



State Library of North Carolina

Monthly Report

December 2017

Upcoming events

The NC Cardinal Project is publishing a Cataloging Best Practices document. This is a living document that provides best practices for all member libraries. Resource sharing is greatly impacted by cataloging and these practices will enable patrons to more easily search and find materials throughout the State. The document is online at

<http://nccardinalsupport.org/index.php?pg=kb.printer.friendly&id=3>.

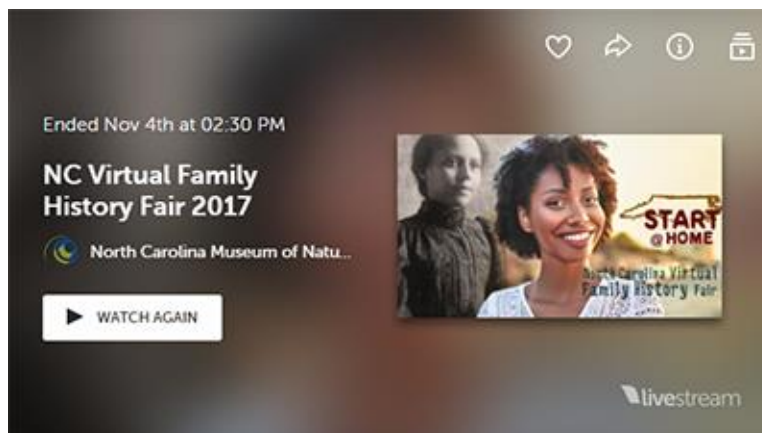
Around the State

The Government & Heritage Library coordinated and the NC Virtual Family History Fair on Saturday, November 4th. 506 viewers tuned in that day and 19 libraries across the state hosted viewing parties. Presenters included the Government & Heritage Library, State Archives of North Carolina, North Carolina Digital Heritage Center, and the North Carolina State Preservation Office. We greatly appreciate the team at the NC Museum of Natural Sciences for partnering with us by producing and broadcasting the event, and for the use of their recording studio!

Topics included:

1. Local Collections and Records for Family and Local History
2. Newspapers and Finding Treasures
3. DigitalNC for Family and Local History Research
4. Genealogy of a House

The recordings may be viewed at <https://livestream.com/naturalsciences/VFHF>.





Library Development Consultant Amanda Johnson hosted the “Meaningful Measurements” workshop on November 16th. The goal of this two-day workshop was to build evaluation and assessment skills in public libraries. Workshop topics included finding community data, data visualization, communicating data with stakeholders, and planning meaningful evaluations for library programs and services. Featured speakers were

Robert Burgin (RB Software & Consulting, Inc.), John Raynor (High Point Public Library), Beth Hayden (State Library of NC), Megan Wanucha (ECU), and Brian Strum (UNC – Chapel Hill). The attendees gave high praise for this workshop.



The NC Cardinal project is moving to a new vendor! The project’s integrated library system (ILS) was awarded to MOBIUS, an Evergreen consortium based in Missouri. The coming months will bring lots of activity as they migrate their 8 million library items over to the new system.

Some fun facts about North Carolina Public Libraries:

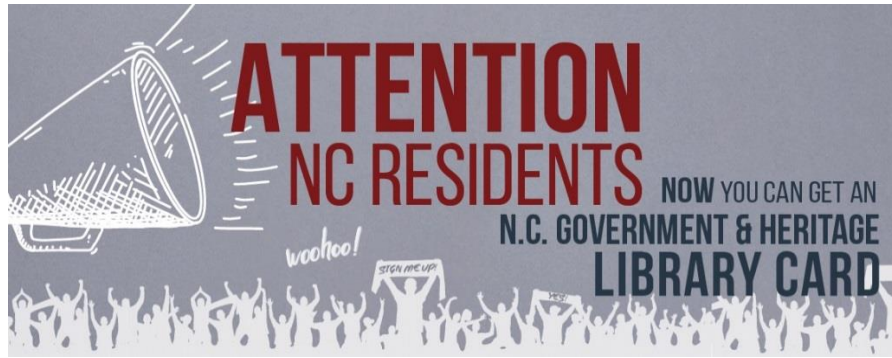
- Total # of public library systems = 81
 - # county systems = 58
 - # regional systems = 12
 - # counties in regional systems = 42
 - # municipal systems = 11
- Total # of public library outlets = 409
 - # of buildings = 389
 - # of Bookmobiles = 20
 - # of outreach vehicles = 70

What's new?

243 NC residents have gotten library cards from the Government & Heritage Library since September!

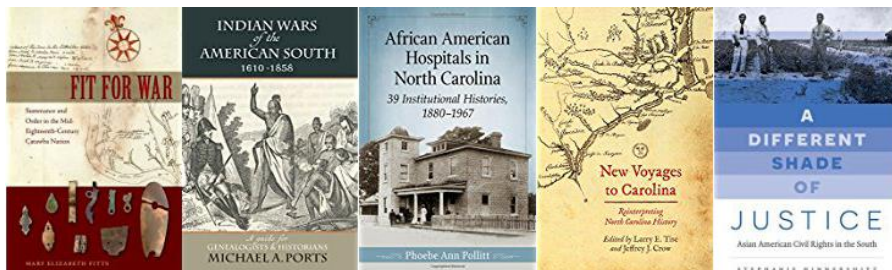
New Rules in the North Carolina Administrative Code went into effect on September 1, 2017, allowing North Carolina residents to receive library cards to check materials out of the NC Government & Heritage Library. Since then, 243 North Carolinians have taken advantage of the service and signed up for their card! Information about signing up is available at

<https://statelibrary.ncdcr.gov/ghl/library-card>



New! “Everything NC” Research Guide

The Government & Heritage Library launched a new research guide about "Everything NC"! Included are links to resources for studying North Carolina history, genealogy, government, data and demographics, and legal resources. Also included are resources for educators. Take a look at <http://statelibrary.ncdcr.libguides.com/EverythingNC>.



A selection of ten new, notable titles available at the Government & Heritage Library:

- African American Hospitals in North Carolina: 39 Institutional Histories, 1880-1967
- A Different Shade of Justice: Asian American Civil Rights in the South
- A Disability History of the United States
- Fit for War: Sustenance and Order in the Mid-Eighteenth-Century Catawba Nation
- Indian Wars of the American South, 1610-1858: A guide for Genealogists & Historians
- Men Like That: A Southern Queer History
- New Voyages to Carolina: Reinterpreting North Carolina History
- North Carolina beyond the Connected Age: The Tar Heel State in 2050
- The Second Line of Defense: American Women and World War I
- Voices of Civil Rights Lawyers: Reflections from the Deep South, 1964–1980

Staff Out and About

Elizabeth Hayden and Amanda Johnson co-presented a session about data, demographics, and assessment resources at a meeting of local history librarians in Chapel Hill.

Andrea Green presented as part of a panel discussion during the Best Practices Exchange conference, a conference dedicated to managing and preserving digital government information. She also did a lightning talk (mini-session) on workflows at the same conference.

The Government & Heritage Library had a Pop-Up Library at the 22nd Annual American Indian Heritage Celebration at the NC Museum of History. Becky Forbes and Rebecca Hyman had resources available and signed attendees up for library cards.

Library Development Consultants, Amanda Johnson, Lauren Clossey, Jeffrey Hamilton, and Jasmine Rockwell, have been selected to participate in the **EXCITE Transformation for Libraries** program that teaches collaboration and innovation skills. Attendees had to apply and be selected to attend! See more details at <http://libguides.ctstatelibrary.org/dld/EXCITE/Recruitment>

Jasmine Rockwell, Youth Services Consultant, attended the 2017 YALSA Symposium in Louisville, KY as well as the YSCON/YALSA forum on “Transforming Teen Services Through Continuing Education”.

Jeffrey Hamilton and Tanya Prokrym presented to the Forsyth County and BHM Regional Library Advisory Boards on the roles and responsibilities of advisory and governing board members.

Johnnie Pippin, NC Cardinal Consultant, is currently migrating Vance and Polk County Libraries into NC Cardinal.

Catherine Princes, NC Cardinal Systems Librarian, attended the 2017 LITA Forum in Denver, CO.

Compliments and Kudos!

Note sent to the NC Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped:

*“I would like to thank each and every one of you who had a hand in sending my audio books. They have certainly been a blessing and a life saver, and have made my days so much brighter and more enjoyable.
Thank you too for your kindness and for choosing such an important and worthy career. You will never know how much I enjoy listening to my audio books.”*

From the comments notebook in the Government & Heritage Library:

“A big ‘Thank you’ to everyone in this library and the archives. We’ve learned a lot about genealogies and records. Everyone has been very helpful. We were able to obtain a lot of good records. Thank you, -Huntsville, AL.”

From feedback on the “Meaningful Measurement Workshop”:

“Saw your Meaningful Measurement workshop info – LOVE it!!!! You all are really doing some of the best work.” – Tim Rogers, former Director of NC Live

From email on NC Cardinal’s Cataloging Listserv:

“We are thankful for our diligent, helpful NC Cardinal staff and our resource sharing partners.” – Henderson County Public Library Staff

A Special Thank you to NC Cardinal staff:

“At the end of what has likely been a challenging week, I want to express my thanks to you folks. You all work so hard to solve issues, offer solutions, and keep things going for us. Your support of and dedication to NC Cardinal is appreciated.” – Forest Tate, Library Technology Specialist, Henderson

Social media

NCLBPH Blog: 14 Users 273 page views.

Top 3 Blog Posts

1. 10 Most Wanted Books – November 2017 – 19 views
2. Did You Know- Tips for Using the Online Catalog – 13 views
3. BARD Roundup - February 2017 top 10 audio downloads – 8 views

LD Blog: Sessions: 936, Users: 625, Page Views: 2,237

Top 3 Blog Posts:

1. Monthly Report: October 2017 - 174 views;
<http://statelibrarync.org/ldbldblog/2017/11/20/monthly-report-october-2017/>
2. Free Training: November 2017 - 152 views;
<http://statelibrarync.org/ldbldblog/2017/10/31/free-training-november-2017/>
3. Edge Technology Grants are Back! - 147 views;
<http://statelibrarync.org/ldbldblog/2017/11/14/edge-technology-grants-back/>

GHL Blog: 1,619 sessions, 2,380 page views, 1,429 users.

Top 3 Blog Posts

4. Census Tips: 1870 Census, 514 views; <http://wp.me/p17ckJ-4Z6>
5. Drop-In Genealogy Class - Second Wednesday of the Month, 81 views:
<http://wp.me/p17ckJ-4Zn>
6. NC Residents Can Now Get an N.C. Government & Heritage Library Card!; 71 views; <http://wp.me/s17ckJ-19189>