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NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK APRIL 23-29, 2023

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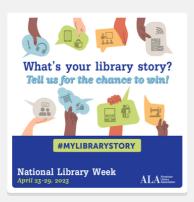
April 23 – 29 is National Library Week

The theme for 2023's National Library Week is "There's More to the Story." According to the American Library Association this theme "illustrates the fact that in addition to the books in library collections, available in a variety of formats, libraries offer so much more. Many libraries now lend items like museum passes, games, musical instruments, and tools. Library programming brings communities together for entertainment, education, and connection through book



clubs, storytimes, movie nights, crafting classes, and lectures. And library infrastructure advances communities, providing internet and technology access, literacy skills, and support for businesses, job seekers, and entrepreneurs."

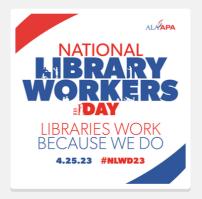
In honor of this year's theme, take time to share your library's multifaceted story! Libraries and library supporters can celebrate National Library Week by participating in the week's events. You can share your celebrations and follow others through the hashtag #NationalLibraryWeek.



What's Your Library Story?

What role has the library played in your life? Did you find inspiration in a book? Get help finding a job or starting a business? Have you made new friends at the library?

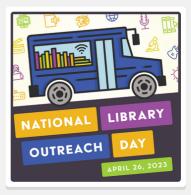
Share your story with the hashtag **#MyLibraryStory**



National Library Workers Day

Tuesday, April 25: National Library Workers Day, a day for everyone to recognize the valuable contributions made by library workers.

Recognize your library staff with this hashtag **#NLWD23**



National Library Outreach Day

Wednesday, April 26:
National Library Outreach
Day, a day the dedicated
library professionals who are
meeting their patrons where

Previously known as National Bookmobile Day

they are.

National Library Week Events:

Monday, April 24: State of America's Libraries Report released.

Tuesday, April 25: <u>National Library Workers Day,</u> a day for library staff, users, administrators, and Friends groups to recognize the valuable contributions made by all library workers.

Wednesday, April 26: <u>National Library Outreach Day</u> (formerly National Bookmobile Day), a day to celebrate library outreach and the dedicated library professionals who are meeting their patrons where they are.

Thursday, April 27: Take Action for Libraries Day, a day to rally advocates to support libraries.

The staff at the South Dakota State Library wishes all South Dakota libraries a happy National Library Week. Thank you for all you do for your communities, your student populations, your faculty, and all South Dakota citizens!

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Attention Public Libraries: Are you making use of this free tool for tracking library programs?

The State Library's WhoFi license includes the Community Calendar tool to help library programming staff schedule, manage, and count library programs. Here are three facts you should know about the service:

- 1. The Community Calendar can be integrated on your library's website for sharing out library events. You can even collect patron registrations for library programs.
- 2. The calendar tool is aligned with the State Library's data requirements, making it easy to report library programming on the summer reading survey and your library's annual report.
- 3. You can record attendance at your library programs any time after the event.

Want to learn more?

WhoFi Community Calendar Webinar

When

Thursday, May 4th, 2pm

Where

This is an online event.

More information

We invite you to attend the WhoFi Community Calendar informational and training webinar, **Thursday, May 4 at 2pm CT**. All public library staff—and especially those in charge of library programming—are invited to attend.

Pre-register here: https://library.sd.gov/CAL/2023/Whofi-CommCal.aspx

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