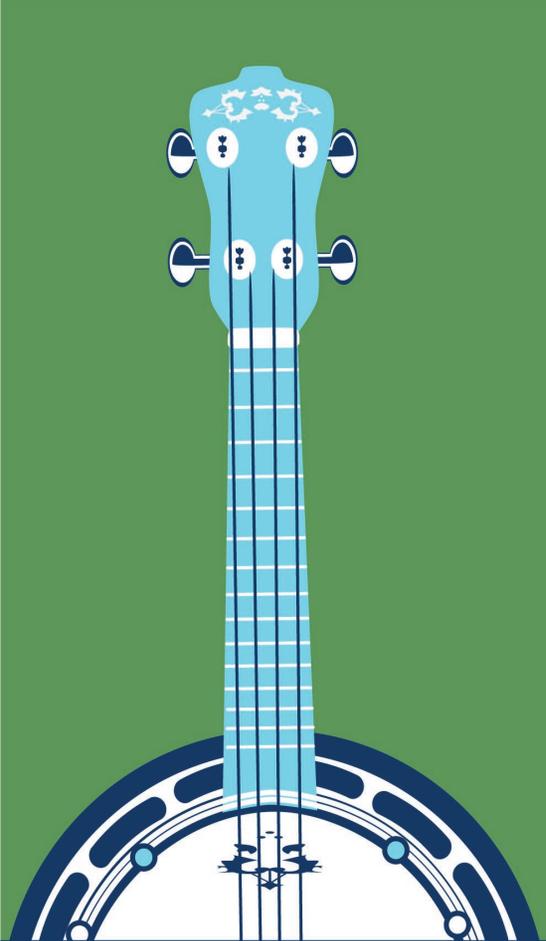


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The Culture of Bluegrass Music in North Carolina:

My life as an accidental bluegrass musician

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What's New

Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped to Host Bluegrass Musician John Santa at the Governor Morehead School

December 4, 2019, 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Governor Morehead School Auditorium - Raleigh, NC

SLNC's Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped invites you to The Culture of Bluegrass Music in North Carolina: My Life as an Accidental Bluegrass Musician with speaker/musician John Santa. Using musical examples (both recorded and performed live) and personal anecdotes of travels across North Carolina from his book, *Bluegrass is My Second Language*, Mr. Santa will share his knowledge and love of Bluegrass music with the audience.

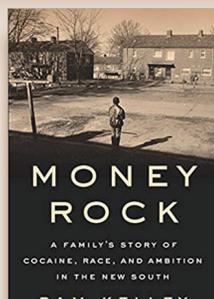
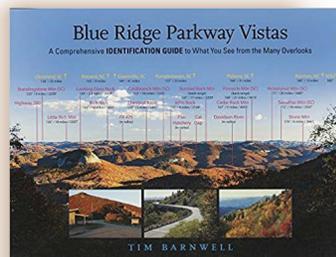
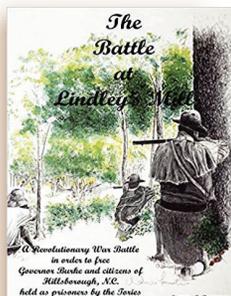
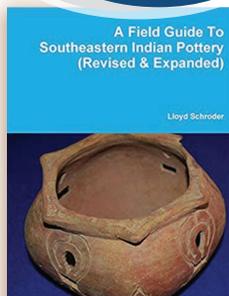
To register, go to <http://bit.ly/2DOXFie>, call 1-888-388-2460 or send an email to nclbph@ncdcr.gov.



This event is part of Come Hear North Carolina, a campaign designed to celebrate the groundbreaking contributions of North Carolinians to all musical genres. Come Hear NC is a collaboration between the Department of Natural & Cultural Resources and the North Carolina Arts Council, a statewide nonprofit and affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

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TITLES OF NOTE in the Gov't & Heritage Library Collection:



1. ***A Field Guide to Southeastern Indian Pottery*** (Revised and Expanded) by Lloyd Schroder
2. ***Battle at Lindley's Mill*** by Stewart Dunaway
3. ***Blue Ridge Parkway Vistas: A Comprehensive Identification Guide to What You See from the Many Overlooks*** by Tim Barnwell
4. ***History of the Scottish Rite Valley of Raleigh*** by Ludwik Wodka
5. ***Money Rock: A Family's Story of Cocaine, Race, and Ambition in the New South*** by Pam Kelley



Search the GHL Collection via the NC Cardinal catalog

Click here to explore these titles and resources available through the Government and Heritage Library's collection



Around the State

State Library of North Carolina at the North Carolina Library Association Conference

The State Library of NC was well represented at the 63rd Biennial North Carolina Library Association (NCLA) Conference in Winston-Salem, NC October 15 – 18, 2019. State Librarian Timothy G. Owens, along with Wanda K. Brown, current ALA President and Director of Library Services for the C. G. O' Kelly Library at Winston Salem State University, spoke as part of this year's Ogilvie Lecture, *Libraries: The Space to Guide Community and Professional Growth*. SLNC staff from the Government and Heritage Library, Library Development and the North Carolina Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped presented numerous pre-conference workshops and conference sessions throughout the three-day event and staffed an information booth in the exhibit hall.

SLNC staff received the following feedback from an NCLA grant writing pre-conference attendee:

"This workshop was awesome! The booklet provided with templates, tips, and examples is invaluable! If I get nothing else from NCLA, this workshop was worth the trip!"

The State Library of North Carolina also sponsored 54 professional development scholarships to help library staff throughout North Carolina attend NCLA and further their professional development.



2019 NCLA Scholarship recipients

Around the State

Removing Barriers to Great Service Workshop

SLNC Library Development's Continuing Education Program hosted Maxine Bleiweis, former Executive Director of the Westport Public Library in Connecticut, for two sessions of her *Removing Barriers to Great Service* workshop. Twenty-seven people attended the workshop held on October 8, 2019 at the Chapel Hill Public Library and 17 attended at the Hendersonville Public Library on October 10, 2019. Laura Jones, Duplin County's Public Library Director, commented on the event:

"Thank you again for bringing Maxine to our area. I came away with more than just food for thought. Between her presentation and table conversations, I came away with practical advice on many issues that I have on my 'tackle' list!"



Maxine Bleiweis (pictured right) presenting to the group of workshop attendees

Around the State

SLNC Government and Heritage Library Hosts North Carolina Association for the Advancement of Teaching (NCCAT) Workshop

SLNC Government and Heritage Library (GHL) hosted 20 educators from Wake, Durham, and Guilford Counties for a two-day North Carolina Association for the Advancement of Teaching (NCCAT) workshop on incorporating primary sources into the middle- and high-school classroom. Teachers heard about resources offered at GHL, the State Archives, and the NC Museum of History. They also spoke with two expert researchers, author and historian **David Cecelski** and NCSU professor and author **Jason Miller**, about how they use the State Library and Archives in their primary source research.

New Public Library Director Orientation

SLNC Library Development (LD) held their annual New Public Library Director Orientation in Raleigh on October 2-3, 2019. Public Library Management Consultant **Lynda Reynolds** organized the day-and-a-half event.

CAPTION RIGHT: New library directors pictured from left are **Jim Blanton** (Buncombe County), **Audrey Moore** (Pinehurst), **Paige Owens** (New Hanover), **Melissa Oleen** (Rowan), **Sheila Killebrew** (Davidson), **Susana Goldman** (Alamance), **Brenda Faithful** (Halifax), **Franklin Shook** (Nantahala Regional), along with the SLNC's **Lynda Reynolds** (LD), **Francesca Evans** (GHL), **Renita Barksdale** (Johnston & Smithfield), **Marcie Dowling** (Polk), and **Tanya Prokrym** (LD)



NCCAT workshop attendees are pictured on the front steps of the State Library / Archives building



Around the State

#EverythingNC: Author Series - A Conversation with Sheila Amir

The second event in the #EverythingNC Author Series was held on October 26, 2019. The SLNC Government and Heritage Library hosted a conversation with **Sheila Amir**, author of *The Bulls of Durham*. *The Bulls of Durham* blends a rich history with the stories and perspectives of Durham's greats, including teachers, politicians, business owners, hip-hop artists, and painters. If you were not able to attend, you can watch the entire talk at <https://youtu.be/2wcAIPuRNxM>.

Death Letter Project - NC (Oakwood Cemetery)

On Monday, October 7, 2019, the SLNC Government and Heritage Library hosted Historic Oakwood Cemetery's Robin Simonton, Executive Director, and Michael Palko, Photographer-in-Residence. They shared the Cemetery's 150th-anniversary commemorative effort called the "Death Letter Project - North Carolina." The project honors the lives and memories of the more than 25,000 souls who rest in the sacred space and the unique significance, meaning and value the Cemetery holds for Raleigh, Wake County, and the people of North Carolina. If you weren't able to make it, watch it on the NC Department of Natural and Cultural Resources YouTube channel: youtu.be/G5h20LNO6bE.



Pictured from left, Community Outreach Librarian **Francesca Evans**, *Bulls of Durham* author **Sheila Amir**, Outreach Librarian **Rebecca Hyman**



Noteworthy additions to the NC Digital Collections

- 🔗 *Prologue: Events forming background of Mecklenburg declaration of independence, May 20, 1775 [1924] <http://bit.ly/335mBzM>*
- 🔗 *Soil survey of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina [Federal, 1912] <http://bit.ly/2QEdJhN>*
- 🔗 *The Bugler [NC School for the Deaf, various issues, 2005-2016] <http://bit.ly/2XwvqBv>*
- 🔗 *The History of Steele Creek Church, Mecklenburg, N.C. [1872] <http://bit.ly/334TiNN>*
- 🔗 *The Mauney family reunion [1916] <http://bit.ly/2OunWuH>*
- 🔗 *The Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, May 20, 1775 [Miniature book, 1954] <http://bit.ly/346gb4M>*

Staff Out & About

Charlotte Mecklenburg North County Regional Library Grand Opening

State Librarian Timothy G. Owens was on hand for the grand reopening of Charlotte Mecklenburg's North County Regional Library on October 26, 2019. A ribbon cutting ceremony was followed by an afternoon of family activities including branch tours, live music, face painting, learning, and more. North County Regional Library (located in Huntersville, NC) increased by 1,860 square feet to nearly 24,860 square feet and now includes redesigned spaces for children and teens, including a new Teen Loft, a makerspace room, an expanded community room, individual and group study rooms and collaborative spaces, a vending café, and a patio and terrace. To view images of the new space, visit www.flickr.com/photos/plcmc/albums/72157711566314207/with/48986504567.



NWRL Youth Services Staff Day

Youth Services Consultant Jasmine Rockwell facilitated a summer programming design workshop for the Northwestern Regional Library System (NWRL) on October 8, 2019. Fourteen NWRL youth services staff learned about trends in youth services, what the State Library does for youth services support, what CSLP (the Collaborative Summer Library Program) is and how they can be more involved.



CAPTIONS T-B: (Pictured from left) Acting Library Director **Dana Eure**, State Librarian **Timothy Owens**, and Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners Chairman **George Dunlap** | Participants are pictured during a rotating flip chart exercise, designed to help them re-envision their summer reading programs



TOP BLOG POSTS STATE LIBRARY OCTOBER 2019

Library Development Blog

Derrick Wold Named Director
of Davie County Public Library

SLNC Announces Two Mini-
Grant Opportunities

Greensboro Public Library
Named a Top Innovator by
Urban Libraries Council

GHL's For EverythingNC Blog

Exploring Our Collections with
#ArchivesHashtag Party

Research Using Our Databases

N.C. State Fair and Food: A
Perfect Combination

Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped Blog

Happy BARD Day

10 Most Wanted Books

National Poetry Month: Villanelle



About the State Library

Established in 1812, the State Library of North Carolina (SLNC) is the catalyst for exceptional library services in North Carolina. We are the principal library of state government; we build the capacity of all libraries; and we develop and support access to specialized collections for the people of North Carolina.

The State Library is a division of the NC Department of Natural and Cultural Resources.



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There are three sections in the State Library:

Government & Heritage Library (GHL)

Provides print and digital information about North Carolina, as well as history, government, genealogy, and statistical research expertise.

Library Development (LD)

Supports libraries throughout the state, through innovative programs and services, to help them meet the needs of their communities.

Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped (LBPH)

Serves blind and physically handicapped readers, through a wide range of books and magazines in print, braille, and audio formats.