

January 2019 Monthly Report



STATE LIBRARY  
of NORTH CAROLINA

CATALYST FOR EXCEPTIONAL LIBRARY SERVICES



# WHOLE person Librarianship

**Feb 26 & 28, 2019**  
Click on a date to register



## Personal Digital Archives & the Family Historian:

An introduction to personal digital archives

**Mar 12, 2019**

View following page for event details

## Upcoming Events

### Whole Person Librarianship\*

**February 26, 2019, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

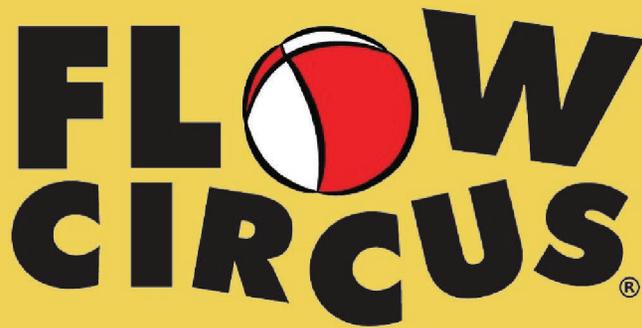
Steele Memorial Library - Mt Olive, NC

**February 28, 2019, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

Greensboro Public Library (Central) - Greensboro, NC

This session introduces the Whole Person Librarianship approach, which combines practical partnerships with concepts that can be applied to libraries regardless of a social work presence. Whole Person Librarianship Founding Consultant **Sarah Zettervall** will present and lead workshop attendees to explore the foundations of a relationship-based reference collection; practice understanding patrons through person-in-environment and cultural humility; and discuss the importance of reflective practice for sustainable service. The session will include topic overview talks, individual reflection, and group conversations.

For more information, see <https://statelibrary.ncdcr.libcal.com/event/5087233> and <https://statelibrary.ncdcr.libcal.com/event/5087236>.



## Fail Better:

No tech, high impact critical thinking for t/w/eens

**Mar 12, 19, & 21, 2019**



*\*These events are made possible in part by a grant from the federal Institute of Museum of Library Services (IMLS), administered by the State Library of North Carolina (LS-00-18-0034-18).*

## Personal Digital Archives & the Family Historian

**March 12, 2019, 6:30 p.m.**

Highland Methodist Church - Raleigh, NC

Not sure how to preserve your digital photos, documents, or social media accounts? Join us for a free presentation on **Personal Digital Archives (PDA)**. This presentation will discuss the importance of personal digital archives, what they are, how it relates to family history research, and what you can do as a genealogist/family historian with your own records. This event is sponsored by Altrusa International of Raleigh.

## Fail Better Workshop

**March 12, 2019, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Wayne County Main Library - Goldsboro, NC

**March 19, 2019, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Cameron Village Regional Library - Raleigh, NC

**March 21, 2019, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Catawba County Main Library - Newton, NC

Research and experience indicate that resilience, grit, and a growth mindset play a critical role in student success, but how can you help empower tweens/teens with these skills? **Flow Circus** offers a full-day training and skill toy kits - playful, unplugged tools for encouraging tweens/teens to shift mindset and see “failure” as an opportunity for learning and growth. For more information or to register, click on a date above.



**View the full calendar of events at**

[www.ncdcr.gov/events](http://www.ncdcr.gov/events)

# What's New

## We Have a New State Librarian!

We have a new State Librarian – Timothy Owens! Timothy grew up in Harbinger, North Carolina. He began his library career at Neuse Regional Library, followed by service at Perkins Library at Duke University, and in Library Development at the State Library of North Carolina. He has served as President of the Association for Rural & Small Libraries. Timothy was a senior program officer at the Institute of Museum and Library Services in Washington, D.C., before returning to North Carolina to become Assistant State Librarian in 2017. He earned his Master of Library Science at UNC-Chapel Hill and holds a master's degree in music from Meredith College.



## Library Shelfie Day

January 23 was Library Shelfie Day on social media! Librarians in the State Library and staff in the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources came by and posed for a #libraryshelfie to post online. It was a big hit! Of course, our most popular post was our introduction of our new State Librarian, Timothy Owens! One of our regular researchers commented on social media that she had “been loving all the #LibraryShelfieDay photos... nice to ‘see’ staff that I don’t often come across in the main room.”



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**CAPTIONS T-B, L-R:** New State Librarian **Timothy Owens** shares his “shelfie” for Library Shelfie Day | NC Cardinal Manager **Benjamin Murphy** shares his “shelfie” from Wake County West Regional Library | System Integration Librarian **Erin Holmes** takes her “shelfie” while hard at work at the Government & Heritage Library

# 7 Titles of Note in the Gov't & Heritage Library Collection:

1. ***Black. Queer. Southern. Women: An Oral History*** by E. Patrick Johnson
2. ***Blackbeard's Sunken Prize: The 300-year Voyage of Queen Anne's Revenge*** by Mark U. Wilde-Ramsing & Linda F. Carnes-McNaughton
3. ***Grand Illusions: Historic Decorative Interior Painting in North Carolina*** by Laura A.W. Phillips
4. ***Miss Bonnie's Nurses: The First Fifty Years of Nursing at UNC Charlotte*** by Anne Mabe Newman
5. ***Seacoast Plants of the Carolinas: A New Guide for Plant Identification and Use in the Coastal Landscape*** by Paul E. Hosier
6. ***Smoke Signals from Samarcand: The 1931 Reform School Fire and its Aftermath*** by Barbara Bennett
7. ***The Rise and Fall of the Voting Rights Act (Studies in American Constitutional Heritage)*** by Charles S. Bullock III, Ronald Keith Gaddie, and Justin J. Wert



**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

## The Homework Gap Hotspots

Library Development's newest addition, Digital Inclusion Librarian **Abi Waldrup**, is leading training and coordinating lending of hotspots as part of "Addressing the K-12 Homework Gap through Broadband Adoption," a project supported by an IMLS National Leadership Grant. This collaboration between Library Development, the Broadband Infrastructure Office (DIT), and the Friday Institute has led to an initial deployment of hotspots to students at Fairgrove Middle School in Fairmont, NC. Robeson County Public Library is a partner in the pilot phase of this two-year project.

## Forward Together: Communities Uniting Against Poverty

Library Development Consultants **Jasmine Rockwell**, **Amanda Johnson**, and **Jeffrey Hamilton** are hosting a workshop to discuss poverty, its impact on communities, and strategies for assisting those in need. **Forward Together** is an immersive seminar which brings librarians and their community partners together for a three-day event where they will work collaboratively, in large and small groups, to tackle the challenges of serving people living in and facing poverty in their communities. The workshop will be held at the **Forsyth County Main Library**, February 27 - March 1.



**CAPTIONS L-R:** A thank-you note from **Fairgrove Middle School** for collaboration in the "Homework Gap" program | These hotspots are ready for distribution to middle schoolers at Fairgrove Middle School in Fairmont, NC to use to complete their homework | The State Library's funding is evident in many locations throughout the state; in this image **Henderson County Public Library** staff tag materials as part of an LSTA grant-funded RFID project

# Staff Out & About

## Interactive Sign Language Workshop

Library Development Continuing Education Consultant **Lauren Clossey** organized an Interactive Sign Language workshop at the West Regional Library in Cary this past month. There were 40 attendees.

## NC State Parks Annual Conference of Superintendents

The Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped's **Catherine Rubin** attended the 2019 NC State Parks Annual Conference of Superintendents on January 23, 2019 for a segment on accessibility in State Parks. This is part of a new effort to expand accessibility in parks statewide. Catherine arranged for library patron **Ginny Lou Laughlin** and her guide dog to attend the conference. Ginny was the main speaker and discussed her own background, obstacles she has confronted in parks, and the potential dilemma of finding out where to go when she arrives at a park. She discussed walking with a guide dog or a cane and how a hearing impairment also affects her. She spoke too as an instructor with the NC Division of Services for the Blind and how different individuals have different perspectives and needs.

Following Ginny's talk, Haw River State Park's **Kelley King** moderated a discussion between Ginny Lou and conference attendees who asked a lot of questions. Catherine says, "Ultimately, the goal is to have a formal agency committee to study best ways to make parks more accessible eventually to all with disabilities, so we may be more involved in helping them in the future."

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**CAPTIONS T-B:** **Jill Eversmann** demonstrating signs at the Interactive Sign Language Workshop | Haw River State Park Superintendent **Kelley King** (left) and LBPH patron **Ginny Lou Laughlin** with her guide dog



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## LBPH & NC Museum of Art Docent Training

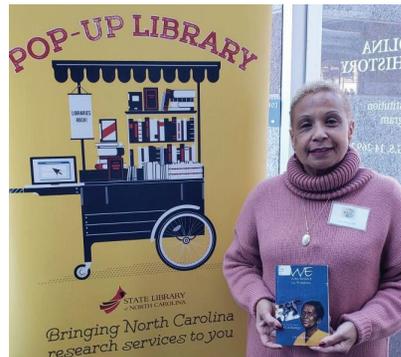
At the request of the NC Museum of Art, Catherine Rubin made arrangements for local visually impaired patrons to assist in training the museum docents in working with disabled visitors. The training sessions were very effective, with both our patrons and the museum staff commenting on how enjoyable and helpful they were.

## Genealogy Research Presentation

Rebecca Hyman, NC Government & Heritage Library Outreach and Reference Librarian, gave a presentation at the Richard B. Harrison Library in Raleigh, NC about resources for genealogy research on January 5.

## African American Cultural Celebration

The State Library of North Carolina was happy to participate in the African American Cultural Celebration at the NC Museum of History on January 26 by having a Pop-Up Library at the event. We were excited to have scholar and author Lea Williams come by and pose for us with our copy of one of her books!



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**CAPTIONS L-R:** Assistant Regional Librarian **Catherine Rubin** | Reference / Outreach Librarian **Rebecca Hyman** | Scholar and author **Lea Williams** with a copy of her book, *We Who Believe in Freedom: The Life and Times of Ella Baker* at the GHL's Pop-Up Library Event

# Compliments & Kudos

Library Development's Youth Services Consultant **Jasmine Rockwell** received the following compliment on her work with YALSA programming: "I just wanted to share that I was inspired while taking the YALSA course on Teen Growth and Development to offer a 'pop-up' library in the schools. I was able to collaborate with one of our middle school media specialists so far and we had an event yesterday...I just wanted to say thank you for working to offer quality continuing education opportunities and for promoting teen services!" (Lisa Donaldson, Youth Services Coordinator, Henderson County Public Library).

To view photos on pop-up libraries, see <https://www.blueridgenow.com/photogallery/NC/20190131/PHOTOGALLERY/130009986/PH/1>

The following is feedback **Lauren Clossey** received from the Interactive Sign Language Workshop:

*"I took a 6-week class at a community college (1 class each week for 6 total classes) and I feel that I walked away with more knowledge from this workshop with Jill than I did from the class! This was fabulous, and I would be interested in more, next level signing for library service in the future."*

*"Jill was wonderful, I learned so much and can't wait to use all the information that I learned in future programs. I would love to take her all-day workshop. I hope that is something that you can offer in the near future."*

*"I enjoyed the program immensely and learned so much. The presenter was fantastic, was an excellent teacher, able to convey the information in a way that allowed many different types of learners to absorb the information. I would 100% say that if the opportunity arose, to have this presenter back to do another workshop. Great workshop!"*



**CAPTIONS T-B:** Youth Services Consultant **Jasmine Rockwell** | Continuing Education Consultant **Lauren Clossey**



I just wanted to say thank you for working to offer quality continuing education opportunities and for promoting teen services!

*-Lisa Donaldson, Youth Services Coordinator, Henderson Public Library*



# 6 TOP BLOG POSTS

## STATE LIBRARY

### JANUARY 2019

#### Library Development Blog

1,232 Users | 4,750 Page Views

Timothy Owens Named State Librarian	541	views
Monthly Report: December 2018	188	views
Monthly Report: November 2018	133	views

#### Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped Blog

15 Users | 245 Page Views

Heard Any Good Books Lately? - January 2019	18	views
New on NOBLE - Before they were heroes at King's Mountain	10	views
BARD Roundup- December 2018 top 10 audio downloads	7	views



## About the State Library

**Established in 1812**, the State Library of North Carolina 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.



*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.