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Quarterly Newsletter

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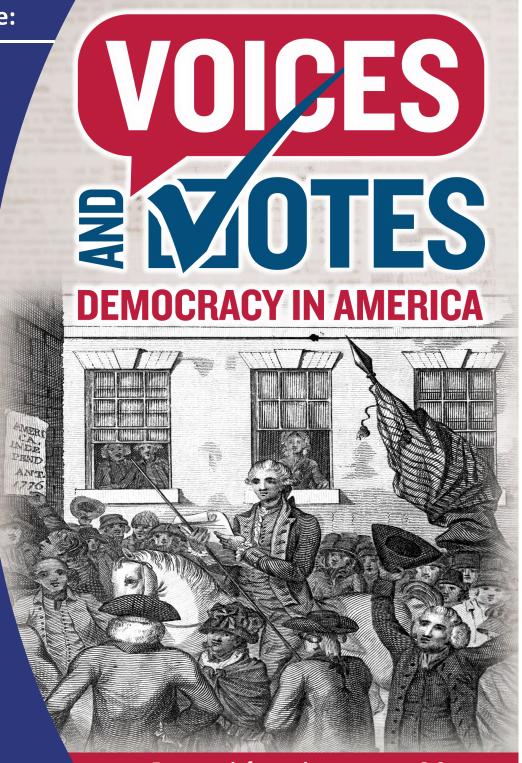
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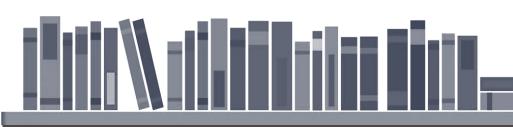
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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S SHELF



SMITHSONIAN TRAVELING EXHIBIT COMES TO MAIN LIBRARY

We are proud to announce that our library has been selected as the final venue in North Carolina to host the "Voices and Votes: Democracy in America" Smithsonian traveling exhibition which examines the nearly 250-year -old American experiment of a government "of, by and for the people" and how each generation since continues to question how to form "a more perfect union."

This initiative is part of the Museum on Main Street program, a collaboration between the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service, North Carolina Humanities, and local host institutions. Voices and Votes is based on a major exhibition currently on display at the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History in Washington, D.C. called *American Democracy: A Great Leap of Faith*.

The community is invited to visit the Main Library Kaplan Auditorium from December 9 – January 25 to walk through this multimedia display which features historical and contemporary photos and video, engaging multimedia and historical objects like campaign souvenirs, voter memorabilia and protest material. This immersive experience provides an opportunity to reflect on Henderson County's history and explore what it means to be an active participant in the governance of not only the country but also this community.

In conjunction with the exhibit, the library will display a selection of photos and newspaper pages related to local election activities throughout Henderson County history; as well as host a variety of exhibition-related programming and free events to include lectures, films, music and more.

To preview the full schedule, visit: hendersoncountync.gov/library/page/voices-and-votes

- Trina Rushing, Library Director

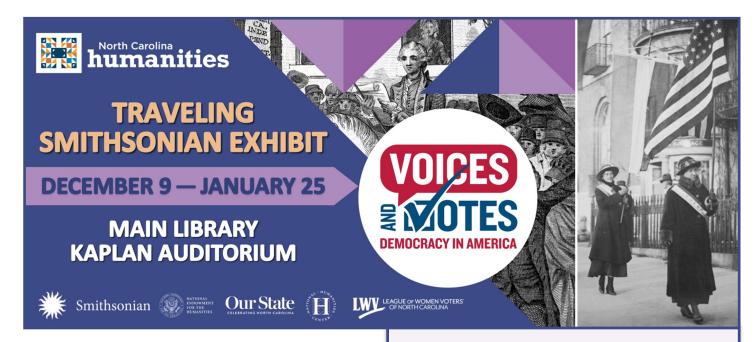


Judge Jonathan Jackson swears in newly elected Sheriff James Kilpatrick in December 1966.



Betty and Carroll Wilkie ride in the 1969 Apple Festival Parade. Carroll Wilkie was elected North Carolina State Senator in 1969.

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The Voices and Votes exhibit is free and open to the public. It can be viewed during the library's regular operating hours:

Main Library
301 N Washington Street, Hendersonville

Monday - Thursday: 9am-7pm Friday & Saturday: 9am-5pm

The Main Library will also display a selection of photos and newspaper pages related to local election activities throughout Henderson County history.

Look for special displays and activities that coincide with the exhibit at all Henderson County Public Libraries during this time.



Patriotic Favorites with Pyramid Brass Quintet Friday, December 13 at 2pm Hedrick-Rhodes Veterans Center

The Vote Film Screening

Monday, January 6 at 2pm (Part One) Tuesday, January 7 at 2pm (Part Two) Edneyville Library

This documentary tells the story of the women's suffrage movement in the U.S.

History of Voting Rights in North Carolina Talk Wednesday, January 8 at 6pm Hedrick-Rhodes Veterans Center

Learn about the history of voting rights in North Carolina in a talk by professors Jim Leloudis and Robert Korstad, authors of the book *Fragile Democracy: The* Struggle Over Race and Voting Rights in North Carolina.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR ALL EVENTS.

REGISTER ONLINE: HENDERSONPL.LIBCAL.COM OR CALL THE LIBRARY FOR ASSISTANCE



Voices and Votes: Democracy in America is part of Museum on Main Street, a collaboration between the Smithsonian Institution and State Humanities Councils nationwide. It is based on an exhibition by the National Museum of American History. Support for Museum on Main Street has been provided by the United States Congress. North Carolina Humanities is the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

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SPOT LIGHT ON LIBRARY STAFF

LIBRARY **LOCATIONS**

MAIN LIBRARY

301 N Washington Street Hendersonville, NC 28739

828-697-4725

Mon-Thu 9am-7pm Fri & Sat 9am-5pm

EDNEYVILLE BRANCH

2 Firehouse Road Hendersonville, NC 28792

828-685-0110

Mon 9am-6pm Tue & Wed 9am-5pm Fri 9am-3pm

ETOWAH BRANCH

101 Brickvard Road Etowah, NC 28729

828-891-6577

Mon 9am-6pm Tue-Thu 9am-5pm Fri & Sat 9am-3pm

FLETCHER BRANCH

120 Library Road Fletcher, NC 28732

828-687-1218

Mon 9am-6pm Tue-Thu 9am-5pm Fri & Sat 9am-3pm

GREEN RIVER BRANCH

50 Green River Road Zirconia, NC 28790

828-697-4969

Mon 9am-6pm Wed & Thu 9am-5pm Fri 9am-3pm Closed for lunch 12-1pm daily

MILLS RIVER BRANCH

124 Town Center Drive Mills River, NC 28759

828-890-1850

Mon 9am-6pm Tue-Thu 9am-5pm Fri 9am-3pm



Oscar Sifuentes **Branch Library Assistant**

Oscar is a first generation American born and raised in Hendersonville. He studied English and Psychology at Brevard College where he was the first student participant and assistant working alongside authors like Wiley Cash and Craig Johnson. Oscar previously worked for the Henderson County Library in a temporary capacity

and as an auxiliary substitute. Oscar has

also managed an ice cream shop and

developed a narrative podcast with

Audible.

He enjoys graphic novels, comedy podcasts, and listening to audiobooks.

Tara Jones **Branch Library Assistant**

Tara is excited to join the staff at the Fletcher branch. While working on her college thesis, she spent countless hours in libraries and archives, where she found her calling. Tara graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in History from UNC Asheville. While there, she published research about historical medical facilities in Western North Carolina.

In her spare time, Tara enjoys writing short stories and poems, hiking, and sewing.





ASSISTING WITH HURRICANE HELENE RELIEF EFFORTS

In the days following Hurricane Helene, while our libraries remained without power and closed, library staff continued to work in the community. Staff distributed food, water, and supplies at the resource hubs. Staff also worked at the distribution warehouse, shelters, and the Disaster Recovery Center.

FUN HALLOWEEN EVENTS IN OCTOBER

Library staff had a great time distributing candy and flyers all around the community to celebrate Halloween. Thank you to everyone who stopped by to see us!









FLETCHER FALL FESTIVAL (OCT. 26) | TREAT STREET ON MAIN IN HENDERSONVILLE (OCT. 31) HALLOWEEN BOO BASH AT GREEN RIVER LIBRARY (OCT. 31)

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FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Friends of the Henderson County Public Library supports all county library locations by delivering a wide range of services that enrich and transform the lives of Henderson County citizens of all ages.

FOL OFFICERS

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BRAD THOMPSON Vice President

JANE BAIRD
Treasurer

JESSICA BROWN Secretary

BILL RAMSEY
Past FOL President

BECOME A FRIEND

New members are always welcome and we invite you to join today!

Members receive a 10% discount on purchases at the Bookstore.

Membership costs are:

Individual – \$10 per year Family – \$15 per year

The Friends of The Henderson County Public Library is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit, so your membership and donations are tax-deductible.

You can join the Friends of the Library at the bookstore during normal hours.

Questions? Email the FOL at membership@friendsofthehcpl.org

WEBSITE

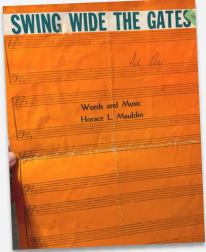
fotl.info

STORY FROM A BOOKSTORE PATRON

In June, I was flipping through the gospel sheet music at the Friends of the Library Bookstore when I came upon "Swing Wide the Gates" for .10 cents. My heart melted as I saw my late sister's signature on the front! She passed from colon cancer in 1986 at the age of 39. After paying, I started my car and a gospel song, "I Love You" began playing on the radio. Later, after grocery shopping, I heard "I Love You Written in Red"! A coincidence? No way!

Thanks to the Friends of the Library, a .10 cent piece of sheet music created a special day I will never forget. One day I will, again, sing with my sister when they "Swing Wide the Gates."







PROJECTS SUPPORTED BY THE FOL LAST QUARTER

The Friends supported a variety of programs and events at all libraries for both youth and adults last quarter, in addition to providing prizes for Library Card Sign-Up Month.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY



BOOKSTORE HOLIDAY HOURS

The FOL Bookstore will be closed from Christmas through New Years' Day.

FOL BOOKSTORE GIFT CARDS-A PERFECT GIFT THIS HOLIDAY **SEASON!**

Gift Cards in \$10 and \$25 denominations can be purchased at the Friends Bookstore.

Perfect gifts for children who use a gift card to make book purchases in our extensive children and young reader section. Youngsters

love (seem to prefer) picking their own books.

Perfect gifts for adults who crave affordable books. puzzles, sheet music, CDs & DVDs.

TO EACH FRIEND THAT ENTERS **OUR DOORS-THANK YOU!**

Being able to, once again, have the bookstore open has been a gift to our volunteers. We, like the rest of the community, needed something to feel normal. While WNC continues to rebuild, know that we consider it a gift to share both laughter and tears with you. To carry on our mission of supporting literacy in our area, your continued patronage and donations are needed.

FOL BOOKSTORE

1940 Spartanburg Hwy Hendersonville, NC 28792 (next to Dollar General)

> 828-513-5115 bookstore@fotl.info



HOURS **—**



Tuesday, Thursday, & Saturday 12-4pm



DONATIONS



We welcome your donation of gently used books, DVDs, CDs and puzzles. Please do not donate mildewed, smelly, dirty or damaged items. We take pride in the quality of what we sell and condition matters.

Please ask about large volume sets and encyclopedias before donating and see the list below for specific items we do not sell.

Please DO NOT donate:

- Books with highlighting/underlining
- Books with broken spines
- Textbooks
- Annual cookbooks
- Spiral/plastic/wire-bound cookbooks
- Popular fiction without dust jackets
- Time-Life Series
- Reader's Digest Condensed Books
- Books stamped "Friends" (lobby books)
- Magazines
- Puzzles with missing pieces
- Vinyl, cassettes, VHS, 8-track tapes

We only accept donations during store hours.

We are happy to assist with unloading. Thanks so much for your cooperation. We love our Friends Bookstore and hope you do too!

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ART EXHIBITS

AT THE MAIN LIBRARY

4[™] ANNUAL WINTER STUDENT ART EXHIBIT

JANUARY-MARCH, 2025

This winter, artwork by students of Henderson County will be brightening the walls of the Main Library! Art displayed will be in various media and will cover a variety of themes.

Student artwork will be submitted from:

- East Henderson High School
- Hendersonville Middle School
- · Rugby Middle School
- West Henderson High School

We are excited to continue this tradition of making space for our local students to shine!

WHERE THE HEART IS

PRESENTED BY THE ART LEAGUE
OF HENDERSON COUNTY

FEBRUARY 3-MARCH 31, 2025

Ranging in styles and era-inspired, this exhibit will feature glimpses into how and where the heart is in the right place.

data axle

What is Data Axle?

Data Axle is an online reference and research tool that has verified, up to date information on millions of U.S. businesses.

When can Data Axle help you?

Find job openings by skill, location and industry - powered by Indeed. Identify real businesses by industry or location. Search for doctors by specialty. Business owners can discover opportunities, market trends or search consumer, lifestyle and demographic information to identify potential customers.

Why use Data Axle?

Data Axle's call center team calls and verifies the information of all the businesses in their database. Their customers include Fortune 500 companies, such as Google, and thanks to your library card - YOU!

Where can you access Data Axle?

- ⇒ Go to: nclive.org > Browse all databases > Data Axle Reference Solutions
- ⇒ Go to: www.hendersoncountync.gov/library > Resources > Business and Money > Industry and Company Info

Check out some of the questions Data Axle can answer:

- Is this person who called me from a verified business?
- Can I have a list of all the restaurants within a quarter mile of the library?
- What's the name of that shoe store on 25?
- I want to start a business; can I have a list of all similar businesses within 10 miles?

Want a librarian's help learning this database? You can schedule a Tech Time online or call the Main Library at 828-697-4725, option 3 for assistance.



^{*}Use your library card number and pin to log in.





What computer skills do YOU want to learn?

THE BASICS?

• Those who are new to the computer or looking to brush up on the essentials should consider our **Getting Started** on the Computer series. This four-part, hands-on, instructor-led series will introduce you to the basic skills needed to operate and navigate a computer. See the website for dates, times and locations. (Registration Required)

ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING ABOUT APPLE DEVICES?

Apple Interest Group is for anyone interested in, or already using, an Apple device. Meeting topics vary, but always include a Q&A time. First Tuesday @ 2pm, Main Library

HOW TO MAKE THE MOST OUT OF YOUR GOOGLE ACCOUNT?

 Google is more than a search engine! Google offers an extensive variety of free, cloud-based applications including Google Drive, Gmail, Docs, and Sheets. Learn how to get the most out of your account in this informative session.
 Getting to Know Your Google Account—Fri., January 3rd @ 10am, Etowah Library (Registration Required)

HOW TO LISTEN TO PODCASTS?

This course will introduce participants to accessing and finding podcasts that match their own unique interests.
 Intro to Podcasts—Friday, December 6th @ 10am, Etowah Library (Registration Required)
 Intro to Podcasts—Wednesday, January 29th @ 11:30am, Main Library (Registration Required)

HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF YOUR DIGITAL LIBRARY?

- Learn how to search Newspapers.com, a top resource for genealogy and local history. With your library card you can access digitized historical newspaper content from over 1,000 NC county newspapers covering 1751-1999.
 Using Your Digital Library: Historic North Carolina Digital Newspaper Collection- Thursday, January 16th
 2:30pm, Main Library (Registration Required)
- Take a deep dive and master Libby, the FREE app where you can enjoy eBooks, digital audiobooks, and magazines from your library.
 Using Your Digital Library: Libby— Wed., February 5th @ 10am, Edneyville Library (Registration Required)
- Ready to ditch cable? Want to learn how to stream media, use your free library resources to access video content, or pick up local channels?
 Cutting the Cord- Friday, February 7th @ 10am, Etowah Library (Registration Required)
- Become the ultimate library user! Learn how to use the library website and app to: master your library account; search the catalog like a librarian; find recommended reading; access digital reading, listening, and viewing materials; and discover free, upcoming events.

Become a Library Power User- Wednesday, February 19th @ 11am, Main Library (Registration Required)

EVERYTHING ELSE?

- Computer Connections is an open lab that provides computers and librarian assistance to:
 - ◆ Practice basic computer skills such as mouse use, typing, Microsoft Word, and file management.
 - ♦ Watch learning videos across a wide range of digital literacy topics including operating systems, computer, Internet and email basics, Internet safety, Microsoft Office, cloud storage, social media, and Google.
 - ◆ Take an assessment or earn a certificate that you can include on your resume or show an employer for essential computer skills, essential software skills, and using technology in daily life.
 - ♦ Take learning to go. Talk to a librarian about your learning goals and have them put together suggestions for self-paced videos and activities you can do on your own.

Second Tuesday, 2:30-4:30pm, Main Library (Computers provided, no registration required)
Fourth Wednesday, 11:30am-1:30pm, Main Library (Computers provided, no registration required)

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FIRST TUESDAY @ 10AM MILLS RIVER LIBRARY

REGISTER ONLINE

Dec 3– A Christmas Memory by Richard Paul Evans

Jan 7- 11/22/63 by Stephen King

Feb 4- Bearwallow: A Personal History of a Mountain Homeland by Jeremy B. Jones



SECOND TUESDAY @ 2PM ETOWAH LIBRARY

REGISTER ONLINE

Dec 10– The Dictionary of Lost Words by Pip Williams

Jan 14- The Parted Earth by Anjali Enjeti

Feb 11– The Frozen River by Ariel Lawhon



SECOND MONDAY @ 11AM FLETCHER LIBRARY

REGISTER BY CALLING 687-1218

Dec 9- West with Giraffes by Lynda Rutledge

Jan 13– The Four Winds by Kristin Hannah

Feb 10- Other Birds by Sarah Addison Allen

Page Turners

MAIN LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

2PM, KAPLAN AUDITORIUM
REGISTER ONLINE

Dec 12– *Rednecks* by Taylor Brown

Feb 13- The Caretaker

by Ron Rash

No meeting in January



This column features recent and forthcoming titles from southeastern authors or books set in the region. Place any of these titles on hold online or call any Henderson County Library for assistance.

The Fabled Earth by Kimberly Brock is a historical fiction title set in 1932 on Cumberland Island off the coast of Georgia, where a group of wealthy young men and women take up residence for the season.

All We Thought We Knew by Michelle Shocklee is a dual timeline novel set in both 1969 and 1942 rural Tennessee where a woman learns family secrets after her twin brother is killed in the Vietnam war.

Debut author Elizabeth Bass Parman's novel *The Empress of Cooke County* is a humorous family story set in a small Tennessee town in the 1960s where a mother tries to maintain control over her 18-year-old daughter while renovating an old mansion in time to host her high school reunion.

The Devil Hath a Pleasing Shape, the latest novel by Terry Roberts, takes place in 1920's Asheville. Readers of Roberts previous books will remember Stephen Robbins, who is called to solve the murder of a young woman who was found in the Grove Park Inn.

River Road by Asheville author Wayne Caldwell is a companion to the author's first collection of poetry, *Woodsmoke*. *River Road* continues the story of Susan McFalls, who moves to and renovates an old house in the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Using personal letters, journal entries, and public records the authors show how George Masa's personal struggles shaped his interest in conservation and how he advocated for the creation of Great Smoky Mountains National Park in *George Masa: A Life Reimagined* by Janet McCue and Paul Bonesteel.

When Jennifer McGaha's grandmother said her favorite age was fifty-five, in her own fifty-fifth year, Jennifer began to take note. *The Joy Document* is McGaha's observations of everyday beauty shared in fifty essays that explore the art of joy.

Potter David Drake made pots and storage jars, but because of their beauty and massive size, and because he signed and inscribed many with poems, they are now valuable works of art. Studying these poems and local records, author Leonard Todd has put together a chronicle of Drake's life and creative work in *Carolina Clay: The Life and Legend of Enslaved Potter David Drake*.

When Southern Women Cook by America's Test Kitchen includes contributions from 70 women writers that include recipes, history, and stories of southern food.

Nature writer Leigh Ann Henion explores the natural world at night in the Appalachian region, sharing little known facts about plants and animals that thrive in the dark, right in our own backyards. *Night Magic* was selected as the *Our State* magazine book club November title.

Happy Reading!

- Lisa Donaldson,

Assistant Director and Marketing Librarian

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Childhood friends meet again as adults during the making of the Nazi propaganda film *Hitler Gives a City to the Jews*. Hannah is a Jewish prisoner, and her former friend Hilde is now working for the German Ministry of Propaganda. When the two face off, they discover who they truly are — and who they are meant to become.



2024 READING CHALLENGE

As we wrap up 2024, don't forget the deadline for turning in your completed 2024 HCPL Reading Challenge is January 31, 2025. Submit your completed challenge to your nearest Henderson County Library location or enter your information to the property of the standard price of the property of the proper

Henderson County Library location or enter your information online at hendersonnc.beanstack.org to qualify for the grand prize drawing at your branch! Winners will be contacted via phone or email.

The 2025 HCPL Reading Challenge will be ready for pick up starting January 1, 2025. This challenge will run through January 31, 2026. Once again there will be a challenge for adults and teens, as well as a separate challenge for children. Be sure to grab your tracking sheet or join us on Beanstack to complete the challenge.



We are so proud of our new graduates of the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program!

Reading to your child when they are young stimulates the part of the brain that allows them to understand the meaning of language and helps build key language, literacy, and social skills. These skills are critical to Kindergarten success. If you have a child who is not yet in Kindergarten, please consider participating in this vital program. It WILL make a difference! Pick up a 1,000 Books reading record at any Henderson County Library to get started today.



CONGRATULATIONS

TO THE CHILDREN WHO READ 1,000 BOOKS THIS YEAR!

Aela G. Aubrey P. Aurora F. Avariella K. Avery D.-J. Beckett B. Beckett H. Benjamin W. Bruce S. Chloe G. Christine G. **Dorothy C.** Dylan T. Ethan M. **Everett H.** Georgia P. Gunnar C. Gus L.

Hailey J. Hazel M. Judah L. Judah T. Keegan C. Levi T. Lily T. Lynnlee M. Mikka Y. Olivia Y. Parker Q. Penny W. Reid H. Scarlett S. Selah C. Teo C. Walter O. Wilson T.

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CHECK OUT YOUR LIBRARY APP!



- **1** Download the free MyLibro app on your smartphone or tablet
- 2 Search for Henderson County Public Library
- **3** Enter your library card number and pin number

Download Today!







With MyLibro, you can conveniently search the library catalog and place items on hold. Check your account and easily add family member's accounts in one app. No more fumbling through your wallet for your library card-you can use myLibro as a digital library card for quick checkout at the library.

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Thank you to those who have donated:

- ♦ Stephanie Koulet ♦ Frederick & Louise Solomon
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- ◆ Geraldine Reitz (in memory of Ernie Istvanko)
- ♦ Estate of Arthur Harold & P. Laverne Allingham



DONATING FUNDS TO PURCHASE ITEMS FOR THE LIBRARY IS A WONDERFUL WAY TO IMPACT YOUR COMMUNITY.

The name of any individual receiving an aggregate of \$500 in memorial gifts will be added to a plaque in the Main Library. In addition, the name of any individual who donated \$500 or more to the library will be added to a plaque at Main.

Visit our website (click the 'About Your Library' tab) or call 828-697-4725, option 3 for more details.

Holiday Hours for the Library:

CHRISTMAS | CLOSE EARLY 5PM MON. DEC. 23 CLOSED DECEMBER 24-26

NEW YEAR | CLOSE EARLY 5PM TUE., DEC. 31 CLOSED WED. JANUARY 1

MLK DAY | CLOSED MONDAY, JANUARY 20



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WINTER PROGRAMMING @ THE MAIN LIBRARY

301 N WASHINGTON STREET, HENDERSONVILLE | 828.697.4725

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

*Main Library Tour - Wednesdays, December 4 & February 5 @ 3pm (Register Online)

Goodwill Career Connections -

Fridays, Drop in from 10am-1pm (Learning Lab)

*Page Turners Book Club - Thursdays: December 12 & February 13 @ 2pm (no meeting in January) (Dec. in Learning Lab; Feb. in Kaplan Aud.) (Register Online)

Garden Hour (All Ages) - Mondays: December 9, January 13, & February 10 @ 4pm (Outside in Garden)

*Author Jennifer Coburn – Wednesday, February 5 @ 4pm (Kaplan Auditorium) (Register Online)

Movie Matinee: White Bird -

Thursday, February 6 @ 2pm (Kaplan Auditorium)

Sounds of the 60s: Geriatric Jukebox in Concert -Thursday, February 20 @ 2pm (Kaplan Auditorium)



These special programs will be held at: **Hedrick-Rhodes Veterans Center** 900 N Main Street. Hendersonville

*Patriotic Favorites with Pyramid Brass Quintet -Friday, December 13 @ 2pm (Register Online)

*History of Voting Rights in North Carolina Talk -Wednesday, January 8 @ 6pm (Register Online)

TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS & CLASSES FOR ADULTS

Apple Interest Group –

First Tuesday @ 2pm (Kaplan Auditorium)

Computer Connections (Open Lab) -

Second Tuesday 2:30-4:30pm (Learning Lab)

Computer Connections (Open Lab) -

Fourth Wednesday 11:30am-1:30pm; no session in December (Learning Lab)

*Using Your Digital Library: Historic North Carolina Digital Newspaper Collection – Thursday, January 16 @ 2:30pm (Learning Lab) (Register Online)

*Intro to Podcasts – Wednesday, January 29 @ 11:30am (Learning Lab) (Register Online)

*Getting Started on the Computer 1– Mastering Essential Mouse Skills - Monday, February 3 @ 2pm (Learning Lab) (Register Online)

*Getting Started on the Computer 2– Keyboard Mastery Basics - Monday, February 10 @ 2pm (Learning Lab) (Register Online)

*Getting Started on the Computer 3– Introduction to Computer Basics - Monday, February 17 @ 2pm (Learning Lab) (Register Online)

*Become a Library Power User! - Wednesday, February 19 @ 11am (Learning Lab) (Register Online)

*Getting Started on the Computer 4— Navigating Online Forms and Computer Settings – Monday, February 24 @ 2pm (Learning Lab) (Register Online)



WINTER PROGRAMMING @ THE MAIN LIBRARY

301 N WASHINGTON STREET, HENDERSONVILLE | 828.697.4725

STORYTIMES (No Storytimes December 6-January 5)

Preschool Storytime (3-5 years) -

Tuesdays @ 10:30am (Children's Auditorium)

Toddler Time (18 months-3 years) -

Wednesdays @ 10:30am (Children's Auditorium)

Music and Movement (families welcome) – Thursdays @ 10:30am (Children's Auditorium)

Bouncing Babies (birth-18 months + caregiver) -

Thursdays @ 11:15am (Children's Auditorium)

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

*PAWS for Reading – Second Saturday

10:30-11:30am & 1:30-2:30pm (Children's Auditorium)

Sign up for a 15-minute reading session with a therapy dog by calling the Main Library at 697-4725, option 5

Garden Hour (All Ages) - Mondays: December 9,

January 13, & February 10 @ 4pm (Outside in Garden)

Sensory Play Hour (Birth-5 years + Families) — Third Friday @ 10am; no session in Dec. (Children's Aud.)

Family Book Club (Grades K-5) -

Tuesday, January 21 @ 4pm (Children's Auditorium)Beginning December 10th, pick up *The City of Ember* by Jeanne DuPrau at the Youth Services Desk.

Four O'Clock Club (Grades K-5) -

Wednesdays @ 4pm (Children's Auditorium)

Dec 4 – Popsicle Stick Gingerbread House

Jan 8- Let's Build It!

Jan 15 – Step-By-Step Painting: Winter Cardinal

Jan 22 – Board Games

Jan 29 – Clay Pinch Pots

Feb 5 – Let's Build It!

Feb 12 – Make a Valentine

Feb 19— Candy STEM

Feb 26 – Paper Squishies

TEEN PROGRAMS

Teen Creative Writing Club (Grades 6-12) -

First Tuesday @ 4pm (Learning Lab)

*Teen Advisory Board (Grades 9-12) – First Thursday @ 4pm (Learning Lab) (Application Required)

Teen Anime Club (Grades 6-12) -

Second Thursday @ 4pm (Kaplan Auditorium)

Garden Hour (All Ages) – Mondays: December 9, January 13, & February 10 @ 4pm (Outside in Garden)

Quiet Book Club (Grades 6-12) -

Thursday, January 16 @ 4pm (Learning Lab)

*Dungeons & Dragons (Grades 6-12) -

Wednesdays: January 22 & February 26, 3:30-6:30pm

(Learning Lab) (Register Online)

Teen Craft: Step-By-Step Painting—Snowy Landscape

(Grades 6-12) - Thursday, January 23 @ 4pm

(Children's Auditorium)

BYOS Shoe Decorating Party (Grades 6-12) -

Thursday, January 30 @ 4pm (Children's Auditorium)

Teen Craft: Picky Pads (Grades 6-12) -

Thursday, February 20 @ 4pm (Children's Auditorium)



WINTER PROGRAMMING @ THE BRANCHES

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Family Storytime – Mondays @ 10am (No Storytimes December 6-January 5)

*PAWS for Reading - Wednesdays: Dec. 4; Jan. 22; Feb. 19 @ 3pm (Children) (Call to register)

Lego Club - Last Wednesday @ 3:30pm; Dec. session on 12/18 due to holiday (Children)

The Name of This Book Club is Secret -

Second Wednesday @ 3:30pm (Grades 3-7)

Sit and Stitch - Second Wednesday @ 10am (All Ages)

What We Read Book Review Group -

First Friday @ 1pm (Adults)

*Chair Exercises – Tuesdays: January 28; February 4 & 25 @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

*4-H Discovery Series: Nocturnal Animals –

Monday, December 2 @ 4pm (Ages 8-14) (Register online)

*Getting Started on the Computer- Keyboard Mastery Basics - Tue., Dec. 3 @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

*Felted Wool Critter Ornaments - Tuesday, December 3 @ 3:30pm (All Ages) (Register online)

Tree Decorating Party -

Monday, December 9 @ 4pm (All Ages)

*The Muppet Christmas Carol – Monday, December 16 @ 4pm (All Ages) (Register online)

*Tai Chi -

Tuesday, December 17 @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

*Exploration: EARTH— Volcanoes and Earthquakes — Tue., Dec. 17 @ 3:30pm (Grades K-8) (Register online)

*The Vote Screening Part 1 -

Monday, January 6 @ 2pm (Adults) (Register online)

*The Vote Screening Part 2 -

Tuesday, January 7 @ 2pm (Adults) (Register online)

*4-H Discovery Series: Citizenship -

Monday, January 13 @ 4pm (Ages 8-14) (Register online)

*Let's Get Growing: Specialty Gardens - Wednesday, January 15 @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

*DIY Coffee Syrups – Wednesday, January 15 @ 3:30pm (Teens) (Register online)

*MountainTrue Speaker Series: Public Lands -

Tuesday, January 21 @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

*Exploration: EARTH- Weather - Tuesday, January 21 @ 3:30pm (Grades K-8) (Register online)

*Rockin' Reptiles and Epic Amphibians (Chimney Rock) — Monday, January 27 @ 4pm (All Ages) (Register online)

*Zaniac: Minecraft- Exploration - Tuesday, January 28 @ 3:30pm (Grades K-8) (Register online)

*Getting Started on the Computer- Intro to Computer Basics - Fri., Jan. 31 @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

*4-H Discovery Series: Snow Science -

Monday, February 3 @ 4pm (Ages 8-14) (Register online)

*Using Your Digital Library: Libby -

Wednesday, February 5 @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

Heart Art Cards -

Tuesday, February 11 @ 3:30pm (All Ages)

*Exploration: EARTH— Oceans — Tuesday, February 18 @ 3:30pm (Grades K-8) (Register online)

*Zaniac: Minecraft- Adventure - Tuesday, February 25 @ 3:30pm (Grades K-8) (Register online)





WINTER PROGRAMMING @ THE BRANCHES

FLETCHER LIBRARY 120 LIBRARY RD, FLETCHER | 828.687.1218

Family Storytime – Wednesdays @ 10:30am (No Storytimes December 6-January 5)

Lego Club - First Thursday @ 3:30pm (Children)

*PAWS for Reading – First & Third Saturdays @ 10:30am (Children) (Call to register)

*Check 'Em Out Book Club -

Second Monday @ 11am (Adults) (Call to register)

Fletcher Craft Day -

Second Tuesday; Drop in 10am-4pm (All Ages)

Goodwill Career Connections – Wednesdays, Drop in 10am-1pm (Adults)

Book Review Book Club -

Second Thursday @ 10:30am (Adults)

Pilates Mat Exercise -

First & Third Thursdays @ 1:30pm (Adults)

*Zaniac: An Earthworm's Life – Monday, December 16 @ 4pm (Grades K-8) (Register online)

GREEN RIVER LIBRARY 50 GREEN RIVER RD, ZIRCONIA | 828.697.4969

Family Storytime – Thursdays @ 10am (No Storytimes December 6-January 5)

YarnAbility - First Monday @ 4pm (Adults & Teens)

*Making Polymer Pens – Monday, December 9 @ 4pm (Adults & Youth Ages 8+) (Register online)

Making Gnome Ornaments -

Monday, December 16, Drop in 9am-6pm (All Ages)

Holiday Party! – Monday, December 23, Drop in 9am-5pm (All Ages)

Toxins, Tails, Teeth, & Talons (Chimney Rock) – Thursday, January 9 @ 4pm (All Ages)

*How to Create a Vision Board – Monday, January 13 @ 4pm (Adults & Youth Ages 8+) (Register online) *Zaniac: Ice Oasis Innovation – Monday, January 27 @ 4:30pm (Grades K-8) (Register online)

*Valentine's Pop-Up Heart Cards with M! -

Monday, February 10 @ 4pm (Adults & Youth Ages 8+) (Register online)

Valentine's Day Party! – Monday, February 10, Drop in 9am-6pm (All Ages)

Marvelous Mammals (Chimney Rock) – Wednesday, February 12 @ 4pm (All Ages)

*Zaniac: Minecraft Adventure – Monday, February 24 @ 4:30pm (Grades K-8) (Register online)

MILLS RIVER LIBRARY 124 TOWN CENTER DR, MILLS RIVER | 828.890.1850

Family Storytime – Mondays @ 10am (No Storytimes December 6-January 5)

*PAWS for Reading – Wednesdays (NOT first Wed)
@ 3pm (Children) (Call to register)

*PAWS for Reading – Second & Third Tuesdays @ 2:30pm (Children) (Call to register)

Lego Club – First Wednesday @ 3:30pm; No session in January due to holiday (Children)

Knit and Crochet Group – Mondays @ 1pm (Adults)

Pilates Mat Exercise – Mondays @ 3:30pm (Adults)

*Shelf Indulgence Book Club -

First Tuesday @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

*Chair Exercises – Wednesday: January 15 & 29; February 12 & 26 @ 10am (Adults) (Call to register)

*Eating the Mediterranean Way – Tuesdays: January 14 & February 11 @ 2pm (Adults) (Register Online)

*Zaniac: The Magic of Colors – Monday,
December 9 @ 5pm (Grades K-8) (Register Online)



WINTER PROGRAMMING @ THE BRANCHES

ETOWAH LIBRARY 101 BRICKYARD RD, ETOWAH | 828.891.6577

Family Storytime – Tuesdays @ 10am (No Storytimes December 6-January 5)

Lego Club - Thursdays @ 3pm (Children)

In Stitches - Mondays @ 10am (Adults)

*Awareness Through Movement – Wednesdays @ 10am (Dec 4-18; Jan 8-29; Feb 12-26) (Adults) (Register online)

*The Ancestors Club -

First Tuesday @ 2pm (Adults) (Call to register)

*Historical Fiction Book Club -

Second Tuesday @ 2pm (Adults) (Register online)

*The Ancestors Club: Action Group –
Third Tuesday @ 2pm (Adults) (Call to register)

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Etowah Book Club – Third Wednesday @ 2:30pm; no meeting in Dec or Feb (Adults)

*Silent Write – Thursdays: January 9 & February 6 @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

*Write Your Life – Thursdays: Dec 12, Jan 23, & Feb 20 @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

*Intro to Podcasts – Friday, December 6 @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

*Art Cards – Saturday, December 7, 10am-1pm (All Ages) (Call to register)

*Hendersonville Ukulele Group -

Sat., December 14 @ 10am (All Ages) (Register online)

Musicke Antiqua -

Monday, December 16 @ 3:30pm (All Ages)

*Henderson County Soil & Water Conservation District Lectures: All About Water – Monday, December 16 @ 4pm (Children & Teens) (Register online)

*Movie Matinee: Scrooge – Friday, December 20 @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

*Getting to Know Your Google Account –
Friday, January 3 @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

*Henderson County Soil & Water Conservation District Lectures: Backyard Birds – Monday, January 6 @ 4pm (Children & Teens) (Register online)

*Prevention, Planning, & Actions in Medical Situations— Planning Ahead in Case of an Emergency — Wed., January 8 @ 2pm (Adults) (Register online)

*Brain Health (AARP) –
Friday, January 10 @ 10:30am (Adults) (Register online)

*Introduction to Poetry – Monday, January 13
@ 2pm (Adults & Teens) (Register online)

*Let's Get Growing: Specialty Gardens –
Thursday, January 16 @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

*Movie Matinee: Hamlet –
Friday, January 17 @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

*Movie Matinee for Youth: Despicable Me 4 – Saturday, January 18 @ 10am (Children & Teens) (Register online)

WNC Repair Cafe -

Saturday, January 18 @ 10am (Adults)

*Orchids for New Growers- Wednesday, January 22 @ 2pm (Adults & Teens) (Register online)

*Conserving Carolina Speaker Series: Tracks and Signs of Wildlife – Thu., Jan. 23 @ 2pm (Adults) (Register online)

*History of Songs in Black Communities with Ronnie Pepper – Friday, January 24 @ 1pm (Adults & Teens) (Register online)

*Wildlife Wonders Series: Track Tales (WNC Nature Center) – Monday, January 27 @ 4pm (Children & Teens) (Register online)

*Intro to Watercolor – Tuesday, January 28 @ 2pm (Adults) (Register online)

*Colors from Plants: The Seasonal Harvest – Friday, January 31 @ 1pm (Adults & Teens) (Register online)

*Let's Do the Stormwater Model – Monday, February 3 @ 3:30pm (Children & Teens) (Register online)

*Cutting the Cord -

Friday, February 7 @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

*Conserving Carolina Speaker Series: Renewable Energy 101 – Wed., Feb. 12 @ 2pm (Adults) (Register online)

*Here Today, Gone Tomorrow: Will Death or Disaster Destroy Your Genealogy Research? –

Thursday, February 13 @ 1pm (Adults) (Register online)

*Movie Matinee for Valentine's Day: Breakfast at Tiffany's – Fri., Feb. 14 @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

*What's Shaking? Music – Saturday, February 15 @ 10am (Children & Families) (Register online)

*Movie Matinee: The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman – Fri., Feb. 21 @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

*Movie Matinee for Youth: Inside Out 2 – Saturday, February 22 @ 10am (Children & Teens) (Register online)

*Henderson County Soil & Water Conservation District Lectures: Super Soils – Monday, February 24 @ 4pm (Children & Teens) (Register online)

*An Introduction to Bats with Sharon Mammoser – Fri., February 28 @ 1pm (Adults & Teens) (Register online)







