# Library Connections



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# **SUMMER LEARNING IS HERE!**

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Join us June 1 through August 7 for interactive programs and activities for children, teens, and adults, including these featured headline acts!



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# **CHILDREN**

Ready to Learn Storytime: Preschool

Maiden Branch Library Thursdays at 10 am

**Southwest Branch Library** Wednesdays at 11 am

Thursdays at 10 am

**Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library** 

Wednesdays at 10 am Thursdays at 10 am

St. Stephens Branch Library

Thursdays at 10:30 am

Saturdays at 11 am

**Main Library in Newton** 

Wednesdays at 10 am

Fridays at 10 am

Preschool story time with reading readiness. Join us for songs, sensory play, crafts, and stories designed to prepare your preschooler

Ready to Learn Storytime: Tiny to Two

Mondays at 10 am Main Library in Newton

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

STEAM: Titanic: Sink or Float?

Wednesday, June 1 at 2 pm Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library Learn about the sinking of the Titanic and make your own boat to see if it will sink or float in this fun STEAM program. To register, please visit the library or call 828-466-6827.

**Summer Fun Kickoff: Survival Island** 

Wednesday, June 1 at 4 pm Southwest Branch

Can you survive on a deserted island? Put your skills to the test at our summer learning kickoff event!

**Featured Film Friday** 

Fridays at 11 am Southwest Branch June 3: Moana

June 10: Deep June 17: Luca

June 24: National Treasure

Enjoy a movie with family and friends.

**Summer Learning Kickoff Party** 

Saturday, June 4 from 10 am - 12 pm Conover Branch Library Have outdoor fun with us at the Conover City

Park as we register for Summer Learning. It will be a great time as we gear up for a summer of possibilities.

**Summer Learning Kickoff Party** 

Saturday, June 4 from 10 am - 12 pm Main Library in Newton Stop by the garden to sign up for summer learning, grab a photo with a mermaid and jellyfish, play games, and enjoy treats.

**Pirate Treasure Quest** 

Saturday, June 4 from 1 - 5 pm Wednesday, June 8 from 2 - 6 pm Main Library in Newton Can your group locate the treasure chest and get it open in the allotted time? Ideal for small groups (4 to 6 people). To register, please call 828-465-8665.

Shell-ebration with The Little Mermaid

Saturday, June 4 at 3 pm St. Stephens Branch Library

Join us for summer learning sign-ups and meet Ariel and Prince Eric from the classic story! We'll have fun stories, songs, games, and more!

**Dragonflies and Damselflies** Main Library in Newton Tuesday, June 7 at 2 pm

**Maiden Branch Library** Tuesday, June 7 at 4 pm St. Stephens Branch Library

Tuesday, June 28 at 2 pm **Southwest Branch Library** 

Tuesday, June 28 at 4 pm Join us as we learn about Dragonflies and Damselflies from our friends at Catawba County

**Nautical Flags** 

Wednesday, June 8 at 2 pm Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library In this interactive program, learn what the different Maritime Nautical Flags mean and how to create messages using them. To register, please visit the library or call 828-466-6827.

Hickory Music Factory
Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library Thursday, June 9 at 11 am

**Conover Branch Library** Thursday, June 9 at 1 pm **Southwest Branch Library** 

Thursday, June 9 at 3 pm St. Stephens Branch Library

Thursday, June 9 at 5 pm **Main Library in Newton** 

Thursday, June 30 at 3 pm **Maiden Branch Library** 

Thursday, June 30 at 1 pm Engage in an instant rhythm experience moderated by a facilitator. No musical experience needed!

**Pond Ecosystem** 

Tuesday, June 14 at 10 am Riverbend Park

Catawba County Park Rangers will lead the group out to the pond where they will provide instruction on how to create an ecosystem in a jar. Please bring a quart sized jar (or larger) with a lid. This program will include a 2.5-mile hike.

North Carolina Aquarium at Fort Fisher: Jellies

Tuesday, June 14 at 2 pm Online via Zoom

In-person Watch Parties at all Branches Discover the simple yet fascinating world of jellyfish and meet jellies up close in this live virtual program. To register, please visit tinyurl.com/CCLJellyfish

STEAM: Flood Barrier Challenge

Wednesday, June 15 at 2 pm Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library Engineer a flood barrier to protect your house from flooding. To register, please visit the library or call 828-466-6827.

**Octopus Locomotion & Slime** 

Wednesday, June 15 at 4 pm Southwest Branch Learn about the amazing octopus in this STEAM program!

Shark Tooth Hunting with Dr. Ashley Oliphant

Friday, June 17 at 11 am Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library Friday, June 17 at 2 pm

Conover Branch Library Learn about fossils from sharks, whales, and dinosaurs with Dr. Ashley Oliphant. Cool dig activity included!

Crafternoons - Glowing Jellyfish Decoration

Friday, June 17 at 4:30 pm St. Stephens Branch Library

Learn about jellyfish and what makes them glow. Make your own light up jellyfish craft. To register, please <u>tinyurl.com/stcrafternoons</u> or call 828-466-6821.

Pre-K Play!

Saturday, June 18 at 11 am Conover Branch Library Join us for fun, fitness-focused play with music, games, and an obstacle course! Kids will have a blast as they explore, exercise, and develop motor skills.

Salamander Search

Tuesday, June 21 at 10 am Baker's Mountain Park Look for and learn how to catch salamanders with a Catawba County Park Ranger!

**Pre-K STEAM: Ocean Explorations** 

Tuesday, June 21 at 2 pm Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library Preschoolers will become ocean explorers in this interactive program featuring a variety of craft and STEAM stations.

**Soap Bubble Circus** 

**Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library** Wednesday, June 22 at 11 am **Maiden Branch Library** Wednesday, June 22 at 2 pm Southwest Branch Library Thursday, June 23 at 11 am

St. Stephens Branch Library Thursday, June 23 at 2 pm **Main Library in Newton** 

Friday, June 24 at 11 am **Conover Branch Library** 

Friday, June 24 at 2 pm

A one-of-a-kind, educational experience mixing comedy, music, and interactive bubble-magic!

**Scuba Signs & Eggcellent Divers** 

Wednesday, June 22 at 4 pm Southwest Branch

Learn secret signals to communicate like scuba divers and make your own diver craft!

Movie Matinee: Moana

Saturday, June 25 at 2 pm Main Library in Newton Join us for an interactive movie, fun for the whole family.

**Upcycled Fabulous Fish Suncatchers** 

Tuesday, June 28 at 2 pm Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library Create a fabulous fish suncatcher using upcycled materials. To register, please visit or call the

**Featured Film: Finding Nemo** 

Wednesday, June 29 at 4 pm Southwest Branch Library Enjoy a movie with family and friends.

# **TEENS**

# **Teen Tuesdays**

Tuesdays at 5 pm
Main Library in Newton
June 7: Repurpose a t-shirt into a bag.
June 14: Meet at the library and wear
comfortable shoes for a walking tour of
Downtown Newton.
June 21: Get safety tips and hands-on

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June 28: Tech Take Apart

# Teen Craft - Captain's Log

Tuesday, June 7 at 4 pm
St. Stephens Branch Library
Join the St. Stephens Teen Advisory Board as
they host a DIY session to create a Captain's
Log. Bring a piece of your writing to include in
your creation! To register, please visit
tinyurl.com/TABCaptain or call 828-466-6821.

# **DIY Mermaid Sugar Scrub**

Thursday, June 9 at 2 pm
Maiden Branch Library
Learn how to make your own natural body
scrub with a mermaid twist! This is perfect
for moisturizing your skin for all the summer
sun! Ingredients and supplies will be provided!
For teens ages 13-17. To register, please visit
tinyurl.com/CCLS-MermaidScrub

# **Teen Self Defense**

Southwest Branch Library Monday, June 13 at 5 pm Main Library in Newton Tuesday, June 21 at 5 pm Conover Branch Library Tuesday, June 28 at 5 pm

Get safety tips and hands-on instruction from a deputy with Catawba County Sherriff's Office at this 2-hour program. Waiver required.

# **Teen Treasure Breakout**

Monday, June 27 at 5 pm Southwest Branch Library Can you crack all the codes and open the locked treasure box? Put your skills to the test at this program for our teen patrons!

#### Bermuda Triangle Escape Room

Tuesday, June 28 at 6 pm Maiden Branch Library
You and your friends are passengers flying to
Puerto Rico from Washington D.C., over the
Bermuda Triangle. The Bermuda Triangle is a
space in the North Atlantic where ships, planes
and people have allegedly gone missing. Will it
be a smooth flight? For teens ages 13-17 years
old. To register, please visit
tinyurl.com/CCLS-BTriEscapeRoom

# **Ocean Perler Bead Keychains**

Thursday, June 30 at 2 pm Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library Craft an aquatic keychain out of Perler beads. To register, please visit the library or call 828-466-6827.

# **ADULTS**

#### **Zumba LIVE with Honey & Jossiah**

Mondays at 6 pm
Main Library in Newton
Kick off your week with a burst of Zumba, a
dance and movement class that's too much
fun to call exercise. It's appropriate for every
skill and ability level and open to anyone 14+
(parental signature required for teens under
18).

## **Career Center**

Wednesdays, June 1 & 15 from 1 - 4 pm Main Library at Newton A career specialist will be available to provide one-on-one assistance with resumes, interview practice and other soft skills, online applications, and job search strategies. To reserve a 30-minute appointment, please call 828-465-8665.

# **Gentle Flow Yoga**

Fridays, June 3, 10 & 24 at 11 am Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library A certified yoga instructor will lead us through a beginner-friendly, gentle flow yoga class. You are encouraged to bring a yoga mat or towel as well as a small blanket. To register, please visit the library or call 828-466-6827.

# **Community Garden Volunteer**

Saturdays, June 4 & 18 from 9 - 11 am Main Library in Newton
If you enjoy being outside and working in the soil, we'd be happy to have you join us.
To register, please call 828-466-6828.

# **Resumes & Job Applications Workshop**

Tuesday, June 7 at 2 pm Online via WebEx Learn tips for creating a resume and completing a job application. To register, please visit tinyurl.com/catawbajobs

## Go with the Flow - Watercolor Painting

Tuesday, June 7 at 6 pm Conover Branch Library This program is open to artists of all skill levels. Create your own ocean-themed watercolor piece. To register, please call 828-466-5108.

#### Macramé Mermaid Tail Keychain

Tuesday, June 7 at 6 pm Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library Explore the textile art of macramé as we learn to make a mermaid tail keychain. To register, please visit the library or call 828-466-6827.

# **Chair Yoga**

Wednesday, June 8 & 15 at 11:30 am
Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library
A certified yoga instructor will lead us through
a class friendly for all body types and levels,
with the added security of using a chair.
To register, please visit the library
or call 828-466-6827.

# Film Viewing and Discussion

Monday, June 13 at 5:30 pm
Main Library in Newton
Join us for a special Juneteenth viewing and discussion of the documentary True Justice, following 30 years of Equal Justice Initiative's work on behalf of the poor, the incarcerated, and the condemned. In collaboration with the Community Remembrance Project, this program is open to the public. For more information, please call 828-465-9494.

# St. Stephens Theme-Based Book Club

Monday, June 13 at 6:30 PM St. Stephens Branch Library
This month the theme is biographies and memoirs, so revisit a favorite or find something new and come share your reading experience with us. Although this is an in-person event, patrons can still utilize the Facebook group for updates, book lists, and ongoing discussion by following this link: <a href="www.facebook.com/groups/St.StephensBookClub">www.facebook.com/groups/St.StephensBookClub</a>

# Adult Senior STEAM - Ocean Floor Paint Pour Tuesday, June 14 at 2 pm

Southwest Branch
Science and art come together in this paint
pouring class that uses scientific principles to
create a unique ocean floor painting!

# Adult STEAM Field Trip: The Science of Brewing at CBV

Tuesday, June 14 at 5 pm
Community Brewing Ventures in Newton
Learn about the science of beer-making with
the local brewmasters at CBV research and
development center. Find out what makes craft
beverages distinct from those mass produced.
This free program is limited to ages 21 & up.
Beverages will be available to purchase.

#### **DIY Green Cleaners**

Tuesday, June 14 at 6 pm
Maiden Branch Library
Let's learn together how to make simple and effective cleaning and household products from everyday items that do less harm to our planet! Ingredients and supplies will be provided! To register, please visit tinyurl.com/CCLS-diygreenclean

# Mystery Mavens Book Club

Tuesday, June 14 at 6:30 pm Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library The Mystery Mavens book club welcomes new members and is open to the public, even if you haven't read the book. Join us for a lively discussion on The Diamond Eye by Kate Quinn.

# Juneteenth Poster Making Workshop

Wednesday, June 15 at 6 pm
Main Library in Newton
Make a sign or design a button to
commemorate Juneteenth 2022! Learn more
about the history of Juneteenth during the
workshop. While supplies will be provided,
participants are encouraged to bring their own
poster. For more information, please
call 828-465-9494.



## **Interviewing Tips Workshop**

Thursday, June 16 at 10 am Online via WebEx

Learn tips on how to ACE a job interview! To register, please visit tinyurl.com/catawbajobs

#### **Sushi Making Party**

Thursday, June 16 at 10 am Main Library at Newton

Whether you include any of the possible ingredients that start out swimming in the oceans or not, this hands-on workshop is sure to be a lot of fun. You'll learn about making sticky rice, choosing nori or other wrappers, and typical gu ingredients and condiments. All supplies are provided. To register, please call 828-465-8665.

# **Cut the Cord on Cable**

Thursday, June 16 at 11:30 am St. Stephens Branch Library Learn tips and tricks to reduce your cable bill or switch to streaming services for your entertainment purposes. This program is offered in collaboration with the Council on Aging. To register, please call 828-328-2269.

## STEAM: Ocean Wave Alcohol Ink Coasters

Thursday, June 16 at 4 pm Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library Create eye-catching coastal-inspired coasters using alcohol ink as we continue our exploration of different artistic mediums. Clothes that can get paint on them are recommended. To register, please visit the library or call 828-466-6827.

# **Black History Discussion Group**

Thursday, June 16 at 6 pm Main Library in Newton In celebration of Juneteenth, the group will partner with the Office of Multicultural Affairs at Catawba Valley Community College to recognize the accomplishments and work of the 2022 CVCC Multicultural Series Community Leader Award recipients.

#### Macramé Series: Knots

Saturday, June 18 at 3 pm
Main Library in Newton
Macramé is the art of tying cotton cord into
knots to make beautiful designs. Join us to
learn two of the most important knots: square
and half hitch, during the first in a three-part
monthly series. All supplies will be provided.
To register, please call 828-465-8665.

# Mountain View Book Buzz - Book Club

Monday, June 20 at 6 pm Southwest Branch

Join us as we discuss *We Are Not Like Them* by Christine Pride and Jo Piazza. All are welcome for lively conversations and lots of fun.

# **Catawba Songwriters**

Tuesday, June 21 at 6 pm Southwest Branch Library

Share your talents while you learn from others. Bring a finished written song or one that's in progress to share with the group. Teens and tweens with musical talents are invited to join.

#### Beach in a Jar Crafts

Tuesday, June 21 at 6 pm Main Library in Newton
Design your very own beach in a jar and learn how to use our vinyl printer to add your monogram or a beachy image to your final creation. There will be an ocean of possibilities for decorating your beach jar. Supplies will be provided but participants may bring in a jar of their choosing. To register, please call 828-465-8665.

#### Social Media for Job Search Workshop

Thursday, June 23 at 10 am Online via WebEx

Learn tips on how to conduct effective job searches on social media! To register, please visit tinyurl.com/catawbajobs

# **Needle Felting**

Thursday, June 23 at 4 pm Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library Explore the textile art of needle felting as we create a decorative whale. Finger protectors will be available for participants to use. To register, please visit the library or call 828-466-6827.

# Is Step Aerobics Right For You?

Thursday, June 23 at 5:30 pm Main Library at Newton

Find out everything you need to know about a Step Aerobics class to see if it's the kind of exercise you'd love to do. A certified step aerobics instructor will do a brief presentation about the workout before leading us in a 20-minute workout. Waiver required on site.

# Is Tai Chi Right For You?

Tuesday, June 28 at 5:30 pm Main Library at Newton

Learn everything you need to know about doing Tai Chi to find out if it's the kind of exercise that you'd enjoy doing. Certified Tai Chi instructor George Place will do a brief presentation about the practice before leading us in a short workout. Waiver required on site.

#### Piece of Cake Book Club

Thursday, June 30 at 5 pm Narrow Coffee & Nosh in Downtown Newton Selecting a diverse range of works and authors, join us to chat about June's pick, The Invisible Husband of Frick Island by Colleen Oakley. July's selection is Island Queen by Vanessa Riley. Readers are welcome to suggest titles for upcoming meetings at tinyurl.com/ccls-pieceofcake



# Jean Laffite Revealed: An Evening with Authors Ashley Oliphant and Beth Yarbrough

Thursday, June 30 at 7 pm Claremont Branch Library

Did the infamous pirate and privateer really live out his last days in Lincolnton, NC? Join authors Ashley Oliphant and Beth Yarbrough as they discuss their book, Jean Laffite Revealed and answer questions surrounding one of America's longest-running mysteries. Books will be available for purchase.

#### Is PiYo Right For You?

Thursday, June 30 at 12:30 pm Southwest Branch

Known as the workout that won't make you cry, PiYo is a kinder, gentler way to improve your fitness. Join us for this session with a certified trainer who will share with us everything you need to know about doing PiYo and then lead us in a 20-minute sample workout. Waiver required on site.

# LIBRARY TO GO

## Library to Go at the Town of Catawba

Thursday, June 2 and 16 from 10 am - 2 pm 200 S Main St, Catawba
Visit the Library to Go to check out books, get help with technology questions, and enjoy a family storytime at 10:45!

# Majestic Park Juneteenth Family Celebration

Saturday, June 11 from 1 – 4 pm 624 2nd St. Dr. SW, Conover, NC 28613 This outdoor gathering will include lots of family fun. Visit the Library to Go to check out books and enjoy free activities.



## Library Locker: Suds & Stories

Sunday, June 12 from 2 - 5 pm Clean Wave Laundry

We're looking forward to seeing you in Long View at Clean Wave Laundry! Stop by and check out books, enjoy activities, and get help with your tech and job app or resume questions.

# **Public Health Farmers Market**

Thursday, June 9 & 23 from 10 am – 1 pm 3070 11th Ave. Dr. SE, Hickory, NC 28602 Stop by to check out books, enjoy free activities, and get technology help.

