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# NCCCLA NEWSLETTER

*A monthly publication of the North Carolina Community College Library Association*



*Featured Library: Central Carolina Community College, Harnett Campus Library, Lillington, NC*

## A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Samantha O'Connor  
Central Carolina CC

We are coming to the end of our board-year. Next month, the newly elected officers will take on their roles at the conference and begin planning for a new year of exciting innovations and idea sharing. This year, we have put together an OER Task Force, and migrated the Equity Committee to a full Standing Committee, complete with bylaws and a new name (DEI Committee). We have worked with CCLA-NC and CJCLS to find new ways for these groups to collaborate. We have started the conversation about a future plan to shake up our districts. And we have continued to work to provide new and interesting learning experiences, with both our summer webinar series and our plans for the upcoming conference. Everyone on the board has worked hard and I can't wait to see what you all do next!

Sadly, my time on the board is coming to an end. I will be leaving the community college system later this month to take on a new job with the State Library of North Carolina. While I will no longer be able to serve in an executive capacity, I hope to remain an active member of this organization. It has been an honor and a pleasure serving as president of this association.

*This newsletter contains news from NCCCLA members and partners, news items of interest about U.S. community colleges, and upcoming events.*



## COMMITTEE & TASK FORCE UPDATES

### DEI Committee

- The DEI Committee webpage is now live. It includes the association's DEI Statement, Collection Development Toolkit, meeting minutes, and more. Take a look: [ncccla.org/about/dei](https://ncccla.org/about/dei)

### OER Task Force

- The OER Task Force continues its work on creating an OER Toolkit. If you have questions about attending meetings or getting involved, please contact Julie Reed ([julie.reed@cpcc.edu](mailto:julie.reed@cpcc.edu)) or Garrison Libby ([garrison.libby@cpcc.edu](mailto:garrison.libby@cpcc.edu)). Learn more: [ncccla.org/about/oer-task-force](https://ncccla.org/about/oer-task-force)

## AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS: APPLY!

*Submitted by Alisha Webb, NCCCLA Awards Chairperson,  
[amwebb@gtcc.edu](mailto:amwebb@gtcc.edu)*

The Awards Committee is accepting applications for the following awards, scholarships and grants:

- **Professional Development Grant:** Provides money towards a professional development opportunity for NCCCLA members employed in a NC Community College Library.
- **Conference Grant:** Grants will not be awarded this year since the conference is free to NCCCLA members.

#### Applications for the following are due by **February 18, 2022:**

- **Achievement Award:** Presented to a member of NCCCLA who has made a significant contribution to the profession of librarianship. Email applications to Alisha Webb.
- **Life Membership Award:** Presented to retired or retiring members of the profession. Email applications to Alisha Webb.

#### Applications for the following are due by **April 29, 2022:**

- **Scottie W. Cox Memorial Scholarship:** \$1000 for a library employee working towards their master's or doctorate degree in librarianship. Submit applications through the North Carolina Foundation (via the NCCCLA Awards page).
- **Mertys Bell Scholarship:** \$500 to a paraprofessional working toward an associate, bachelor's, or master's degree in library science. Email applications to Alisha Webb.

Visit the NCCCLA Awards page for more information and to download application materials: [ncccla.org/awards](https://ncccla.org/awards)

## STAFFING CHANGES

### Randolph Community College Library

**Darla Richardson**, previously the Library Services Assistant, has moved into the Technical Services Assistant position, official December 1st, 2021.

**Jenny Thomas**, previously Interim Director of Library Services/Electronic Services Librarian, has moved into the Director of Library Services position, official January 1st, 2022.

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[ncccla.org](https://ncccla.org)



## NCCCLA CONFERENCE 2022 UPDATES

**You Me We Belong: March 14 - 18, 2022**

This year's virtual NCCCLA conference is free for all current members! You should have already received an email via MemberPlanet with a conference registration link.

If you have not gotten the email, or can't find yours, contact Angela Davis, NCCCLA Webmaster, at [adavis@email.pittcc.edu](mailto:adavis@email.pittcc.edu)

**Registration deadline: Friday, March 4, 2022**  
[ncccla.org/conference2022](http://ncccla.org/conference2022)



### CONFERENCE SPONSORS



## ELECTIONS - CAST YOUR VOTE!

We are excited to announce and introduce our 2022 candidates for the offices of:

- **Vice-President / President-Elect: Shannon Paul**
- **Secretary: Lisa Shores**

Please review the [candidate bios](#) before you [cast your vote](#).

Deadline for Voting: **Thursday, February 17, 2022, by 6pm**

Thank you for your participation in the election process and support of our candidates! The newly elected officers will be installed at the conference in March. We encourage you to consider serving on the leadership board, as a member of a standing committee, or at the district level as opportunities present.

*Submitted by Retha Hall ([retha.hall@cpcc.edu](mailto:retha.hall@cpcc.edu)), NCCCLA Nominating Chair*

## NEW MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

**Anthony James Baltiero, Electronic Resources Librarian**  
**Blue Ridge CC, Flat Rock Campus**



Anthony James Baltiero is the new Electronic Resources Librarian at the Blue Ridge Community College Flat Rock campus. Anthony arrives from Jacksonville, Florida having previously worked in the Jacksonville Public Library System, most recently as an Assistant Library Supervisor in charge of the library system's Central Information Services Department. Additionally, Anthony has held the positions of Librarian II - Assistant Branch Manager and Librarian I - Adult & Youth Services. During his tenure working with the City of Jacksonville, Anthony had the opportunity to work as a Research Assistant for the City's Office of City Council - Research Division where he served for two years before returning to the library.

Anthony has an MLIS degree from Kent State University and a Master of Arts degree in TESOL from the University of San Francisco. Outside of the library, Anthony is an educator having previously worked as an adjunct professor and academic advisor at multiple colleges and universities. Anthony can be found hiking with his family or cheering on his favorite baseball team, the Philadelphia Phillies, and favorite soccer teams from around the world.



## NCLA - CJCLS

*Submitted by Tim Hunter, Chair CJCLS*

We have completed our election for the Community and Junior College Library Section (CJCLS) of NCLA for the biennium term 2022-2024. Please congratulate the following members that were elected to the CJCLS Board.

- Vice-Chairperson (Chairperson-Elect): **Vacant**
- Secretary/Treasurer: **Jenny Thomas**, Randolph Community College
- Director - Position One: **Laurie Robb**, Rowan-Cabarrus Community College
- Director - Position Two: **Catherine Lee**, Cape Fear Community College



While Samantha O'Connor of Central Carolina Community College was elected to the Vice-Chairperson role, she has since had to withdraw from the election due to changes in employment. Samantha will be leaving the community college system for an exciting new role with the State Library. While we will miss Samantha, we are also excited for her in this new adventure. Thus, we need someone to serve out the rest of the Vice-Chairperson's term. If you are interested or know anyone else interested in serving as Vice-Chairperson (Chairperson-Elect), don't hesitate to contact Tim Hunter, Chair at [timothy.hunter@cccc.edu](mailto:timothy.hunter@cccc.edu). Visit the CJCLS Website: [nclaonline.wildapricot.org/cjcls](http://nclaonline.wildapricot.org/cjcls)

## OER WEEK '22 - WAKE TECH IS OPEN!



**WAKE TECH  
OPEN EDUCATION**

**Save the Date: March 7 - 11**

Sponsored by Wake Tech eLearning Support & Instructional Design (eLSID) and the Libraries in partnership with NC3ADL, this Open Education Week event will feature sessions on a variety of OER topics including textbook selection, finding OER, openNCCC, equitable remote access, and more! Stay tuned for more information in the next newsletter and on the NCCCLA Facebook page. Contact: Emily Holliday ([efholliday@waketech.edu](mailto:efholliday@waketech.edu))

## NC LIVE - LITERACY FOR ALL

**Proposal Deadline Extended: February 11, 2022**

**Submit a proposal for the NC LIVE 2022 Annual Conference**



We invite librarians, library staff, community partners, scholars, and students to share your research and creative endeavors with your colleagues at the NC LIVE Annual Conference. While we encourage proposals that feature NC LIVE resources and services, please note that we give equal consideration to proposals not specific to NC LIVE.

- **Friday, May 13th:** Virtual Conference
- **Monday, May 16th:** Hybrid Virtual and In-Person Conference at the McKimmon Center in Raleigh, NC
- Registration opens March 2022

Visit the conference website: [www.nclive.org/for-librarians/engage-and-promote/annual-conference](http://www.nclive.org/for-librarians/engage-and-promote/annual-conference)



## FEATURED ARTICLE

### Encouraging Minority Male Empowerment through Literacy Programming

*Submitted by Brittany Champion, Pitt CC, NCCCLA Vice-President*

Recognizing the need to support the academic interest of minority men at Pitt Community College, Brittany Champion, Instruction and Outreach Librarian, and Darrick Mullins, the [Minority Male Success Initiative](#) Advisor and Head Men's Basketball Coach, piloted the series Real Chat Conversations in the spring of 2021.

As quoted from Pitt Community College website, **"The Minority Male Success Initiative platform promotes student inclusion for minority males. Those affiliated with the program can expect the minimization of barriers and issues and providing avenues to leadership development, academic enhancement, and achieving educational outcomes at Pitt Community College."** Champion and Mullins believed participants would benefit from reading titles focused on areas that these young men are battling, thus giving them a wider perspective on how to handle matters.

Readers meet monthly to discuss award-winning titles. Initially, readers read non-fiction titles that centered around social justice, overcoming racial tensions, and establishing financial literacy. While engagement is great, facilitators felt it would be stronger if they explored fiction titles, including graphic novels and comics. In an effort to improve relatability, Champion began to seek assistance from minority male librarians and community members to facilitate programs. She recognized the need to have these young men hear from others who looked like them and possibly faced similar challenges. Marcellaus Joiner (High Point Public Library), Carlos Grooms (North Carolina A&T University) and Latis Burnett (Pitt Community College), Kenneth Joyner (Clinical Social Worker/Therapist), and Redemption Six immediately jumped at the opportunity to be of service. In addition to programs, readers can visit the [Real Chat Conversations LibGuide](#) and also interact with the book display.

As the series continues, facilitators hope to expand beyond the library and integrate into the classrooms to model community reads. In an effort to improve academic interests, foster a love for reading, and empower young minority men to read beyond their interests, facilitators will continue to meet readers where they are.

#### Books:

- ***How to Be Anti-Racist*** by Ibram X. Kendi
- ***A Promised Land*** by Barack Obama
- ***Invent and Wander*** by Jeff Bezos
- ***Monster*** by Walter Dean Myers
- ***All New Captain America Vol. 1*** by Rick Remender
- ***Black Sands the Seven Kingdoms Ultimate Edition #1*** by Manual Godoy
- ***Children of Blood and Bone*** by Tomi Adeyemi

#### Facilitators:

- Brittany Champion, Pitt Community College
- Marcellaus Joiner, High Point Public Library
- Carlos Grooms, NC A&T University
- Latis Burnett, Pitt Community College
- Redemption Six, Community Partners
- Kenneth Joyner, Community Partner

## Real Chat Conversations

reading beyond borders.  
real conversations. real perspectives

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9 sessions. 435 pages of knowledge.  
5 award-winning titles







## FEATURED LIBRARY

### Central Carolina CC Harnett Campus Library

*Submitted by Morgan Pruitt*

Central Carolina Community College (CCCC) Library serves three campuses with three main campus libraries in Sanford, Lillington, and Pittsboro. The featured library this month is CCCC's Harnett Campus Library in Lillington. This library provides students and faculty with a computer lab, two spacious study rooms, and a 3D printer.

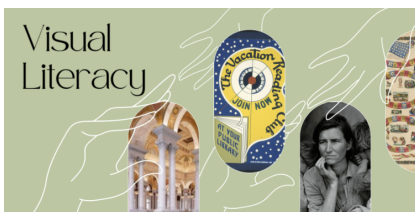
CCCC Library also provides a variety of instructional and programming activities, including a current programming series on art and visual literacy.



Top photo: Morgan Pruitt; Bottom left: Morgan Pruitt  
Bottom right: Neil McGowan, CCCC Marketing

## TOOLS & IDEAS

### Visual Literacy LibGuide - CCCC



As part of the visual literacy programming series at Central Carolina Community College Library (CCCC), the librarians have developed a visual literacy LibGuide. This guide features resources for students and instructors as well as recordings and slides from CCCC's visual literacy workshops. Check it out here: [cccc.libguides.com/visualliteracy](https://cccc.libguides.com/visualliteracy)



### Have a tool or resource you'd like to share?

The communications team would like to feature your favorite libguides, video tutorials, or other instructional tools. Please provide a link and any images you'd like to accompany your submission.

## NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

We want to hear from you! Be on the lookout for an email from NCCCLA via MemberPlanet, asking for submissions. Those emails will include a link to a submission form, submission ideas, and relevant due dates. Thank you!

## EVENTS & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### NCCCLA EVENTS

#### LSTA Evergreen Update Virtual Meeting February 10, 2022, 10:00 a.m. - [REGISTER](#)



If you would like to know more about the LSTA Evergreen Planning Grant and the North Carolina Community College Evergreen Consortium, please feel free to register for this meeting. This open discussion and forum is in support of the North Carolina Community College Library Association membership voting to house the North Carolina Community College Evergreen Consortium at the conference in March.

Go to the LSTA Planning Grant Resource Center: ILS/Evergreen: [stanly.libguides.com/evergreen](https://stanly.libguides.com/evergreen)

### OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

#### NCLINE Hangout - NC Library Instruction Network February 9, 2022, 3-4 p.m. - [REGISTER](#)

The North Carolina Library Instruction Network (NCLINE) is an informal group of library educators in North Carolina whose goal is mutual support through learning and sharing in community. Please join us for our first Hangout of Spring 2022, on February 9. The topic of discussion will be: how it's going. We will talk about what library instruction looks like for the foreseeable future and how we're thinking about instruction in this new reality. As the pandemic continues to evolve and our institutions respond in varied ways, we are left to figure out what is working, and what still needs work. Learn more: [www.ncline.org](http://www.ncline.org)

#### Open Education (OE) Week: March 7-11, 2022

Start planning now for how you can promote OE on your campus. Learn more: [www.oeglobal.org](http://www.oeglobal.org)

#### CCCOER Spring 2022 Webinar Series

This series is free and open to the open education community. Learn more: [www.cccoer.org](http://www.cccoer.org)

#### ECU Library Paraprofessional Conference Session Proposals

Joyner Library's Annual Paraprofessional Conference which will be held virtually, **May 11-12**, is currently seeking proposals. The theme is **Inclusion & Diversity** and the deadline for submissions is **February 18, 2022**.

Learn more: [lib.ecu.edu/joyner/paraprofessional](http://lib.ecu.edu/joyner/paraprofessional)

#### OER Community of Practice (CoP)

The NCCCS OER CoP meets virtually on the first Thursday of each month at 11 a.m. It's a great way to connect with faculty and librarians across the state as they discuss OER-related issues. Join the group on [openNCCC](#) to get in on the discussion. Just click **[Request to Join the Group](#)**, and an administrator will approve you. Contact Elizabeth Simpson at [simpson\\_ctr@ncccommunitycolleges.edu](mailto:simpson_ctr@ncccommunitycolleges.edu) to get more information and to be added to the email list.

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