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State Library expands access to electronic resources

PIERRE, S.D. – The State Library is pleased to announce two new e-resources:

• Mango Languages offers courses in more than 60 languages. Basic courses teach simple, practical skills for common conversation, and Complete 2.0 courses dive into in-depth language and grammar skills. The courses focus on four key areas of language learning: vocabulary, grammar, pronunciation and culture. A mobile version lets users learn wherever they have Internet access.

• ChiltonLibrary puts automotive do-it-yourselfers in the driver’s seat by placing their authoritative manuals online with monthly updates. It covers thousands of domestic and imported car, truck, van and SUV models from 1940-present and includes repair, maintenance and specification tables. No other source contains more years, makes and models.

These databases are available in public libraries and on school and academic campuses. South Dakotans can also access them from home at http://library.sd.gov with a State Library issued barcode and password.

In addition, library patrons in 71 South Dakota communities can now download even more e-books and audiobooks. The State Library has purchased more than 1,300 additional e-books and audiobooks, expanding the South Dakota Titles to Go collection to more than 10,000 titles.

To gain access, patrons’ local libraries must participate in the South Dakota Titles to Go collaborative. For a complete list of participating libraries and information on joining the collaborative, go to http://library.sd.gov.

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