

# Huron Public Library

October / November 2025

## Library Director to Attend 2025 MPLA ND-SD Tri-Conference

Angela Bailey, Director of the Huron Public Library, will be attending the 2025 MPLA North Dakota-South Dakota Tri-Conference. She will also be presenting on Friday about the library's summer Feed and Read program, highlighting the ways the library supports literacy and community engagement during the summer months.

The conference will feature an exciting lineup of keynote speakers, including:

**Laura Numeroff** – New York Times bestselling author and illustrator, best known for *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie*.

**Dr. Denise Lajimodiere** – Poet laureate of North Dakota, retired University of North Dakota professor, and author of *Stringing Rosaries: The History, the Unforgivable*, and *The Healing of Northern Plains American Indian Boarding School Survivors*.

**R.L. Stine** – Creator of the juvenile horror genre and author of the bestselling *Goosebumps* series, with over 400 million books printed in more than 35 languages.

**Abby Jimenez** – New York Times bestselling author of *Just for the Summer* and other romance novels; also an accomplished baker featured on several Food Network shows.

**Neil Shusterman** – Award-winning Young Adult novelist and television writer, known for novels such as *Scythe* and *Challenger Deep*.

**Molly Yeh** – Cookbook author, blogger, and television personality known for blending Chinese and Jewish heritage with Midwest farm-style cooking. Host of *Girl Meets Farm* and author of *Molly on the Range*.

Angela looks forward to bringing back new ideas and insights from the conference to enhance the services and programs offered at the Huron Public Library.

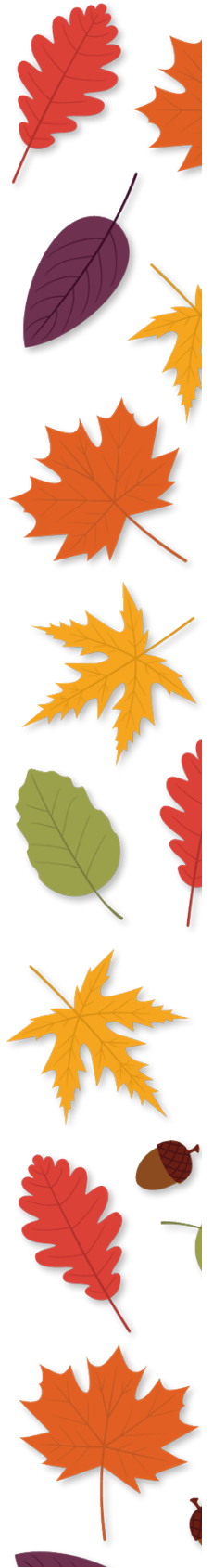
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## Huron Public Library Earns State Accreditation Renewal 2025-2028

Huron Public Library earned official accreditation renewal from the South Dakota State Library in August 2025, joining 17 other libraries statewide recognized for excellence in services, resources, and community engagement.

The accreditation highlights the library's strong governance, skilled staff, up-to-date collections, technology access, and welcoming facilities. Open 60 hours per week, Huron Public Library offers free access to books, digital resources, computers, and more.

"By participating in this volunteer program, the staff and trustees of these libraries demonstrate their dedication to quality library services," said State Librarian George Seamon. "I encourage everyone in these communities to visit their library and see what they have to offer."



## America 250 Decades Reading Challenge



Celebrate America's 250th Anniversary with a year-long reading adventure! The Huron Public Library invites readers of all ages to join the America 250: Decades Reading Challenge, running September 2025 – September 2026.

### About the Challenge

Travel through time by reading books set in—or about—each decade of American history. Starting with 1776 and moving decade by decade up to the 2020s, explore history through fiction or nonfiction of your choice. Need inspiration? Each month, the library provides a suggested reading list to help you get started.

### How It Works

1. Pick up your reading card and monthly reading list at the library.
2. Read a book that fits the decade for that month.
3. Write your name and book title on your card and return it to the library.
4. Earn rewards! Collect a decade-themed bookmark and a mini book cover to add to your collector jar.
5. Show off your progress by displaying your mini book covers throughout the year.

Take on the challenge, grow your collection, and celebrate 250 years of American stories—one decade at a time! Visit the library in person or check our website for the reading dates and suggested lists for each month.

## Check Out Games at the Library November is International Games Month!

Celebrate International Games Month this November by exploring the Huron Public Library's collection of games and puzzles! Whether you're looking for a fun activity for the holidays or want to try a game before adding it to your own collection, we've got something for everyone.

### Some of our popular titles include:

**Apples to Apples** – The classic party game for all ages.

**Clue** – Solve the mystery before anyone else!

**Connect 4** – A fast-paced strategy game for two players.

**Monopoly** – Buy, trade, and build your way to victory.

**Scrabble** – Challenge your word skills with friends or family.

**Uno** – The beloved color- and number-matching card game.

**Yahtzee** – Roll the dice and test your luck and strategy.

Stop by the library to check out games or play in-house, and make this November a month of fun, family, and friendly competition!



**Library Closures & Late Openings:** The Library will be closed on Monday, October 13, 2025, in observance of Native American Day; Tuesday, November 11, 2025, for Veterans Day; and Thursday through Saturday, November 27–29, 2025, for Thanksgiving. The library will open at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, October 9, 2025, and Thursday, November 13, 2025, for staff training.

### Library Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Friday - Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday: Closed

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