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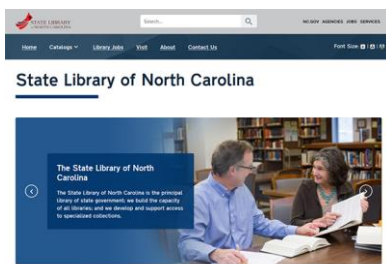


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What's New



Heather Brown, N.C. Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped



State Library website redesign

Heather Brown wins national Award

Heather Brown at the N.C. Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped has been awarded the Julie Klauber award in recognition of her outstanding service to patrons. The Julie Klauber Award is a national award, issued by Keystone Systems, to a person who uses the KLAS Integrated Library system on a regular basis and who has provided outstanding service to the library and our community. She will attend the KLAS Users Conference in Atlanta, during which the award will be presented to her.

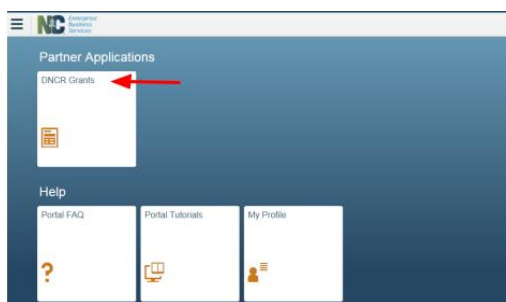
Coming soon! Redesigned State Library of N.C. website Preview to be unveiled on March 13th!

Be on the lookout for a link to the preview of our new website beginning March 13th. A survey will launch the same day about the website redesign. Please fill it out as we want to hear your feedback about it!

Library Development *Edge* Workshop

Library Development held a two-day, interactive workshop targeting tools that help public libraries serve their communities through improving technology services. Participants learned tips and strategies for communicating the library's role and value in public access technology as well as planning for community engagement.

What's new



New online grant management tool



Star Christian Academy students visit Government & Heritage Library

Launch of New Online Grant Management

The State Library implemented a new online Grants Management System developed by the NC Department of Transportation (NCDOT). This tool facilitates the application process for North Carolina Libraries applying for Library Services and Technology Act funding. Raye Oldham, Library Development's Federal Programs Consultant, in conjunction with the assistance of Jackie Haske, is managing the implementation. Training materials include an online guide (<https://tinyurl.com/1stguide>) and online presentation.

Students research at the Government & Heritage Library

Schedule a research day at the library for your school!

Students from Star Christian Academy from Wilson, NC visited the Government & Heritage Library this February to work on their Black History Month research projects. Fifteen 6th-12th graders worked with librarians Jen Hanft and Rebecca Hyman on finding resources for their projects. Schedule a research day for your school by contacting slnc.reference@ncdcr.gov!

Around the State



**Senator Don Davis Visits
Wayne County's "Legislative
Day"**



NC Cardinal program logo

Wayne County Legislative Day

Wayne County Public Library hosted a "Legislative Day" at one of their library branches. In attendance were Representative Jimmy Dixon and Senators Don Davis and Louis Pate. During their visit to the library, the legislators were able to observe children's story programming and basic computer classes for senior adults.

NC Cardinal Launches Pilot for Student Access

The NC Cardinal consortium implemented a pilot program with 5 county library systems and schools within their communities. The program enabled students to use their student id cards to access the NC Cardinal catalog for online books and audiobooks. The program has met with great success. One Education Coordinator from Davie County stated, "I cannot thank you both enough for not only great resources, but the best cross collaboration in many years!"

Staff Out and About



Library visits around the State

Library Development Consultants visited Wayne, Johnston, Farmville, Clayton, Cabarrus, Stanly, Forsyth, and Davidson County Libraries. Cal Shepard presented at the Transylvania County Library Staff Day.

Finding African American Ancestors

Kay Tillotson, Genealogical Research Librarian, gave two talks at Wake County Public Libraries on "Tips and Tools for Finding African American Ancestors." One was on February 4, 2017 at Eva H. Perry Regional Library and the other was on February 25, 2017 at the West Regional Library.

Connecting educators with N.C. primary sources

Michelle Underhill (State Library) and Ashley Yandle (State Archives) presented at the "Integrating Primary Sources in the Middle and High School Curriculum through Digital Learning" workshop through the North Carolina Center for the Advancement of Teaching on February 13th.

Advocacy Workshops

Molly Westmoreland, Library Development's Public Library Management Consultant, provided advocacy workshops for the governing board of the Fontana Regional Library and the advisory board of the Caldwell County Library.

Upcoming Events



Bladen County joins NC Cardinal

The Bladen County is joining NC Cardinal on **Thursday, March 16, 2017**. Bladen becomes the 37th County Library System to join Library Development's statewide resource sharing consortium. Out of 81 Library Systems in North Carolina, 42 are currently enrolled in NC Cardinal.

Free webinar! "Finding Female Ancestors"

March 22nd, 10:00a.m. E.T.

Please register at: http://bit.ly/GHL_March22webinar.

This one-hour online webinar from the Government & Heritage Library will explore resources and practices to help you locate the women in your family tree!



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Compliments and Kudos!



NCpedia comment highlights!

"Thanks--nice article. I really appreciate the anecdotes about Mary Williams, Salisbury, etc. And thanks for describing how people produced salt from seawater. I was never sure if the salt came from water or a mine."

"I love the information in this site. I will visit NCpedia more often."

Finding African American Ancestors attendees

Kay Tillotson received a number of great compliments on her talks at Wake County Public Libraries this February!

"It was riveting!"

"Awesome."

"She was fantastic and I would love to hear her again."

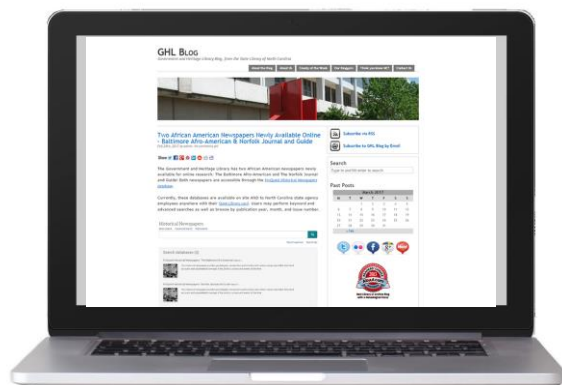
Library Development *Edge* Workshop

Amanda Johnson and **Lauren Clossey** received many positive comments on the March workshop. Edge provides tools to help public libraries serve their communities through improving technology services. Numerous Library Directors stated, "The workshop was invaluable and was one of the best training workshops yet!"

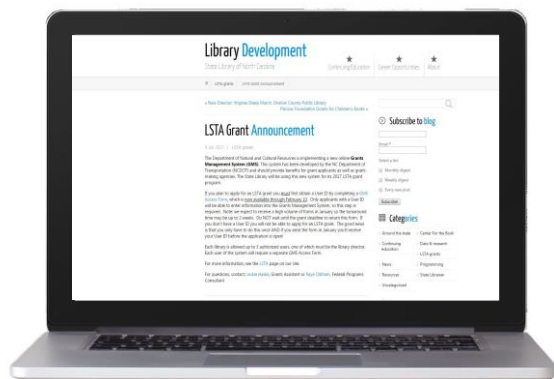


Edge logo

Social Media



Government & Heritage Library Blog



Library Development Blog

GHL Blog

1214 sessions
1775 pg views
1108 users

631 views Census Tips: 1840 Census
<http://wp.me/p17ckJ-4SQ>

227 views Celebrating African American History Month: New in NCpedia
<http://wp.me/p17ckJ-4Tb>

69 views Two African American Newspapers Newly Available Online
<http://wp.me/p17ckJ-4Tq>

LD Blog

1210 sessions
1553 pg views
4445 users

1147 views Announcing the NC Kids Digital Library
<http://statelibrarync.org/nckids>

352 views Continuing Education Opportunities: February 2017
<http://statelibrary.ncdcr.gov/ceopps/ceopps>

192 views Announcing State Library Sponsored Workshops!
<http://statelibrarync.org/ldblog/workshops/>

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 part of the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources and is currently made up of three parts:

Government & Heritage Library

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

Library Development

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

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



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