Crisis Communication: How to keep calm and cut down on chaos*

January 29, 2019, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Gatson County Public Library - Main Branch, Gastonia, NC

January 31, 2019, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Braswell Memorial Library, Rocky Mount, NC

Through interactive experiences, this workshop will teach you to communicate effectively with your staff and community during a crisis. Workshop participants will learn how to create an effective crisis communication plan; what works, why it works, and what to think about when you are handling a crisis; and effective strategies for communicating internally and externally during a crisis. To register, click on the desired date above.
**Black History Read-In**

February 9, 2019, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
State Capitol - Raleigh, NC

Celebrate literature during Black History Month! Hear the words and experiences of African Americans echo through a structure built by African Americans for whom it was illegal to read. This event is free and open to the public.

**Forward Together: Communities Uniting Against Poverty**

February 27 - March 1, 2019
Kenersville Branch Library - Kenersville, NC
Forsyth County Central Library - Winston-Salem, NC

Forward Together is an immersive seminar developed to bring 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. Participants will take part in a poverty simulation activity and empathy training, hear from a panel of leaders across the state, and partake in small group discussions. Register prior to February 13 at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QB8RKGM.

*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).
5 Titles of Note in the Gov’t & Heritage Library Collection:

1. **The Road to Madness**: How the 1973-1974 Season Transformed College Baseketball by J. Samuel Walker & Randy Roberts

2. **Emily Prudden and Her Schools** by Phoebe Pollitt


4. **Raleigh Memories the Early Years**: A Pictorial History by The News and Observer


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

Scholarship Opportunity

The State Library is offering a scholarship opportunity for North Carolina library staff (including directors) to attend the ALA Conference 2019 in Washington, D.C., June 20-25, 2019. Ten (10) applicants will be awarded scholarships totaling $2,500 each. Applications will be accepted through the end of the business day February 1, and awards will be announced on Friday, February 22. Additional information and link to application is available at https://statelibrarync.org/ldblog/2018/12/14/scholarships-available-to-attend-ala-annual-conference/.

About the ALA Conference & Exhibition:
No other event in the world offers a better opportunity to learn about current issues and trends in library and information science and technology than the ALA Annual Conference and Exhibition. Throughout the conference, attendees participate in events, hear inspiring speakers, and learn from thought leaders and colleagues at more than 500 programs and in-depth sessions. Topics covered include digital content, innovation, the library of the future, transformation, emerging trends, best practices, community engagement, leadership, and many more. You will also have an opportunity to visit more than 800 vendors in the world’s largest library-focused exhibit hall, each highlighting new services, technologies, books, and products to improve your library and support your personal career development.
Noteworthy additions to the NC Digital Collections

- The Lives of the Notorious Pirate, Capt. Teach, Alias Black Beard, and Sawney Beane, the Scottish Robber and Murderer: Giving an Account of Many Extraordinary Robberies, Dreadful Atrocities, and Cruel Murders

- Mrs. Montagu, “Queen Of The Blues”: Her Letters and Friendships from 1762-1800 [V. 1 & V.2]

- North Carolina Charters And Constitutions, 1578-1698

- A Selection from the Birds Of America by John James Audubon: An Exhibition, 26 September-10 October 1976


- Land Development Plan
Staff Out & About

Independent Colleges & Universities Library Directors Meeting

Assistant State Librarian Timothy Owens presented a State Library Update at the NC Independent Colleges and Universities Library Directors Meeting at Wake Forest University on December 18.

Halifax County joins NC Cardinal

The Halifax County Library System is joining the NC Cardinal resource-sharing system and Courtney Brown, April Durrence, and Benjamin Murphy traveled there to provide in-person training to library staff. Johnnie Pippin and Courtney will be returning to be on-site for Halifax’s “go live” in late January. In addition, the whole Cardinal team is preparing for the next two library systems to join the consortium: Braswell Memorial Library and Harold D. Cooley Library. With the addition of Halifax, NC Cardinal includes 33 public library systems in 41 counties (5 regional, 25 county, and 3 municipal), plus 8 State Government libraries.

CAPTIONS L-R: Courtney Brown, NC Cardinal Systems Librarian | April Durrence, NC Cardinal Training Specialist | Benjamin Murphy, NC Cardinal Manager | Johnnie Pippin, NC Cardinal Consultant
Staff Out & About

NCPLDA Meeting
Library Development Consultants attended the winter meeting of the North Carolina Public Library Directors Association in Winston-Salem. A pre-meeting lunch was organized by Library Development to highlight the upcoming changes to the Edge Initiative.

Library Development Site Visits
LD Adult Services Consultant Jeffrey Hamilton traveled to Asheville to provide a New Director Orientation for Jim Blanton, director of Buncombe County Public Libraries. Catherine Prince, Federal Programs Consultant, traveled to Wayne County to discuss LSTA grant opportunities. Jasmine Rockwell, Youth Services Consultant, conducted a site visit for Duplin County. Amanda Johnson represented the State Library at the State Data Coordinator Conference in Baltimore, Maryland as well as conducted a site visit at Wayne County Public Library.

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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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