

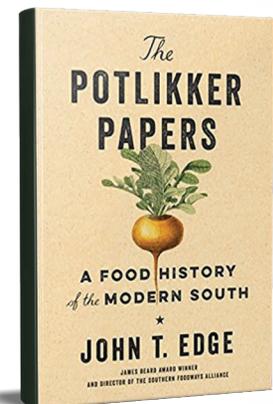
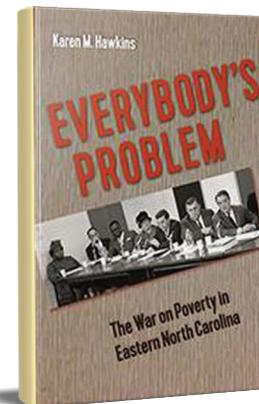
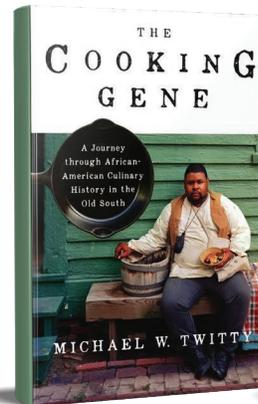
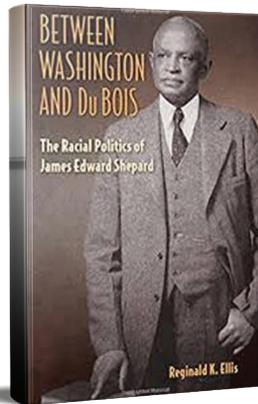
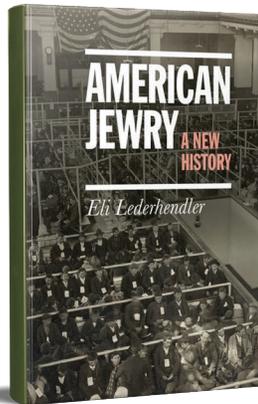
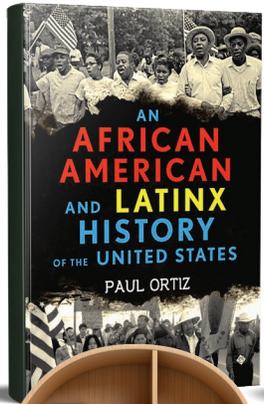
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# Highlights

The Government & Heritage Library answered over **1300 reference inquiries** via the online chat reference service during the month of February!



## **Titles of Note** in the **Government & Heritage Library Collection:**

*An African American and Latinx History of the United States*

*American Jewry: A New History*

*Between Washington and Du Bois: The Racial Politics of James Edward Shepard*

*The Cooking Gene: A Journey through African American Culinary History in the Old South*

*Everybody's Problem: The War on Poverty in Eastern North Carolina*

*The Potlikker Papers: A Food History of the Modern South*

# What's New

## Catherine Prince - New Federal Programs Consultant

On February 1st, Catherine Prince transitioned from the Cardinal project to assume the position of **Federal Programs Consultant in Library Development**. She was immediately busy with the receipt of 60 LSTA grant applications that were due by February 28th. The next step in the grant cycle is for LSTA reviewers to read all the applications and make their recommendations.



**Catherine Prince**  
Federal Programs  
Consultant for Library  
Development



**Kaili Sullivan**  
Graphic Designer for  
Library Administration

## Kaili Sullivan - New Graphic Designer

Kaili Sullivan joined the staff on February 12th as a **Graphic Designer in Administration**.

## Visit from Star Christian Academy

**Star Christian Academy** visited the Government & Heritage Library on February 16th to conduct research for assigned reports for Black History Month projects. **The Government & Heritage Library is happy to schedule additional research support for visiting schools or groups! Email [slnc.reference@ncdcr.gov](mailto:slnc.reference@ncdcr.gov) to schedule a group!**



**Star Christian Academy Students** at the  
Government & Heritage Library



**Jennifer Hanft,**  
Education/  
Instruction Librarian  
assisting students

# What's New

## NC Cardinal Migration

NC Cardinal, a consortium of 32 library systems across the state, successfully completed its migration to an Amazon Web Services hosting environment in the cloud! Under a new contract, the hosting management duties and data were transferred from **Equinox Open Library Initiative** to **MOBIUS Open Source Solutions**. With a shared Evergreen ILS open-source catalog with over 6.4 million items and LSTA grant funding, NC Cardinal is able to fill over 68,000 patron holds per month at 161 locations, including the Government and Heritage Library.



The NC Cardinal consortium

## Finding and Documenting African American Ancestors Presentation

On **February 28th**, Kay Tillotson did a presentation in the library that was also livestreamed on YouTube on **“Finding and Documenting African American Ancestors.”** It may be viewed at <https://youtu.be/n5-NEI888LE>.

# Staff Out and About

**Amanda Johnson met with Angela McCauley, Harnett County Public Library Director**, to review Harnett County Public Library's Consolidation Feasibility Study and new Strategic Plan.

She also met with the **Wilson County Library** to discuss Impact Survey and PLDS and conducted the **EXCITE Stakeholder interview**.

**On, February 17th, Kay Tillotson presented during an all-day workshop** on doing family history research with others in the NC Department of Natural and Cultural Resources at the **Charles B. Aycock State Historic Site**.

**Kelly Agan presented “Hidden Histories: Exploring Resources for NC and WWI” and “Become a NC Digital Research Ninja”** at the NC Council for the Social Studies annual conference.

**Rebecca Hyman presented on how to research African American ancestors** and she and others staffed a “pop-up library” at the African American Heritage Celebration at Lewis Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Fayetteville, North Carolina on February 3rd.

**Fifty-three library staff from across the state attended two in-person workshops on Mindfulness in the Workplace in February.** Also offered was the **“Librarian’s Guide to Homelessness”**, an online course that offers practical tips for working with and welcoming homeless patrons in libraries. To date, 162 library staff have taken the course.



Pop Up Library booth at the African American Heritage Celebration Event



Mindfulness in the Workplace Workshop



## Compliments + Kudos!

**Camelia Walker, Head of Circulation for Wayne County Public Library** wrote: “Just a quick but sincere thanks to the NC Cardinal team (**April Durrence, Johnnie Pippin, Benjamin Murphy**) for making this migration week go well for us. I can only imagine the stressful days and long nights you all put in. Please know that we end users are very grateful!”

**Judi Bugniazet, Pettigrew Regional Library Director**, stated that the Homelessness course, “Practical Tips for Difficult Homeless Patrons”, hosted by **Lauren Clossey**, Continuing Education Consultant, was fantastic and highly recommends it to all.

**Jeff Watson, Library Director for Roanoke Rapids Public Library** wrote: “Thank you for sending **Lauren Clossey** and **Amanda Johnson** to Roanoke Rapids to present to my Library Advisory Committee. They both did a tremendous job in discussing trends and data effecting our library... both Lauren and Amanda were professional and displayed confidence and competence as they addressed the Committee. I was glad to host them and appreciated their comments.”



**April Durrence**  
NC Cardinal  
Training Specialist



**Johnnie Pippin**  
NC Cardinal  
Consultant



**Benjamin Murphy**  
NC Cardinal  
Manager



**Lauren Clossey**  
Continuing  
Education  
Consultant



**Amanda Johnson**  
Data Analysis &  
Communication



# 6 TOP BLOG POSTS

## STATE LIBRARY

### FEBRUARY 2018

#### Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped Blog

15 Users | 219 Page Views

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| 10 Most Wanted Books - February 2018    | 31 | views |
| VIP Bookclub Podcast - A Man Called Ove | 13 | views |
| Happy BARD Day - February 2018          | 12 | views |

#### Library Development Blog

1,002 Users | 3,489 Page Views

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| Free Training - February 2018                            | 241 | views |
| New Director Announced for Haywood County Public Library | 152 | views |
| Impact Survey Available for NC Public Libraries          | 124 | 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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