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The North Dakota Library Association met on December 7th, 2007. "Librarians Under Construction: A Life of Continuous Education" was chosen as a theme for the 2008 conference in Mandan, ND. Making a continuing education credit available for school librarians participating in the 2008 conference is currently being explored.

A press release sent out to the newspapers of towns where new board members reside. The press release announced that they are now on the North Dakota Library Association board.

The Coordinating Council and the North Dakota State Library released new grant guidelines in November. The guidelines were posted on the State Library's website and were also mailed to every school and public library in the state. The current grant round offers an opportunity for libraries to add their catalog to WorldCat, which will strengthen resources sharing for citizens in North Dakota.

Plans for the 2008 North Dakota State Library Spring Workshops are currently in the works. This year, the workshops are being held in Grand Forks, March 31st and April 1st, and Bismarck, April 3rd and 4th. Teen library Services, Setting up a book club at your library, Summer Reading, and weeding your library collection are some of the topics that will be covered during the workshop.