Highlights and Around the State

The State Library Supports Professional Development

Library Development Scholarships were awarded for two upcoming professional development events. Ten scholarships went to public library staff to attend the Association for Rural and Small Libraries (ARSL) conference in Utah. Fifty scholarships will go to staff from all types of libraries to attend the upcoming North Carolina Library Association (NCLA) conference in October 2017.
Around the State and What’s New

NC Cardinal Annual Users Meeting

The NC Cardinal project held their annual users group meeting and update in Raleigh on July 28th. Over 50 people attended the meeting, which represents 87% of Member Libraries. In other news, Vance and Polk Counties were awarded grants to join Cardinal this coming year.

**NC Cardinal Collection by the numbers:**
- **6.4 million** items in the Cardinal catalog
- **69,000** patron requested items filled monthly

**NC Cardinal Library Mix**
- **26 out of 58** county libraries
- **5 out of 12** regional libraries
- **3 out of 11** municipal libraries, and **1 special library**
- **38%** of NC counties are part of NC Cardinal (With Vance and Polk, the number increases to 40% - 40 counties out of 100 counties).

New Brochure – Library Development

Library Development has a new brochure. The brochure provides contact information, the Unit’s mission statement and much more! The brochure will be distributed at all site visits, conferences, and meetings and given to new Library Directors around the State.
What’s New?

NEW Books in GHL Collection

Fighting in the Shadows: Untold Stories of Deaf People in the Civil War
Jane Crow: The Life of Pauli Murray
30 Days a Black Man: The Forgotten Story That Exposed the Jim Crow South
Monuments to Absence: Cherokee Removal and the Contest Over Southern Memory
Old Wounds: Oral Histories of America’s W.W. II Servicemen in German And Japanese Prisoner Of War Camps
A Home in Shalom’ville: The History of Asheville’s Jewish Community
NEW North Carolina State Government Publications!

North Carolina Troops, 1861-1865, v.20
Wildlife in North Carolina – July/August 2017
Coastwatch – Summer 2017
Staff Out and About

Connecting in North Carolina and Washington, DC

Cal Shepard, State Librarian presented a State Library Update webinar on July 20. She also attended and presented at the NC Community College System Library Director’s Institute on July 27.

Jeffrey Hamilton, Technology Consultant for Library Development, has a new job! He is now the Adult Services Consultant for Library Development, filling need identified by public libraries throughout the State. Jeffrey will lead statewide initiatives, develop educational programs, and provide general support for adult services throughout the State of North Carolina. His new position will also work to strengthen the knowledge and skills of library staff on issues directly related to digital citizenry and digital literacy.

Amanda Johnson, Data Analysis & Communications Consultant, attended the Library Statistics Working Group meeting in Washington, DC where the discussion focused upon changing the process for modifying the Public Library Survey, FY16 SLAA Survey Results, and the Measures that Matter project. She also attended NCDIT Intermediate Drupal training and NCLA Publicity Conference committee meetings.

Lauren Clossey, Continuing Education Consultant, visited Vance County for a site visit evaluation and attended the DPI Standards Alignment Workshop on July 27, 2017.
Compliments + Kudos!

A longtime patron of the Library for the Blind, discovered a book that the library had produced and made available on the National Library Service, Braille and Audio Recording website. Speaking of the book the Governor’s Lady by Robert Inman he reported “It is a good book and your folks did a magnificent job!”

A social worker in thanking the NCLBPH on the service to her clients reported the following for a newly registered client: “This patron got so engrossed in listening to a book that she didn’t realize that she had stayed up until 2:00 am!”
Social Media

Top State Library Blog Posts for July 2017

Government & Heritage Library Blog
1,494 sessions, 2,248 page views, 1,325 users

Have a Question? Ask GHL!
271 views

City Directories: Mapping Ancestors
189 views

Census Tips: 1850 Census
112 views

Library Development Blog
890 sessions, 2,635 page views, 725 users

NC Welcomes Two New Library Directors!
222 views

Prepare Your Library For Family Engagement with IdeaBook: Libraries for Families
154 views

State-Library Sponsored Conference Scholarships
152 views

Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped Blog
181 sessions, 245 page views, 73 users

NCLBPH Event – Spirit in Motion
13 views

10 Most Wanted Books: July 2017
13 views

Did You Know – NCLBPH History
9 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 part of the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources and is currently made up of three parts:

**N.C. 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.
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