



HENDERSON COUNTY
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Highlights from FY 2014 - 2015

We Were Busy!

Total items circulated	910,636
In person visits to Henderson County Libraries	66,061
Virtual visits to online library resources	205,891
Active library card holders	62,577
Reference questions answered	91,831
Adult programs (library sponsored)	379
Youth Programs (library sponsored)	1,323
Total attendance at programs	23,132

We Made a Difference!

Total uses of our free public Internet computers	72,904
Total uses of our free wireless sessions	20,770
Number of technology questions answered	14,324
Number of career questions answered	1,682
Number of attendees who completed 45 basic computer, technology, & career classes	248
Number of individuals trained during 108 one-on-one technology sessions	116

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S SHELF



“To improve is to change; to be perfect is to change often.” — Winston Churchill

In all things change is inevitable. No one knows this better than the library as we strive to keep up with ever evolving material formats, technology, service needs, and programs. Just as the past 100 years has brought significant change in library materials and services to Henderson County residents, so too will the next 100 years.

More recently, the online reference database has largely replaced the traditional reference book. The digital age has necessitated a shift in the library's instructional model of navigating books for reading pleasure and information to navigating digital devices for this same information. The desire for rows of neatly shelved items has been

matched by the community's desire for additional meeting space. Patron propensity to hold a printed book has been rivaled by the explosion in the e-book market. As a 21st century library, we embrace these changes and recognize the positive impact they make on the lives of individuals from all walks of life.

We invite you to **Join. Connect. Explore.** with us now and in the future as we re-envision our role in the community while remaining committed to providing access to knowledge and promoting life-long literacy to all Henderson County residents.

— **Trina Rushing**, *Library Director*

BABIES INTO BOOKS GRANT

The Henderson County Public Library will be promoting early literacy development with the Babies into Books project. In conjunction with Pardee Hospital and Park Ridge Health, every baby born in Henderson County this coming year will receive a packet at the hospital containing a board book, information about early literacy, and information about the library and how it can support new parents and their children. Librarians will also be talking to parents at hospital and county health services prenatal classes for expectant parents. Through these efforts, the library hopes to encourage new parents and their children to become library users and help cultivate a positive perception of literacy and reading while preparing their children for kindergarten.

The Babies into Books project is made possible through funding from the Federal Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the State Library of North Carolina, a division of the Department of Cultural Resources.

— **Kathy Kirchoefer**, *Youth Services Coordinator*



SPOTLIGHT ON STAFF

Zack Johnson... I am glad to be a part of the HCPL family and excited to be a part of the Youth Services team! I'm able to spend my days helping children (of all ages!) locate the library materials they're looking for. I also have the great honor of doing story time and other programs at the Main Library as well as story time at the Edneyville and Fletcher libraries. Prior to moving to Hendersonville last August, I spent 8 years in the Children's Department of the Charleston County Public Library in South Carolina and 3 years at the Williamsburg Regional Library in Virginia. I am looking forward to connecting with and serving the needs of families in our community. When I'm not at the library, I enjoy hiking, science fiction, Mexican food, and spending time with my wonderful family!

Lisa Donaldson... I have been part of the Youth Services Department here at the Main Library for the past year and am excited to transition to my new position as Youth Services Librarian. I look forward to working with our teen patrons to plan programs and forming community partnerships to benefit young library users. When I am not at the library, I enjoy reading, hanging out with my family, and spending time outdoors as much as possible.

TAB RECEIVES GRANT FOR TEENS TEACH TECH

Our Teen Advisory Board is a group of teens who meet regularly to discuss and plan library programs for teens and also volunteer for the library. In March of 2015, the teens held a program where they assisted adults with technology questions. When we saw an opportunity to apply for a grant from VolunTEEN Nation to continue a program like this, a member of the advisory board jumped in to complete the application and received the grant!

Teens Teach Tech is an initiative sponsored by VolunTEEN Nation and the AARP Foundation Mentor Up to promote intergenerational learning and encourages teens to contribute to their communities. We are excited to have a group from the Teen Advisory Board as well as other teen volunteers who want to participate in the Teens Teach Tech program and we hope to offer additional sessions throughout the year. The first program was held on August 19th, where 7 teens assisted 25 patrons.

If you are an adult with questions about social media, your smartphone, tablet, or any other tech issues, look for upcoming times when you can drop in and ask one of our Teen Teach Experts.

The Teen Advisory Board is accepting applications for new members. You can find the application on the library website's teen page, or pick one up at any library location.

—Lisa Donaldson, Youth Services Librarian



BE A HERO READ!

1,500 kids registered for the program

400 teens registered for the program

2,350 adult reading logs were completed

2015 YOUTH SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Our libraries were busy this summer with over 1,500 children and over 400 teens registering for our Summer Reading Program. The theme for the children this year was “Every Hero Has a Story” and we had all kinds of heroes at our special events — from police dogs to Hercules, we celebrated heroes that you read about and heroes you see every day.

The summer started with a Superhero Obstacle Course at the Main Library and ended with a big celebration on the lawn next to the Main Library’s parking lot with a giant inflatable slide, a book walk, and other fun outdoor activities. All children that completed their reading logs received a new paperback book to add to their home library, and were entered in a grand prize drawing for a Kindle HD6 — one was awarded at each branch location.

The theme for the teens this summer was “Unmask!” and special events included poet and performer Allan Wolf, teen movies, magnet making workshops, and cartooning programs. Teens received a new paperback book when they completed their reading log and were entered in a grand prize drawing for an iPad Mini or gift certificates to Fountainhead Bookstore or Epic Theatre.

We want to thank the Friends of the Henderson County Public Library who made our Summer Reading Program a success with their generous support. The Friends are OUR heroes!

—Kathy Kirchoefer, Youth Services Coordinator





2015 ADULT SUMMER READING PROGRAM: SUCCESS BY THE NUMBERS

Our 2015 “Escape the Ordinary” Adult Summer Reading Program was a success thanks to your enthusiasm for reading. After gathering statistics from all 6 library locations, we handed out over 3,300 reading logs for patrons to fill out, of which 2,350 were completed and entered into the branch and grand prize drawings. The grand prize was an iPad mini and other prizes included movie tickets and gift certificates to local restaurants around the county. We had a 70% completion rate by our patrons.

Thank you to the Friends of the Library who made this program possible with their continued support! We are already looking forward to the 2016 Adult Summer Reading Program “Exercise Your Mind” and hope that you are too!

– Sara Hyder McGough,

Marketing & Digital Strategy Librarian

NEW STORY TIME THIS FALL AT THE MAIN LIBRARY

To reach some of our children who might not be able to attend our regular story time programs, the library will be offering a new program this fall. Sensory story times are geared towards children ages 10 and under who have a hard time in large groups, are on the autism spectrum, or are sensitive to sensory overload. In many ways, sensory story times are like our regular preschool programs, but are tailored to smaller groups and offer more hands-on experiences.

The programs will be held on Friday mornings at 11:00 am in the Children’s Auditorium on September 18th & October 23rd.

Please call the Youth Services Coordinator, Kathy Kirchoefer, at (828) 697-4725 with any questions about this program.

–Kathy Kirchoefer, *Youth Services Coordinator*



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Celebrate Library Card Sign-up Month in September

SEPTEMBER IS
NATIONAL LIBRARY CARD
SIGN-UP MONTH!

Library Card Sign-Up Month, started in 1988, is a campaign to encourage parents to include a library card on the list of back to school necessities. For many years, the Friends of the Library have generously helped the Youth Services Department give their new patrons ages birth to grade 5 a free, age appropriate book to take home and enjoy. This tradition continues in September.

Also, look for the opportunity in your branch library to write down how you use your library card. We hope you will enjoy participating and reading other patron responses.

– Sara Hyder McGough,

Marketing & Digital Strategy Librarian

BANNED BOOKS WEEK, SEPTEMBER 27th — OCTOBER 3rd

Banned Books Week is a celebration of the freedom to read that was started in 1982. Each year, libraries, bookstores, and schools across the nation work to highlight the importance of the democratic freedoms and intellectual freedoms available to us in the United States of America. **Can you name any of the top 10 banned books for 2014? How many have you read?**



- 1) *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*, by Sherman Alexie
- 2) *Persepolis*, by Marjane Satrapi
- 3) *And Tango Makes Three*, by Justin Richardson & Peter Parnell
- 4) *The Bluest Eye*, by Toni Morrison
- 5) *It's Perfectly Normal*, by Robie Harris
- 6) *Saga*, by Brian Vaughan & Fiona Staples
- 7) *The Kite Runner*, by Khaled Hosseini
- 8) *The Perks of Being a Wallflower*, by Stephen Chbosky
- 9) *A Stolen Life*, by Jaycee Dugard
- 10) *Drama*, by Raina Telgemeier

* Out of 311 challenges as recorded by the Office for Intellectual Freedom, American Library Association



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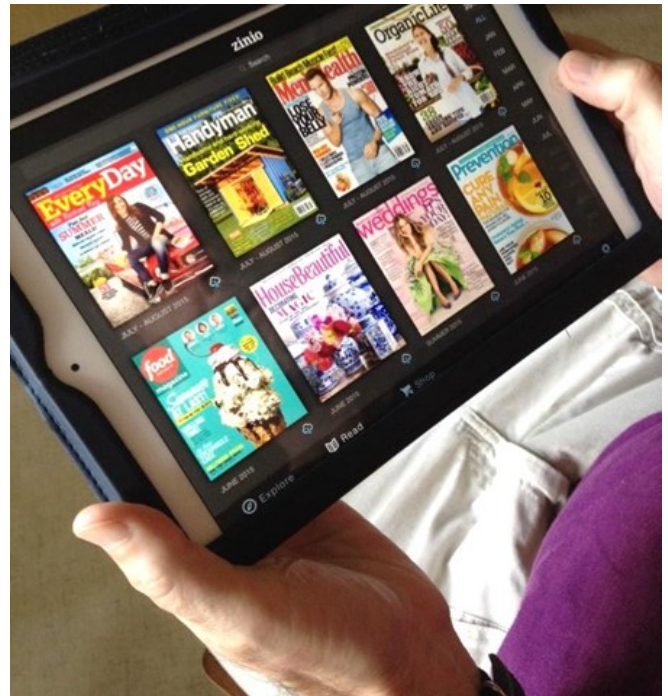
Cosmopolitan, Economist, the Oprah Magazine, Esquire, Rolling Stone, Good Housekeeping, and Seventeen are just a few of the popular titles available.

To get started, visit the library website at:

www.henderson.lib.nc.us

and click the digital magazine banner, or scan the QR code below. Click the link to create an account. Your library card number, an email address, and the creation of a password are all that's required.

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If you have questions or need help with this service, call 697-4725 and press 3 to connect with the Main Library information desk.

— *Simon Coultas, Public Services Librarian*



Organic Life (Rodale)

July 01, 2015

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AT THE STATE LEVEL

Many of our staff members are involved in the North Carolina Library Association (NCLA). NCLA is a state-wide organization that advocates for the entire library community in our state including public, academic, and special libraries. The organization hosts bi-annual conferences every fall. The 2015 conference “Make it Matter” will be held this October in Greensboro.



While at the conference, staff members will attend workshops, lectures, and author events intended to inspire new ideas, share experiences, and network with colleagues.

We are excited that two of our staff members have received scholarships to attend the entire conference for the first time. Youth Services Librarian Lisa Donaldson and Circulation Manager Marcie Dowling will attend the conference, courtesy of the State Library of North Carolina. **Congratulations to Lisa and Marcie!**

– *Sara Hyder McGough*, *Marketing & Digital Strategy Librarian*

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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HOLIDAY HOURS FOR THE LIBRARY

Labor Day

Closed Monday, September 7th

Veterans Day

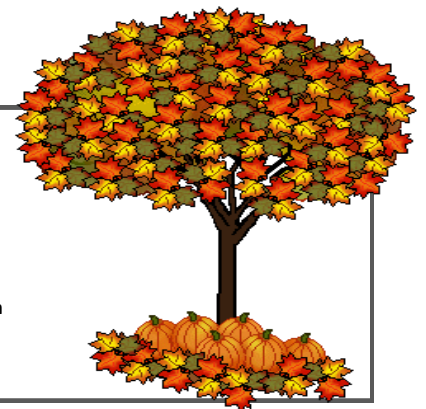
Closed Wednesday, November 11th

*All locations will close at 5pm on Tuesday, November 10th

Thanksgiving

Closed Thursday, November 26th & Friday, November 27th

*All locations will close at 5pm on Wednesday, November 25th



FALL PROGRAMMING – Adults

MAIN LIBRARY

- Tue., Sept. 8th @ 2 PM - Color Me Calm with the Adult Coloring Club
- Tue., Sept. 8th @ 6:30 PM - Puttin' on the Ritz: The Music of New York
- Thu. Sept. 10th @ 2 PM - "Songcatcher" the movie
- Tue., Sept. 15th @ 2 PM - "The Day Carl Sandburg Died",
Bonesteel Documentary Film Series
- Tue., Sept. 29th @ 2 PM - "The Great American Quilt Revival",
Bonesteel Documentary Film Series
- Mon., Oct. 5th @ 6:30 PM - Benjamin Franklin, dramatic portrayal
- Tue., Oct. 6th @ 2 PM - "The Mystery of George Masa",
Bonesteel Documentary Film Series
- Fri., Oct. 9th @ 2 PM - Tai Chi and more for fall prevention by Jana Weed
- Tue., Oct. 13th @ 2 PM - "American Sniper", discussion after the movie
- Tue., Oct. 13th @ 6:30 PM - Pianist Shirley Gruenhut
- Tue., Oct. 20th @ 2 PM - Color Me Calm with the Adult Coloring Club
- Tue., Oct. 27th @ 2 PM - "Folkmoor",
Bonesteel Documentary Film Series
- Wed., Nov. 4th @ 6 PM - Jose Galvez, Photographer and Speaker
- Tue., Nov. 10th @ PM - Color Me Calm with the Adult Coloring Club
- Tue., Nov. 17th @ 6 PM - Authors Visit, panel of local authors
- Fri., Dec. 4th @ 2 PM - Blue Ridge Ringers Holiday Concert
- Fri., Dec. 18th @ 12 PM - Musicke Antiqua Holiday Concert
- Stitch-In: First Thursday of each month @ 2 PM

Computer Classes @ Main:

We offer a variety of basic computer skills classes which are stand alone classes. This means you take the ones you want and skip the rest. Classes are usually on Thursday mornings, beginning at 10 AM and lasting approximately one and a half hours.

Registration is required. You may register in person at the Information Desk inside the Main Library, or call 828-697-4725, opt. #3.

September 3 rd	Computer Basics	10 AM - 12 PM
September 17 th	Windows 10	10 AM - 11 AM
September 24 th	Email Basics	10 AM - 11:30 AM
October 15 th	Computer Basics	10 AM - 12 PM
October 29 th	Facebook Basics	10 AM - 11:30 AM

EDNEYVILLE BRANCH

- Thu., Sept. 3rd @ 2 PM - Book Review Group
- Thu., Sept. 17th @ 2 PM - Christian Fiction Book Club
- Thu., Oct. 1st @ 2 PM - Book Review Group
- Thu., Oct. 15th @ 2 PM - Christian Fiction Book Club
- Thu., Nov. 5th @ 2 PM - Book Review Group
- Thu., Nov. 19th @ 2 PM - Christian Fiction Book Club

ETOWAH BRANCH

- Wed., Sept. 16th @ 2:30 PM - Book Club,
Banned book of your choice
- Wed., Oct. 7th @ 2 PM - Polka Kings "Oktoberfest"
- Wed., Oct. 21st @ 2:30 PM - Book Club,
"All the Light We Cannot See" by Anthony Doerr
- Wed., Nov. 18th @ 2:30 PM - Book Club,
"Nothing Daunted" by Dorothy Wickenden

Knitting Group: Monday mornings @ 10:30 AM,
all skill levels meet to knit and socialize!

FLETCHER BRANCH

- Sat., Sept. 5th @ 2:30 PM - Cantate', A capella concert
- Thu., Sept. 10th @ 10:30 AM - Book Club - Bring a book
that you've been reading for discussion.
- Thu., Sept. 10th @ 1:30 PM - Writers Guild
- Mon., Sept. 21st @ 5:30 PM - Fall Gardening
- Mon., Sept 28th @ 5:30 PM - Come learn about the
Big Brothers Big Sisters program.

September display - Fletcher Arts & Heritage Org.

Conversational Spanish: Tuesdays @ 3 PM - Test your
Spanish speaking skills.

MILLS RIVER BRANCH

- Tue., Sept. 8th @ 10 AM - Book Club
- Tue., Oct. 14th @ 10 AM - Book Club
- Tue., Nov. 10th @ 10 AM - Book Club

Adult Knitting Group: Every Tuesday @ 1:30 PM

FALL PROGRAMMING — Children & Teens

MAIN LIBRARY

Children:

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

Fri., Sept. 18th @ 11 AM - Sensory Storytime

Wed., Sept. 30th @ 4 PM - Dia Family Book Club

Fri., Oct. 23rd @ 11 AM - Sensory Storytime

Wed., Oct. 28th @ 4 PM - Dia Family Book Club

Fri., Nov. 20th @ 11 AM - Sensory Storytime

Teens:

Thu., Sept. 24th @ 3:45 PM - Teen Fandom Club

Sat., Sept. 26th @ 11 AM - Teen Anime Club

Sat., Oct. 24th @ 11 AM - Teen Anime Club

Sat., Nov. 21st @ 11 AM - Teen Anime Club

Teen Read Week is October 18th - 24th.
More information about events coming soon!

EDNEYVILLE BRANCH

Mondays @ 10 AM - Family Storytimes

ETOWAH BRANCH

Tuesdays @ 10 AM - Family Storytimes

Tue., Nov. 17th @ 4 PM - Thanksgiving owl/turkey craft and more. *Please register.*

FLETCHER BRANCH

Wednesdays @ 10 AM - Family Storytimes

Library Dog Program - All ages can enjoy reading and/or visiting with one of the library dogs.
Call (828) 687-1218 for more information.

Thu., Sept. 24th @ 3:30 PM - Amazing amphibians with the Chimney Rock State Park Ranger

GREEN RIVER BRANCH

Thursdays @ 10 AM - Family Storytimes

Sat., Sept. 12th @ 11:30 AM - Storytelling Mike

Tue., Sept. 15th @ 4 PM - LEGO Club

Tue., Oct. 13th @ 4 PM - LEGO Club

Fri., Oct. 30th @ 3:30 PM - Halloween Party

Tue., Nov. 17th @ 4 PM - LEGO Club

MILLS RIVER BRANCH

Mondays @ 10 AM - Family Storytimes

Tue., Sept. 1st @ 4 PM - LEGO Club

Sat., Oct. 3rd @ 11 AM - Cold-Blooded Critters with Steve Longenecker

Tue., Oct. 6th @ 4 PM - LEGO Club

Wed., Oct. 28th @ 2 PM - Halloween Hootenanny

Sat., Oct. 31st @ 11 AM - Halloween Party!

Tue., Nov. 3rd @ 4 PM - LEGO Club

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Check website or mobile app for comprehensive program list.

