CATALYST FOR EXCEPTIONAL LIBRARY SERVICES
Preparation NOT Paranoia: A Workplace Safety Workshop

December 19, 2018, 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. | Catawba County Library, Main Branch, Newton, NC

Most crime prevention experts will attest that there is no “silver bullet” that can guarantee a safe working environment. Those same experts will also attest to the importance of developing and maintaining a sense of situational awareness and its positive impact on a safe workplace.

In this interactive safety program with Police Captain H.A. “Harry” Katt (Ret.), there will be a focus on the situational awareness that staff members need, while incorporating tactical considerations when dealing with more common behavior issues that may be encountered in the workplace.

To register for the event at the Catawba County Public Library, visit: https://statelibrary.ncdcr.libcal.com/event/4761073. To register for the event at Chapel Hill Public Library, visit: https://statelibrary.ncdcr.libcal.com/event/4761091

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

Starlab Portable Planetariums

In conjunction with DNCR-wide celebrations of the 50th Anniversary of the Moon Landing in July 2019 and to help gear up for the 2019 summer reading program, “A Universe of Stories,” the State Library has purchased 4 Starlab portable planetariums for public libraries around the state to check out. The Starlabs are all inclusive and come with an inflatable dome, a projector, a laptop with necessary software pre-loaded, and a wireless Bluetooth speaker. Additional information and instructions for reservations are available online. Contact Library Development Youth Services Consultant, Jasmine Rockwell, via jasmine.rockwell@ncdcr.gov for assistance.

GHL (Government & Heritage Library) Adds a New Book Scanner

The Government and Heritage Library has purchased a new, large overhead scanner for public use. The INDUS 9000s scanner allows you to scan pages and immediately email, print, or download the image to a flash drive. With its easy-to-use features and ability to safely cradle a book’s binding, it can also help alleviate wear and tear. Come by, and let our staff demonstrate the Indus 9000s to you!

These initiatives are made possible in part with support from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

CAPTIONS T-B: The exterior view of a portable Starlab planetarium | Jessica Efron, GHL Cataloging Librarian, demonstrating how to use the Indus 9000s scanner
What’s New

Demographic Data Day
Beth Hayden of the Government & Heritage Library coordinated Demographic Data Day on October 24. Presentations were provided by Michele Hayslett, Numeric Data Services and Data Management Librarian at UNC Chapel Hill, and Bob Coats, Governor’s Census Liaison. The event was also livestreamed. If you missed the event, recordings are available on YouTube at https://www.youtube.com/statelibrarync.

From Rogachev to Raleigh Program
On October 10, the Government & Heritage Library hosted “From Rogachev to Raleigh: Discovering Immigrant Roots” with Barbara Freedman. This program was in conjunction with Wake County Public Libraries, as part of their “Becoming American” series.
What’s New

NC Government Documents Webinar
Denise Jones presented a webinar for the North Carolina Library Association titled “North Carolina Government Documents: Historic, Current, and Available Online.” This webinar was a part of the “Help! I’m an Accidental Government Librarian” series.

RootsMOOC Online Class
RootsMOOC, a free, online class on genealogy research coordinated by the Government & Heritage Library, launched on October 22. There are over 500 individuals participating. It’s not too late to enroll! http://bit.ly/RootsMOOC2018.

Regional Library Directors Meeting
LD (Library Development) Public Library Management Consultant, Lynda Reynolds will facilitate a meeting of regional library directors on December 6 in Winston-Salem. There are 12 regional libraries systems within North Carolina. Topics will include challenges faced by regional systems, a review of the 2016 Regional Library Assessment, foundations, and endowments.

CAPTIONS L-R:
Denise Jones, GHL State Government Liaison Librarian | Lynda Reynolds, Public Library Management Consultant
Around the State

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

NC Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NCLBPH) went to Charlotte for the program Where the Sidewalk Ends: Accessing America’s Parks, Monuments and Trails. Held at the Beatties Ford Branch of the Charlotte-Mecklenberg Library System, the program was moderated by Mary Lee O’Daniel and featured Ray Bloomer of the National Park Service, Trevor Thomas, a blind, professional long-distance hiker, and Kelley King of the Haw River State Park. Participants were able to handle models from some of the National Park sites discussed during the program and created a virtual frog pond with rain sticks and noisemakers that mimicked frog sounds. The 30 attendees asked numerous questions about traveling to both the Federal and State Parks. If you missed the event, a recording is available at: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL0D3Ny2CaPzn4coJeYILg3PQ_qq33N0p8.

CAPTIONS L-R: Where the Sidewalk Ends presenters, Kelley King & Trevor Thomas | Attendees listening during the program’s introduction | Two patrons examine a small replica of the White House | Patrons examine a replica of the Statue of Liberty | Patron Mary O’Daniel giving an introduction to the program
2018 Association of Bookmobile & Outreach Services Conference

Library staff from across the state attended the 2018 Association of Bookmobile & Outreach Services conference in Raleigh on October 23 – 25.

Gina Powell and Clint Exum represented the Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (LBPH) in the exhibit hall. Assistant State Librarian Timothy Owens welcomed attendees at the opening general session. Bookmobiles from several NC libraries were on display.

CAPTIONS L-R: Gina Powell, LBPH Outreach/Volunteer Services Librarian | Clint Exum, LBPH Outreach Specialist | Rockingham County’s bookmobile | North Carolina librarian attendees at the ABOS conference | Gina Powell and Clint Exum at the LBPH’s booth during the ABOS conference
Staff Out & About

LD (Library Development) Forum
LD Consultants Amanda Johnson, Catherine Prince, Lynda Reynolds, Benjamin Murphy, and LD Director, Tanya Prokrym attended the Library Development Forum in Baton Rouge, LA. Sponsored by the Southern Council of State Library Agencies, this biennial meeting brings together Library Development staff from the state libraries in the southeast. This year’s forum focused on the Harwood Institute’s “Turning Outward” approach to facilitating community conversations.

YALSA Symposium
LD Youth Services Consultant Jasmine Rockwell attended the YALSA symposium in Salt Lake City, Utah. Seven scholarships were given to public library staff around the State.

Public Library Management Consultations
Public Library Management Consultant Lynda Reynolds participated in a panel discussion at the Given Memorial Library in Pinehurst. The Library is beginning to plan for the future and was interested in State Aid benefits as one option. Lynda also traveled to McDowell County to present to the library’s trustees.

Internet Library Conference
Continuing Education Consultant Lauren Clossey attended the Internet Library Conference. The State Library awarded scholarships to 3 public library staff and 2 community college library staff. These scholarships are made possible by support from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.
NC Community College Conference
LD Consultant Lauren Clossey and LD Director Tanya Prokrym, along with User Experience Librarian Stephen Ashley, attended the NC Community College Conference in Raleigh October 7th – 9th. This marked the first time the State Library has exhibited at the conference.

NC School Library Media Association Conference

2018 Entrepreneurial Librarian Conference
Assistant State Librarian Timothy Owens delivered a keynote address at the 2018 Entrepreneurial Librarian Conference in Winston-Salem.

Grant Reporting Session in Winston-Salem
Alexander County Library Director Laura Crooks and Assistant State Librarian Timothy Owens participated in a grant reporting legislative roundtable in Winston-Salem on October 24. Representative Virginia Foxx convened the session to discuss the Grant Reporting Efficiency and Agreements Transparency (GREAT) Act and gather feedback on challenges in the federal grant application and reporting process that this legislation seeks to address.
Compliments + Kudos!

This comment was sent by Jeremy Lytal of the Beatties Ford Branch, in reference to the LBPH’s Where the Sidewalk Ends program:

“I also wanted to say thank you! This was a very exciting opportunity and I thoroughly enjoyed working with you and your team. Hosting this program brought in a lot of people who don’t normally use the regular public library, and it was wonderful to be able to engage with them. Working out the technology and using it in ways we don’t normally was also an exciting challenge. Please keep us in mind for any future workshops like this. I very much would like to collaborate with you again as well.”

The following are comments received from attendees of the NC School Library Media Association Conference:

“Thanks for sharing so many resources which provide me with the background information I need to use with my classes & to share with my teachers.”

“Love these resources! So glad to know about this.”

“Keep going! So useful for students & teachers.”

“More resources than I thought existed!”

“There are too many to name. I will definitely use this at my school.”

“So excited to see the organization of the #everythingnc page!”

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-NC School Library Media Association Conference Attendee
Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped Blog

15 Users | 180 Page Views

New on NOBLE - Dialogue Magazine 2 New issues 14 views

Book Blurbs #7 8 views

Spring EGGSplosion 2018 7 views

Library Development Blog

850 Users | 3,295 Page Views

Two New Library Directors Named 249 views

October Free Online Learning Opportunities 190 views

A New Program is Coming to UNC-TV and They Want Your Help! 128 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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