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America 250



On July 4, 2026, the United States will celebrate the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

As we reflect on our nation's past and look to the future, the library will celebrate with a variety of events throughout the year. Look for displays highlighting both fiction and nonfiction titles that illuminate the history of the American Revolution. Find more information on events on page [7](#).

America 250 on Film: The library's collection of DVDs contains feature films, miniseries, and documentaries illuminating the events and leaders of the American Revolution. Other titles may be available through NC Cardinal or Access Video on Demand, available on the Digital Library page of the library website.

- 1776** (feature)
- Benjamin Franklin** (documentary by Ken Burns)
- The American Revolution** (documentary by Ken Burns)
- Drums Along the Mohawk** (western)
- John Adams** (television)
- Johnny Tremain** (juvenile)
- The Kent Chronicles** (television)
- Revolutionary War Weapons** (documentary)
- Sweet Liberty** (feature)

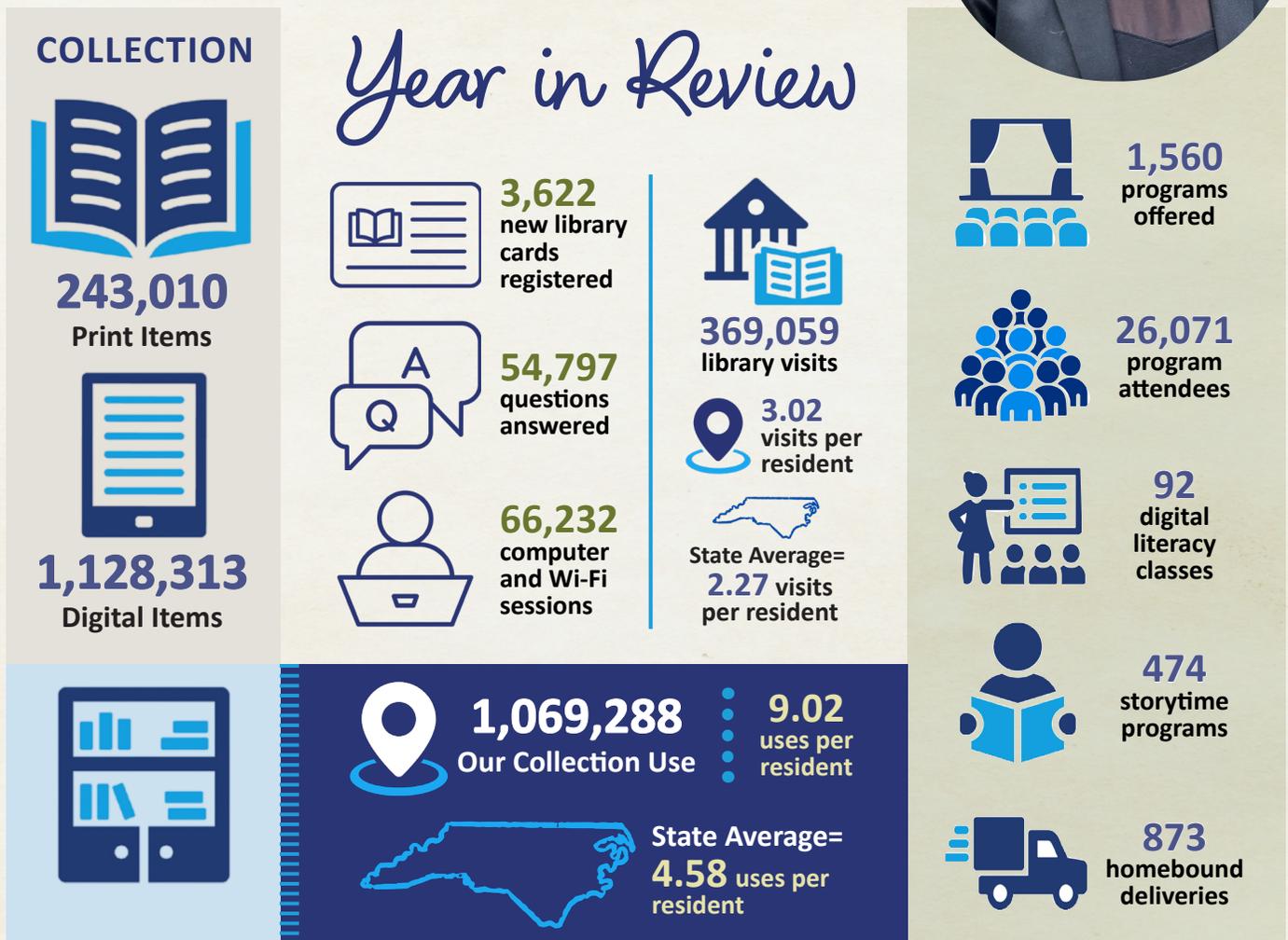
From the Director's Shelf

Celebrating Growth, Connection, and Impact

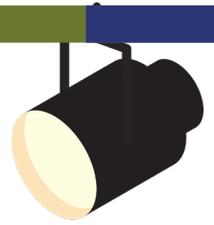
Fiscal year 2025 marked a year of meaningful growth, deeper community connection, and measurable impact for our library system. We welcomed more visitors, saw increased use of our collections, engaged with residents at more than 30 community events, and provided technology assistance to over 400 individuals seeking to strengthen their digital literacy skills.

From robust collections to early literacy initiatives, technology support, and extensive outreach, the library continues to serve as a vital hub for information, learning, and creativity. The following highlights illustrate the significant and lasting impact our library has made on the community.

≡ **Trina Rushing, Library Director**



Spotlight on Staff



Nina Jordan, *Circulation Assistant*

Originally from Maryland, Nina moved to the Hendersonville area in 2023. After over a decade of retail experience, Nina is excited to join the Main Library Circulation team.

Nina's favorite books are still the *Harry Potter* series and as a true Ravenclaw she WILL beat you in trivia. Nina spends her free time snuggling her two pups and tending to her house plant collection. She also loves belting Disney and Broadway show tunes when no one can hear.



Christopher McLoughlin, *Circulation Assistant*

Christopher is delighted to join the circulation team at the Main Library. He is a lifelong librarian, having started in Buncombe County libraries as a substitute. He has also worked as a library assistant at TC Roberson High School and Blue Ridge Community College. Christopher grew up in Asheville and graduated with a history major from Furman University.

When he's not at the library, Christopher is likely hanging out with his two kids and his beagle Toby. You may have also seen him on stage as an actor at numerous local theaters, including Hendersonville Theatre and the Montford Park Players.



Congratulations to staff who completed their Master's degrees in Library Science over the past year:

Andrew Jordan, *Mills River Branch Manager* (University of South Carolina)

Sarah Kowalak, *Homebound Coordinator* (East Carolina University)

Susie Salazar, *Circulation Manager* (UNC Greensboro)

Andrea Ward, *Circulation Assistant* (UNC Greensboro)

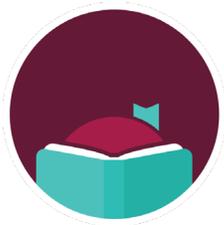


Congratulations to **Library Director Trina Rushing** for receiving the NC Public Library Director's Association Director of the Year Award in December!

Digital Tools and Training

SAVE ON SUBSCRIPTIONS WITH YOUR LIBRARY CARD!

MAGAZINES & NEWSPAPERS



Libby.

During the last eBook & Audiobook Basics class offered at the library, a patron discovered that a magazine she subscribes to is available on Libby. Switching to reading it on the app will save her \$200 a year!

Borrowing magazines through Libby:

- Does not count against your 6 loans
- There are no waits for magazines
- Subscribing to titles delivers new issues automatically to your Magazine Rack
- Popular titles available include *The New Yorker*, *The Week Magazine*, *US Weekly*, *Woman's World*, and *New Scientist*

Your library card also gives you access to other popular magazines and newspapers, such as *Consumer Reports*. Visit the Magazines, Newspapers, and Journals page under the Resources tab on the [library website](#) to learn more.



Henderson County Public Library card holders now have unlimited access to *The New York Times* online!

Access [NYTimes.com](https://www.nytimes.com) from any Henderson County Library computer or while connected to the library Wi-Fi.

Library card holders can read the *News*, *Cooking*, *Wirecutter*, *The Athletic*, *Games*, and more *New York Times* content from anywhere. Teachers and students have access to *The Learning Network* and *New York Times inEducation*, which both include resources for teaching and learning. Archived editions and articles are also available from 1851 to the present.

To obtain access from home or anywhere outside of the library, visit the Magazines, Newspapers, and Journals page under the Resources tab on the [library website](#). Here you will provide your library card number to obtain an access code that will remain active for 24 hours.



Your library card also gives you access to articles from other major U.S. daily newspapers, linked on the Magazines, Newspapers, and Journals page.

Ask a library staff member for more information.

Beat the Paywall: Newspapers & Periodicals

Wednesday, April 1 at 11:30am, Main Library
Registration Required

EBOOKS & AUDIOBOOKS



Libby and Hoopla apps can replace your eBook and audiobook subscriptions.

If you're worried about hold times, Hoopla offers 4 instant borrows a month in addition to bonus borrows available the last week of every month. Libby has an *Available Now* filter as well as the new *Inspire Me* feature that uses prompts to suggest available titles.

eBook & Audiobook Basics

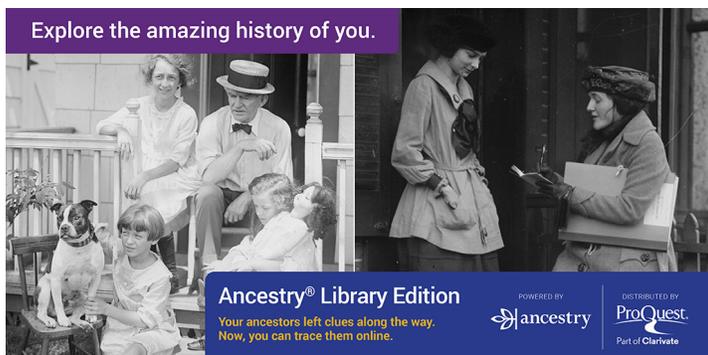
Wednesday, April 29 at 10am, Etowah Library
Registration Required

Libby Master Class

Mon., May 18 at 11am, Mills River Library
Registration Required

GENEALOGY SITES

Explore the amazing history of you.



Cut down on genealogy site subscriptions by using Ancestry Library Edition in the library or Heritage Quest from home.

Family Roots & Research Lab

Fourth Wednesday at 2pm, Main Library
Registration Required

TV & MOVIES



Hoopla and Kanopy offer ad-free movies, TV shows, and documentaries.

Both apps will even work on your smart TV!

Cutting the Cord

Tuesday, April 28 at 1:30pm, Main Library
Registration Required

LANGUAGE LEARNING



Replace your paid or ad-enabled language learning app with Transparent Language.

Find Transparent Language on the Learning Resources page on the [library website](#), under the Resources tab. You'll be able to learn 140+ languages at home, in the library, or on the go.

Bringing the Library to You!

Since its inception last fall, the Mobile Library has been actively engaging with the community in all corners of the county.

From parades, neighborhoods, parks, and schools to special events, the Mobile Library has connected patrons in Henderson County with a wide variety of resources and materials. Between our monthly visits to local parks and community stops, the Mobile Library has completed over seventy stops in the last six months!

A large component of the Mobile Library's mission is to deliver library materials to unexpected locations, and we have had fantastic opportunities to collaborate with various local organizations. We are truly fortunate to have numerous wonderful community partners in Henderson County who allow us to show up and foster relationships with both new and returning patrons. Some of our most successful stops have taken place at unconventional library venues, such as the youth soccer games organized by Henderson County Parks and Recreation and a West Henderson High School football game. This success demonstrates that readers can be found everywhere—no matter what the location!



As we move into the warmer months, you can expect to see the Mobile Library out and about even more. We are looking forward to upcoming events like the County Egg Hunt, youth sports at Jackson Park, the Carl Sandburg Home, and the Mills River Farmer's Market. [A complete schedule of events for the Mobile Library can be found on the library website with the most up-to-date information.](#)

≡ **Carrie Rowe, Outreach Coordinator**



If you know of a neighborhood, community organization, or special event that might benefit from a Mobile Library visit, please reach out to crowe@hendersoncountync.gov or call the library at 828-697-4725, ext. 2321.

America 250 Programs

Bright Star Theatre: American Songbook

Thursday, April 30 at 4pm

Main Library, Kaplan Auditorium

Intended for Pre-K to Grade 5, but all are welcome.

Celebrate American history through a timeline of music. From tribal songs of the early Native Americans to influential anthems of the civil rights movement, this show leaves few songs unsung. Audience interaction abounds with sing-alongs in this original Bright Star musical concert.

Colonial Field Day

Saturday, May 16, 10am-1pm

Main Library, Outside

Intended for all ages.

Step back in time and enjoy a variety of traditional outdoor games, crafts, and more during our Colonial Field Day. Costumes are encouraged!

American Revolution Genealogy Sources

Wednesdays, May 20 & July 29 at 2pm

Main Library, North Carolina Room

Intended for adults. [Registration Required](#)

Learn about library resources available to help you find the who, what, when, and where of your Revolutionary War ancestors.



How They Lived: American Revolutionary War Edition

Monday, June 15 at 1:30pm

Main Library, Learning Lab

Intended for adults. [Registration Required](#)

The North American Women's Letters and Diaries database can give historical context to research into your ancestor's lives. Learn more about the social history of the American Revolution and enhance your research skills.



Modern Pop Art Experience

Monday, July 27, 10am-12pm for children, 1-3pm for teens & adults

Main Library, [Registration Required](#)

Michael Albert is a celebrated artist and educator known for his innovative approach to art and his dedication to inspiring creativity in others. Michael has even collaged the Declaration of Independence out of recycled materials! This program will feature an artist talk and a hands-on workshop designed to spark imagination and encourage artistic exploration.

Historical Film Screenings

Check the [library event calendar](#) for titles, dates, times, and locations.

Several historical films will be screened this summer.

VISIT THE [LIBRARY WEBSITE](#) THROUGHOUT THE YEAR FOR ADDITIONAL EVENTS AND TO LEARN MORE ABOUT AMERICA 250.

Regional Reads

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.

For those of you working on the 2026 Reading Challenge, several of the following titles will fit different Challenge categories. Pick up a copy at any Henderson County Library or sign up online via [Beanstack](#).

What's in a Name?- *Anne of a Different Island* is a contemporary novel inspired by Anne of Green Gables and set on Mackinac Island, Michigan. This novel written by North Carolina author Virginia Kantra follows a young woman who learns life doesn't always go as planned.

Which Way?- A young mother returns to her late grandmother's beach house on Sullivan's Island to rebuild her life in *South of Somewhere* by T. I. Lowe.

Just One Word- *Kin* by Tayari Jones tells the story of two best friends who grew up together in Louisiana but whose lives become very different as they navigate adulthood.

The Marriage Bed by Tommy Hays is a novel told from multiple points of view when a college professor in Asheville must deal with a tragedy that reveals things about himself and his family that alter his life.

The Mountains We Call Home by Kim Michele Richardson is a standalone companion novel to *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* series. In this latest novel, legendary book woman Cussy Lovett returns home to rural Kentucky.

The third novel by Leah Weiss, *The Creek, the Crone, and the Crow* is set in a small Appalachian village where the last one room schoolhouse in North Carolina is on the brink of closing. As a young teacher prepares to leave the village, her life intersects with a local witch and traveling psychic in unexpected ways.

Hunter and Clewe are back in the third entry in the mystery series from North Carolina author Victoria Gilbert. *A Deadly Clue* follows a closed case reopened after another member of a prominent family is murdered.

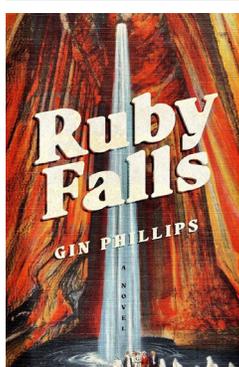
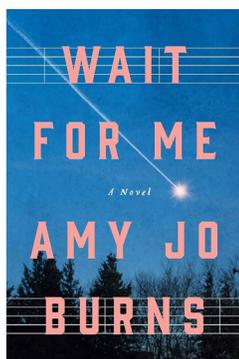
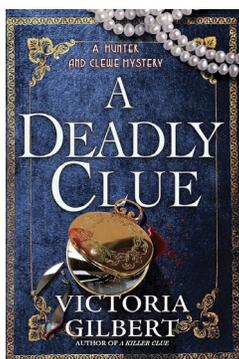
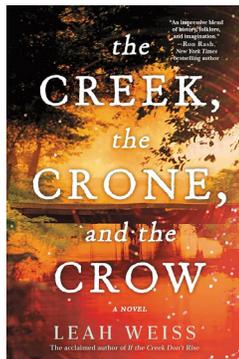
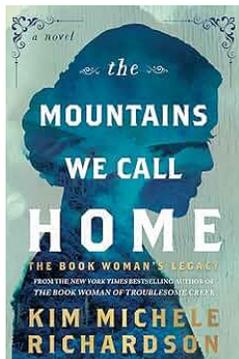
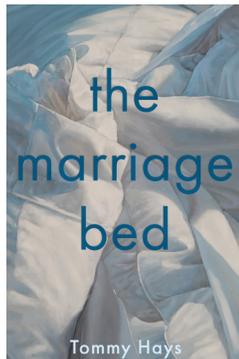
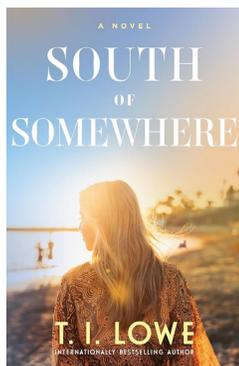
Wait for Me by Amy Jo Burns follows a young woman looking to find what happened to a young musician who disappeared after a performance at the Grand Old Opry when a meteor strike reveals a clue to the past.

Ruby Falls by Gin Phillips is a historical mystery set in the real-life Chattanooga caves where a 150-foot waterfall was discovered inside a mountain. When a public relations stunt meant to attract visitors goes wrong, a young woman must get everyone out of the caves before it's too late.

In a departure from her previous mystery series, North Carolina author Ellery Adams' new novel, *Invasive Species*, explores what it means to be a monster when a small-town recluse emerges to create a stir with the locals. Adams will speak at the Main Library on April 15th.

Happy reading!

≡ **Lisa Donaldson, Assistant Director**



Adult Programs



Books & Bites at Main

Wednesday, April 15 at 12pm, Kaplan Aud.

[Register via online calendar](#)

Join us for finger-friendly lunch food as *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author Ellery Adams talks about her new novel. *Invasive Species* is a genre-blending novel about four suburban women struggling to tame their inner monsters and the ancient sea creature who terrorizes them.

The first 50 who register and attend the program will receive a free copy of the book!



Art Exhibit at Main

April 1-June 30, 2026: Vibrant Spring

The Art League of Henderson County will display works at the Main Library celebrating the spring season.



Movie Matinees at Main

Join us each month for a free movie in the Kaplan Auditorium! Patrons with hearing devices equipped with a telecoil (t-coil) can use the Hearing Loop to take advantage

of the full experience. Those without a t-coil can borrow a listening device for free. Closed captions or subtitles for the deaf & hard of hearing will be turned on when available.

- **March 5 at 2pm-** *Wicked: For Good* (Rated PG)
- **April 2 at 2pm-** *Now You See Me, Now You Don't* (Rated PG-13)
- **May 7 at 2pm-** *Song Sung Blue* (Rated PG-13)



Book Clubs

MAIN LIBRARY

PAGE TURNERS

Second Thursday at 2pm

[Register via online calendar](#)

March 12- *The Comfort of Crows*
by Margaret Renkl

April 9- *The Stolen Queen*
by Fiona Davis

May 14- *The Cemetery of Untold Stories* by Julia Alvarez

ETOWAH LIBRARY

ETOWAH BOOK CLUB

Third Wednesday at 2:30pm

March 18- *Welcome to the World, Baby Girl* by Fannie Flagg

April 15- *The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell* by Robert Dugoni

May 20- *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale Hurston

FLETCHER LIBRARY

CHECK 'EM OUT

Second Monday at 11am

March 9- *Redemption Road*
by John Hart

April 13- *The One Hundred Years of Lenni and Margot* by Marianne Cronin

May 11- *The Paris Wife*
by Paula McLain

MILLS RIVER LIBRARY

SHELF INDULGENCE

First Tuesday at 10am

[Register via online calendar](#)

March 3- *Happy Land*

by Dolen Perkins-Valdez

April 7- *Ishmael* by Daniel Quinn

May 5- *The Devil's Highway*
by Luis Alberto Urrea

The Youth Scoop

The Importance of Reading to Children

Did you know that according to studies from the Center on the Developing Child at Harvard University, **90%** of a child's brain growth occurs by their **fifth birthday?**

As a parent, hearing this statistic can feel like a lot of pressure to do things "the right way," but studies show that just reading aloud to your child each day can help them develop a foundation of skills they need to succeed.

Reading regularly to your child can boost:

- **Listening skills**
- **Language and vocabulary development**
- **Attention span**
- **Social and emotional skills**
- **Creative and critical thinking**
- **Family bonds**



Still feeling unsure and don't know where to start?

Join us for any of the nine weekly storytimes that take place across Henderson County! Following Every Child Ready to Read principles, our Youth Services staff create storytimes to teach children (and parents!) new skills to encourage learning and brain development during this critical time. By incorporating songs, fingerplays, felt stories, and crafts, we hope to show you how fun this time of growth can be for your entire family.

≡ **Caitlin Lindsey, Youth Services Coordinator**

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

It's a simple concept, but the rewards are endless... we want you to read your child 1,000 books before kindergarten! Sound hard?

Let's look at the numbers: reading one book a night adds up to 365 books a year. If we stay committed to one book a day, we are easily surpassing that 1,000th book in just three years! Sometimes having a goal to work toward can make all the difference, so ask your local librarian how you can start today.



**Unearth a Story:
Summer Fun at the Library**

June 1—July 31, 2026

Dig into a good book, uncover hidden histories, or go on a dino adventure this summer at your local library!

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.

Visit fotl.info to learn more!

Become a Member of the Friends

New members are always welcome and we invite you to join today! Members receive a 10% discount on purchases at the Bookstore.

You can join the Friends of the Library at the bookstore during normal hours or on their website. The Friends of the Henderson County Public Library is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit, so your membership and donations are tax deductible.

Membership costs are \$10 per year for an individual or \$15 per year for a family.

Projects Supported by the Friends

Last quarter, Friends of the Library funds supported learning programs at all library locations for children, teens, and adults. In addition, Friends funds continued to make the Zoom attraction pass lending program and Seed Libraries at Main, Mills River, and Etowah Libraries possible.



It's always interesting to learn someone's "why." Linda Fitzpatrick was delighted to find this train puzzle. She bought it in memory of her father, Val Adrian, who worked for the Central Jersey Railroad for 37 years. Completing it will surely offer her plenty of time to reflect on happy memories.

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"
- 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.

Board of Trustees

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Milton Butterworth, *FOL President*

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Celeste Mayes

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Holiday Hours

GOOD FRIDAY

April 2- Main closes at 5pm

April 3- Closed

MEMORIAL DAY

May 25- Closed

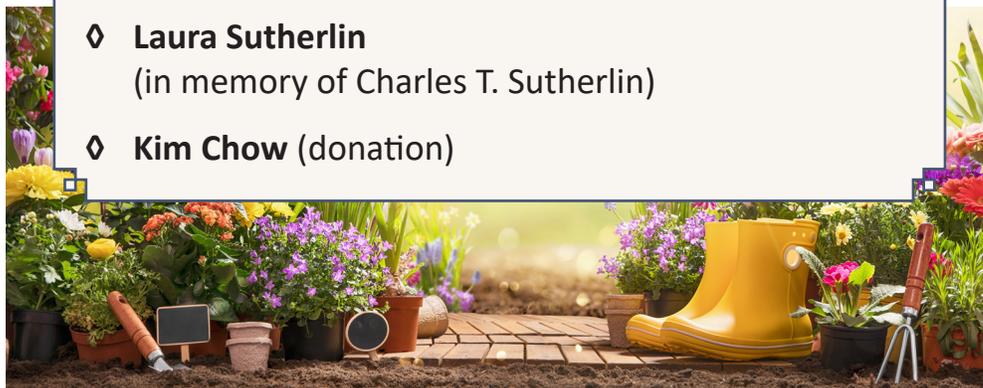


Donations

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, or any individual who donates \$500 or more to the library, will be added to a plaque at the Main Library. Visit our [website](#) ('About Your Library' tab) or call 828-697-4725 for more details.

Thank you to those who have donated:

- ◇ **Pardee Spiritual Care Department**
(in memory of Arline Dorothy Cortese)
- ◇ **Stacey Cimowsky, Cindy Nardini, & Laura Jacimore**
(in honor of Mary Ann Osby)
- ◇ **Laura Sutherlin**
(in memory of Charles T. Sutherlin)
- ◇ **Kim Chow** (donation)



Library Locations

MAIN LIBRARY

301 N Washington Street
Hendersonville, NC 28739
828-697-4725

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

EDNEYVILLE BRANCH

2 Firehouse Road
Hendersonville, NC 28792
828-685-0110

Monday 9am-6pm
Tuesday & Wednesday 9am-5pm
Friday 9am-3pm

ETOWAH BRANCH

101 Brickyard Road
Etowah, NC 28729
828-891-6577

Monday 9am-6pm
Tuesday-Thursday 9am-5pm
Friday & Saturday 9am-3pm

FLETCHER BRANCH

120 Library Road
Fletcher, NC 28732
828-687-1218

Monday 9am-6pm
Tuesday-Thursday 9am-5pm
Friday & Saturday 9am-3pm

GREEN RIVER BRANCH

50 Green River Road
Zirconia, NC 28790
828-697-4969

Monday 9am-6pm
Wednesday & Thursday 9am-5pm
Friday 9am-3pm
Closed for lunch 12-1pm daily

MILLS RIVER BRANCH

124 Town Center Drive
Mills River, NC 28759
828-890-1850

Monday 9am-6pm
Tuesday-Thursday 9am-5pm
Friday 9am-3pm

Spring Programs at the Main Library

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

- ❑ **Page Turners Book Club** – Second Thursday @ 2pm, Kaplan Auditorium ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Author Kaira Rouda** – Wednesday, March 4 @ 5pm, Kaplan Auditorium ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Movie Matinee: *Wicked: For Good*** – Thursday, March 5 @ 2pm, Kaplan Auditorium
- ❑ **Author Lynn H. Blackburn** – Monday, March 9 @ 5pm, Kaplan Auditorium ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **VAYA Health: Emotional Recovery from Natural Disaster** – Tuesday, March 10 @ 2pm, Kaplan Auditorium ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Memory Café: Mardi Gras!** – Friday, March 13 @ 10am, Kaplan Auditorium ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Sit Step Sing** – Tuesday, March 17 @ 3:15pm, Kaplan Auditorium ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Happy Birthday Barbie® Doll** – Wednesday, March 18 @ 5:30pm, Kaplan Auditorium
- ❑ **Author Megan Shepherd** – Monday, March 23 @ 5pm, Kaplan Auditorium (Teens & Adults) ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Garden Hour** – Saturday, March 28 @ 10am, outside in the garden (**All Ages**)
- ❑ **Movie Matinee: *Now You See Me, Now You Don't*** – Thursday, April 2 @ 2pm, Kaplan Auditorium
- ❑ **Memory Café: From Seed to Plant** – Friday, April 10 @ 10am, Kaplan Auditorium ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **VAYA Health: Navigating Depression: Finding Happiness** – Tuesday, April 14 @ 2pm, Kaplan Auditorium ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Books & Bites: Author Ellery Adams** – Wednesday, April 15 @ 12pm, Kaplan Auditorium ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Mandala Art Workshop** – Friday, April 24 @ 2pm, Kaplan Auditorium ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Movie Matinee: *Song Sung Blue*** – Thursday, May 7 @ 2pm, Kaplan Auditorium
- ❑ **Memory Café: Mindful Mark Making** – Friday, May 8 @ 10am, Kaplan Auditorium ([Register online](#))

- ❑ **VAYA Health: Ageism in Focus** – Tuesday, May 12 @ 2pm, Kaplan Auditorium ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Main Library Tour** – Wednesday, May 13 @ 3pm ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Colonial Field Day** – Saturday, May 16, 10am-1pm, outside if weather permits (*All Ages*)
- ❑ **Sit Step Sing** – Tuesday, May 19 @ 3:15pm, Kaplan Auditorium ([Register online](#))

DIGITAL LITERACY CLASSES

- ❑ **Apple Interest Group** – First Tuesday @ 2pm, Kaplan Auditorium
- ❑ **Online Safety 101** – Monday, March 16 @ 1:30pm, Learning Lab ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Beat the Paywall: Newspapers & Periodicals** – Wednesday, April 1 @ 11:30am, Learning Lab ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Cutting the Cord** – Tuesday, April 28 @ 1:30pm, Learning Lab ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Getting Started on the Computer** – Fridays, April 24-May 15 @ 2pm, Learning Lab ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Become a Library Power User!** – Wednesday, May 13 @ 11am, Learning Lab ([Register online](#))

GENEALOGY CLASSES

- ❑ **Family Roots & Research Lab: Drawing Conclusions** – Wednesday, March 25 @ 2pm, North Carolina Room ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Family Roots & Research Lab: The Return of the Inter-Library Loan** – Wednesday, April 22 @ 2pm, North Carolina Room ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **American Revolution Genealogy Sources** – Wednesday, May 20 @ 2pm, North Carolina Room ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Family Roots & Research Lab: Ancestry Library Edition Hacks** – Wednesday, May 27 @ 2pm, North Carolina Room ([Register online](#))

JOB ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

- ❑ **Goodwill Career Connections** – Fridays, 10am-1pm, Learning Lab

Spring Programs at the Main Library

STORYTIMES: MARCH-MAY 14

- ☐ **Preschool Storytime** – Tuesdays @ 10:30am (3-5 years)
- ☐ **Toddler Time** – Wednesdays @ 10:30am (18 months-3 years)
- ☐ **Music & Movement** – Thursdays @ 10:30am (families)
- ☐ **Bouncing Babies** – Thursdays @ 11:15am (birth-18 months & caregiver)

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

- ☐ **Sensory Play Hour** – Friday, March 20 & April 17 @ 10am, Children's Auditorium (Birth-5 years & family)
- ☐ **Garden Hour** – Saturday, March 28 @ 10am, outside in the garden (All Ages)
- ☐ **Family Book Club** – Tuesday, April 21 @ 4pm, Children's Auditorium (Grades K-5 & family) Pick up *Growing Home* by Beth Ferry at the Youth Services Desk beginning March 17th
- ☐ **Bright Star Theatre: American Songbook** – Thursday, April 30 @ 4pm, Kaplan Auditorium (Intended for Pre-K-5th Grade, but all are welcome)
- ☐ **Colonial Field Day** – Saturday, May 16, 10am-1pm, outside if weather permits (All Ages)

FOUR O'CLOCK CLUB: GRADES K-5

- ☐ **Let's Build It!** – Wednesday, March 4 @ 4pm
- ☐ **Paper Fortune Tellers** – Wed., March 11 @ 4pm
- ☐ **Process Art** – Wednesday, March 18 @ 4pm
- ☐ **Bottle Cap Hyacinths** – Wed., March 25 @ 4pm
- ☐ **Let's Build It!** – Wednesday, April 1 @ 4pm
- ☐ **Clay Mosaics** – Wednesday, April 8 @ 4pm
- ☐ **Barn Quilt Art** – Wednesday, April 15 @ 4pm
- ☐ **Recycled Art** – Wednesday, April 22 @ 4pm
- ☐ **Pom-Pom Creatures** – Wednesday, April 29 @ 4pm
- ☐ **Let's Build It!** – Wednesday, May 6 @ 4pm
- ☐ **Collaborative Art** – Wednesday, May 13 @ 4pm

PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

- ☐ **Teen Creative Writing Club** – First Tuesday @ 4pm, Learning Lab (Grades 6-12)
- ☐ **Teen Advisory Board** – First Thursday @ 4pm, Learning Lab (Grades 9-12) ([Application required](#))
- ☐ **Teen Craft: Neon Light Panting** – Tuesday, March 10 @ 4pm, Children's Auditorium (Grades 6-12)
- ☐ **Happy Birthday Barbie® Doll** – Wednesday, March 18 @ 5:30pm, Kaplan Auditorium (Adults & Teens)
- ☐ **Teen Audiobook Book Club** – Thursday, March 19 @ 4pm, Children's Auditorium (Grades 6-12)
- ☐ **Author Megan Shepherd** – Monday, March 23 @ 5pm, Kaplan Auditorium (Teens & Adults) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **Teen Game Night: Throw Throw Burrito** – Thursday, March 26 @ 4pm, Children's Auditorium (Grades 6-12)
- ☐ **Garden Hour** – Saturday, March 28 @ 10am, outside in the garden (All Ages)
- ☐ **Debate Club Interest Meeting** – Tuesday, March 31 @ 4pm, Learning Lab (Grades 9-12)
- ☐ **Teen Craft: Wire Wrapped Jewelry** – Thursday, April 9 @ 4pm, Children's Auditorium (Grades 6-12)
- ☐ **Teen Audiobook Book Club** – Thursday, April 16 @ 4pm, Children's Auditorium (Grades 6-12)
- ☐ **Teen Craft: Pom-Pom Magnets** – Thursday, May 14 @ 4pm, Children's Auditorium (Grades 6-12)
- ☐ **Colonial Field Day** – Saturday, May 16, 10am-1pm, outside if weather permits (All Ages)
- ☐ **Teen Audiobook Book Club** – Thursday, May 21 @ 4pm, Children's Auditorium (Grades 6-12)
- ☐ **Teen Game Night: Flip 7** – Thursday, May 28 @ 4pm, Children's Auditorium (Grades 6-12)

Spring Programs at the Branches

ETOWAH LIBRARY

- ❑ **Family Storytime** – Tuesdays @ 10am
(March-May 14)
- ❑ **In Stitches** – Mondays @ 10am (Adults)
- ❑ **Lego Club** – Thursdays @ 3pm (Children)
- ❑ **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](#))
- ❑ **Etowah Book Club** – Third Wednesday @ 2:30pm
(Adults)
- ❑ **Let's Get Growing** – Thursdays, March 19 & May 21
@ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Stencil Paint Craft Bags** – Monday, March 9
@ 4pm (Children) ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Movie Matinee- Star Wars: A New Hope** –
Saturday, March 14 @ 10am (All Ages)
([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Repair Café** – Saturday, March 21, 10am-2pm
(Adults)
- ❑ **Conserving Carolina: Wildflowers of the Cove
Forest** – Wednesday, March 25 @ 2pm (Adults)
([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Classical Music Encounters of the Electronic
Kind** – Saturday, March 28 @ 11am (All Ages)
([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Migration Madness** – Monday, March 30 @ 4pm
(All Ages) ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Jewelry Necklace Stringing** – Monday, April 6
@ 4pm (Children) ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Geriatric Jukebox** – Wednesday, April 8 @ 2:30pm
(All Ages)
- ❑ **Movie Matinee- Star Wars: The Empire Strikes
Back** – Saturday, April 11 @ 10am (All Ages)
([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Zaniac: Space Lander Mission** – Monday,
April 13 @ 4pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Blue Ridge Chamber Ringers** – Monday, April 20
@ 4pm (All Ages) ([Register online](#))

- ❑ **Conserving Carolina: Hummingbirds** – Wednesday,
April 22 @ 2pm (Adults) ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **EMS Presentation: Stop the Bleed** – Thursday,
April 23 @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **eBook & Audiobook Basics** – Wednesday,
April 29 @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Apple Country String Band** – Monday, May 4
@ 3:30pm (All Ages)
- ❑ **Movie Matinee- Star Wars: Return of the Jedi** –
Sat., May 9 @ 10am (All Ages) ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Write Here, Write Now** – Thursday, May 14
@ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Predator vs. Prey** – Monday, May 18 @ 4pm
(All Ages) ([Register online](#))

FLETCHER LIBRARY

- ❑ **Family Storytime** – Wednesdays @ 10am
(March-May 14)
- ❑ **Goodwill Career Connections** – Thursdays, 1-4pm
(Adults)
- ❑ **Lego Club** – First Thursday @ 3:30pm (Children)
- ❑ **Check 'Em Out Book Club** –
Second Monday @ 11am (Adults)
- ❑ **Craft Day** – Second Tuesday, 10am-4pm (All Ages)
- ❑ **Book Review Book Club** – Second Wednesday
@ 10:30am (Adults)
- ❑ **PAWS for Reading** – Saturdays @ 10:30am; Third
Tuesday @ 10:30am; Fourth Monday @ 10:30am
(Children) ([Call to register](#))
- ❑ **Getting Started on the Computer Series** –
Tuesdays, March 3-24 @ 2pm (Adults)
([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Spring Crochet Workshop** – Saturday, March 14
@ 10am (All Ages) ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Zaniac: Predator or Prey** – Monday, March 16
@ 4pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Zaniac: Epic Egg Drop** – Monday, April 27 @ 4pm
(Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))
- ❑ **Medicare 101** – Tuesday, April 28 @ 2pm (Adults)
- ❑ **Zaniac: Marble Maze Engineering** – Monday,
May 18 @ 4pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))

Spring Programs at the Branches

EDNEYVILLE LIBRARY

- ☐ **Family Storytime** – Mondays @ 10am
(March-May 14)
- ☐ **What We Read Book Review Group** – First Friday @ 1pm; Second Friday in April (Adults)
- ☐ **PAWS for Reading** – Third Wednesday @ 3pm
(Children) ([Call to register](#))
- ☐ **Historical Fiction Book Club** – Third Friday @ 1pm
(Adults)
- ☐ **Lego Club** – Last Wednesday @ 3:30pm (Children)
- ☐ **Backyard Conservation Series** – Wednesdays,
March 11, April 8, & May 13 @ 3:30pm (All Ages)
([Register online](#))
- ☐ **Kids Crafts** – Tuesdays, March 17 & 24; April 7,
14, & 21; May 5, 12, & 26 @ 3:30pm (Children)
([Register online for April programs](#))
- ☐ **Let's Get Growing** – Wednesdays, March 18 &
May 20 @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **Bear Basics** – Monday, March 9 @ 3:30pm
(Children) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **Introduction to Birdwatching** – Friday, March 27
@ 1pm (Adults) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **VAYA Health: Facing the Emotional Challenges
of Chronic Illness** – Tuesday, March 31 @ 1pm
(Adults) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **Pisgah Legal: Tax Information** – Wednesday, April 1
@ 11am (Adults) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **Zaniac: Eat Dirt!** – Monday, April 6 @ 3:30pm
(Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **Environmentally Friendly Landscaping** – Friday,
April 17 @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **VAYA Health: Opportunities to Help During
Crisis** – Tuesday, April 28 @ 1pm (Adults)
([Register online](#))
- ☐ **Zaniac: Busy Bees Pollination Party** – Monday,
May 4 @ 3:30pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **Origami Flowers** – Wednesday, May 6 @ 3:30pm
(All Ages) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **VAYA Health: Unseen Losses** – Tuesday, May 19
@ 1pm (Adults) ([Register online](#))

GREEN RIVER LIBRARY

- ☐ **Family Storytime** – Thursdays @ 10am
(March-May 14)
- ☐ **Writing Your Way Through Genres** – Mondays,
March 2, April 6, & May 4 @ 4pm (Adults & Teens
12+) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **Zaniac: Busy Bees Pollination Party** – Monday,
March 9 @ 4:30pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **Egg Hunt** – Saturday, March 28 @ 11am (Children)
- ☐ **Digital Resources for Every Child** – Monday,
March 30 @ 4:30pm (Adults) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **Crafternoon: Spinning Butterflies** – Monday,
April 13, 1:30-5:30pm (All Ages 5+)
- ☐ **Watercolor Journals** – Thursday, April 16
@ 3:30pm (All Ages 8+) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **The Kingdom of the Happy Land** – Monday, April
20 @ 4:30pm (Adults) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **Radical Raptors** – Thursday, May 28 @ 4pm
(All Ages) ([Register online](#))

MILLS RIVER LIBRARY

- ☐ **Family Storytime** – Mondays @ 10am
(March-May 14)
- ☐ **Lego Club** – First Monday @ 3:30pm (Children)
- ☐ **Shelf Indulgence Book Club** –
First Tuesday @ 10am (Adults) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **Pilates** – Wednesdays @ 9:30am (Adults)
- ☐ **PAWS for Reading** – Second & Fourth Mondays
@ 10:30am; Wednesdays @ 3pm; Fridays @
10:30am (Children) ([Call to register](#))
- ☐ **Zaniac: Balloon Blasters** – Monday, March 23
@ 3:45pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **Zaniac: Busy Bees Pollination Party** – Monday,
April 20 @ 3:45pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **Zaniac: Clean Water Lab** – Monday, May 11
@ 3:45pm (Grades K-8) ([Register online](#))
- ☐ **Libby Master Class** – Monday, May 18 @ 11am
(Adults) ([Register online](#))