We are excited to announce a NEW service for patrons at the Main Library!

To read more, see page 3.
Recently, we have made a number of enhancements across our library system—migration to NC Cardinal, shifting of collections and shelving, rearrangement of furnishings, updates to website, and much more. Why? Because we believe that all library users deserve to have a pleasant, satisfying, and fulfilling interaction each and every time they enter one of our buildings, talk to us on the phone, or visit our online environment.

You Spoke and We Listened.
Patron suggestion cards, surveys, and daily interactions have driven staff conversations and decisions over the past year. We have redefined our goals and redesigned our spaces with the goal of improving user experience and moving the library closer to its Vision:

To be a safe and friendly destination that serves the roles of public library and community center. It is a place where people can embrace and discover the rich heritage and vibrant future of the community, connect socially and intellectually with family and friends, and successfully access resources that will allow them to live more fulfilled and productive lives.

What’s Next?
More enhancements. The construction of additional study rooms, a classroom, and a quiet reading room at the Main Library; and the arrangement of service desks, shelving, and collections to further improve the user experience.

It may be a bit noisy, messy, and confusing at times, but please bear with us. The end result will provide for more pleasant, satisfying, and fulfilling interactions— we guarantee it!

— Trina Rushing, Library Director
LIGHT ON A NEW SERVICE!

IPAD LENDING...

New at the Main Library!

The iPads are preloaded with a variety of apps for exploring and accessing library resources, using the Internet, staying informed of the latest news and events, job searching, career building, and much more.

An iPad can be checked out and used inside the Main Library for up to 3 hours a day. We hope to expand this service to the branch libraries this summer.

– Forrest Tate,
Library Technology Specialist

To check out an iPad, users must:

- Be 17 years or older
- Show photo ID with current address
- Present a current Henderson County Library card with no fines or overdue materials

Come to the library, check out an iPad, and find a comfortable place to start exploring!
Local Art for the Children’s Room and Teen Area at the Fletcher Branch…

Llamas at the Mills River Library…
Hank and Vickie Balch of Country Walk Llamas brought their llamas Stormy and Spirit to the Mills River Library. We learned all about llamas and even got to see how soft they are!

— Brittany Smith, Branch Manager

“For generations the tree grew tall until…”

“Beneath the Deep Blue Sea”

Five Asheville Christian Academy seniors donated their time and talent to brighten up the Young Adult Section just in time for the Summer Reading Program! (artwork above)
Local artist, Elisa Petree, created 4 seasonal works of art for the Children’s Room at Fletcher to remind us that “Reading is ALWAYS in season.” (artwork above)

— Lisa Whitney, Branch Manager

New Outdoor Sign at the Green River Branch...

Thanks to generous funding by the Green River Community Association, the Green River Branch received a new sign for the front of the building. The sign was designed, constructed, and installed by Greg Maryon of Ridgeline Carvings in Zirconia and beautifully identifies the branch to the community. Many thanks to the GRCA for funding this project!

— Ashley Shackley, Branch Manager

Two of the winners for the I Love My Library Drawing Contest were from the Mills River Library, Adelaide and Emeline Murrey (age 9).

They each won a gift card to Sweet Frog Yogurt.
1st Place: Mary Webber

Winning Entry for the prompt, “The library is essential because...”:

I deeply believe that the library is essential for numerous reasons. A public library grants access to everyone regardless of social or economic status. It is a place that offers equal access to information for whoever needs it. Whether someone needs to research an ancestor, use a computer to fill out online job applications, check out DVDS for their children or check out a good book for pleasure reading, the public library meets all their needs. Study rooms offer a quiet place for ESL students and their mentors while comfortable chairs give us a place to read the latest news in magazines or newspapers. Special programs, whether for children, teens, or adults, offer exposure to experiences that we might not have if not for the library. Libraries have kept up with technology by adding more computers, digital devices for checkout and an increasingly growing ebook collection. I believe the library is the heart of a town or community and cannot imagine how empty our lives would be without one.

Mary won a Kindle Fire for her winning essay!

2nd Place: Cynthia Bantsolas

3rd Place: Jeff Setaro

This year’s campaign for National Library week was...

Libraries Transform!

According to the American Library Association, the theme is “designed to increase public awareness of the value, impact and services provided by libraries and library professionals. The campaign will ensure there is one clear, energetic voice for our profession, showcasing the transformative nature of today’s libraries and elevating the critical role libraries play in the digital age.”

The Henderson County Public Library celebrated the week of April 10th - 16th with contests, programs, and more for all ages!

During National Library Week, we collected 1,427 food items, which were donated to IAM.

In return, we waived $1,310 in fines from patron’s accounts.
RESIDENTS INVITED TO COMPLETE LIBRARY SURVEY

County residents are invited to help shape the future of the Henderson County Public Library System by completing our brief survey, available July 1st through July 31st online at www.henderson.lib.nc.us.

This survey is designed to provide both library users and non-users alike the opportunity to share ideas and opinions on topics such as materials, programming, locations, and services. Survey results will assist the library system in shaping our current services and making better plans for the future.

Residents who are unable to complete the survey online may obtain a printed copy at any of the branch library locations throughout the county. The survey will be available the entire month of July (July 1st-31st).

—Sara Hyder McGough, Marketing & Digital Strategy Librarian

Users Support Group

We meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month in the Main Library’s Kaplan Auditorium from 2-4pm, unless otherwise noted, and is hosted by Michele von Boeck.

The Main Library has started a new group to help those of you with Apple/Mac computers and devices. The purpose of the group is to provide a forum for Apple users to share their expertise and learn from each other.

The library will provide presenters on a quarterly basis, and the group will provide presenters the rest of the meeting times. The format of the meetings is evolving, since our first gathering was in April of 2016. Please call 697-4725, option #3 for more information regarding the Apple Users Support Group.

—Michele von Boeck, Instructional Librarian
WELCOME BACK CONSUMER REPORTS (AND MORE)!

Consumer Reports is back by popular demand. After losing the electronic version of Consumer Reports in 2014, we are happy to announce its return to our library’s website, free of charge to Henderson County Library patrons. We recently subscribed to EBSCO’s Masterfile Elite, which is an electronic periodicals database that offers access to Consumer Reports in addition to over 500 other full-text journals and magazines!

Masterfile Elite is available on the “Research and Reference” page of the library’s website. In addition, a separate search box for Consumer Reports can be found on the right side of the “Research and Reference” page where patrons can conduct searches specifically in Consumer Reports.

—Mark Burdette, Reference/Special Collections Librarian

Highlights of Masterfile Elite include:

- Full-text articles available to print, download, or email.
- Access MasterFile and Consumer Reports from home with your library card.
- Consumer Reports contains only the magazine’s content, not content found on the company’s website.

So before you make your next purchase, big or small, find reviews through Consumer Reports @ your library, anywhere, anytime.
WHAT’S ALL THE HOOPLA ABOUT?

Get FREE Streaming Movies, TV Shows, Music, Audiobooks, & More Soon @ Your Library!

Imagine you had access to over 500,000 titles in various digital formats through your computer, tablet, or smart phone. Now imagine if you had access to these 500,000 titles FREE! Such access will become a reality in the late summer of 2016 for Henderson County Public Library patrons.

The library will offer access to Hoopla, an online library streaming service that allows card holders to borrow the following types of digital media: movies, TV shows, e-books, e-comics and graphic novels, audiobooks, and music. The content includes titles for adults, teens, and children.

Users will be able to check out items 24/7 with automatic return dates.

The titles can be streamed or downloaded to the Hoopla app. One app works with all formats and is available in all app stores. Library users who do not have internet access at home can download content to a device at any library branch for viewing, reading, or listening for the duration of the check-out.

Stay tuned for Hoopla’s launch date!

— Sarah Hudson, AV/Programming Librarian
**SUMMER READING 2016**  
June 6th through July 30th

These Free Programs are Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

“On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!” with the Children’s 2016 Summer Reading Program

Get moving with this year’s summer reading theme for children ages 0-11.

**Children kindergarten through grade 5** are encouraged to pick up a reading log starting June 6th. Track how many minutes your child reads this summer and be rewarded for exercising the mind!

- Earn a free book by turning in completed logs by August 3rd.
- Completed logs are entered into a grand prize drawing for a Kindle Fire Kids Edition.
- Second entries into the grand prize drawing can be earned by completing an activity game.
- Incomplete logs can also be turned in for other fun prizes and a separate drawing.

**Preschoolers** are encouraged to get in the game as well starting June 6th. There is a preschool activity log that encourages parents to do 7 fun activities with their preschooler that helps them get ready to read. After completing the log, the preschooler receives a free book and is entered in a drawing to win a set of Lego Duplo blocks.

“Get In The Game, Read!” with the Teen 2016 Summer Reading Program

Teens can pick up a reading log at any library branch to get started. Turn in your completed logs, pick up your free book, get a voucher for Asheville Tourist tickets, and get one entry into the grand prize drawing for a Kindle Fire HD 8!

- There will be a Middle School and High School winner this year.
- Turn in incomplete logs for chances to win alternative prizes.
- If you want to try for a second grand prize entry, pick up a Tic-Tac-Toe card.
- Cards must be turned in by August 3rd.

Adult Summer Reading Program is back for summer 2016!

The library is excited to offer this again due to the overwhelming success of 2015’s program! We are excited for the opportunity to reach out to adults and their families in Henderson County for a third year!

The theme for this year is “Exercise Your Mind” exploring all the wondrous things the mind and body can do. Our minds can be exercised in simple and complex ways from crossword puzzles to reading books to going on a walk.

All participants will be entered into branch grand prize drawings by completing Bingo cards! The grand prize at each location is a Kindle Fire.
SUMMER EVENTS FOR ADULTS!

**Main Library:**

Wed., June 1st @ 2 PM - Midweek Matinee, *The Walk* (Rated PG)
Thu., June 2nd & July 7th @ 2 PM - Stich In (Board Room)
Tue., June 7th, June 21st, July 5th, & July 19th @ 10 AM - Gentle Yoga with Judy Dean (Waiver Required)
Fri., June 10th @ 2 PM - Author Visit featuring Ann B. Ross
Tue., June 14th & July 12th @ 2 PM - Adult Coloring Club
Wed., June 15th @ 6:30 PM - Learning Qigong with Bob & Fran German (Waiver Required)
Wed., June 22nd @ 2 PM - Midweek Matinee, *Concussion* (Rated PG-13)
Wed., June 29th @ 2 PM - Introduction to Hawaiian Hula with Kaleo Wheeler (Waiver Required)
Wed., July 6th @ 2 PM - Midweek Matinee, *Pride + Prejudice + Zombies* (Rated PG-13)
Fri., July 8th @ 2 PM - Easy Tai Chi for Fall Prevention with Jana Weed (Waiver Required)
Tue., July 19th @ 2 PM - Dog Behavior 101 with Debby Dobson
Fri., July 29th @ 2:30 PM - Puzzle Day (all ages)
Wed., August 3rd @ 2 PM - Midweek Matinee, *Race* (Rated PG-13)
August, Date/Time TBD - Pisgah Forest Pottery of Walter B. Stephen with Rodney Leftwich

**Edneyville Branch:**

*Be sure to call the library for the next Sing-Along– it’s been a huge success!*
Thu., June 2nd @ 2 PM - Women’s Book Review

**Etowah Branch:**

Tue., June 14th 11-2 PM - Shred Day in the Parking Lot (up to 3 boxes)
Wed., June 15th @ 2:30 PM - Etowah Book Club, *Spool of Blue Thread* by Ann Tyler
Thu., June 23rd @ 2 PM - Qigong with Bob & Fran German (Waiver Required)
Wed., July 20th @ 2:30 PM - Etowah Book Club, *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah

**Fletcher Branch:**

Every Tuesday @ 3 PM - Conversational Spanish (Intermediate, Not for Beginners)
Second Thursday @ 10:30 AM - Book Review Club
Second Thursday @ 1:30 PM - Writer’s Guild
Mon., June 13th @ 11 AM - Qigong with Bob & Fran German (Waiver Required)
Sat., June 18th @ 10:30 AM - Needle Felting (Registration Required)

**Mills River Branch:**

Every Tuesday @ 9 AM - Yoga at the Library (Waiver Required)
Every Tuesday @ 1:30 PM - Knit and Crochet Group
2nd Thursday @ 10 AM - Book Club, June is *Love Anthony* by Lisa Genova
Mon., June 27th @ 2 PM - Qigong with Bob & Fran German (Waiver Required)
WE LOVE OUR FRIENDS!

For the second year in a row, the Youth Services Department received a generous donation from Mrs. Sara Noegel. The staff of the Youth Services Department felt like a special space was needed for our elementary school aged children to call their own. With the money contributed, they were able to create the “Reading Zone,” an area where older children can lounge, read, play a game, and enjoy the library. There is a new rug, new seating, and a game table available for use.

—Kathy Kirchoefer, Youth Services Coordinator

Isaiah and Moriah Horn, trying out the new area.

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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HOLIDAY HOURS
FOR THE LIBRARY

Independence Day
Closed Monday, July 4th

Labor Day
Closed Monday, September 5th
**SUMMER PROGRAMMING — Children & Teens**

**MAIN LIBRARY**

*Children: (No regularly scheduled storytimes Aug 8–Sept 5)*

- Tuesdays @ 10:30 AM - Preschool Storytime
- Wednesday @ 10:30 AM - Toddler Storytime
- Wednesdays @ 4 PM - Four O’Clock Club for Kids K-5
- Thursdays @ 10:30 AM - Music and Movement
- Thursdays @ 11:15 AM - Bouncing Babies
- 1st Wednesday @ 4 PM - LEGO Club (Four O’Clock Club program)

- Wed., June 15th @ 2 PM - Asheville Hoops!** (elementary)
- Thu., June 16th @ 10:30 AM - Asheville Hoops!*** (preschool)
- Thu., June 16th @ 2 PM - Doll Artist Karen Hawkins
- Tue., June 21st @ 2 PM - Cook Up Some Reading**
- Thu., June 23rd @ 2 PM - Snakes Alive (all ages)
- Fri., June 24th @ 10:30 AM - Family Storytime (Flat Rock Park)
- Tue., June 28th @ 2 PM - Cook Up Some Reading** (Cooperative Extension Office–Jackson Park)
- Wed., June 30th @ 10 AM - Train Like an Astronaut** (3-5)
- Wed., June 30th @ 2 PM - Train Like an Astronaut** (K-2)
- Tue., July 5th @ 2 PM - Cook Up Some Reading**
- Thu., July 7th @ 4 PM - Zelnik the Magician
- Tue., July 12th @ 2 PM - Cook Up Some Reading** (Cooperative Extension Office–Jackson Park)
- Wed., July 13th @ 2 PM - Dance Fitness*
- Thu., July 14th @ 2 PM - Roger Day
- Tue., July 19th @ 2 PM - Cook Up Some Reading**
- Wed., July 20th @ 2 PM - Dance Fitness*
- Thu., July 21st @ 4 PM - Finding Butterflies
- Wed., July 27th @ 2 PM - Size & Scale of Solar System**
- Fri., July 29th 10-4 PM - Puzzle Day (all ages)
- Wed., August 3rd @ 11 AM - Big Bang Boom (all ages)

**EDNEYVILLE BRANCH**

*Teens:*

- Tue., June 21st 3:30-6 PM - Jump Start to College!**
- Sat., June 25th @ 11 AM - Teen Anime and Manga Club
- Mon., June 27th @ 2 PM - Hoop Dance with Asheville Hoops!**
- Tue., June 28th @ 2 PM - The 10 Essentials of Hiking
- Wed., June 29th @ 3:30 PM - Teen Book Club**
- Mon., July 18th @ 2 PM - Introduction to Self Defense**
- Wed., July 27th @ 3:30 PM - Teen Book Club**
- Thu., July 28th @ 2 PM - Introduction to Smoothie Making**
- Fri., July 29th 10-4 PM - Puzzle Day (all ages)
- Sat., July 30th @ 11 AM - Teen Anime and Manga Club

**ETOWAH BRANCH**

*Teens:*

- Wed., June 20th @ 2 PM - Teen Crafternoons
- Tue., July 19th @ 2 PM - Engineering Straw Rockets**

**FLETCHER BRANCH**

*Teens:*

- Tue., June 21st @ 2 PM - Engineering Straw Rockets**
- Mon., July 25th @ 2 PM - Teen Crafternoons

**GREEN RIVER BRANCH**

*Teens:*

- Fri., June 17th @ 2 PM - Teen Crafternoons
- Mon., June 20th @ 2 PM - Seed Starting Lab**

**MILLS RIVER BRANCH**

*Teens:*

- Mon., June 13th @ 2 PM - Teen Crafternoons
- Mon., July 11th @ 2 PM - Hoop Dance with Asheville Hoops!***

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*Exercise Waiver Required (available before program)  **Registration Required due to space limitations*
EDNEYVILLE BRANCH
Sat., June 11th @ 10:30 AM - Ronald McDonald: Get Ready, Get Set, Read
Thu., June 16th @ 2 PM - Train Like an Astronaut**
Thu., June 23rd 2-4 PM - Kids Crafternoon
Sat., June 25th @ 11 AM - 4-H Presentation on Public Speaking
Thu., June 30th 2-4 PM - Kids Crafternoon
Wed., July 6th @ 2 PM - PARI: The Moon**
Wed., July 13th @ 2 PM - Asheville Hoops**
Thu., July 21st @ 1 PM - Finding Butterflies
Thu., July 28th @ 2-4 PM - Kids Crafternoon

ETOWAH BRANCH
Wed., June 15th @ 10 AM - Train Like an Astronaut**
Wed., June 22nd @ 2 PM - Snakes Alive!
Thu., June 30th 2-4 PM - Kids Crafternoon
Thu., July 7th 2-4 PM - Kids Crafternoon
Thu., July 14th @ 11 AM - Asheville Hoops**
Wed., July 27th @ 10 AM - Pint Size Polka
Thu., July 28th @ 2 PM - PARI: Stellar Classification**

FLETCHER BRANCH
Sat., June 11th @ 2:30 PM - Ronald McDonald: Get Ready, Get Set, Read
Wed., June 15th @ 2 PM - Train Like an Astronaut**
Thu., June 23rd @ 11 AM - Snakes Alive!
Wed., June 29th @ 10:30 AM - Storytime in Kates Park
Thu., July 7th @ 1 PM - Zelnik the Magician
Wed., July 13th @ 10:30 AM - Storytime in Kates Park
Sat., July 16th @ 1:30 PM - Doll Artist Karen Hawkins
Wed., July 20th @ 2 PM - Asheville Hoops**
Wed., July 27th @ 1 PM - Pint Size Polka
Thu., July 28th @ 11 AM - PARI: Stellar Classification**

GREEN RIVER BRANCH
Tue., June 14th @ 4 PM - Lego Club
Thu. June 23rd 2-4 PM - Kids Crafternoon
Thu. June 30th 2-4 PM - Kids Crafternoon
Wed., July 6th @ 11 AM - PARI: The Moon**
Tue., July 12th @ 4 PM - Lego Club
Wed., July 13th @ 11 AM - Asheville Hoops**
Thu., July 21th @ 10 AM - Finding Butterflies
Thu. July 28th 2-4 PM - Kids Crafternoon
Tue., August 9th @ 4 PM - Lego Club

MILLS RIVER BRANCH
Lego Club: 1st Tuesday of the month @ 4 PM
Read with Sally the Reading Dog: Tuesdays 3-4 PM **
Thu., June 16th @ 10 AM - Train Like an Astronaut**
Mon., June 20th @ 10 AM - Family Storytime in Mills River Park
Wed. June 22nd @ 10 AM - Snakes Alive!
Thu., July 14th @ 11 AM - Roger Day
Wed., July 20th @ 11 AM - Asheville Hoops**
Wed., July 27th @ 11 AM - Size and Scale of the Solar System**
Sat., July 30th 10-1 PM - Touch a Truck (all ages)
Wed., August 3rd @ 2 PM - Big Bang Boom

*Exercise Waiver Required (available before program)
**Registration Required due to space limitations