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INTRODUCING A NEW KIND OF LIBRARY!

Library to Go is Catawba County's new mobile library – and it's about ready to hit the road!

For many months now, our staff has been working behind the scenes to prepare for the roll-out (literally!) of the Library to Go. Essentially a traveling location of the Catawba County Library, it brings empowering services and resources from within the library walls and into communities that need them the most.

Spearheading its efforts is a Librarian to Go, who's excited to assist people with all their information needs, including early literacy, STEAM programs, career development, technology workshops, and personal enrichment.

The Library to Go features lots of colorful graphics and is equipped with computers, solar panels, an awning, exterior lighting, and wireless access points. When it arrives for a visit, we'll unload it and set up bookshelves, work tables, technologies, lounging spaces, and play and learning areas – creating a temporary, ever-changing library space designed for interactive learning and exploration.

People will be able to enjoy traditional library resources like books and computer access, and they'll also be able to participate in special programs, often in an open-air environment. Plus,



visitors can sign up for a library card and check out materials from the Library to Go.

Stay tuned as we kick off the upcoming appearances of Library to Go! We'll share a schedule of visits so you can be sure to seek us out, check us out, and learn how the library is actively transforming our community.

If you would like for us to consider your organization for a visit, please fill out a request form at www.catawbacountync.gov/library. Please note that our priorities are underserved locations, non-profit agencies, and community events.

We know you'll be thrilled to join us in introducing the

Library to Go and its new librarian to the community, as we bring the power of the library to meet people where they are. So whenever you see us out and about, drop by and see what we're up to—the library is for everyone, especially you!

Halloween Swap & Shop

It's a great time of year to enjoy dressing up. Unfortunately, some children may not get to experience the fun because they don't have access to Halloween costumes. To support local children and families, the library is hosting a donation drive to collect gently used or new Halloween costumes and accessories. All donated items will be used for a Halloween Costume Swap & Shop event in the fall of 2019, when families can bring costumes to trade with others or choose from a selection of free options.

If you have costumes that you would like to donate, simply drop them off at any of our seven library locations. We'll accept donations year-round!

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Children / Teens / Families

PAWS to Read

Tuesdays from 4-6 pm

Children are invited to read to trained therapy dogs Nicole, Lexie, or Fudge. Call to make an appointment.

Ready to Learn Storytime

Wednesdays & Thursdays at 10 am (no session on Nov. 22)

Songs, sensory play, crafts, and stories designed to prepare your preschooler to learn.

STEAM: Up, Up and Away!

Tuesday, November 6 at 4 pm

Celebrate Aviation History Month by learning about the Wright Brothers and assembling an airplane glider to take home!

Zephyr Woodwinds Musical Group

Thursday, November 15 at 10 am

Musical guests will join our storytime group to perform "Cha Cha Chimps." The whole family is invited to enjoy the music, dancing, and fun!

All About Apples

Saturday, November 17 at 1 pm

Presented in English and en español

We'll learn about different varieties of this popular fall fruit and talk about all the ways we can enjoy apples. We'll also sample a dessert and share recipes.



STEAM: Paper Weaving

Tuesday, November 20 at 4 pm

Learn about warp and weft and how to weave patterns with paper and create a holiday placemat.

Family Movie: Christopher Robin

Tuesday, November 27 at 4 pm

Bring the whole family for this delightful, live-action Winnie the Pooh story. Rated PG.

Adults / Career / Tech

Tai Chi

Thursdays, November 1, 8, 15, and 29 at 4 pm

This graceful martial art has been shown to reduce stress and anxiety while increasing flexibility and balance. Think of it as meditation in motion; this class promotes serenity through gentle, flowing movement. Suitable for all fitness levels, open to ages 14 and up (parental signature required for those under 18). November 1st class meets outside, weather permitting. No class on the 22nd.

Air Fryer Basics

Saturday, November 3 at 1 pm (en español) and at 3 pm (in English)

Learn the basics of cooking with an air fryer and discover the most successful uses of this popular appliance. Class size is limited, so please register by calling 828.465.8665.

Excel Basics

Monday, November 5 at 11 am

Learn the basics of Excel, a spreadsheet program that lets you store, organize, and manipulate data. This class will teach basic functions like AutoSum and AutoFill.

Zumba

Mondays, November 5, 12, 19, and 26 at 6 pm

Kick off the week with this dance/movement activity that's too much fun to call exercise. Appropriate for every skill and ability level open to ages 14+ (parental signature required for those under 18). Note: November 5th class will be held outside, weather permitting. Rain location to be announced.

WorkLife Wednesday: Resumé Tune-Up

Wednesday, November 7 from 10 am-2 pm

Whether you need to create a resumé from scratch or update the one you already have, book your 30-minute, individual session by calling 828.465.8665.

Excel: Formulas and Functions

Wednesday, November 7 at 11 am

Learn to create basic formulas or use already created functions to add numbers together, calculate a mortgage payment, or search for variables. Basic Excel skills required.

Cooking with Essential Oils

Wednesday, November 7 at 5:30 pm

These aromatic oils are not just for the diffuser or sugar scrub! Learn how to use edible essential oils to brighten the flavors of different types of foods.

Excel: Sort and Filter

Thursday, November 8 at 11 am

Go beyond the basics of sorting data and learn about filtering options that will enable you to quickly access the information you need.

Greeting Card Art: Make & Take

Thursday, November 8 at 6 pm

From concept to completion, we'll plan and create lovely holiday greeting cards that you can mail to loved ones or keep and frame as decoration. Materials provided; registration required. 828.465.8665.

Southern Pens Book Club

Saturday, November 10 at 10 am

This month's read is *Code Girls: The Untold Story of the American Women Code Breakers of World War II* by Liza Mundy. December's selection will be *The Immortalists* by Chloe Benjamin.

3-D Basics

Monday, November 12 at 1 pm

Learn the foundations of 3-D printing: what it is, how it works, and where you can find resources to get, create, and share 3-D printable files.

Make the Med Flip: Side Dishes

Wednesday, November 14 at 10 am

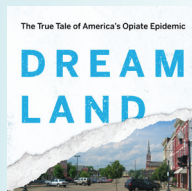
Based on the Mediterranean Way program, this workshop will focus on sharing recipes and tasting Med-friendly side dishes. Registration is strongly suggested: call 828.465.8665.

Technology for Presentations

Wednesday, November 14 at 11 am

Learn to create a basic slide deck using Powerpoint, Microsoft's presentation software. This class will also explore other apps that can help you invigorate your presentation style.

Dreamland Community Read Series



In cooperation with CVCC's community-wide read of Sam Quinones' critically acclaimed *Dreamland: The True Tale of America's Opiate Epidemic*, the Library is presenting community-focused programs to inform members and help them make use of available resources.

Opioid Panel Discussion

Wednesday, November 14 at 12 noon

This event presents a variety of perspectives on the drug epidemic and suggests possible responses to its impact. The discussion takes place in CVCC's East Wing Auditorium.

Recognize the Signs

Wednesday, November 14 at 1:45 pm

Tuesday, November 27 at 5:30 pm (en español)
Catawba County was recently ranked 5th in the nation for severity of opiate use. Even so, the signs of addiction are not familiar to many of us. This session with Candice Moore of The Cognitive Connection will teach us to recognize the signs in people around us and help us understand the first steps we can take. Held in the Main Library in Newton.

Introduction to Feng Shui

Wednesday, November 14 at 6 pm

Internationally renowned feng shui master Margaret Selby will share her understanding of the principles of Black Hat feng shui, the ancient Chinese art of harmonizing the function and energy of a person, home, or place of business.

History of the Henry River Mill Village

Thursday, November 15 at 6 pm

Meet authors Tim Peeler and Clayton Joe Young, historian-in-residence Richard Eller, publisher Robert Canipe, and Mill Village owner Calvin Reyes for a book discussion of the new title *We See What We Want to See: The Henry River Mill Village*. The presentation includes book photos, a poetry reading, and a Q&A session. The book and art prints will be for sale with proceeds going to the Henry River Mill Village Preservation Non-Profit.

The Nutcracker Ballet

Saturday, November 17 at 11:30 am

Join the Hickory Ballet and Performing Arts for a special presentation of *The Nutcracker*. Learn about elements of storytelling through dance and movement during this interactive performance. We'll follow up with an activity based on the story.



Advanced Gardener: Landscape Design

Tuesday, November 20 at 6:30 pm

Dr. George Place talks about basic landscape design and offers visual examples of what you can create when you put your gardening skills to work on the canvas of your landscape.

Piece of Cake Book Club

Tuesday, November 27 at 3 pm

Want to read 10 great books per year? PoCBC meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month at the Whisk & Barrel in downtown Newton. November's selection is *Austenland* by Shannon Hale. PoCBC is on break in December.

Tinkercad 101

Tuesday, November 27 at 4 pm

Learn to produce 3-D files using Tinkercad, a free, online version of computer-aided design (CAD) software. Attendees will create a simple object using geometric shapes and letters that can be printed using the 3-D printer.

"Ask a Master Gardener" @ the Library

Now it's easy to get professional gardening recommendations anytime. Just submit your questions to an "Ask a Master Gardener" question box at the library.

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Adults / Career / Tech

Gardening for Four-Season Interest

Thursday, November 8 at 2 pm

Anelle Ammons from the Cooperative Extension will offer tips to design gardens and landscapes that have interest in all four seasons. Discover great plants that will add visual impact to your yard and learn about beginner gardening techniques. Bring lots of questions!

Books Between Friends Book Club*Tuesday, November 27 at 6 pm*

Join us for a BYOB (bring your own book) session, where attendees are encouraged to speak briefly about a book they've enjoyed this past year.

Learn About LinkedIn*Thursday, November 29 from 4-5 pm*

Take the next step in your job search by learning to use this popular social networking site for job seekers, employers looking for new talent, and individuals interested in staying professionally connected via LinkedIn's many tools. See how the site works, learn to set up an account, and more! Please come with an email account with passwords. If you don't currently have an email account, the library will help you sign up for one.

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CONOVER
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Children / Teens / Families**Baby Bounce***Wednesdays at 5 pm (no session on Nov. 21)*

This sweet, 20-minute story time features rhymes, bounces, sensory play, and singing for our youngest learners. Playtime follows.

Ready to Learn Storytime*Fridays at 4 pm (no session on Nov. 23)*

Songs, sensory play, crafts, and stories designed to prepare your preschooler to learn.

Saturday Ready to Learn Storytime*Saturday, November 3 at 11 am*

Join us for a special Saturday storytime with songs, sensory play, crafts, and stories! Ideal for ages 1-6, but all are welcome.

STEAM Station: Magnetic Play*Saturday, November 10 at 11 am*

STEAM Station encourages exploration through science, technology, engineering, art, and math in fun, hands-on activities. This month, we'll focus on magnets by creating magnetic sculptures, painting with magnets, and more!

Yoga for All Ages*Friday, November 16 at 5 pm*

This satisfying class is great for beginners, families, and advanced students! Please bring your own mat or towel. Come early to check out our selection of yoga books and DVDs.

Discover 4-H with Science Fun: Parachutes Away!*Tuesday, November 27 at 6 pm*

4-H promotes learning and life skills through science-based activities that address concepts like gravity, force, and acceleration. We'll look at a project book to see what the programs are like and then conduct experiments. Can you create the best egg-drop parachute?!

Adults / Career / Tech**What's the Hoopla About?***Tuesday, November 6 at 6 pm*

Drop in to learn about Hoopla, a free app that lets you download music, ebooks, audiobooks, and movies. Use your library card to search for content to download or stream immediately. Bring your own device for instant access.

Catawba Valley Writers Club*Tuesday, November 13 at 6 pm*

Join us for our monthly meeting, as fellow writers discuss, evaluate, and share their works. If you enjoy writing, this group is for you. Expect fellowship and lively conversation!

DIY Paper Wreaths*Tuesday, November 13 at 6 pm*

Recycle a damaged book to be something beautiful! Join us to create decorative wreaths fashioned from old book pages.

Resilience Viewing*Friday, November 16 at 2 pm*

This hour-long documentary connects adverse childhood experiences to the health of our children and community with potentially life-long consequences. Attendees will participate in a survey and discussion of what our culture is facing and how best to treat families dealing with "toxic stress." In partnership with NCWorks, Catawba County Partnership for Children, and Catawba County Schools. Meets on the 2nd floor of Conover Station below the Conover Branch Library.

Gardening for Four-Season Interest*Wednesday, November 28 at 2 pm*

Anelle Ammons from the Cooperative Extension will offer tips to design gardens and landscapes that have interest in all four seasons. Discover great plants that will add visual impact to your yard and learn about beginner gardening techniques. Bring lots of questions!

MAIDEN
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Children / Teens / Families**Ready to Learn Storytime***Thursdays at 10 am (no session on Nov. 22)*

Songs, sensory play, crafts, and stories designed to prepare your preschooler to learn.

Dia de los Muertos/Day of the Dead Pillow Craft*Thursday, November 1 at 4 pm*

Tweens are invited to make and decorate a sugar skull pillow in celebration of Dia de los Muertos while learning what the day represents in Mexico. Remember, it's not scary and it's not Halloween! This year, Dia de los Muertos runs from October 31 to November 2.

**The Nutcracker Ballet***Saturday, November 17 at 10 am*

Join the Hickory Ballet and Performing Arts for a special presentation of *The Nutcracker*. Learn about elements of storytelling through dance and movement during this interactive performance. We'll follow up with an activity based on the story.

Adults / Career / Tech**Advanced Gardener: Landscape Design***Tuesday, November 27 at 6:30 pm*

Dr. George Place talks about basic landscape design and offers visual examples of what you can create when you put your gardening skills to work on the canvas of your landscape.

SHERRILLS FORD-TERRELL
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Children / Teens / Families**Ready to Learn Storytime***Wednesdays & Thursdays at 10 am (no session on Nov. 22)*

Songs, sensory play, crafts, and stories designed to prepare your preschooler to learn.

Baby Bounce*Fridays at 10 am (no session on Nov. 23)*

This sweet, simple, 30-minute story time features rhymes, bounces, sensory play, and singing for your youngest learners.

PAWSitive Reading*Thursday, November 1 from 3:30-5:15 pm*

Have a "PAWS"itive reading experience! Come read to a certified therapy dog. Grades K and up. Registration is required. Call or stop by to sign up for a 15-20 minute session.

Saturday Ready to Learn Storytime*Saturday, November 10 at 10 am*

Join us for a special weekend storytime with songs, sensory play, crafts, and stories designed to prepare preschoolers to learn.

Student STEAM: 4-H Bright Ideas Club*Tuesday, November 13 at 6 pm*

Join us as we explore the forces and concepts of science and engineering. Each meeting, we'll complete hands-on projects based on the 4-H program guides. Please register to attend. Designed for ages 7-16.

Pre-K STEAM: Tinker Time*Monday, November 19 at 4 pm*

Children 3-6 are invited for guided play and learning in our Construction Zone. Kids can show off their building skills, play pretend with construction toys, enhance fine motor skills, and much more! Registration recommended.

STEAM Explorers

The Explorers will take a break in November and resume meeting in December. Please join us then!

Adults / Career / Tech**Mystery Mavens Book Club***Tuesday, November 6 at 6:30 pm*

The Mystery Mavens book club welcomes new members and is open to the public. Join us this month for a lively discussion of *House Rules* by Jodi Picoult. Our December selection is *Mistletoe Murder* by Leslie Meier.

Lessons Learned from Hurricane Florence: An Insider's View of Natural Disasters*Monday, November 12 at 6:30 pm*

Crisis and emergency management expert Courtney Stuckey Jones will present a customized analysis of potential disaster scenarios specific to where we live and will lead a discussion of ways we can prepare for them in advance, including do's and don'ts.

Create Legal Documents Using Gale Legal Forms*Friday, November 16 at 11 am and Saturday, November 17 at 3 pm (identical sessions)*

Whether you're creating a will, selling a house, or doing something more simple like changing your name, this database provides the legal forms you need. Learn how to navigate the valuable resource to find what you want.

"Ask a Master Gardener" @ the Library

Now it's easy to get professional gardening recommendations anytime. Just submit your questions to an "Ask a Master Gardener" question box at the library.

SOUTHWEST
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Children / Teens / Families**Ready to Learn Storytime***Thursdays at 11 am (no session on Nov. 22)*

Songs, sensory play, crafts, and stories designed to prepare your preschooler to learn.

Baby Bounce*Thursdays at 2 pm (no session on Nov. 22)*

This sweet, 20-minute story time features rhymes, bounces, sensory play, and singing for our youngest learners (birth-24 months). Playtime follows.



STEAM: Got Milk?

Monday, November 12 at 5:30 pm

Join us as we learn where milk comes from and talk about pasteurized vs. non-pasteurized milks. We'll also sample various types of animal and plant milks and make homemade butter!

Paws to Read with Mini

Tuesdays, November 13 and 27 from 4-6 pm

Elementary-aged children are invited to read to Mini, a certified therapy dog. Please sign up for a 15-minute session. Grades K and up.

STEAM: Construction Zone

Friday, November 16 at 3:30 pm

Elementary-aged children are encouraged to enjoy a fun time exploring our new engineering and building sets, sponsored by the Local Government Federal Credit Union.

STEAM: Got Corn?

Monday, November 19 at 5:30 pm

Beyond its appeal as a vegetable, kids will learn about the many uses of corn. Then, we'll make and enjoy homemade corn muffins!

**STEAM: Spiral Books & Creative Writing**

Wednesday, November 28 at 2 pm

Join Sigrid Hice as she leads us in making a spiral book for our creative writings. Hice is a local artist who enjoys sharing her passion for teaching papermaking and paper folding creations. Be prepared to unleash your creative side! All ages are welcome.

Adults / Career / Tech**Making Hmong-style Egg Rolls**

Monday, November 5 at 6 pm

Hmong egg rolls are so crispy and delicious, it's hard to eat just one! Learn how to make your own and customize them to your taste. We'll also learn how to set the table for a traditional Hmong meal. Space is limited; please register by calling 828.466.6818.

Mountain View Book Buzz

Tuesday, November 13 at 6 pm

Join us this month for a discussion of *Meet Me at the Museum* by Anne Youngson. December's read is *Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine* by Gail Honeyman.

Adult Crafting: Napkin Rings

Saturday, November 17 at 11 am

Join us as we prepare for the Thanksgiving holiday by making fall napkin rings. Please sign up by calling 828.466.6818.

Computer Class: Google Photo Sharing

Tuesday, November 20 at 6 pm

Do you enjoy taking and sharing photos? This class will teach you how to use Google to let your loved ones see the snapshots you've collected, and it will give you great information on storing your most loved photos!

Catawba Songwriters

Tuesday, November 20 at 6 pm

Adults and teens are invited to share their musical talents while learning from one another. Bring a finished song or one that's in progress to share with the group.

**Scrapbooking 101**

Tuesday, November 27 at 6 pm

Just in time for the holidays! Discover the joys of scrapbooking as we preserve our favorite print photos by making a two-page layout. Bring your photos and a pair of sharp scissors. Please register by calling 828.466.6818.

"Ask a Master Gardener" @ the Library

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ST. STEPHENS
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Children / Teens / Families**Ready to Learn Storytime**

Wednesdays & Thursdays at 10 am (no session Nov. 22); Tuesday evenings at 6 pm

Songs, sensory play, crafts, and stories designed to prepare your preschooler to learn.

Give Thanks Project

Friday, November 9 at 4 pm

Teens are invited to create a thank-you card or letter to let someone know how thankful you are for them. All materials provided.

Crafternoons: Paper Wreaths for Fall

Thursday, November 15 at 4 pm

Stay ecofriendly as you decorate your home for the season by upcycling paper grocery bags into festive decorations. Come and see how this common household item can become an awesome autumn wreath. All ages welcome.

Discover 4-H with Science Fun: Parachutes Away!

Thursday, November 29 at 4 pm

4-H promotes learning and life skills through science-based activities that address concepts like gravity, force, and acceleration. We'll look at a project book to see what the programs are like and then conduct experiments. Can you create the best egg-drop parachute?!

Movies at the Library: Ready Player One

Friday, November 30 at 4 pm

In this Steven Spielberg film set in 2045, virtual reality is a frequent escape from the troubled world. Watch an orphaned teen compete to gain three keys in an attempt to win control of the virtual reality software and create a better world. Enjoy popcorn and a drink. Rated PG-13.

Adults / Career / Tech**The Power of Positive Parenting**

(part 1 of a 3-part series *presented en español*)

Monday, November 5 from 5:45-7:30 pm

In partnership with Centro Latino, we are offering **free child care during this three-part series**. Children should be dropped off at 5:30 pm at Centro Latino and picked up there immediately after the class ends.

There's no single right way to be a parent, but parents can make the job easier by developing positive, loving relationships with their children through encouragement, attention, and good communication. This seminar offers practical tips for managing common parenting challenges with positive approaches. To register, please call the Children's Resource Center's Spanish line at 828.695.6515 or the library at 828.466.6821.

Get Career Help with GCFLearnFree.org

Wednesday, November 7 at 4 pm

Looking for career advancement? Starting a new job? Use lessons found on the GCFLearnFree.org website to plan your career, apply for jobs, balance work life, and get the training needed to succeed in today's marketplace. Join us in an instructive tour of this valuable resource.

Adult Coloring Club: Thanksgiving

Saturday, November 10 at 2 pm

Come relax by coloring your stress away. We'll provide the holiday-themed coloring sheets, markers, and crayons to help you get started.

Raising Confident and Competent Children

(part 2 in a 3-part series *presented en español*)

Monday, November 12 from 5:45-7:30 pm

Children are more likely to be confident, to succeed at school, and to get along well with others when they develop certain life skills. This seminar will give parents tips on how to help children become self-confident and capable people. To register, please call the Children's Resource Center's Spanish line at 828.695.6515 or the library at 828.466.6821.

Raising Resilient Children

(part 3 in a 3-part series *presented en español*)

Monday, November 19 from 5:45-7:30 pm

One of parenthood's most important tasks is helping children learn to deal with their emotions. This seminar provides tips for teaching children how to bounce back after day-to-day disappointments. To register, please call the Children's Resource Center's Spanish line at 828.695.6515 or the library at 828.466.6821.

Cypress Resumés

Wednesday, November 28 at 10 am

Looking to update your resumé or create one for the first time? In this class, we'll produce a resumé using special Cypress software. The session will guide you through a three-step process and requires little to no writing. You'll finish with a high-quality resumé that will stand out to potential employers.

English as a Second Language Classes

The Library is pleased to offer ESL classes for people whose native language is not English. Through instruction and conversation, participants will gain confidence and skills in speaking, reading, and comprehension. These classes are currently offered at our Newton and St. Stephens branches. If you would like to learn more about them or would like to sign up for one of the ESL classes, please call us at 828.465.8665 (Newton) or 828.466.6821 (St. Stephens) or 828.330.0477 (Centro Latino).

**Thanksgiving Holiday**

Please note that all seven library locations will be closed from 5 pm on Wednesday, November 21 through Friday, November 23. We will reopen with standard operating hours on Saturday, November 24.

We hope that you enjoy a terrific holiday with your family, friends, and loved ones!



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