Michael M. Miller, Director and Bibliographer of the Germans from Russia Heritage Collection (GRHC), is set to retire on December 1, 2022, after over 55 years at NDSU. Michael join
Henry L. Bolley and C. B. Waldron as the longest serving employees in NDSU history.

An August 1967 story in the Emmons County Record reads, “A Strasburg native has been named to the faculty of North Dakota State University, Fargo. Michael M. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter P. Miller, was appointed by Pres. H. R. Albrecht. Miller will teach library science, act as circulation librarian, and handle the library displays.”

In 1978, President Laurel D. Loftsgard called Michael into his office and asked him to create the Germans from Russia Heritage Collection. Michael was named Bibliographer and later Director.

NDSU Libraries Undergraduate Research Award

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According to Jeremy Kopp, GRHC Outreach and Operations Coordinator, “Michael has had a strong personal impact on my life and career through his support, mentorship, and friendship since 2010. His ability to develop and foster relationships is something I hope to carry forward at the GRHC and NDSU Libraries.”

To ensure his legacy, Michael established an endowment for the GRHC by designating the NDSU Foundation as beneficiary of his retirement account. The endowment will provide perpetual funding for staffing and projects dedicated to collecting, preserving, and sharing stories about Germans from Russia in North Dakota.

“NDSU is a land grant university for its people and its heritage. That’s one of the reasons I think this collection is so important here,” Michael said. “I hope that as a legacy, my gift and my service to NDSU inspires others with a deep passion for their ethnic roots to give to the GRHC.”

According to Michael, “My lifelong dream has been to preserve, document, and enrich the heritage and culture of our Germans from Russia community. NDSU Libraries are honored to have helped Michael fulfill his dream.”
I am thrilled to continue that at NDSU.

NDSU Libraries employs upwards of 40 students annually. Their friendly faces help make the Main Library and our branches welcome and inviting spaces, and their hard work helps keep the Libraries running. Our student employees perform a wide variety of tasks, from shelving books to staffing service points to serving as technicians in our labs and much more. Not only do they earn money to help cover their school expenses, they gain practical work experience as well. We thank our student employees for choosing the Libraries to be part of their NDSU experience!

Over the past five months, I connected with lots of wonderful people in the Libraries, across campus and the state. Among other activities, I attended the second week of the NDSU Research Extension Centers Field Days in July, putting in over 800 miles with stops in Casselton, Carrington, Minot, and Langdon.

The start of the Fall Semester began with Welcome Week events at the Libraries, including providing sunglasses and popsicles for students to be cool and to cool off during Move-In Day, as well as information and tours of the Main Library. Later that week, we also hosted “Nachos Average Library” with Nachos and information about NDSU Libraries for all students. Libraries staff had fun welcoming President Cook when he stopped by to offer rides to class for students. I supported Bison Football with a trip to Tucson, AZ, to attend the NDSU-UA football game, and ran into President Cook at the airport. I was one of nearly 8 years as Assistant Director for Digital Initiatives and Metadata Education, Minnexit. I’ve worked in academic libraries since 2005, with significant time spent at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Libraries first as the Multicultural Services Librarian and then as the Image and Multimedia Collections Coordinator. At Northern Arizona University-Cline Library I was the Academic Programs Librarian and Lead for the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences focus.

Previously, I spent nearly 12 years with Extension Services at two exceptional land-grant institutions—the University of Minnesota and the University of Arizona. My career has focused on higher education and land-grant institutions since 1993 and I am thrilled to continue that at NDSU.

I am thrilled to be here and be a part of NDSU Libraries, as well as the greater NDSU community! I look forward to meeting some or all of you soon!

November 2, 2022

Thank you for your continued support of NDSU Libraries. We look forward to an exciting fall semester and the start of our next fiscal year.
The Libraries enjoy sharing a variety of learning opportunities with campus and the community by hosting, supporting, and participating in events, exhibits, and programs throughout the year. See our activities from FY22 below, and learn more about our events and other news at library.ndsu.edu/news-events.

Pride in the Park
hosted by FM Pride

NDSU Welcome Week
Students of Color Social
hosted by NDSU Black Student Association

Suicide Prevention Awareness Week
hosted by Prairie St. John's

Graduate Researcher Series Workshops

Constitution Day
hosted by NDSU Center for the Study of Public Choice and Private Enterprise

Archives Month

National Transfer Student Week
International Open Access Week

Indigenous Student Day
hosted by the Office of Admission

NDSU Giving Day
hosted by NDSU Foundation

24/7 at the Library
last 2 weeks of Fall & Spring Semesters

Events, Exhibits & Programs

Tri-College Libraries Workshops:
- Linked Data in Libraries
- Creating Inclusive Spaces within the Libraries

National Library Week 2022:
Connect with Your Library

2022 Gunlogson Presentation:
A Historic Landscape Survey for the NDSU Campus
Video available at library.ndsu.edu/r.handle/10365/32316

Exhibits:
- 9/11 Memorial and Museum Education
  Main Library
- A Photographic Journey: The Life and Work of Leo Kim
  Memorial Union Gallery
- The Architecture of Denby M. Deegan, Surrounded by Enemy
  Flakoll Gallery at Renaissance Hall
  In support of our One Book One Community partnership
- We Gather at NDSU, a Land Grant Institution
  Main Library
- Disasters: The Stories We Share
  NIH-funded traveling exhibit, Main Library

NDSU Libraries Strategic Plan 2022-24

NDSU launched its Strategic Plan for 2021-2026 in early 2021. To bring the Libraries into alignment with NDSU’s new plan, staff worked collaboratively to update our mission and vision statements and create subgoals (shown below) and action items that support the university’s goals. The Libraries’ 3-year plan was launched in January 2022. See more at library.ndsu.edu/about/mission-vision-library. For details on NDSU’s strategic plan, visit ndsu.edu/strategicplan.

Mission:
We enrich teaching, learning, and research to advance innovation and academic excellence.

Vision:
To create a culture of access and innovation that enhances the student experience and supports the university’s land-grant mission.

Diversity, Inclusivity, & Respect
Continuously improve the Libraries’ physical and virtual spaces and services for students, faculty, staff, and all stakeholders, with a focus on underrepresented groups on campus.
- Design and implement additional programming, instruction, outreach opportunities, and policies that uphold inclusivity, diversity, respect, and connection.

Student Success & Achievement
- Improve our students’ academic success with outcome-based, experiential learning opportunities.
- Provide students opportunities for personal and professional development to support their life and career goals.
- Foster a supportive environment focused on all students’ well-being.

Research & Creative Activity
- Increase the Libraries’ commitment to support sustainable research growth.
- Integrate and strengthen support for Research and Creative Activity.
- Support and ensure high-quality research education for postdoctoral fellows, graduate, and undergraduate students.

Education, Extension, & Outreach
- Increase the use of innovative, student-centered, and inclusive instructional methods and delivery options.
- Expand and strengthen technology-rich services in the Libraries to support education, research, and outreach.
- Broaden partnerships within and outside NDSU to address the educational, cultural, and information needs of North Dakota and the region.

Resource Planning & Development
- Prioritize Libraries resources for institutional effectiveness based on strategic plan initiatives.
- Develop and implement a Libraries-wide strategy for technology, data, and resource access that improves student education and experiences and enhances research capabilities.
- Develop and implement a fundraising strategy for the Libraries.

 связанной с обучением, а также научной и исследовательской деятельности.

Визия:
Создание культуры доступа и инноваций, которая улучшает опыт студентов и поддерживает университетскую модель "земле-института".

Диверситет, включаемость, и уважение
- Степенно улучшайте физические и виртуальные пространства и услуги Библиотек для студентов, сотрудников, персонала, и всех других заинтересованных сторон, с акцентом на группы, которые не представлены в библиотеках.
- Дизайн и реализация дополнительных программ, инструкций, выходов и политик, которые поддерживают включенность, разнообразие, уважение и связь.

Успех и достижение студентов
- Улучшение академического успеха студентов на основе результативных, опыта обучения программ.
- Предоставление студентам шансов для личного и профессионального развития, чтобы поддержать их жизнь и карьерные цели.
- Создание поддерживающей среды, сфокусированной на благополучии всех студентов.

Исследование и творчество
- Увеличение обязательств библиотек поддерживать устойчивый научный рост.
- Интеграция и усиление поддержки для исследовательской и творческой деятельности.
- Поддержка и обеспечение высококачественного обучения и научного исследования для постдокторантов, аспирантов и бакалавров.

Образование, расширение, и пропаганда
- Увеличение использования инновационных, студенчески-центрических и инклюзивных методов и средств доставки.
- Расширение и усиление технологии-центрических услуг в Библиотеках, чтобы поддержать образовательную, исследовательскую и пропагандистскую деятельность.
- Расширение партнерских отношений внутри и за пределами НДСУ, чтобы удовлетворить образовательные, культурные, и информационные потребности НORTH DAKOTA и региона.

Ресурсное планирование и развитие
- Проводите оценку и реализацию ресурсов библиотек для обеспечения эффективности институциональной работы на основе стратегического плана.
- Развивайте и внедряйте стратегию для библиотек, основанные на технологиях, данных, и ресурсах, которые улучшают образовательные и экспериментальныес погружения и улучшают исследовательские возможности.
- Развивайте и внедряйте стратегию финансирования для библиотек.
In the spring of 2022, the Digital Fabrication Lab completed the second phase of its renovation process, which included the creation of the adjoining CoLab. The CoLab is a collaborative workspace designed to foster creative experiences and connections. It features modular furniture that allow students, faculty, and staff to arrange the space to fit their needs. The CoLab was designed in part by NDSU Interior Design students Kendra Borgen, Carolyn Hoffmann, Parker Johnson, Jesse Price, and Hannah Schumacher, with oversight by Program Coordinator Dr. Susan Ray-Degges and the Libraries’ Emerging Technologies Coordinator Adam Elznic.

“We are excited to feature a space that was designed by students, for students,” Elznic stated. “It was a great professional development experience to have students design a custom space. Since its reopening, we have had great student involvement and the layout has delivered on its promise of fostering collaboration and supporting our educational and entrepreneurial pursuits.”

The final phase of the project will include installation of an interactive SMART Board in the CoLab and the creation of a glass façade to tie Digital Fabrication Lab and the CoLab together. We are very excited and inspired by the students’ vision and ask for your support to help complete the project. To donate, please visit library.ndsu.edu/donate-library and designate “Digital Fabrication Lab Fund.”

To learn more about the Digital Fabrication Lab, visit library.ndsu.edu/locations/main-library/digital-fabrication-lab.

**DATA VISUALIZATION LAB**

Since its opening in the fall of 2021, our Data Visualization Lab (DVL) has seen a steady stream of NDSU users looking for help with data visualization. The space came together over the summer when our virtual reality labs were moved to the DVL, making it easier to assist users with this technology. Interest in the Libraries’ ND EPSCoR-funded 3D laser scanners has also increased, with students using them for senior design projects and student club projects. Based on the success of the DVL and our 3D laser scanner lending service, this fall the Libraries and the NDsu Department of Earth, Environmental, and Geospatial Sciences received an NDSU Foundation Impact Fund Grant to purchase an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (a quadcopter drone) and a differential GPS system that will be available to all NDSU students and researchers. Like the scanners, the drone and GPS system will be handled by the DVL.

The DVL is managed by Sciences Librarian Bob Tolliver. We are fortunate to have Charles Nickson, PhD student in Environmental and Conservation Sciences, as our graduate assistant for the DVL. He is a with expertise in GIS and provides most of the consulting help in the lab. In addition to his skills with GIS, he has developed expertise with our 3D scanners and processing the scans for use with 3D printers.

To learn more about the Data Visualization Lab, visit library.ndsu.edu/locations/main-library/data-visualization-lab.

**NEW COLLECTIONS AT THE NDSL**

Architectural drawings by Denby M. Deegan, Surrounded by Enemy, were donated by his family to the NDSU Archives in the summer of 2021. Deegan, a 1965 NDSU graduate, had a distinguished career as one of the first Native American registered architects in the United States and in North Dakota. His career spanned 45 years and included work throughout the country, the majority of which was in North Dakota and Montana. Much of his work incorporated themes and motifs of Arikara culture and heritage. Deegan was a founding member of the American Indian Council of Architects and Engineers (AICAE), a non-profit organization designed to encourage and mentor the development of Native American architects and engineers.

Rendering of the Four Bears Bridge, New Town, ND. The design honors the heritage of the Three Affiliated Tribes (Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikaras).

**FARGO AIR MUSEUM PARTNERSHIP**

In April 2022, the Fargo Air Museum and NDSU Archives began a partnership that will allow the museum’s collection of photographs and paper documents to be preserved and shared with the community. The Fargo Air Museum was founded with the nonprofit mission of promoting aviation through education, preservation, and restoration. Items from their collections will be available for students, researchers, and the general public to view, learn from, and enjoy.

Fargo Air Museum Collections Manager Max Sabin stated, “As an NDSU history graduate, I am beyond excited to see my alma mater and the Fargo Air Museum join in partnership to not only preserve an extensive rare photo archive and unique document collection but to see it shared with the public as well!”

Pictured from L-R: Max Sabin and Ryan Thayer, Fargo Air Museum; Matt Tallant, John Hallberg, and Hallie Pritchett, NDSU Libraries

**PRESENTATION SISTERS OF THE SACRED HEART CONVENT COLLECTION**

The archives of the Presentation Sisters of the Sacred Heart Convent were donated to the NDSU Archives in fall 2021. The Presentation Sisters have been the carriers of the Presentation Story—the completion of Mary’s purification in accordance with Jewish law and the presentation of the birth of the first born—from their arrival in the United States to establishing a foundation in the Dakota Territory in 1880. The collection includes information on Nano Nagle, founder of the order; the establishment of the order in Fargo; and materials related to their educational ministry, health care, and social services activities.

From the collection: First Communion at St. Mary’s Cathedral School, Mgr. Lucian Arrell, pastor; S. Borgia (L), S. Petronilla (R), 1946
Staff Activities

NDUS Libraries have a dedicated staff that work hard to keep operations running smoothly for our students, faculty, staff, and community members. In addition to their daily work, staff activities include presenting at conferences, serving on university committees, ongoing professional development, publishing, and other distinguished accomplishments. Here are some highlights from FY22:

New Staff
• Susan Dopp, Library Technician
• Abigail Erickson, Library Associate
• Samantha Frojan, Reserves Supervisor
• Jolie Graybill, Dean of Libraries

Awards
• Linnae Weinrich, Stacks Supervisor, 2022 Mary McCannel Gunkelman Award nomination, NDUS

Graduate Assistantships
Graduate assistants are typically full-time graduate students who participate in teaching, research, or service activities in exchange for financial support from NDUS. These assistantships provide experiential learning opportunities in exchange for financial support from NDSU. These assistantships provide experiential learning opportunities while furthering the Libraries’ mission.

Supported by NDUS Libraries:
• Charlie Nixon provided research assistance and instruction in the Data Visualization Lab.

Supported by the Germans from Russia Heritage Collection:
• Wyatt Achtleay worked on the exhibit Building Life and Home on the Prairies: German-Russian Homesteads of North Dakota and on digitizing the magazine North Dakota Horizons.

Supported by the Department of History, Philosophy, and Religious Studies:
• Lis Fricker worked on NDUS Alumni Association Collection.
• Stefanie Aulner worked on the GRHC’s Astman-Schultz Collection and the YMCA of Cass and Clay Counties Collection.

Supported by the School of Architecture:
• Kiara Groth worked on the exhibit The Architecture of Denby M. Deegan, Surrounded by Enemy that was displayed in the Flakoll Gallery in Renaissance Hall.

Grants
• Lisa Eggebraaten, Research and Access Librarian, Kla Juba Wald Architectural Studies Library and Business Learning Center, received an NDUS Foundation grant from the Centennial Endowment Fund to create a traveling exhibit honoring the life and work of Denby Deegan, Surrounded by Enemy. Deegan was the first Native American to graduate from the NDUS School of Architecture.
• Hallie Pritchett (PhD), Mitchell Annex, Adam Etnicz, Amy Reese, Robert Tollerow, and Trevor Micheli (ITS consultant) received Student Technology Fee Advisory Committee Action Plan funding to create a podcasting and multimedia studio in the Main Library.
• Beth Twomey, Head of Research and Instruction, received an NDUS Foundation grant from the Library Endowment Fund to purchase books and materials to support the Data Visualization Lab.

Publications

Volunteers
• Pam Burkhardt, Germans from Russia Heritage Collection
• Gary Peterson, NDUS Archives
• Mike Smith, NDUS Archives

Years of Service
• Michael Miller, 55 years of service at NDUS
• Clarice Hackman, 50 years of service at NDUS
• Emily Hoadley, 10 years of service at NDUS
• Nicole Juve, 10 years of service at NDUS
• Jeremy Kopp, 10 years of service at NDUS
• Catherine Bjertness, 5 years of service at NDUS

Thank you to our Friends for their support this year!

E nhance the student experience at NDUS by joining Friends of the Libraries! Your contributions go toward expanding our collections, purchasing new resources and technologies, strengthening Special Collections, updating spaces, and enhancing teaching, learning, and research that advances innovation and academic excellence. Friends receive NDUS Libraries borrowing privileges, the award-winning The Libraries Magazine in the fall, and invitations to our special events and programs.

If you would like to make a difference in a student’s life and support NDUS Libraries, please join or renew your membership to Friends of the Libraries by visiting www.givetondsu.com/donate-library or give to the Libraries on NDUS Giving Day—November 29, 2022.
"In October [2022], Katie and I had the opportunity to visit the Germans from Russia Heritage Collection at the NDSU Libraries. The collection and exhibits are an impressive resource that fits seamlessly in the land grant mission of NDSU. Kudos to the staff for their dedicated efforts to share and preserve the unique history of the people of North Dakota. And a special thank you to Michael Miller for his legacy of leadership for over 55 years at NDSU."

NDSU President David Cook