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## Upcoming Events

### SLNC Government & Heritage Library - Personal Digital Archiving Workshop Series

Coming up in the Personal Digital Archiving Series at the Government and Heritage Library:

#### Personal Digital Archiving: Store & Protect March 11, 2020, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

File naming and File Organization; Exporting data; Storage Options and Best Practices for long-term preservation.

#### Personal Digital Archiving: Manage & Provide May 13, 2020, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Managing access to your content and copies; Reviewing and maintaining your Archive; Password management; Planning for the unexpected.



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# Upcoming Events

## 2020 Southeast Collaborative Online Conference

Save the Date! The 2020 Southeast Collaborative Online Conference is coming March 3 - 4, 2020. This convenient online conference will offer innovative and useful online learning experiences for library staff at all levels. The 2020 Southeast Collaborative Online Conference is a collective effort of the **State Library of North Carolina**, **South Carolina State Library**, **Georgia Public Library Service**, and **Library of Virginia** and is brought to you free of charge. [Register today!](#)



## Best Practices Exchange 2020

Calling all librarians, archivists, records managers, and information professionals! Registration is now open for **Best Practices Exchange 2020: Sustaining and Maintaining Digital Initiatives** scheduled for March 23 - 25, 2020 at McKimmon Center in Raleigh. BPE 2020 is an unconference that focuses on the management and preservation of digital information, bringing together practitioners to discuss real-world best practices and lessons learned. Topics include **digital preservation**, **archiving**, and **digitization management**, just to name a few. See conference details at [bit.ly/BPE2020](https://bit.ly/BPE2020).



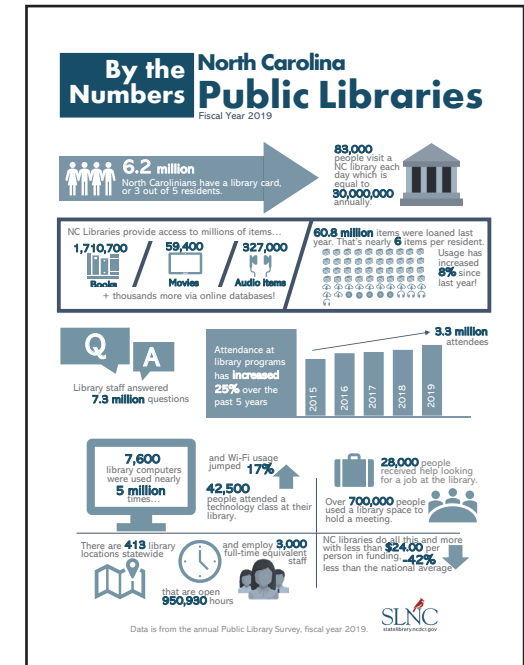
# What's New

## FY2019 Public Library Survey Data Released

The FY19 Public Library Survey Data has been released in draft form and is available publicly on the State Library website. This year's report shows several areas of growth around the state including an increase in usage of both print and electronic materials and a slight increase in reference transactions for the first time in several years. Learn more about the data and trends on the [SLNC Website!](#)

## Upcoming SLNC Government & Heritage Library Pop Up Events

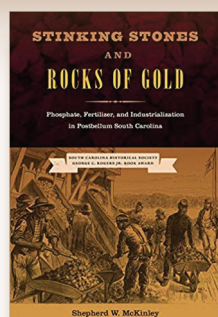
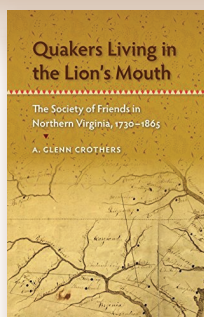
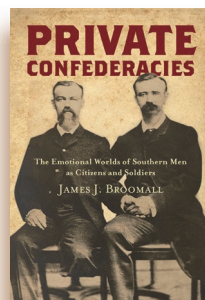
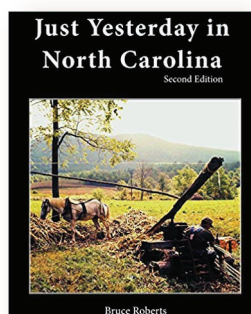
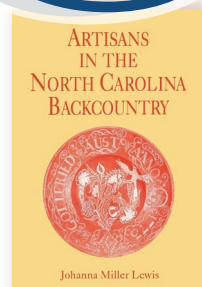
- Family History Day, February 8, 2020, at Historic Stagville, Durham
- Community Appreciation Day, February 8, 2020, at Tryon Palace, New Bern
- Black History Month Read-In, February 29, 2020, at Pure Life Theatre, Raleigh



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



1. ***Artisans in the North Carolina Backcountry*** by Johanna Miller Lewis
2. ***Just Yesterday in North Carolina: People and Places*** by Bruce Roberts
3. ***Private Confederacies: The Emotional Worlds of Southern Men as Citizens and Soldiers*** by James J. Broomall
4. ***Quakers Living in the Lion's Mouth: The Society of Friends in Northern Virginia, 1730-1865*** by A. Glenn Crothers
5. ***Stinking Stones and Rocks of Gold: Phosphate, Fertilizer, and Industrialization in Postbellum South Carolina*** by Shepherd W. McKinley



**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



# Staff Out & About

## State Librarian Attends Opening of Maurice Sendak: The Memorial Exhibition in Gaston County

State Librarian Timothy Owens attended the opening of Maurice Sendak: The Memorial Exhibition at Gaston County Public Library on December 14, 2019. The exhibition, which runs through January 25, 2020, showcases 50 original works by Maurice Sendak, the award-winning author and illustrator, most widely known for *Where the Wild Things Are*. The exhibition has been on display in multiple cities in the United States and abroad.



## North Carolina Public Director's Association Meeting

Several SLNC staff (Lauren Clossey, Jeffrey Hamilton, Amanda Johnson, Benjamin Murphy, Timothy Owens, Tanya Prokrym, Lynda Reynolds, Jasmine Rockwell) attended the North Carolina Public Directors Association (NCPLDA) Meeting December 5 – 6, 2019 in Winston Salem. State Librarian Timothy Owens provided an update on SLNC activities. The NCPLDA Spring Meeting will be held March 25 – 28, 2020 in Greenville, NC.



**CAPTIONS T-B:** Gaston County Public Library Director **Laurel Morris** delivering remarks | Pictured from left to right, State Librarian **Timothy Owens**; Forsyth County Public Library Director **Sylvia Sprinkle-Hamlin**; ALA President and Director of CG O'Kelly Library @WSSU **Wanda K. Brown**; **Carolyn Hairston**



# Around the State

## SLNC Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Hosts Bluegrass Musician John Santa at the Governor Morehead School

On December 4, 2019, SLNC's Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped presented The Culture of Bluegrass Music in North Carolina: My life as an accidental bluegrass musician featuring noted bluegrass musician John Santa. The event was held in Raleigh at the Governor Morehead School and the audience of 107 people included Governor Morehead students and LBPH patrons. The program was made possible by funding from the North Carolina Humanities Council, a statewide nonprofit and affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities. The engaging event aligned with [Come Hear North Carolina, a celebration of the 2019 Year of Music](#).

After a welcome from Master of Ceremonies Annie Davis, John Santa traced the evolution of bluegrass music from its early roots into its emergence as a mainstream musical genre. During the musical journey, Mr. Santa demonstrated some of the instruments that played a role in the evolution of bluegrass, including the fiddle, the guitar, the mandolin and the steel guitar.

After a brief question and answer period, Mr. Santa joined bluegrass musicians and LBPH patrons John and Sandy DeLuca in performing some classic bluegrass pieces, followed by a contemporary piece composed by John DeLuca on life as a blind person. After the presentation, attendees were given the opportunity to ask further questions of Mr. Santa and to touch and try various instruments.

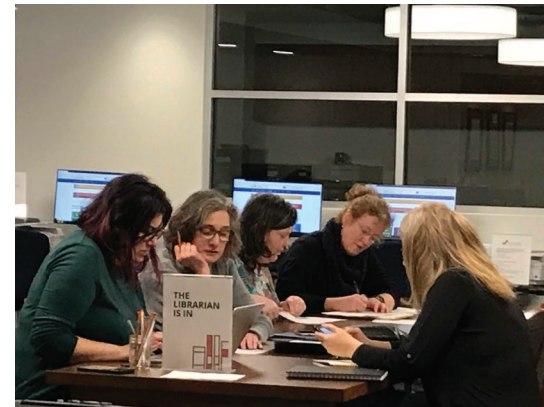


**CAPTIONS T-B:** John Santa pictured during a performance | Pictured from left to right, John Santa, John and Sandy DeLuca

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## Ask Us #EverythingNC Open Office Hours at the GHL

In December, SLNC Government and Heritage Library staff held a walk-in research consultation event. GHL Reference Librarians helped patrons with questions about genealogy research, personal digital archiving, NC statistics and demographics, and North Carolina History.









**CAPTIONS L-R:** Librarian **Beth Hayden** assists a library patron with some map research | Librarian **Erin Bradford** works with library patron | GHL librarians and patrons during December's Ask Us #EverythingNC open office hours.





## Noteworthy additions to the NC Digital Collections

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***A Pictorial Review to Acquaint The People Of North Carolina More Fully with their College for Women at Greensboro [193-]*** <http://bit.ly/2RE8n5m>
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***Carolina comments*** [entire run now available online, 1952-2013] <http://bit.ly/3aBp8Xd>
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***Cherokee Reservation trails plan [1978]*** <http://bit.ly/2TMDXjT>
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***George Helms and Tilman Helms, 1720-1900: History & Genealogy of the Helms Family, Pioneers Of Anson And Meck. Counties, North Carolina, Five Generations [1981]***  
<http://bit.ly/36gHXvH>
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***North Carolina College for Women in pictures [1920]*** <http://bit.ly/2RBh8go>
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***Report to State Evaluation Committee on Teacher Education on ...*** [various NC Universities, 1963-1965] <http://bit.ly/2v8RSX7>



# TOP BLOG POSTS STATE LIBRARY DECEMBER 2019

## Library Development Blog

Diversity and Inclusion Grant  
Awardees

African American Cultural  
Heritage Grant

People Connect Institute -  
Free Webinar

## GHL's For EverythingNC Blog

NCpedia's Linked Data  
Experiment

Dewey Decimal System Day

Using Sanborn Fire Insurance  
Maps, 1866-1959

New Design of the North  
Carolina Digital Collections

## Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped Blog

Interview with Bluegrass Musician,  
John Santa

10 Most Wanted Books - December  
2019

Happy BARD Day - December 2019





## 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.