

# NCCCLA NEWSLETTER

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



*Image: Blue Ridge CC Library Mural featuring Stokely, Angelou, and Kenan*

## FEATURED LIBRARY: BLUE RIDGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

The Blue Ridge Community College Library is located on the Henderson County Campus inside of the William D. Killian Building across from the campus bookstore. Also housed within the Killian building are the Lakeside Café and Student Success Lounge. The library looks out onto our beautiful lake.



The Blue Ridge Library proudly features artwork from past and current students, including photography, paintings, sculptures, and mixed media works. One of the highlights is our library mural that was completed earlier this year that features Wilma Dykeman Stokely, Maya Angelou, and Randall Kenan.



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

Outside of our robust physical collection and databases, we offer patrons many other services, including an open computer lab with 25+ computers, some including specialty software such as the full Adobe suite and AutoCAD. We loan out laptops, Wi-Fi hotspots, and fun stuff like billiard cues and balls, discs for disc golf, and we are starting a “dress for success” station where patrons can check out dress clothes for job interviews or important meetings. We are beginning to offer community-centered library programming to augment our already robust Student Life and Engagement programming schedule.



The Library operates with a small, but very talented team of five superstars, including the Director of Library Services, an Electronic Resources Librarian, a full-time Library Assistant, a part-time Library Assistant, and our part-time Evening Librarian. During the Spring and Fall semesters, we are open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday and from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Fridays. During the summer, we are open 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday and we are closed on Fridays. In addition to the library on the Henderson County Campus, we have a small satellite library at our Transylvania County Campus that is operated by another one of our wonderful Electronic Resources Librarians.

*Submitted by Anthony Baltiero, Library Director, Blue Ridge CC Library*



## LET US FEATURE YOUR LIBRARY

We want to feature your library in an upcoming newsletter, so please let us know if you are interested in helping us do that. We would especially like to hear from those of you in remote areas – those places that are difficult to get to or are off the beaten path. All of our community college libraries and learning resource centers are important and we need to highlight our spaces, resources, and services at every opportunity. The featured library section doesn't have to be about just the building or the space – it can be about the people and events that make the library what it is. Be creative and share your ideas about how we can bring attention to the important work that you do every day. Contact a Communications Committee member to get started!

## A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Shannon Paul  
Richmond CC

*Greetings Friends,*

Are you feeling unsatisfied with life? Is there something missing from your day? Is your friends list on Facebook anemic?

NCCCLA can help you! We have volunteer opportunities that will not only help advance our profession and aid your peers but will improve your résumé and grow your network.

We are currently in need of a Chair for the Advocacy Committee. The Advocacy Committee strives to raise awareness of community college library needs and justify budget requests by spotlighting the critical role of libraries in student success, faculty and staff support, and community engagement.

We are also looking for a Procedures Officer whose duties include: counsel the president in parliamentary and NCCCLA procedures and make rulings when procedural problems arise, maintain a working knowledge of the latest version of the NCCCLA Handbook, including the Constitution and Bylaws of the Association, update the Handbook as needed, incorporating any changes necessitated by decisions of the Executive Board and/or membership votes, perform routine annual updates to relevant Handbook sections, and participate as a voting member on the Executive Board.

As community college librarians, we promote life-long learning; joining the NCCCLA Board is a great opportunity to not only grow your professional knowledge but to improve your life skills. We are a collegial and supportive group looking for new members. Extensive experience with the Association is not a requirement, a willingness to learn and promote our profession is.

If you'd like to volunteer or recommend a colleague, reach out to me at [slpaul@richmondcc.edu](mailto:slpaul@richmondcc.edu) or 910-410-1753.

*Shannon*

## NCCCLA AWARDS

*The following awards and scholarships have been given since the conference:*

### *Scottie W. Cox Memorial Scholarship*

**Irene Bunker**

Wilkes Community College

### *Lifetime Membership Award*

**Bill Kinyon**

Haywood Community College

### *Professional Development Grant*

**Maria Luisa Saldarriaga Osorio**

Surry Community College

Visit the NCCCLA Awards page for details and applications: [ncccla.org/awards](https://ncccla.org/awards)

## NEW MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

*Welcome!*



**Johnmarie Macias, Archives Assistant  
Central Piedmont CC**

Johnmarie Macias is the Archives Assistant at Central Piedmont Community College. She earned her MLS degree and Certificate in Archives and Preservation of Cultural Materials at Queens College, City University of New York. After being away from the archival field for nearly 10 years, she's excited to be back and assisting in the efforts to preserve and provide access to Central Piedmont's history. Outside of the world of archives, her other interests include reading romance books, watching Star Trek, attending comic book/multi-genre conventions, and collecting vintage postcards.



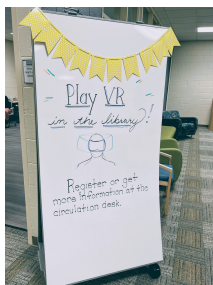
**Julia Haverstock, Electronic Resources Librarian, Blue Ridge CC**

I am the new Electronic Resources Librarian at Blue Ridge Community College in Flat Rock, NC. I have been a librarian in schools and educational settings for 15 years and have served students of all ages from preschool through university level. I get all geeky about the mission of libraries and creating equitable access to whatever we can imagine for folks in our schools and communities. When not at the library, I get geeky about plants and food and music. I am the Social Media Coordinator at the local, community radio station 103.3 Asheville FM and love combining my research nerdery and my music nerdery in the form of weekly *Today in Music History* posts. I also have two kiddos who I love adventuring with.

## VIRTUAL REALITY @ CRAVEN CC

At **Craven Community College**, the R.C. Godwin Memorial Library supports the campus virtual reality (VR) initiatives by providing access to a lab with 20 VR Meta Quest 2 headsets. Wendy White, Library Director, and her staff, Megan Gill and Becky Arthur, have worked very hard over the past couple of years with various groups on their campus to make this a very successful venture.

Learn more about about their library's VR services: <https://cravencc.libguides.com/VR>



## SURRY DIGITAL HERITAGE PROJECT

**Surry Community College Library** is happy to announce the completion of the **Surry Digital Heritage Project**. After four years and almost fourteen thousand scanned items, we have digitized and made available online community history, church histories, business histories, and last but not least genealogies and family history in Surry County, North Carolina.

With grants from the State Library of North Carolina, the project began in 2018, under the leadership of Dr. David Wright partnering with the Mount Airy Museum of Regional History, the Northwestern Regional Library, the Surry County Genealogical Association, Surry County Historical Society, and the African American Historical Society. Working together we were able to find and secure the materials for the project available at <https://surrydigitalheritage.org>

For more information please contact Sebrina Mabe, Library & Archives Services Assistant at [mabesc@surry.edu](mailto:mabesc@surry.edu)



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### Saving Our Communities: Surry County History



Surry County Digital Heritage is a collaborative project started in 2018 with funding by a Library Services and Technology Grant from the State Library of North Carolina. The purpose is to preserve and share records related to the history of communities in Surry County, NC. The project is coordinated by the Surry Community College Library and partners include: Mount Airy Museum of Regional History, Northwestern Regional Library (incorporating branches in Elkin, Mount Airy, and Pilot Mountain), Surry County African American Historical and Genealogical Society, Surry County Genealogical Society, Surry County Historical Society, and Surry County Schools.

## NCCCLA MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



### Staci Wilson

Executive Director of Learning  
Support Services, Catawba CC

#### *Get to know a little about Staci!*

**Favorite movie?** The Princess Bride

**Favorite book?** *The Cheerleader* by Jill McCorkle

**Favorite meal?** Anything Italian

**Hobbies?** Escape Rooms, Crossword Puzzles, Nonograms, Road Trips, and (of course) Reading

**Best place you've ever traveled?** St. Maarten

**Most famous person you've ever met?** Taylor Swift – although I came \*this close\* to meeting Robin Williams when he filmed a movie on my college campus in the 90s. I like to think it counts. 😊

#### **Favorite holiday and why?**

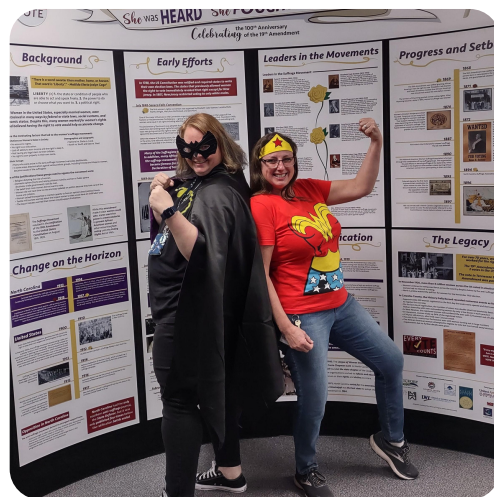
Easter – because in my faith/belief system Easter has to happen for salvation to be able to happen.

#### **Best gift you ever received and why?**

Spa gift cards are always a hit. I love a good trip to Westglow in Blowing Rock. It's a peaceful place to spend a day.

#### **Something that people may not know about you?**

I'm a great cook. No one knows because my husband loves to cook and I love to let him.



## TAG! YOU'RE IT!

**You can also "tag" someone to go next and they'll be featured in next month's profile. Anyone you want to tag?** I would like to nominate/tag **Rich Garafolo of Lenoir Community College** next.

If you are tagged, complete this form <https://tinyurl.com/youaretagged> and you will be next month's featured member! A Communications Committee member will follow up with you soon.

## NCCCLA SUMMER SOCIALS

Several members have expressed a desire to have more opportunities to meet and connect online. We will have two more NCCCLA Summer Socials via Zoom this summer. A few days before the social, members will receive an email via MemberPlanet that includes the meeting link. All you have to do is click the link to join the session on the scheduled date and time. We look forward to seeing you!

*Join us!*

**3RD TUESDAYS**

**JULY 19, 12 NOON**

**AUGUST 16, 4 P.M.**

## STAFFING CHANGES

**Deborah Foster** is retiring after 22 years of service to Fayetteville Technical Community College effective June 1, 2022. She served as NCCCLRA Treasurer for 13 years. Deborah looks forward to doing International Missions work with her church in the years to come.

**Evan Schmoll** is now the Instruction and Outreach Librarian at Pitt Community College. She formerly served as their Public Services Librarian and has been working at Pitt CC for one year.

## DISTRICT UPDATES

**District 2** met in New Bern on Tuesday, June 14, for lunch at Morgan's Tavern followed by a presentation by Wendy White, Becky Arthur, and Megan Gill on their library's virtual reality resources and services.

**District 3** met virtually on June 27. Two sessions were hosted by Alisha Webb: 1) Library Instruction - What's Your Story, and 2) Struggles, Survival, Success with SACS-COC Accreditation.

View the recording at <https://youtu.be/Qq0ELcEuzog>



*District 2 at Craven CC - June 2022*

## FEATURED TOOLS

### Words Are Key - Easy and fun game!

Jason Setzer, Director of Library Services at Davidson County Community College, created a game to learn how to pick keywords. [Give it a try!](#)



### New Leisure Reading Guide

CCCC Library created a leisure reading guide to promote its popular fiction and non-fiction collections as well hoopla and NovelList Plus.

Check it out: <https://cccc.libguides.com/leisurereading>

## EVENTS & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### Why Are We Still Having Hard Conversations?

**Wednesday, July 20 , 11 a.m. on Zoom**

The North Carolina Library Association (NCLA) is hosting a panel discussion about DEI practices in librarianship. According to the NCLA website: "This panel discussion will focus on why we're still having conversations that focus on DEI practices in librarianship and how we can move beyond discussions to implement action."

When you register for this event, you will receive a confirmation email. This email will contain your registration information as well as the Zoom link for joining the discussion.

Register for this event here: <https://nclaonline.wildapricot.org/event-4763094>



## 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!

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