

MARCH 2017
MONTHLY
REPORT



CATALYST FOR EXCEPTIONAL LIBRARY SERVICES

Activities / Accomplishments



Heather Brown receiving Julie Klauber Award

Heather Brown Receives Julie Klauber Award

Heather Brown from Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped (LBPH) was presented with the Julie Klauber Award during the opening session of the KLAS Users Conference in Atlanta Georgia. Along with a very handsome plaque, she had all transportation and housing costs covered so that she could attend the conference.

Craig Hayward New President of KLAS Users Group

Craig Hayward has been appointed as the President of the KLAS Users Group, for a two-year term. As President, he will represent the interests and concerns of the KLAS libraries, to Keystone and will also be an integral element in the planning of future conferences.



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Andrea Green from the State Library and Camille Tyndall Watson from the State Archives presented "Archiving State Government Websites: Methods and Challenges of Archiving North Carolina State Government Websites and Social Media" at Elon University's Sunshine Day. They served on a panel that was broadcast live on WRAL TV! The archived video is available www.wral.com/news/video/16581804/

Educator Conferences



Jennifer Hanft at the NC Technology in Education Conference



State Library Staff Conducted 15 Education Sessions

Kelly Agan presented and exhibited for the Government & Heritage Library at the NC Council for the Social Studies conference in March.

Rebecca Hyman presented two sessions at the NC Technology in Education conference. These sessions were "Using Digital timelines in the classroom" and "Playing Nicely Together: Integrating NC's Digital Historical Content in the Standard Course of Study". Jennifer Hanft and Rebecca Hyman exhibited at the NC Technology in Education conference.

Kay Tillotson presented an in-person workshop at Edgecombe County Public Library in Tarboro on "Finding Female Ancestors" and a webinar on the same topic in March. An archived version of the webinar will be available soon!

Amanda Johnson, Lauren Clossey, and Tanya Prokrym co-hosted a Two-day Edge Workshop for 32 Library Directors and Senior Staff at the State Library on March 7/8.

Amanda Johnson presented an Outcome-based Evaluation presentation at three Youth Services workshops, Iredell County and at the State Library. Her workshops focused upon understanding how evaluation can improve library services and programs while also equipping staff with the data needed to demonstrate the value of the library. One attendee wrote, "Amanda was extremely knowledgeable and helpful with this topic. I have already identified several opportunities where I can implement her techniques at my branch."

Educator Conferences + Site Visits



Ben Bizzle,
National Keynote Speaker and
Library Consultant



Rowan Public Library

Molly Westmoreland provided an advocacy workshop for the Friends on NC Public Libraries Southeast Area Spring Workshop in New Bern.

Lauren Clossey coordinated several workshops in March: Ben Bizzle's "It's All About the Story" workshops (March 15/16) and "Catching Up with Cataloging workshops" (March 14/16).

Cal Shepard attended the Friends of NC Public Libraries Regional meeting on March 25 at the Moss Memorial Library in Hayesville where she presented a State Library Update to the attendees. On March 30 she spoke at the NC Community College Library Association Conference in Morehead City and on March 31 she addressed the NC Public Library Directors Association meeting in New Bern.

Around the State

Library Development Consultants continued to conduct site visits around the state. This month's visits included, Pitt, Duplin Catawba, Lincoln, Rowan, Lee, Person, Bladen, Wake, Granville, and Pender counties.

What's New?



North Carolina Digital Collections website

New North Carolina State Government Publications in the North Carolina Digital Collections!

North Carolina's Blue Economy

<http://digital.ncdcr.gov/cdm/ref/collection/p16062coll9/id/298319>

North Carolina's Ocean Economy: A First Assessment and Transitioning to a Blue Economy

<http://digital.ncdcr.gov/cdm/ref/collection/p16062coll9/id/298314>

Two new publications from North Carolina Sea Grant examine the impact of the ocean on North Carolina's economy. Seafood, commercial fishing, shipping, tourism and recreation all provide vital contributions. The underlying ecological systems and natural resources also play an important role in supporting this economy.

Consumer's Guide to Disaster Preparedness

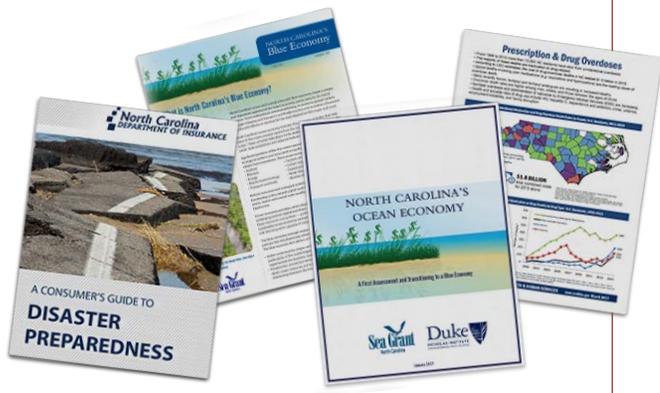
<http://digital.ncdcr.gov/cdm/ref/collection/p16062coll9/id/295638>

From the Department of Insurance's Consumer Services Division, this publication explains the various types of insurance and what each covers. It advises on what should be done ahead of time, in case of a disaster, and what to do after disaster strikes.

Prescription and Drug Overdoses

<http://digital.ncdcr.gov/cdm/ref/collection/p16062coll9/id/300110>

This factsheet from the NC Department of Health and Human Services contains detailed statistics on the number of unintentional medication and drug overdose deaths in North Carolina 1999-2015.



4 New State Government Publications added to the North Carolina Digital Collections!

What's New?



Susie Marshall Sharp
Featured in NCpedia.org in
honor of Women's History
Month

New in NCpedia.org!

In honor of Women's History Month, new entries were added! Test your knowledge of North Carolina Women's History. How many of these names do you know?

Marie Watters Colton — first female speaker Pro Tempore of the NC House of Representatives.

Elizabeth "Libba" Nevills Cotten — Carrboro native and key figure in the 1960s folk music revival.

Mary Claire Engstrom — long-time Hillsborough resident and instrumental in founding the town's Historical Society and chronicling the history of Orange County.

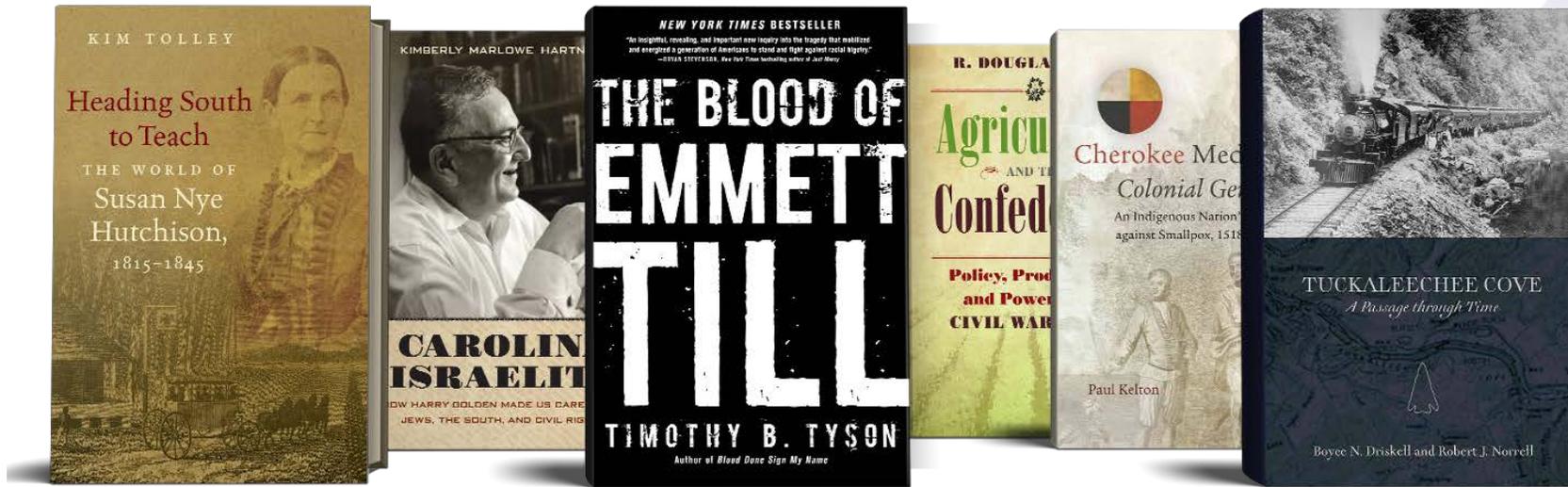
Mary Nicholson — Early female commercial pilot from Greensboro, joined the British Air Transport Auxiliary during WWII.

Anne Penland — from Asheville, Penland became a pioneering nurse anesthetist and was the first woman to serve as an anesthetist on the European front in WWI, in a British base hospital.

Susie Marshall Sharp — ground-breaking first female judge in the state's history, first female member of the State Supreme Court and its first female Chief Justice.

Maxine Swalin — along with her husband, [Benjamin Swalin](#), she helped revive the floundering North Carolina Symphony in the 1930s.

What's New?



New books in the Government & Heritage Library collection:

The Blood of Emmett Till by Timothy Tyson

Heading South to Teach: The World of Susan Nye Hutchison, 1815-1845 by Kim Tolley

Agriculture and the Confederacy: Policy, Productivity, and Power in the Civil War South by R. Douglas Hurt

Cherokee Medicine, Colonial Germs: An Indigenous Nation's Fight Against Smallpox, 1518-1824 by Paul Kelton

Tuckaleechee Cove: A Passage Through Time by Boyce N. Driskell and Robert J. Norrell

Carolina Israelite: How Harry Golden Made Us Care about Jews, the South, and Civil Rights by Kimberly Marlowe Harnett

Personnel, Compliments and Kudos!



Congratulations to Benjamin Murphy and Andrea Green

Staff Promotions

Benjamin Murphy was promoted to NC Cardinal Program Manager, effective April 15, 2017. He previously served as the Systems Integration Librarian for the Government & Heritage Library, working as technical lead for the Content and Information Delivery team. Congratulations Benjamin!

Andrea Green was promoted as the Digital Collections Manager for the Government and Heritage Library, effective March 1, 2017. She previously served as the Digital Projects Librarian. Congratulations, Andrea!



Davie County Public Library
staff member at work

Kudos: NC Cardinal

NC Cardinal piloted a student project with local schools, providing access to library resources through the use of linking to student id cards. Davie County participated as a pilot county. The Superintendent of Schools for Davie County, Dr. Darrin Hartness wrote, "It is very exciting to watch the Davie County Public Library increase usage and circulation of all resources and to watch students in our schools explore and utilize the expanded resources brought about by this partnership."

Compliments and Kudos!



Kudos: Amanda Johnson

Amanda Johnson, Data Analysis and Communications Consultant, was appointed to the Library Statistics Working Group for the Institute of Museum and Library Services in Washington D.C. She will also act as a mentor to other State Data Coordinators.

Kudos: Lauren Clossey

Lauren Clossey was appointed to the COSLA Continuing Education Connector Steering Committee. COSLA (Chief Officers of State Library Agencies) is an independent organization of State Librarians from the 50 states plus territories.

Kudos: Government & Heritage Library

Librarians at the Government & Heritage Library received several great compliments in feedback from Book-a-Librarian appointments! Book your appointment by calling 919-807-7450 or emailing slnc.reference@ncdcr.gov!

"I want to thank you [Erin] for the invaluable assistance you gave me last Wednesday. Your knowledge and your helpfulness are very truly appreciated."

"Steve and the staff were extremely helpful and interested in helping me find the information that I need for the research issue. Thank you to all!"

"I live 4 hours away and did my appointment by phone. I cannot thank Kay enough for her experience, generosity, encouragement, and ideas. What an asset she is! I shall return!"



Book A Librarian service continues to receive great feedback from patrons

Compliments and Kudos!



Kudos: LBPH

Letter from the son of an NC Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped (LBPH) patron

Dear State Library for the Physically Handicapped:

Enclosed is an audio recorder loaned by the State Library to my father Tommy Dwiggins. My father passed away on March 25th at age 91 after suffering a stroke on February 28th.

Legally blind and confined to a wheelchair please know that he enjoyed endless hours of joy listening to the many books-on-tape and magazines-on-tape you supplied him with over the years. Your kindness and generosity toward my father and countless others suffering from debilitating physical handicaps is meaningful beyond words.

Many times, I would find him in his assisted living room bent over in his chair, ear close to the speaker listening to a tape supplied by you. We would always have a conversation around the topic of the tape which were lively and informative.

Thank you for what you do for this often-overlooked segment of our population. I hope this brief note will serve in some small measure as affirmation of how important your service is to the many North Carolinians to whom you bring happiness to, and their families who are grateful for your work every single day.

Kindest regards,
Don Dwiggins

Social Media



GHL Blog article, “Abolished Counties: Dobbs County” received 1,339 views



LD Blog article, “Continuing Education Opportunities” received 457 views

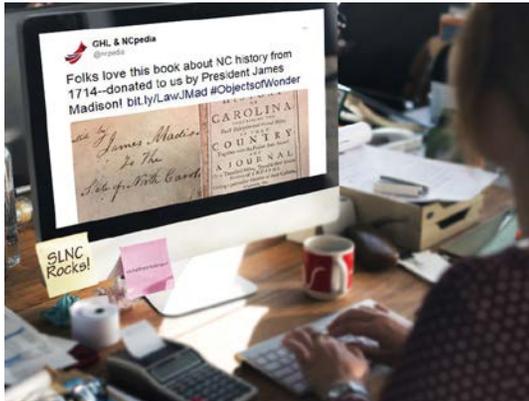
GHL Blog
 1636 sessions
 2255 pg views
 1485 users

LD Blog
 1137 sessions
 3470 pg views
 947 users

- 1339 views** Abolished Counties: Dobbs County <http://wp.me/p17ckJ-4TZ>
- 433 views** New in NCPedia: North Carolina Women <http://wp.me/p17ckJ-4TO>
- 183 views** Martha McFarlane McGee Bell <http://wp.me/p17ckJ-4TE>

- 457 views** Continuing Education Opportunities: March 2017 <http://statelibrarync.org/ldblog/2017/03/01/continuing-education-opportunities-march-2017/>
- 236 views** We're getting a new website! <http://statelibrarync.org/ldblog/2017/03/15/getting-new-website/>
- 195 views** State Library sponsored CE: Collection Development Basics & Beyond with Vnuk <http://statelibrarync.org/ldblog/2017/03/09/state-library-sponsored-ce-collection-development-basics-beyond-vnuk/>

Social Media



Government & Heritage Library reached over 7400 people during #ObjectsofWonder live Twitter chat.

Live Twitter Event

The Government & Heritage Library's Twitter account (@ncpedia) participated in the #ObjectsofWonder live chat on March 16, 2017, along with other DNCR Divisions. By participating, we reached over 7400 people via Twitter in a single day!

This chat was held in conjunction with the Smithsonian's Objects of Wonder Exhibit at the National Museum of Natural History. The exhibition examines how scientists use Smithsonian collections to enlighten and illuminate our understanding of nature and human culture. More information may be found at <http://naturalhistory.si.edu/exhibits/objects-of-wonder/>

To see all of our #objectsofwonder posts, visit <https://twitter.com/i/moments/842454897538830341>

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:

North Carolina 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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