that Bean’s, “vision, enthusiasm, leadership, and determination have been critical factors in the practice of library cooperation across South Dakota.”

Libraries in SD rely on trustees to provide leadership, ideas and foster community relations. This year’s Trustee of the Year, **Mikal Lewis**, has been exemplary in his trustee role at Hill City Public Library. Lewis has been on the board of trustees for five years, two as president. He helped secure the location for the library and was closely involved with readying the building for service—including installing shelving, painting, and assembling furniture! His enthusiasm has inspired other volunteers to pitch in and make the Hill City library run. At the awards banquet, Lewis described a moment at the library—seeing a young girl get excited about using the resources—and knowing that his work and hours at the library were all worth it. SDLA and the Hill City community honored Mikal Lewis as a fine example of the work of Trustees in SD libraries.
FAITH LIBRARY RECEIVES GIFTS, GETS CREATIVE
Submitted by Angela Ostrander

The Faith Public and School Library thank the family of Francis Morgan-Naslund who donated a bicycle rack for the convenience of cycling patrons and staff, a digital camera and accessories to document and promote library happenings as well as a protective cover for a fire alarm.

Library staff is pictured here admiring the new bike rack!

In times of budget constraints, the library supervisor, Angela Ostrand-er, finds ideas off the internet for crafts. Ostrander creates a paper demo to make sure that the craft will work for story hour participants. She also gets ideas from library patrons—they are very creative!

Two times a year the Faith Public/School Library hosts a book fair. There is no book store in the community—apart from driving two hours to the nearest book store or ordering online—the biannual book fair is an important community event. Students of all ages work together to put on the event.

The Faith High School Student Council will sponsor the Family Event after school where the students will supervise pirate themed stations and activities. Each student will sport a pirate eye patch and bandana. Activities include Pirate Bingo, Pirate Bowling, a fishing and treasure game and crafts. Attendees can make a paper parrot to sit on their shoulder or get sticker tattoos. Angela Ostrander will attend in full pirate regalia.

The PrK-6th grade classes will decorate the library making posters and the 6th grade class will set up the book fair as a part of learning to promote literacy. Posters will hang town at various businesses and the book fair will be announced on school website, library website and on Faith area news radio broadcast. A couple weeks later after the book fair, the library supervisor will make a lunch for the Student Council to thank them for helping, to be served at the library.

VPL RETIREMENT RECEPTION FOR LARSON PLANNED

The Edith B. Siegrist Vermillion Public Library staff and Board of Trustees are very pleased to share a planned public reception honoring the retirement of long-time Library Director Jane A. Larson, scheduled for Friday, November 18th from 4 – 6 pm. After a serious year-long illness, and continuing to recover at home in Meckling, Larson is looking forward to saying a proper goodbye to colleagues and patrons. Jane served the community as director of the library for 32 years. In that time, she steered the library through enormous changes and growth, including overseeing a major renovation and expansion of the library, completed in 2013. Anne Dunham, Friends of the Vermillion Public Library long-time volunteer, is looking forward to thanking Larson. “Jane has been the face of the library for over 30 years. She has been greatly missed.”

“We’re excited to have this opportunity to thank Jane for her years of dedicated service to the Vermillion Public Library, and for all she achieved while she was here. We encourage friends, acquaintances, and community members to stop by and visit with Jane during her reception,” states incoming Library Director, Daniel Burniston.

The reception is free and open to the public, and will take place in the Kozak Community Room.

For more information, call the Library Circulation Desk at 677.7060.

BOOK-O-LANTERNS THRILL AND CHILL
I.D. WEEKS PATRONS
Submitted by Tonya Olson
A be@Briggs celebration on the afternoon of August 21 welcomed students to a new academic year. The event included a photo booth with props; visits by Jack, SDSU’s mascot; a live broadcast by KSDJ, the campus radio station; and root beer floats. Staff members in their blue “be@Briggs” T-shirts answered questions and gave tours throughout the afternoon.

Happy Birthday Bob Bartling! One year ago Bob donated his collection of running magazines to Briggs Library. An August 25 celebration marked the one-year anniversary of the Prairie Striders Collection and Bob’s ninetieth birthday. Bob volunteers at the library and enjoys showing patrons the collection and his indexing system.

New faculty members and library representatives joined librarians for an Oktoberfest celebration on October 6. This reception allowed participants to get acquainted and share information in an informal setting.

A Learning Hobo Day History event was held on October 21. Archivist Crystal Gamradt gave a presentation on SDSU’s homecoming traditions, using a variety of photos and artifacts from SDSU’s collection. In addition, Hobo Day Committee Members of Yore, also known as Bum Alums, sang songs and told stories about Hobo Days past. The event was broadcast on Facebook Live and a recording will be available on YouTube. The event was part of a program to preserve the 104-year-old Hobo Day legacy by collecting and digitizing personal memorabilia and making it accessible on the Digital Library of South Dakota. Sponsors include the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Mary Chilton DAR Foundation.
IN MEMORIAM

Submitted by Ronelle Thompson, from her speech delivered at the SDLA conference, 2016

It is our tradition to take a moment to remember colleagues who have died in the past year.

Long-time librarian at Spearfish Junior High School, Eileen Schuttler died in September at the age of 78. Originally an English teacher, and always an enthusiastic reader, Eileen loved to share a good story with family and friends.

In October SDLA lost a champion of library services when Doris Phillips died at the age of 99. Doris began her library career as the Circulation Librarian at USD, a position she held for 7 years. In 1952 Doris became the Head Librarian at Black Hills State College, where she remained for thirty years, retiring as Library Services Coordinator in 1982. During those years Doris served as SDLA president, SDLA representative to MPLA, and helped establish the library at Sinte Gleska. SDLA honored Doris with the Librarian of the Year award in 1982.

For 12 years, during the 50s and 60s, Gwen Merrifield served as city librarian in Arlington. She enjoyed offering the children creative story time opportunities and visiting with patrons about her own favorite books. In later years she served on the Arlington Library Board. Gwen died in October at the age of 90.

A reader extraordinaire, doll collector, and lover of small dogs and cats, Betty Petet died in October at the age of 87. Betty spent 23 years as a library technician at the South Dakota State Library.

Jean Hirning was the librarian at West Junior High School in Rapid City for 21 years. After retiring, Jean became active in the Rapid City Friends of the Library organization. She died in December, in her ninetieth year.

In addition to teaching special education and supervising the Title One program, Cynthia Lembecke was the librarian for the Ramona School District. Cynthia was 65 when she died in December.

Bertha Johnson was hired in 1973 as the librarian for the Tri-Valley area—the high school in Lyons, middle school in Colton, and elementary school in Crooks. While there, she started a library club for the students, an experience about which she wrote in her personal journal. Bertha died in February at the age of 96.

Lorraine Stapleton was 95 when she died in a car accident in July. The accident also took the life of her daughter and traveling companion. For 28 years Lorraine worked part time at the Sioux Falls Public Library, before retiring and moving to a summer lake cottage with her husband.

In August Betty Coplan died at the age of 86. Following a move to Canton in 1953, Betty became the high school librarian. She was known for welcoming teens into her home for meetings that always included treats.

“(...) will be some kind of library.”
—Jorge Louis Borges
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CODEX CODES CONTRIBUTE TO CATALOG CONTINUITY
Submitted by Kelly Henkel

Catalogers and Acquisitions librarians type 978—almost automatically and an ILL librarian knows what four digits, a dash, and four digits means. A reference librarian can pinpoint the correct edition easily and when you hand a cataloger a book that looks pre 1970 and there's a slight chill in the room you know—there's no ISBN. The ISBN makes libraries work more efficiently in almost every area, but how much do we know about that humble string of numbers?

A blog post on Scientific American’s website by Bonnie Swoger, Science and Technology Librarian at SUNY Geneseo, explained the many types of “identifiers” that signal the individual identity of information objects—numbers that librarians and patrons use every day.

The International Standard Book Number, or ISBN (it seems like all identifiers morph into initialisms), is one of the most common information identifiers. It looks like this: 0-06-099486-X.

The ISBN was implemented in the early 1970s and is currently administered by International ISBN Agency, located in the UK. The standard has been continually revised to keep up with changing information types. According to ISBN.org, the four parts of an ISBN are constructed as follows:

- Group or country identifier which identifies a national or geographic grouping of publishers;
- Publisher identifier which identifies a particular publisher within a group;
- Title identifier which identifies a particular title or edition of a title;
- Check digit is the single digit at the end of the ISBN which validates the ISBN.

And, the big question: why does that X pop up at the end? According to Bowker, “The method of determining the check digit for the ISBN is the modulus 11 with the weighting factors 10 to 1. The Roman numeral X is used in lieu of 10 where ten would occur as a check digit.”

The International Standard Serial Number is similar to the ISBN except it relates to serials rather than books. It is eight digits long. Magazines, journals, newspapers and other publications that come out on a regular basis are assigned an ISSN. An ISSN looks like this: 1550-7998.

The FAQ at ISSN.org explains that, unlike the ISBN, the ISSN number does not have any intrinsic meaning. Again, the number can end in an X as the last digit is a check code calculated according to a modulus 11 algorithm on the basis of the 7 preceding digits. Catalogers know that a significant change in a serial can result in a publication needing a new ISSN and a new catalog record.

Until the proliferation of electronic databases, the ISSN was the primary identification number for serials. It is useful, however, to have an identification number that refers to an individual item, rather than the whole journal. The digital object identifier, or DOI, does exactly what its name implies; it uniquely identifies digital articles, photos or digital video.
The DOI is typically expressed with the letters “doi” followed by the code—doi:10.1000/182. This identifier is not only useful for finding the correct article, it is sometimes required for citations. It can be found on the header of the article itself or it can be found on the page where you access the article in the database/website. Alternatively, if a DOI is necessary for a citation, a DOI resolver or lookup site like CrossRef (http://www.crossref.org/guestquery/) can locate the code. Students should be advised that not all digital objects have a DOI— it is acceptable to cite a digital article without a DOI.

Like each item in the library must have a unique identity, catalog records must have a unique identifier in order to function. When I first started copy cataloging, I wondered why an ISBN or ISSN wasn’t a sufficient identifier. Not only do older books not have ISBN numbers, many items that libraries circulate do not fall anywhere near the pre-"view of the International ISBN agency. Here is where OCLC numbers, accession numbers and Integrated Library System numbers step in and make it possible for library catalogs to function.

Sources:

Helpful every day websites for catalogers:

- The Cataloging Calculator http://calculate.alptown.com/
  Classification cutters, Country and language codes, Library of Congress Subject Headings
- OCLC Classify http://classify.oclc.org/classify2/
  Search WorldCat for records to see frequently used classification for your item (Dewey & LC)
- Library of Congress Linked Data Service http://id.loc.gov/
  Search for LC Subject Headings, Name Authorities, LC Classification
- KDL What’s Next Database http://ww2.kdl.org/libcat/whatsnext.asp
  Created by the Kent District Library— type in an author, title, or series and get an accurate and easy list of which books are in the series. This is a very good database for both children’s and adult series
  Easily browsable list of MARC tags with simple lists of indicators and subfield codes