

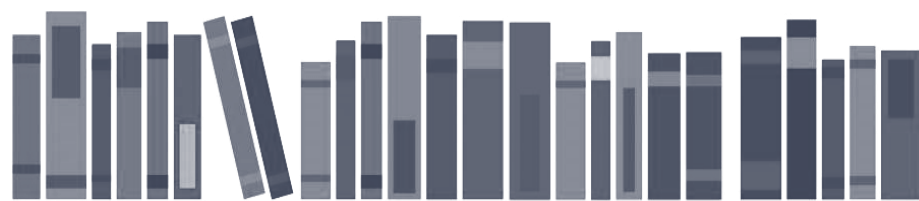
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 collaborative
summer library program
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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S SHELF

**NC KIDS
LEVEL UP**



NEW: NC Kids Level UP platform for middle school readers

In 2017, the North Carolina Public Library Directors Association (NCPLDA) partnered with Overdrive to launch the first statewide digital children's library in the United States. For the past 8 years, the **NC Kids Digital Library** has supported statewide literacy by providing FREE Pre-K-4th grade level e-books, e-audiobooks and videos to every child in North Carolina. Since its inception, titles in this collection have been checked out over **7.5 million** times!

In 2024, the NCPLDA identified a need for additional customized digital collections with age-appropriate content for older youth readers, resulting in the newly launched **NC Kids Level UP** platform. This platform expands statewide literacy support by providing a customized collection of digital titles aimed at 4th-8th grade level readers.

The launch of this additional platform enables public libraries to better serve a broad range of readers (Pre-K through grade 8) by expanding collection offerings and providing tailored, age-appropriate content to young readers through middle school. The designated collections give readers and parents the autonomy to select the library that best fits their needs and interests. With this recent addition of the Level UP collection, readers can grow with their digital library as they progress in their reading and interest levels.

Access to reading material is especially important during the summer months as data shows that students who don't read consistently over the summer break can lose 2-3 months of progress. If your family is busy or traveling and can't find time to visit your local library, these digital platforms can provide immediate access to titles for all ages.

Anyone with a Henderson County Library card may add NC Kids Level UP as an additional library in the Libby app and check out up to 3 items at a time. More information on our digital library collections can be found by clicking the 'digital library' tab on the library's website:

www.hendersoncountync.gov/library

Happy Reading!

- **Trina Rushing**, Library Director



NEWSLETTER SURVEY

We want to hear from you!

Tell us what you would like to see in future issues of *Illuminations* by completing a short survey using the link or QR code below.



[surveymonkey.com/
r/J79MXGR](https://surveymonkey.com/r/J79MXGR)

You can also ask a staff member at any library location for a paper copy.

SPOTLIGHT 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 Brickyard 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
Zirgonia, 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

Melissa Earley, Edneyville Branch Manager

Melissa learned the importance of libraries early on. As a military child, her family moved frequently and the local library was always a safe, fun, exciting place to be, whether California, Kansas, or Virginia. Later she took a student job at her college library and loved it so much she decided to seek out library work after graduation. Since those days Melissa has worked in public and academic libraries and is excited to be joining the Henderson County Library system. Her background includes many years of reference and instruction, adult programming, government documents, a law library and branch management. She reads a lot of nonfiction, especially history, current events, sciences, and philosophy. She also loves a clever mystery with twists and turns.



Melissa is also an artist and worked in the nonprofit art world for 15 years, planning and overseeing murals and other public art projects, administering grants to local artists and organizations, and creating art fairs and festivals. As an artist, she's exhibited across the country and in Austria. Most recently she was part of an installation exhibition in Tryon.

She has a dog, Pete, who hates everything and everyone, but never chews up her stuff, and every so often likes to cuddle, so she has allowed him to stay.

Literacy for Life

The Library's Homebound Outreach program conducts monthly visits to individuals and various residential facilities within our community, including the Care Center at Carolina Village.

During our February visit, we were excited to greet our first five patrons, all of whom were centenarians!

We take great pride in serving individuals of all ages and fostering connections, and we believe this demonstrates that reading is for EVERYBODY-regardless of age!

- Carrie Rowe & Megan Dillin,
Homebound Outreach Staff



If you or someone you know would like more information about the Homebound Outreach service, give us a call or visit the library's website.

828-697-4725, ext. 2331

www.hendersoncountync.gov/library/page/homebound-services



FROM THE LIBRARY GARDEN

Spring has brought growth of all kinds to our library! This season, we've expanded our gardens and added more whimsical elements for our fairy friends! Participants in the Library's Garden Hour helped create and install some of these fun items.

Just in time for the summer, the Main Library gardens are now a stop on the Hendersonville Pollinator Trail! The Pollinator Trail includes 11 locations around Hendersonville that highlight the importance of bees, butterflies, and other pollinators. Take a self-guided walk or drive to experience them all.

Find a map of all stops on the Pollinator Trail at:
www.hendersonvillenc.gov/pollinator-trail-page

Thanks to your generous seed donations, we've enhanced our plots with a greater variety of annual flowers! As you stroll along the Third Avenue side of our building, you will encounter informative signage and vibrant plant tags. Library staff have worked diligently to create an engaging learning space for everyone to enjoy!

If you're planting at home, now is a great time to direct sow sunflower, green bean, and cucumber seeds. Additionally, seasonal favorites like tomato and basil grow best when transplanted after having established themselves in a greenhouse.

Rooting for you!

- Maggie Montgomery, Youth Services Assistant

ART EXHIBIT AT THE MAIN LIBRARY

June 30–September 29 | "Red, White, and Blue"

The Art League of Henderson County will present an exhibit of art in a variety of media that will feature the colors red, white and blue.



TECHNOLOGY

CLASSES & PROGRAMS

What computer skills do **YOU** want to learn?



COMPUTER 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, setting you on the path to meeting your computer goals.

Four Mondays @ 2pm, August 4th - 25th, Main Library (Registration Required— Register once for all 4 classes)

ONLINE SAFETY

- Learn how to recognize online threats, good Internet safety habits, and how to build strong passwords to secure your accounts and devices. **Online Safety 101— June 19th @ 11:30am, Main Library (Registration Required)**

APPLE DEVICES

- This group is for anyone interested in, or already using, an Apple device. Topics vary by attendees' interest, come with questions. **Apple Interest Group— First Tuesday @ 2pm, Main Library**

GOOGLE WORKSPACE

- 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— August 19th @ 2:30pm, Fletcher Library (Registration Required)**

POPULAR TECHNOLOGY

- Curious about podcasts? This course will introduce participants to accessing and finding podcasts that match their own unique interests. **Intro to Podcasts— Thu., July 31st @ 10:30am, Main Library (Registration Required)**

GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH

- Stuck in your genealogy research, but hoping the information is out there somewhere? Come join us to learn what to do when you hit brick walls in genealogy and how to get around them.

Breaking Through Genealogy Brick Walls— Tue., July 15th @ 1:30pm, Main Library (Registration Required)

- Learn about the history of the Census, how they differed from decade to decade, where you can find it online, and how to search it using Ancestry.com Library Edition.

The U.S. Census: Everything You Always Wanted to Know but were Afraid to Ask!

Wednesday, June 18th @ 10am, Etowah Library (Registration Required)

Wednesday, June 25th @ 10am, Main Library (Registration Required)

- Work on your family history research in this librarian led open lab. Each session will briefly cover a different genealogy topic followed by time to research. All levels of experience, from beginners to experts, are welcome!

Family Roots & Research Lab— Fourth Wednesday @ 2pm, Main Library (Registration Required)

DIGITAL LIBRARY

- Ebooks, audiobooks, magazines, & more! All of this is available to you anytime, anywhere.

Using Your Digital Library: Libby & Hoopla— June 17th @ 2:30pm, Fletcher Library (Registration Required)

Using Your Digital Library: Libby

Wednesday, June 4th @ 10am, Green River Library (Registration Required)

Tuesday, June 24th @ 1:30pm, Main Library (Registration Required)

Tuesday, July 15th @ 2:30pm, Fletcher Library (Registration Required)

Using Your Digital Library: Hoopla— Thursday, July 17th @ 1:30pm, Main Library (Registration Required)

- 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; Discover upcoming events.

Become a Library Power User!

Thursday, July 24th @ 10am, Etowah Library (Registration Required)

Wednesday, August 20th @ 10am, Main Library (Registration Required)

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.

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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 bookstore@fotl.info

WEBSITE
fotl.info

MEET OUR EXTRAORDINAIRE VOLUNTEER DOREEN HUSKES!

Do you hear what I hear? No? Well please follow our gifted volunteer Doreen to the back of the store...

Doreen started volunteering around 2011. Initially, she was working the twice a year sales wherever she was needed. She then began shelving in MANY areas of the store. She covered gardening, journalism, movies and TV, music, opera, theater, plays, cats, dogs, wildlife, and birds. She eventually picked up the sheet music section that was placed in the back of the store as well as classics. As time has passed, the store has gone through many renovations and shifting of stock.

Eventually, music biographies, music history, etc. and “teach me to play” sections were all moved to area 22 C & D along with a large selection of Christian music. The section for singing and voice was recently added.

Doreen shared, “My favorite part of shelving is providing a well organized and easy to access section for customers. My favorite part of working in the bookstore is the interaction with customers while talking about literature and helping them navigate the store. I love naturalizing and caring for my woods and of course, reading.”

If you haven’t browsed to the back of the store where Doreen has created such a cozy corner... well... you’re not listening!



Doreen is also the one who is so gracious with her garden. You will often see “free clippings” right outside our door.



PROJECTS SUPPORTED BY THE FOL LAST QUARTER

Last quarter the Friends provided continued support for the Library Zoom Pass program, supplies for the Library Garden Club, and funded programs at multiple library branches for all ages.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

MEMBERS ONLY CORNER

Let's not only start July off with a BANG but end it that way too! Our next quarterly incentive will be a raffle where each member (you can join at any time) can enter their name into a jar once EVERY time you visit the bookstore during the month of July. That's 14 chances! On July 31st (end of day) there will be 3 chosen winners! Wahooo... Gift Cards galore! We can't wait to pass out more appreciation to YOU!

HELP!!!

We would really love to get the word out to even more of our local readers about the bookstore and our location, so if you can LIKE or SHARE Friends of the Henderson County Public Library on Facebook, we would really appreciate it. "Hit" us up!

SPRUCING UP FOR SPRING

We hope you've noticed that we have been trying to spruce up our property with some new landscaping outside! We are slowly trying to make our outside as welcoming as our inside. Our AWESOME volunteers probably won't let that ever happen but we are trying. We have another anticipated indoor spring cleaning item with the installation of new carpet for the store! We will keep you informed if any closing days are needed for this. We hope with all these groundbreaking improvements you'll be FLOORED!

A BIG THANK YOU to all our NEW members and those that renewed during our BIG Library Appreciation Week!!!

We are so excited to acquire 48 NEW FOL members and many renewals. What an amazing way to say thank you to our libraries by joining in the big circle of hands giving back to our community with more literature and education. That's truly a "circle of life."

Not only was our appreciation recognized locally but statewide too... making the NC State FOL publication!

Thank you to Barry Farms for sharing their beautiful flowers and Sam's wholesale for their generous cookie donations for library staff.



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!



SUMMER FUN @ YOUR LIBRARY: JUNE 2—AUGUST 1, 2025

Join us for “Color Our World” this summer at the Henderson County Public Library! We have a schedule full of programs for children, teens, and adults with lots of chances to win prizes.

To get started, just pick up your activity card (preschool) or reading card (children, teens, and adults) from your local library. You can also print your activity card or reading card directly from the library’s website—www.hendersoncountync.gov/library.

Don’t want to wait for a visit to the library to get started? You can create an online account through Beanstack starting June 2nd! Just go to <http://hendersonnc.beanstack.org> to begin tracking the time you spend reading with badges and more.



WHEN DOES IT START?

You can pick up your reading card starting Monday, June 2nd and don’t forget to join us for our big Summer Reading Kick-Off Party at the Main Library on June 2nd from 2-4pm. We’ll have face-painting, games, and more!



CAN MY WHOLE FAMILY PARTICIPATE IN SUMMER READING?

Of course! We will have cards for all ages: preschool, elementary, teens, and adults. We want everyone to have fun reading this summer! Just make sure you pick the card created for your age group.



HOW CAN I WIN PRIZES?

Kids & Teens: Turn in your completed card by August 1st for a free book AND a chance to win the grand prize for your age group.

Adults: Turn in your completed card by August 1st for a chance to win the grand prize for your age group.



WHAT IS THE GRAND PRIZE FOR EACH AGE GROUP?

Preschool Prize: The Day the Crayons Quit & Plush + Color Your Own Playhouse

Elementary Prize: Prize Bag of art supplies including Prismacolor pencils, watercolors, and more

Teen Prize: Prize Bag + \$50 Gift Card for Barnes & Noble

Adult Prize: Gift Bag + \$50 Gift Card for Barnes & Noble



WHAT IF I WANT MORE CHANCES TO WIN?

Every sheet holds two cards. All you must do is complete the additional card on the bottom for an extra chance to win. Just make sure everything is turned in by Friday, August 1st to be eligible to win the grand prize for your age group!





A COLORFUL, QUIRKY LIBRARY
SHOW ABOUT DRAWING,
PAINTING, MAGIC, AND BOOKS!

JUNE 13 11AM | ETOWAH LIBRARY 2PM | MAIN LIBRARY



The Wizard of Oz



Follow comic duo Lenny and Mabel down the yellow brick road to the land of Oz and meet all your favorite characters along the way in this fun, interactive retelling of the L. Frank Baum classic!

MONDAY, JUNE 23

**11AM | FLETCHER LIBRARY
2PM | MILLS RIVER LIBRARY**



TUESDAY, JULY 1
11AM | MAIN LIBRARY 2PM | FLETCHER LIBRARY

WEDNESDAY, JULY 2
11AM | ETOWAH LIBRARY

Three favorite folk tales from around the world come to life with a touch of the familiar and a taste of the new.



THE THREE BILLY GOATS GRUFF
from Scandinavia




THE FROG PRINCE
from Germany



THE THREE LITTLE PIGS
from England

A TANGLE OF TALES



BEING BILINGUAL ROCKS!

Eclectic blend of original and traditional songs from Latin America

An interactive, one-of-a-kind celebration of love and music!

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16
**11AM | MAIN LIBRARY
2PM | MILLS RIVER LIBRARY**

A concert with Mi Amigo Hamlet & Alina Celeste



Movie Matinees @ Main



JUN 5

**MUFASA:
THE LION KING**
June 5, 2pm
PG | 118 Minutes

CROOKED HOUSE
July 3, 2pm
PG-13 | 115 Minutes



JUL 3

INDULGENCE BOOK CLUB

FIRST TUESDAY @ 10AM
MILLS RIVER LIBRARY

REGISTER ONLINE

June 3– *One Hundred Years of Solitude* by Gabriel Garcia Marquez

July 1– *The Housemaid* by Freida McFadden

Aug 5– *The Great Alone* by Kristin Hannah



Historical Fiction

BOOK CLUB

SECOND TUESDAY @ 2PM
ETOWAH LIBRARY

REGISTER ONLINE

June 10– *The Song of Achilles* by Madeline Miller

July 8– *Caleb's Crossing* by Geraldine Brooks

Aug 12– *The House of Eve* by Sadeqa Johnson



Check 'Em Out

FLETCHER LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

SECOND MONDAY @ 11AM
FLETCHER LIBRARY

REGISTER BY CALLING 687-1218

June 9– *The Wife, the Maid, and the Mistress* by Ariel Lawhon

July 14– *Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow* by Gabrielle Zevin

Aug 11– *When Women Were Dragons* by Kelly Barnhill

Page Turners

MAIN LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

2PM, KAPLAN AUDITORIUM
REGISTER ONLINE

June 12– *The Art Forger* by B. A. Shapiro

July 10– *How to Age Disgracefully* by Clare Pooley

Aug 14– *The Girls of the Glimmer Factory* by Jennifer Coburn



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.

Several popular regional authors have new titles publishing this summer, perfect for your next beach read.

Where the Rivers Merge by Mary Alice Monroe is set in Lowcountry South Carolina and follows a woman who fights against her son to save the family estate that has been held for generations.

Beach House Rules by Kristy Woodson Harvey is a story about a mother and daughter thrown into a difficult situation when they are locked out of their house by the FBI and end up staying in a beachfront home with a group of single mothers.

That Last Carolina Summer, the upcoming book from Karen White, is a standalone novel about a woman who returns home to Charleston as an adult to care for an ailing mother and is faced with some unresolved issues from her past.

After a teenage romance that ended in heartbreak, two adults are now running against each other for the office of Governor of Virginia in *The Summer We Ran* by Audrey Ingram.

For a fun sibling adventure story, check out *Run for the Hills* by Kevin Wilson. Madeline and her mom have lived alone on their farm in Tennessee for 20 years until Reuben shows up and tells Maddie they have the same dad. Maddie decides to tag along on a road trip to find their other siblings.

Fans of Civil War historical fiction will be interested in *Measure of Devotion* by North Carolina author Nell Joslin. This novel follows a mother who travels from South Carolina to Tennessee to care for her son who was injured during the Civil War after enlisting against his parents' wishes.

The River Knows Your Name by Kelly Mustian is set in both Mississippi and North Carolina where two young sisters discover that one of them was adopted under mysterious circumstances.

For an interesting nonfiction read, former curator at the North Carolina Museum of Art, Jennifer Dasal, shares an engaging history of women artists in *The Club: Where American Women Artists Found Refuge in Belle Epoque Paris*.

Happy Reading!

- Lisa Donaldson,
Assistant Director and Marketing





BILINGUAL Storytime

JUNE 16 JULY 21 5PM

**MAIN LIBRARY
CHILDREN'S AUDITORIUM**

**Stories & Songs
in English and
Spanish!**

**For ages 5 &
under with an
adult caregiver.**

**Cuentos bilingües
en inglés y español
para niños 5 años
y menores
acompañados por
un adulto.**



NEW

STORYWALKS® COMING THIS SUMMER!

The Henderson County Public Library is excited to announce the installation of two new permanent StoryWalks® in Henderson County! We have partnered with Henderson County Parks and Recreation and the Town of Mills River to incorporate these trailside attractions as part of the ongoing renovations at Etowah Park & Mills River Park.

The stories will be changed quarterly so we encourage families to visit again and again!

What is a StoryWalk®? A StoryWalk® is a deconstructed book presented page by page along a trail with fun extension activities and literacy tips. Walking a StoryWalk® is a great way for families to encourage literacy and spend quality time together while reading, exercising, and enjoying our local parks!

Look for more information about the grand opening of these exciting new additions to Henderson County Parks later this summer. Can't wait for these StoryWalks® to be ready? Check out our flagship StoryWalk® at Kate and Pete's Park in Fletcher!

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library in Montpelier Vermont. Storywalk® is a registered service mark owned by the Kellogg-Hubbard Library.



TAB (TEEN ADVISORY BOARD)

We've reached the end of another school year, which means we have to say goodbye to our 2025 Teen Advisory Board graduates. They served a combined 8 years and we will miss them in our monthly meetings!

Congratulations to Kennedy Bailey, Brisa Munoz Hernandez, and Katherin Cid Hernandez!

This means we have openings for creative, energetic, and responsible teens in 9th—12th grades. Want to make a difference in teen programming at the library? Want to earn volunteer hours? Want to meet new people? Join TAB!

Applications can be found at any branch library or on our website.



Zoom PASS PROGRAM



THE
CHILDREN'S
MUSEUM
OF THE UPSTATE

Our Zoom Pass Program is bigger than ever! Join us in welcoming The Children's Museum of the Upstate as our latest partner!

The Children's Museum of the Upstate pass can be used for one day admission for up to 5 individuals at two locations:

- Greenville Location** (Ages 0-12): 80,000 square feet – Exhibits and weekly programs encourage hands-on play, unique discoveries, and intentional learning opportunities.
- Spartanburg Location** (Ages 0-6): 6,000 square feet – Exhibits and weekly programs encourage early childhood development and kindergarten readiness.

Through a reservation system on the library website, families can reserve a one-day pass for the attraction of their choice. Passes may be reserved up to one month in advance and will admit several adults and children depending on the attraction chosen. Once a patron is notified their Zoom Pass is ready, they can pick it up at their selected library location! Just visit www.hendersoncountync.gov/library/page/zoom-pass to reserve your Zoom Pass today!

*Other attractions
include:*



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Thank you to those who have donated:

- ◆ **Robert & Phyllis Hock**
(monetary donation)
- ◆ **Donald Johnson & Ann Fungrai**
(monetary donation)

**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:

INDEPENDENCE DAY | CLOSED FRIDAY, JULY 4

LABOR DAY | CLOSED MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Stay Connected!



@HendersonCountyNCGovernment



**myLIBRO
HCPL APP**



vimeo.com/channels/1733219

SUMMER PROGRAMMING @ THE MAIN LIBRARY

301 N WASHINGTON STREET, HENDERSONVILLE | 828.697.4725

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

Goodwill Career Connections –
Fridays, Drop in from 10am-1pm (Learning Lab)

*Page Turners Book Club – Thursdays: June 12, July 10,
& August 14 @ 2pm (Kaplan Auditorium) ([Register Online](#))

Garden Hour (All Ages) – Mondays: June 9 & July 14
(no session in August) @ 4pm (Outside in Garden)

Summer Reading Kick-Off Party (All Ages) –
Monday, June 2, 2-4pm (Kaplan Aud. & Outside)

Movie Matinee: *Mufasa: The Lion King* –
Thursday, June 5 @ 2pm (Kaplan Auditorium)

*Enriching Mental Health with Complementary
Treatments: Color, Music, and Nutrition (VAYA Health) –
Tuesday, June 10 @ 2pm (Kaplan Aud.) ([Register Online](#))

Crafternoon Drop In: Make a Patriotic Banner –
Thursday, June 19 @ 2pm (Kaplan Auditorium)

Woodwind Quartet of the 208th Army Reserve Band –
Wednesday, July 2 @ 2pm (Kaplan Auditorium)

Movie Matinee: *Crooked House* –
Thursday, July 3 @ 2pm (Kaplan Auditorium)

*Navigating Depression: Finding Happiness (VAYA
Health) – July 8 @ 2pm (Kaplan Aud.) ([Register Online](#))

*Sit Step Sing – Friday, July 11 @ 3:15pm
(Kaplan Auditorium) ([Register Online](#))

Summer Reading Wrap-Up Party (All Ages) –
Friday, August 1, 2-4pm (Kaplan Auditorium)

*Introduction to Canning –
Wednesday, August 6 @ 3pm ([Register Online](#))

*Main Library Tour –
Wednesday, August 6 @ 3pm ([Register Online](#))

Movie Matinee: *Title TBD* –
Thursday, August 7 @ 2pm (Kaplan Auditorium)

*Neurocognitive Disorders and the Basics of Dementia
(VAYA Health) – Aug. 12 @ 2pm (Kaplan) ([Register Online](#))

*Create a Tiny Library – Tuesday, August 19 @ 5:30pm
OR Thursday, August 21 @ 2pm (*choose one session*)
(Learning Lab) ([Register Online](#))

TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS & CLASSES FOR ADULTS

Apple Interest Group –
First Tuesday @ 2pm (Kaplan Auditorium)

*Online Safety 101 – Thursday, June 19
@ 11:30am (Learning Lab) ([Register Online](#))

*Using Your Digital Library: Libby – Tuesday, June 24
@ 1:30pm (Learning Lab) ([Register Online](#))

*Using Your Digital Library: Hoopla –
Thu., July 17 @ 1:30pm (Learning Lab) ([Register Online](#))

*Intro to Podcasts – Thursday, July 31 @ 10:30am
(Learning Lab) ([Register Online](#))

*Getting Started on the Computer 4-Part Series –
Mondays: August 4-25 @ 2pm (Learning Lab)
([Register Online](#)– [Register once for the entire series](#))

*Become a Library Power User! –
Wed., August 20 @ 10am (Learning Lab) ([Register Online](#))

GENEALOGY CLASSES FOR ADULTS

*Family Roots & Research Lab – Fourth Wednesday
@ 2pm (North Carolina Room) ([Register Online](#))

*The U.S. Census: Everything You Always Wanted to
Know But were Afraid to Ask – Wednesday, June 25
@ 10am (North Carolina Room) ([Register Online](#))

*Breaking Through Genealogy Brick Walls –
Tuesday, July 15 @ 1:30pm (Learning Lab) ([Register Online](#))



SUMMER PROGRAMMING @ THE MAIN LIBRARY

301 N WASHINGTON STREET, HENDERSONVILLE | 828.697.4725

STORYTIMES (June & July; Storytimes will resume week of August 18th)

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

Sensory Play Hour (Birth-5 years + Families) –
Third Friday @ 10am; no session in August (Child. Aud.)

Garden Hour (All Ages) – Mondays: June 9 & July 14
(no session in August) @ 4pm (Outside in Garden)

Monday Mayhem – Mondays: June 16 & July 21
@ 10am (Children's Auditorium)

Bilingual Storytime (Ages 5 & Under + Caregiver) –
Mondays: June 16 & July 21 @ 5pm (Children's Aud.)

Summer Reading Kick-Off Party (All Ages) –
Monday, June 2, 2-4pm (Kaplan Aud. & Outside)

ecoEXPLORE: Herpetology –
Wednesday, June 11 @ 4pm (Children's Auditorium)

Professor Whizzpop –
Friday, June 13 @ 2pm (Kaplan Auditorium)

Balloon Twisting with Jon Sundell –
Tuesday, June 17 @ 2pm (Kaplan Auditorium)

Baby Rave (Ages 0-5 + Caregivers) –
Friday, June 27 @ 10am (Children's Aud.)

Grey Seal Puppets: A Tangle of Tales –
Tuesday, July 1 @ 11am (Kaplan Aud.)

Family Book Club (Grades K-5) –
Tuesday, July 15 @ 4pm (Children's Auditorium)
Beginning June 17th, pick up *Henry and the Chalk Dragon* by
Jennifer Trafton at the Youth Services Desk.

**Being Bilingual Rocks!: A Concert with Mi Amigo Hamlet
& Alina Celeste** – Wed., July 16 @ 11am (Kaplan Aud.)

Science Heroes: Adventure of the Missing Color –
Tuesday, July 22 @ 2pm (Kaplan Auditorium)

Flat Rock Playhouse: ROCK OUT –
Monday, July 28 @ 2pm (Kaplan Auditorium)

Summer Reading Wrap-Up Party (All Ages) –
Friday, August 1, 2-4pm (Kaplan Auditorium)



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: June 9 & July 14
(no session in August) @ 4pm (Outside in Garden)

***Dungeons & Dragons (Grades 6-12)** –
Tuesdays: June 10 & July 8, 1:30-4:30pm (Learning Lab)
([Register Online](#))

Summer Reading Kick-Off Party (All Ages) –
Monday, June 2, 2-4pm (Kaplan Aud. & Outside)

Teen Craft Time: Watercolor Coasters (Grades 6-12) –
Thursday, June 19, 3-5pm (Children's Auditorium)

Teen Craft Time: Cloud Slime (Grades 6-12) –
Thursday, July 24, 3-5pm (Children's Auditorium)

Teen Craft Time: Ice-Dye Bandanas (Grades 6-12) –
Thursday, July 31, 3-5pm (Children's Auditorium)

Summer Reading Wrap-Up Party (All Ages) –
Friday, August 1, 2-4pm (Kaplan Auditorium)

SUMMER PROGRAMMING @ THE BRANCHES

ETOWAH LIBRARY 101 BRICKYARD RD, ETOWAH | 828.891.6577

Family Storytime – Tuesdays @ 10am
(June & July; Will resume week of August 18th)

Lego Club – Thursdays @ 3pm (Children)

In Stitches – Mondays @ 10am (Adults)

***The Ancestors Club** –
First Tuesday @ 2pm (Adults) ([Call to register](#))

***Write Your Life** –
Second Thursday @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))

***Historical Fiction Book Club** –
Second Tuesday @ 2pm (Adults) ([Register online](#))

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

***Rock Cycle** – June 2 @ 4pm (All Ages) ([Register online](#))

Movie Matinee for Youth: *Dog Man –
Wed., June 4 @ 10am (Children & Teens) ([Register online](#))

Movie Matinee: *Jaws –
Friday, June 6 @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))

***Powerful Tools for Family Caregivers** –
Wed., June 11 @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))

Professor Whizzpop – Fri., June 13 @ 11am (Children)

***Four Seasons Hospice Care** –
Monday, June 16 @ 1pm (Adults) ([Register online](#))

***U.S. Census** – June 18 @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))

***Journaling with Art** –
Friday, June 20 @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))

***The Veterans History Museum: Phil Hanson, SGM,
Army (Ret)** – June 21 @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))

Grey Seal Puppets: A Tangle of Tales –
Wednesday, July 2 @ 11am (Children)

Movie Matinee for Youth: *Wicked –
Wed., July 9 @ 10am (Children & Teens) ([Register online](#))

Movie Matinee: *Jurassic Park –
Friday, July 11 @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))

***Colorful Wildlife: Camouflage or Not?** –
Tue., July 15 @ 11am (Children & Teens) ([Register online](#))

***Wonderful Water** –
Wednesday, July 16 @ 1pm (Children) ([Register online](#))

***Let's Get Growing: Gardening in the Shade** –
Thursday, July 17 @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))

***Mountain Moss** –
Friday, July 18 @ 10am (Adults & Teens) ([Register online](#))

***Emotional Recovery from a Natural Disaster** –
Wednesday, July 23 @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))

***Become a Library Power User** –
Thursday, July 24 @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))

***Lego Club for Adults** –
Friday, July 25 @ 3pm (Adults) ([Register online](#))

***Clay Planter Figurines** –
Monday, July 28 @ 3pm (Adults) ([Register online](#))

***Super Soils** – Aug. 5 @ 10am (Children) ([Register online](#))

Movie Matinee for Youth: *The Wild Robot –
Wed., Aug. 6 @ 10am (Children & Teens) ([Register online](#))

What's Shaking? Music – Saturday, August 9 @ 10am
(Outside) (Children)

Movie Matinee: *In the Heart of the Sea –
Friday, August 15 @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))

WNC Repair Cafe –
Saturday, August 16, 10am-2pm (Adults)

FLETCHER LIBRARY 120 LIBRARY RD, FLETCHER | 828.687.1218

Family Storytime – Wednesdays @ 10am
(June & July; Will resume week of August 18th)

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

***PAWS for Reading** – Saturdays @ 10:30am; Third
Tuesday @ 10:30am (not in June); Fourth Monday
@ 10:30am (6/23 @ 9:30am) (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)

Book Review Book Club –
Second Wednesday @ 10:30am (Adults)

Goodwill Career Connections –
Thursdays, Drop in 1-4pm (Adults)

***Using Your Digital Library: Libby & Hoopla** –
Tuesday, June 17 @ 2:30pm (Adults) ([Register online](#))

Bright Star Theatre: The Wizard of Oz –
Monday, June 23 @ 11am (Children)

***Zaniac: Dynamic Dino Discovery** –
Monday, June 30 @ 4pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))

***Family Yoga: Toddlers** –
Tuesday, July 1 @ 10am (Ages 2-4) ([Register online](#))

Grey Seal Puppets: A Tangle of Tales –
Tuesday, July 1 @ 2pm (Children)

***Using Your Digital Library: Libby** –
Tuesday, July 15 @ 2:30pm (Adults) ([Register online](#))

***Zaniac: STEM Olympics** –
Monday, July 21 @ 4pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))
Science Heroes – Tuesday, July 22 @ 11am (Children)

***Family Yoga: Preschoolers** –
Tuesday, August 5 @ 10am (Ages 4-6) ([Register online](#))
Medicare 101: The Basics – August 18 @ 2pm (Adults)

***Zaniac: Minecraft Masterminds** –
Monday, August 18 @ 4pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))

***Getting to Know Your Google Account** –
Tuesday, August 19 @ 2:30pm (Adults) ([Register online](#))

SUMMER PROGRAMMING @ THE BRANCHES

EDNEYVILLE LIBRARY 2 FIREHOUSE RD, HENDERSONVILLE | 828.685.0110

Family Storytime – Mondays @ 10am
(June & July; Will resume week of August 18th)

*PAWS for Reading – Wednesdays: June 4; July 16;
Aug 20 @ 3pm (Children) ([Call to register](#))

Lego Club – Last Wednesday @ 3:30pm (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 (July 11th due to holiday) (Adults)

*Conserving Carolina Speaker Series: Backyard
Composting – June 4 @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))

Balloon Twisting with Jon Sundell –
Tuesday, June 17 @ 11am (Children)

*Family Movie: *Moana 2* –
Friday, June 20 @ 11am (Families) ([Register online](#))

*Canning– June 23 @ 3pm (Adults) ([Register online](#))

*Zaniac: STEM Olympics –
Tuesday, June 24 @ 3:30pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))

GREEN RIVER LIBRARY 50 GREEN RIVER RD, ZIRCONIA | 828.697.4969

Family Storytime – Thursdays @ 10am
(June & July; Will resume week of August 18th)

*Crafting Your Novel Series – Mondays: June 2, July 7,
August 4 @ 4pm (Adults) ([Register online](#))

*Teen Crafternoons – June 5 & 26; July 9 & 23, 3-4:30pm
(Grades 6-12) ([Register online](#))

Sensory Play Hour – Mondays: June 9 & July 14
@ 10am (Children Birth-5years + Families) ([Register online](#))

Color Our World Craft Days – Mondays: June 16 & 30;
July 14 & 28, Drop in 1:30-5pm (All Ages)

*Using Your Digital Library: Libby –
Wednesday, June 4 @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))

*Animal Adaptations – Monday, June 9 @ 4pm
(All Ages) ([Register online](#))

*Zaniac: The Magic of Colors –
Wednesday, June 11 @ 2pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))

*Create Your Own Journal/Book Cover –
Thursday, June 12 @ 3:30pm (All Ages 8+) ([Register online](#))

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

Family Storytime – Mondays @ 10am
(June & July; Will resume week of August 18th)

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

Lego Club – First Wednesday @ 3:30pm (Children)

*Shelf Indulgence Book Club –
First Tuesday @ 10am (Adults) ([Register Online](#))

Pilates Mat Exercise – Wednesdays @ 9:30am (Adults)

*Zaniac: Earth Science & Engineering –
Monday, June 16 @ 3:45pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))

Roper Mountain: Chemical Capers –
Monday, July 7 @ 2pm (Children)

*Crayon Batik –
Tuesday, July 8 @ 2pm (All Ages) ([Register online](#))

*Zaniac: The Science of Weather –
Tuesday, July 15 @ 3:30pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))

*Let's Get Growing: Gardening in the Shade –
Wednesday, July 16 @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))

*Family Movie: *The Super Mario Bros. Movie* –
Friday, July 18 @ 11am (Families) ([Register online](#))

*Design Your Own Book –
Tuesday, July 22 @ 2pm (All Ages) ([Register online](#))

*Emotional Recovery from a Natural Disaster (Vaya
Health) – Tue., July 29 @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))

End of Summer Party – Tue., August 5 @ 3pm (All Ages)

*Zaniac: Dynamic Dino Discovery –
Wed., August 6 @ 3:30pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))

*Family Movie: *The Bad Guys* –
Friday, August 8 @ 11am (Families) ([Register online](#))

Drug Take Back Event (Henderson County Sheriff's
Office) – Wednesday, June 18, 11am-1pm (Adults)

*Zinnia Planting at Tuxedo Park –
Wednesday, June 25 @ 9:30am (All Ages) ([Register online](#))

*Peregrine Falcons –
Wednesday, June 25 @ 3pm (All Ages) ([Register online](#))

Roper Mountain: Chemical Capers –
Monday, July 7 @ 11am (Children)

*Zaniac: Design Studio– Where STEM Meets Creativity –
Wednesday, July 16 @ 2pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))

*Embellishing Photography –
Thursday, July 17 @ 3:30pm (All Ages 8+) ([Register online](#))

*Conserving Carolina Speaker Series: Fungal
Foundations – July 24 @ 2pm (Adults) ([Register online](#))

End of Summer Party! –
Thursday, July 31, 1-5pm (All Ages)

*Conserving Carolina Speaker Series: Intro to WNC
Butterflies – August 28 @ 2pm (Adults) ([Register online](#))

Bright Star Theatre: The Wizard of Oz –
Monday, June 23 @ 2pm (Children)

*Intro to Canning –
Monday, July 14 @ 11:30am (Adults) ([Register online](#))

*Zaniac: Minecraft– Sustainable Cities –
Monday, July 14 @ 3:45pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))

Being Bilingual Rocks!: A Concert with Mi Amigo Hamlet
& Alina Celeste – Wednesday, July 16 @ 2pm (Children)

*Zaniac: It's Electric! –
Mon., August 11 @ 3:45pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))