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State Librarian Report 2017 Q1

Library visits:

Soucie presented a staff development on Zinio for West Fargo Public Library staff via Zoom videoconferencing software. In addition, Soucie and Clairmont-Schmidt had a phone conversation with Library Director Hannahs regarding the library's relationship to the city.

Soucie attended the Eastern Library Media Association Annual meeting where she gave a presentation on fake news that was well received by the librarians.

Public Access Coordinator Byram and Library Development Specialist Meier presented the annual Summer Reading Program workshops at six libraries across the state. Forty-nine people attended from thirty-eight libraries.

Staff visited the following libraries: Parshall, New Town, Mohall, Stanley, Divide County, Kenmare, Carrington, Lakota, Walhalla, Cavalier City and County, Pembina Public and School, Killdeer School and Public, Mott, Adams County, Leach, Hankinson, Forman, Edna Ralston (Larimore), Margaret Fraase, Hebron

Continuing Education Coordinator Houser provided a training for students, teachers and the librarian at Shanley School.

Meetings, conferences, booths:

Blind Date with a Book Booth and Program.

The 2nd annual Battle of the Books was held on Facebook. This year's theme was books made into movies. The winner was Wizard of Oz.

NDLA- Soucie and Robinson attended quarterly NDLA Executive Board meetings. Soucie also participated in weekly Legislative Committee phone calls and conference planning committee calls, including the auction subcommittee.

Soucie and Stroshane worked with Stephanie Kom from Historical, Tom from Lyrisis and Kelcy from Digital Public Library of America (DPLA) to plan a Digitization conversation that NDSL will hold in April with key partners to discuss the future of digitization in ND and the possibility of becoming a DPLA Hub, either on our own or partnering with another state.

Soucie participated in the ND Afterschool Network's (NDAN) advisory committee calls. NDSL partnered with the NDAN to host escape boxes for students that participated in the NDAN Legislative Day at the Capitol. The students really enjoyed the activity.

NDSL, in partnership with NDLC and NDLA, hosted the second annual Local Library Legislative Day. In addition to Superintendent Baesler and Governor Burgum, 3 ND legislators and aides for our federal legislators attended along with members of the library community. Byram created an infographic that included that more people visited ND public libraries last year than attended all Vikings games, NDSU football games, State Fair and Hostfest.

Administration:

Admin, IT and Library Development facilitated the State Aid to Public Libraries grant process; Admin issued checks totaling almost \$1 M.

Admin and IT facilitated the annual Public Library survey.

Center for the Book:

Letters about Literature letters were received and judged. Prizes will be given out this year at the Summer Reading Celebration.

Staff/Personnel

Continuing Education Coordinator Angela Houser began work on January 18th.

Digitization Librarian Baltzer Kom's last day was January 13th. She accepted a position at the ND Historical Society.