Upcoming Events

**RootsMOOC: Introduction to Beginning Genealogy and Family History Research**

**October 22, 2018 | Online Course**

RootsMOOC: Introduction to Beginning Genealogy and Family History Research launches October 22! RootsMOOC is a free, online course coordinated by the Government & Heritage Library for anyone who has an interest in telling their family’s story. There is no experience necessary, no cost to participate, and no required textbook. Registration is open at [http://bit.ly/RootsMOOC2018](http://bit.ly/RootsMOOC2018).

**Data Day**

**October 24, 2018, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | State Library Auditorium, Raleigh, NC**

Learn how to access useful, timely demographic data from the US Census Bureau and the North Carolina State Data Center. Speakers will include Bob Coats, Governor’s Census Liaison, and Michele Hayslett.
Numeric Data Services and Data Management Librarian at UNC Chapel Hill. Join us onsite to meet the speakers! If you cannot make it, the event will be livestreamed at https://bit.ly/2Kezyh7.

LBPH 60th Anniversary Open House

November 8, 2018, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. | 1841 Capital Boulevard, Raleigh, NC

On November 8, join library patrons, staff, volunteers, Friends and the general public in celebrating the 60th anniversary of the North Carolina Library of the Blind and Physically Handicapped. There will be music, authors reading from their books, refreshments, and special tours of the library. The celebration will be held at the North Carolina Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, located at 1841 Capital Boulevard in Raleigh. To RSVP, please call 919-733-4376 or email Gina Powell at gina.powell@ncdcr.gov.

View the full calendar of events at www.ncdcr.gov/events
What's New

Computers in Libraries 2019

Library Development's Continuing Education Consultant, Lauren Clossey, is now offering 5 scholarships for North Carolina library staff to attend the Computers in Libraries Conference in Arlington, VA from March 26-28, 2019. The focus of the conference is on emerging and leading-edge technology that allows librarians to engage with and bring strategic value to their user communities. It provides the latest information and practices to make informed choices for one's community. Information about the Computers in Libraries conference is available here at http://computersinlibraries.infotoday.com/2019/Default.aspx.

YALSA Symposium Scholarship Program

Library Development is also offering a scholarship program for public library staff to attend the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) Symposium, November 2-4, 2018, in Salt Lake City, UT. Seven scholarships will be awarded at $1,400 each.
Our State Magazine Issues added to NC Digital Collections!

The Government & Heritage Library is excited to announce the addition of 12 more archived issues of Our State Magazine to the North Carolina Digital Collections! You may now go to http://digital.ncdcr.gov/cdm/home/ourstate to view all issues from 1933 to 2015. Special thanks to our partner, Our State Magazine!

Each month, Our State magazine celebrates the very best of North Carolina through authentic storytelling and stunning photography. Since 1933, Our State has been the trusted resource for all things North Carolina.

Click here to view the archived issues via NC Digital Collections
Around the State

Jasmine Rockwell, Youth Services Consultant, organized and hosted the first ever Summer Learning Summit on September 27 & 28. The Summit brought leaders in the public library youth services community together to talk and brainstorm on three distinct topics: summer food service programs, using data to help make informed decisions, and school/public library collaboration as they relate to summer programs. Amanda Johnson, Data Analysis & Communications Consultant, presented “Using Data to Make Informed Decisions”. Feedback and comments from the Summit included, “Jasmine was fabulous at planning this Summit. The fact that the State Library supported my attendance was the only way I was able to come because our training budget has been slashed. Thank you!”

Continuing Education Statistics

Continuing Education Statistics are in for fiscal year 2017-18! A total of 965 library staff attended 56 in-person and online workshops offered by Library Development. This works out to an average of 24 attendees per workshop! Other statistics include:

- 95 scholarships issued for five online classes
- 80 scholarships issued to attend national and local conferences
- 5 webinars added to our online learning portal
- 162 MindTools (resource) accounts for public library directors
- Statewide access to Librarian’s Guide to Homelessness Course

The Summer Learning Summit and the Continuing Education programs are made possible in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services.
Around the State

LBPH Annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon
The Library for The Blind and Physically Handicapped celebrated the contributions of its volunteers with the annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon. Fifty-four volunteers and Friends gathered at the McKimmon Center to recognize the contributions of LBPH volunteers over the past year. Volunteers were presented the Governor’s Award to recognize the number of hours they have donated to the library, and the Library of Congress Award was awarded to volunteers with the highest levels of achievement. Gary Ray received special recognition for having completed 7,852 hours of volunteer service over his career. In fiscal year 2017-18, 92 volunteers completed 3,594 hours in service to the library.

Congrats to Henderson County Public Library!
Thanks to the hard work of the NC Cardinal staff, Henderson County Public Library received the 2018 Local Government Federal Credit Union Excellence in Innovation Award at the Henderson County Board of Commissioners’ meeting on Monday. The library’s Student Access Program, made possible by LD’s NC Cardinal program, created 15,507 electronic library cards for county public school students. Students are now able to gain access to public library databases and check out materials by simply providing their student ID number to county library staff, instead of presenting a physical library card to them. The project was led by Library Director Trina Rushing, Digital Strategy Librarian Marcie Dowling and school system Chief Technology Officer Rick Fender. See https://hendersonvillelightning.com/m/index.php?page=9&item=7314.

CAPTIONS T-B: Volunteer attendees at the NCLBPH Annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon | Staci Meyer, DNCR Deputy Secretary, presenting an award to NCLBPH volunteer Mary Flanagan for her 500 hours of service.
Staff Out & About

New Directors Orientation
Lynda Reynolds, Public Library Management Consultant, hosted and coordinated the annual New Directors Orientation for new Public Library Directors in September. Library directors from BHM, Granville, Duplin, and Haywood attended.

Fabulous Friday Mini-Conferences
Jeffrey Hamilton, Adult Services Consultant, and Timothy Owens, Assistant State Librarian, presented at the Fabulous Friday mini-conferences in Asheville (September 28) and Winston-Salem (October 5). These events were sponsored by the North Carolina Library Association.

Catalog Training
NC Cardinal Trainer April Durrence and Program Manager Benjamin Murphy traveled to the west and central parts of the state to provide cataloging training to NC Cardinal member libraries.

CAPTIONS L-R: Lynda Reynolds, Public Library Management Consultant | Jeffrey Hamilton, Adult Services Consultant | April Durrence, NC Cardinal Trainer | Benjamin Murphy, NC Cardinal Program Manager

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Mining Digital Resources Training

Jen Hanft, Education and Instruction Librarian, presented “Mining Digital Resources at the State Level” at a University of North Carolina Greensboro workshop with Guilford County educators in September.

Tracing Your Immigrant Roots

In collaboration with Wake County Public Libraries, Government & Heritage Library team members presented “Tracing Your Immigrant Roots” in September at the Eva H. Perry Regional Library and at the Cameron Village Regional Library as a part of Wake County Public Libraries’ “Becoming American” series.

Hispanic League’s Fiesta 2018

Digital Projects Librarian Kelly Agan exhibited for the State Library of North Carolina at the Hispanic League’s Fiesta 2018 in Winston-Salem on September 22.

Military Services Day

Jennifer Blomberg, Collection Development Librarian and Michelle Underhill, GHL Director, exhibited at the NC Museum of History’s “Military Services Day” on September 29 for the Government and Heritage Library.

CAPTIONS L-R: Jen Hanft issuing State Library cards to attendees after presenting “Tracing Your Immigrant Roots with the NC Government & Heritage Library” at Eva Perry Regional Library in Apex, NC. | A community parade at Fiesta 2018, Winston-Salem | DNCR’s State Library and Archaeology staff getting attendees excited about upcoming events at Fiesta 2018 | Jennifer Blomberg (left) exhibiting at the NC Museum of History’s Military Services Day.
Compliments + Kudos!

Library Development received many call-outs and praise for their work from different presenters during NCLA's Fabulous Fridays. Presenter comments ranged from the fact that they received their programming ideas from consultants, continuing education workshops, and general training offered by LD staff, to the opportunities for participating in continuing education sessions. Presenters especially highlighted the funding that Library Development provides for travel and lodging expenses to attend CE and program workshops (with support from the Institute of Museum and Library Services). They would not have been able to participate without this support.

Jane Blackburn, Appalachian Regional Library Director, stated, “I’ve started listening to the training on the homeless made available by the State Library, and it is GREAT. Thanks Lauren!” (That's our Lauren Clossey, Continuing Education Consultant!) During one of NCLA’s Fabulous Fridays, Marion Lytle, Director of Mooresville Public Library, added her praise and support for this course and Lauren’s efforts to make courses like this available to library staff.

Trina Rushing, Henderson County Public Library Director, stated, “I wish that the press article did a better job of recognizing the NC Cardinal staff and the consortium in its entirety, so let me personally say ‘Thank You!’ to everyone for your vision & work to bring this initiative to fruition.” She is referring to the NC Cardinal Student Access program and the efforts of Cardinal staff Johnnie Pippin, April Durrence, Courtney Brown and Program Manager Benjamin Murphy.

CAPTIONS L-R: Lauren Clossey, Continuing Education Consultant | Johnnie Pippin, NC Cardinal Consultant | April Durrence, NC Cardinal Trainer | Courtney Brown, NC Cardinal Systems Librarian | Benjamin Murphy, NC Cardinal Manager
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Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped Blog

15 Users | 244 Page Views

Heard any Good Books Lately? - September 2018 edition is here
18 views

It’s Officially NCLBPH Day!!
15 views

Where the Sidewalk Ends: Accessing America’s Parks, Monuments and Trails
13 views

Library Development Blog

933 Users | 3,056 Page Views

Madison County Public Library Named Best Small Library
195 views

2019-2020 LSTA Grant Applications Available!
144 views

Reminder: Continuing Education Needs Survey
102 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.