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A MAGAZINE FROM THE CLEVELAND COUNTY
LIBRARY SYSTEM

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Both branches will be closed
on the following holidays, November 11 (Veterans Day),
November 24- 26 (Thanksgiving), December 23 - 27
(Christmas), January 2 (New Years Day).



Eugenia H. Young Memorial Library

704-487-9069

104 Howie Dr., Shelby, NC 28150

Spangler Branch Library

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112 Piedmont Dr., Lawndale, NC, 28090

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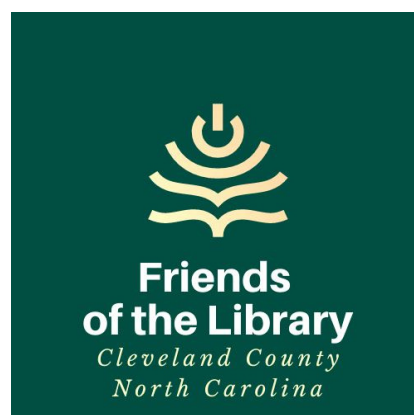
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Library Director



Letter from the Director

During the Fall and Winter of 2022-2023, the library is planning for a return of bookmobile service to parts of upper and lower Cleveland County. Some towns which had not previously received bookmobile services that are not close to a physical library branch location, will be able to check-out and return items at a location close to their homes. The Friends of the library fundraising campaign to help raise money to purchase the bookmobile and outfit the bookmobile with technology that will truly make the bookmobile a "mobile library" is ongoing through the Spring and Summer of 2023. Rolling for Reading will enable the library to offer workforce development programming and mobile Makerspace programs to rural parts of upper and lower Cleveland County. The mobile library is projected to begin in the Fall and Winter of 2023.



During the Winter of 2023, the library will offer some new initiatives to increase literacy for children and adults. Reading for Fines, which will begin in January 2023, and run through March of 2023, will provide an opportunity for customers to reduce their fines by reading. Customers can have their outstanding balances reduced by twenty dollars by participating in the Reading for Fines program during the Winter for 2023.

With the opening of the library system's first teen space in late Fall, early Winter of 2022 - 2023, the library will now expand on the offering of programs for tweens and teens in Cleveland County.

"Outreach services connect our rural and urban neighbors"

Library Director, Wright R. Adams

Making our Community Better

Board of Elections

For questions regarding Early Voting and General Election Day, give us a call at 704-484-4858 or visit our website at www.clevelandcounty.com/boardofelections

The Cleveland County Board of Elections oversees all elections in Cleveland County including those for the fifteen municipalities in the county. The Board operates under the general supervision of the State Board of Elections, has quasi-judicial and policy making authority over all aspects of elections and voter registration in Cleveland County.

The principal functions of the office include voter registration, candidate filing, establishing election precincts and voting sites, appointing and training precinct officials, preparing and distributing ballots, maintaining voting equipment, canvassing and certifying the ballots cast in Cleveland County, candidate campaign finance compliance and providing public information on elections and voting procedures.

The upcoming November 8, 2022 General Election will see 170 hours of voting for Cleveland County residents. This requires the Board to recruit and train 300 employees to fully staff three early voting locations and 21 election day polling sites.

Early voting will begin on Thursday, October 20, at the H. Lawrence Patrick Senior Center 909 E. King St Kings Mountain, NC 28086, the Eugenia H. Young Memorial Library 104 Howie Dr. Shelby, NC 28150, and the Boiling Springs Town Hall 114 East College Ave Shelby, NC 28152, from 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Monday - Friday, and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday October 29, and Sunday, October 30, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.



Electronic Resources Offered by the Library



Hoopla is a streaming service that lets you instantly borrow eBooks, audiobooks, comics, music, movies & TV - 24/7 and FREE with your library card. Items are always available, so there's no waiting! Items can be streamed or downloaded on a computer, Android, Apple, Roku, Amazon Fire or Chromecast device. You can find the link for Hoopla on the virtual library page of the library's website.

My hoopla

You have 20 Flex Borrows remaining right now.

Recommended For You

<p>Wait List</p> <p>Audiobook A Court of Thorns and Roses Sarah J. Maas</p>	<p>Wait List</p> <p>Audiobook The Fellowship of the Ring J. R. R. Tolkien</p>	<p>Wait List</p> <p>Audiobook The Hobbit J. R. R. Tolkien</p>	<p>Wait List</p> <p>Audiobook The Screwtape Letters C. S. Lewis</p>	<p>Wait List</p> <p>Audiobook Outlander Diana Gabaldon</p>	<p>Wait List</p> <p>Audiobook The Two Towers J. R. R. Tolkien</p>
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Popular Ebooks

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If you would like assistance, the library staff is happy to help you find the resources you're looking for.

Rolling for Reading

Donating to the Friends of the Library will make this future Mobile Library that will serve both upper and lower Cleveland County a reality.



You may mail a check to:

Friends of the Library

P O Box 3043

Shelby NC 28151-3043

o

Paypal to

friendsofccl81@gmail.com



CHILDRENS PROGRAMS

Tuesday, November 15, 4:30 pm



Bright Star Touring Theatre Presents: Cherokee Tales

The Cherokee People have a rich history of myths, legends and folktales explaining everything from the creation of the world to how the plants and animals around us came to look and behave the way they do today. This play introduces young audiences to the Cherokee People through a series of fun and engaging stories. Developed in partnership with the Cherokee Historical Association, this play is a great way to introduce young audiences to the Cherokee people.

Monday, November 28 - December 12

Disguise a Gingerbread Man

Gingerbread man keeps running from everyone in the story so here is your chance to help him make a getaway.

Begins: Monday, November 28, 2022

Art piece due date: Monday, December 12, 2022

1. Take a copy of a Gingerbread Man Template Paper.
2. Design with art supplies of your choice.
3. Return to both library locations by Monday, December 12, 2022.



Tuesday, January 10, 4:30 p.m.

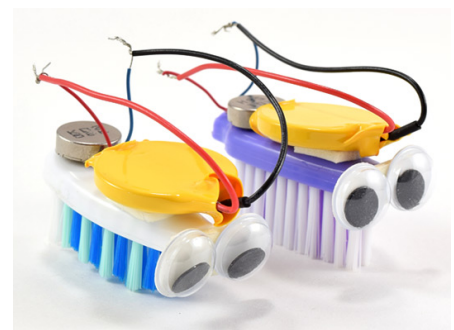
Winter Wonderland

Join us for science and crafts that have all to do with our coldest season.

Tuesday, January 24, 4:30 p.m.

Bristlebots

Are you ready to make your own bot using a toothbrush? Join us to create your own unique bristlebot bug.



TEEN PROGRAMS

Thursday, November 17, 5:30 p.m.

Honey Heist

Are you a fan of Dungeons & Dragons - or curious about role playing games?
Join us for one-off campaign with bears and a heist



Thursday, December 6, 5:30 p.m.

Keep Calm and Relax On

Need a brain break? Join us for an evening of relaxing activities and a visit from a therapy dog.



Thursday, January 19, 5:30 p.m.

Cozy Comforts

Join us for a simple hand sewing project to create your own microwavable heating pad.



ADULT PROGRAMS



Tuesday, November 8, 5 p.m. Painted Votive Leaf Lanterns
Come and create a hand painted votive leaf lantern to use as a fall season and/or Thanksgiving decoration.

Monday November 14, December 12, January 9, at 5:30 p.m.
Coffee and Classics Book Club

Join us for coffee and discussion of classic literature every second Monday.



Tuesday, November 15, 5:30 p.m. "I Can't Believe I Made Butter"

Join us for a fun night of making and tasting homemade butter. Patrons may choose between cinnamon and brown sugar, salted butter, garlic with italian seasoning, and crushed red pepper flake.



Thursday December 8, 5:00 p.m. Holiday Embroidery
Join us for a special embroidery session. We will use basic stitches to create a holiday themed project! *****Registration required*****



ADULT PROGRAMS

January 1st- February 28th - Winter Reading Bingo

Complete a reading bingo card and return it to the library by February 28th for a chance to win a reading themed prize!



January 3rd-January 21st-Cake Decorating Contest

Come to the library and check out a cake pan of your choice. Take the pan home to bake and decorate a cake, then submit a picture of the decorated cake to enter the contest. Photos will be placed on the library's website where members of the community will vote on their favorite cake. The patron with the most votes will receive a Nordic Ware 6 cup Snowflake Cake Pan.

Thursday, January 19, 5:30 p.m. Budgeting Basics

Join as we discuss how to create a budget, understand your expenses, and set financial goals.



ALL AGES/FAMILY PROGRAMS



Tuesday December 6, 4:30 p.m. Family Holiday Crafting
Join us for holiday crafting for all ages!

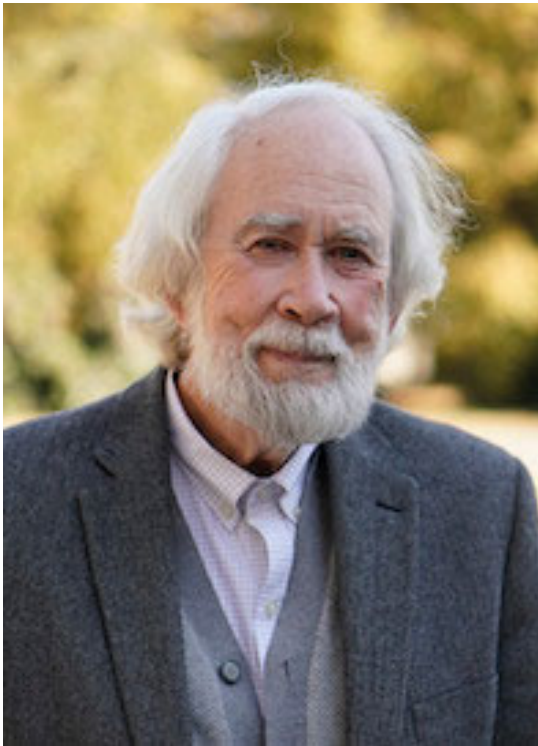


Thursday January 12, 5:00 p.m. Family Disney Trivia
Join us for a fun night of trivia, prizes, and fun!

MEET
THE
AUTHORS
AT
EUGENIA H. YOUNG

The Watergate Secret

November 7, 5:30 p.m.



North Carolina author and professor, Dr. Joseph Webb, discusses the Watergate scandal, the secret of Deep Throat, and the history surrounding these events in connection with his book. Dr. Webb is a Professor of Communication Studies at Gardner Webb University in Boiling Springs, North Carolina.

ADULT PROGRAM

The Importance of History

February 11, 11:00 a.m.

Local mentor, lecturer, consultant, and author of *Makeda: Queen of Sheba*, Ron Harrill, will discuss the importance of studying history. Harrill has served as a community coordinator in Cleveland County, NC for education purposes. He is actively engaged in building community-based groups that serve the needs of children and their families. He currently serves on the Cleveland County United Way Board of Directors. He has served as a member of the Cleveland County Schools Closing the Achievement Gap Advisory Committee and he also served as a member and past chairman of The Cleveland County Arts Council.



INTERGENERATIONAL
PROGRAM

UPCOMING
EVENT



Reading For Fines



During the Winter months of 2023, the library is pleased to offer a program to reduce your fines. Adults, Teens and Children, can have up to \$20 of their fines reduced by reading for two hours. Come into the library this Winter: **It pays to Read!**



EVENTS AT SPANGLER

Join us for more community events for children, teens, and adults of Upper Cleveland County!

Monday, November 7, 10 a.m. STEAM Club-Marble Run (School Age)
Engineer a marble run using recyclable materials. All supplies will be provided.

Tuesday, November 15, 4 p.m. LEGO Club-Build Bridges
Do you like LEGOS? Come to our LEGO Club! Our 'Build Challenge' this month is LEGO Bridges. How many Engineer test attempts will we need?

Saturday, January 21, 11:00 a.m. Eco Explore:The Study of Birds-Ornithology

What makes a bird a 'bird'? Learn and discover how to identify by sight and sound the birds you see in the sky from a Retired Park Ranger and Enthusiast.

Tuesday, January 10, 4:00 p.m. Whodunit? Mystery Puzzles
Can you be a Detective and solve what happened? Try to find who did it by cracking a code and putting the facts together.

Monday, November 21, December 19, January, 16, 10:00 a.m. Sit & Stitch Club

Join us with your current stitching project. Any kind of needlework: knitting, crocheting, quilting, cross stitch, etc. Novice, experienced or in-between welcome.



112 Piedmont Drive
Lawndale, NC 28090

MEET THE STAFF

Cleveland County Library
System



Todd

Outreach and Community Engagement Manager--
Eugenia H. Young Memorial Library

What kind of books do you read?

I like history and biography the very best, but I also like historical fiction, science fiction and mysteries.

What did you study in school?

My parents were history teachers and I followed in their footsteps getting a Social Science education degree and a Masters in education in Social Sciences. I later went back to get a Masters in School Administration.

What are your favorite hobbies?

My favorite hobbies include hiking, camping, and fishing which we do a lot of in my son's Scout Pack and Troop. My friends, my wife, and I are section hiking the Appalachian Trail. I also enjoy keeping a small garden, keeping bees, chess, and amateur radio.

As a child, what did you want to be when you grew up?

I always wanted to be a teacher and my parents took me to many historical sites growing up. I love helping others learn and find new information.

What would your theme song be?

May We All - Tim McGraw

What was your first or strangest job?

My first real job was working at Kmart and I really loved it. I worked mainly in Sporting Goods and a little bit in automotive. I learned a lot and worked with great people. My strangest job was for sure being a resident assistant in the dorm in college!

What author (living or dead) would you like to meet?

This is a hard one! I think I would have liked to have sat down with Shelby Foote, but Ernest Hemmingway would be a close second!

What is your favorite library?

While I have never gotten the chance to go there, I would love to see the New York City Public Library.



Adriene

Adult Services Manager-- Eugenia H. Young
Memorial Library

What kind of books do you read?

I enjoy reading fiction and nonfiction about Appalachia

What did you study in school?

I studied English and Library Science

What are your favorite hobbies?

I enjoy camping, hiking, and writing

As a child, what did you want to be when you grew up?

A writer.

What would your theme song be?

Everything is Awesome (LEGO Movie)

What was your first or strangest job?

One of my first jobs was running a table for the local arts council each week during their summer music festival. The music and food made it memorable.

What author (living or dead) would you like to meet?

Jesse Stuart

What is your favorite library?

It's a tie between my hometown library from childhood or the British Library.

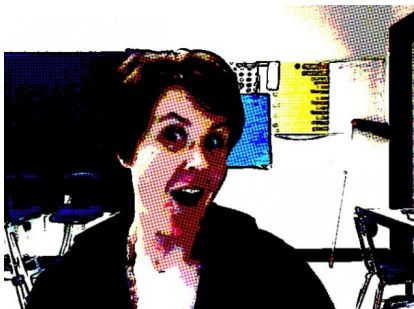
Department Highlight

TEEN SERVICES

Through a grant from the Blanton Foundation and the Friends of the Cleveland County Library System, we are constructing the first space dedicated to providing teen services and programming at the Eugenia H. Young Memorial Library. With the appointment of Bree Dumont as our first Teen Librarian, the Cleveland County Library System has a professional staff member who is passionate about providing STEM, STEAM, and Makerspace programming for teens.

Bree and Jenna Clayton will provide enrichment programming for teens in the new teen space at the Eugenia H. Young Memorial Library and the Spangler Branch, in addition to working with the library's Outreach and Community Engagement team to provide programming at schools and local community centers.

The teen space is scheduled for completion by early Winter 2022-2023. Please follow us on social media to watch as the construction of the teen space takes shape.



Bree Dumont, Teen Librarian

Upcoming Teen Programs



Thursday, November 3, 5:30 p.m. Dino-Terrariums

Join us as we create terrariums for dinosaurs using a variety of flora and fauna - dinosaurs will be small - and plastic.



Thursday, January 5, 5:30 p.m. Magnetically Speaking

Join us to create shrinky dink magnets for the locker or the refrigerator at home.

The Earl Scruggs Center

Cleveland County in Focus: The Photography of Ellis Studio Special Exhibit on display through December 30, 2022

Photographs presented in the exhibition examine life and culture in Cleveland County throughout the 1950s, a decade of economic growth, progress, and development for the community. The exhibition also examines the social and cultural structure of the county during this time.

Cost: Free

Photos courtesy of the Earl Scruggs Center



Musical Explorations Beginner Guitar Saturday, November 5 10:30 a.m.

This ukulele experience class is an introductory group lesson for young beginners. The class will teach chord charts and melodies using tablature. Instruments are provided.

Instructor: Justin Harper
Cost: Free

Newberry and Verch Holiday Cheer Concert Thursday, November 15, 6:00 p.m.

Join us for this special holiday concert with Joe Newberry and April Verch. Lively fiddle and banjo numbers combine with traditional dance steps to illustrate happy times when people made their own fun at the holidays, all year long. Make your holiday concert list, and check it twice....Newberry and Verch are coming to town.

Cost: \$25

The Earl Scruggs Center

Coffee with the Curator

Wednesday, November 16, 10:30 a.m.

Do you enjoy local history? Grab your coffee and join us Wednesday, November 16, at 10:30 am for Coffee with the Curator in the Great Hall. Our curator, Zach Dressel, will facilitate a discussion on a topic relating to our county's history and present items from the Cleveland County Historical Collection.

Cost: Free



Musical Explorations Beginner Banjo

Saturday, December 3, 10:30 a.m.

Join us for the beginner banjo experience. Instructor Justin Harper will give young learners beginner playing instruction. Instruments are provided.

Instructor: Justin Harper

Cost: Free

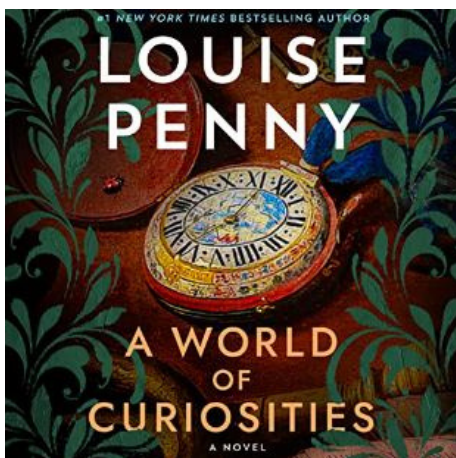
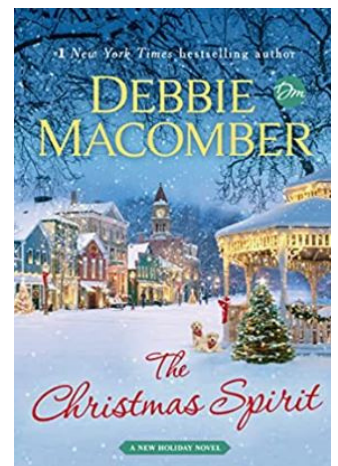
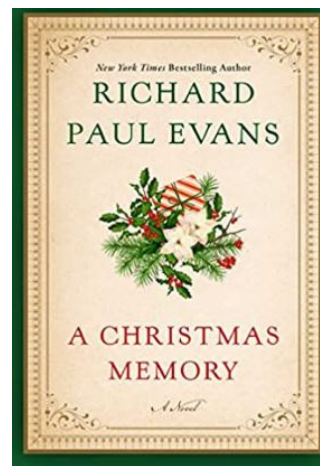
Debbie Recommends...

SEASON'S READINGS

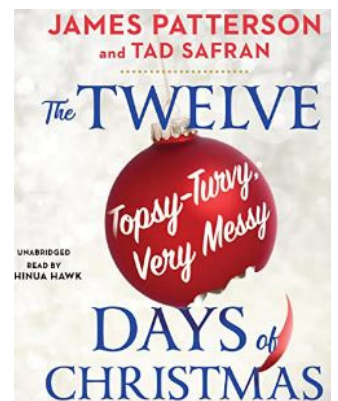
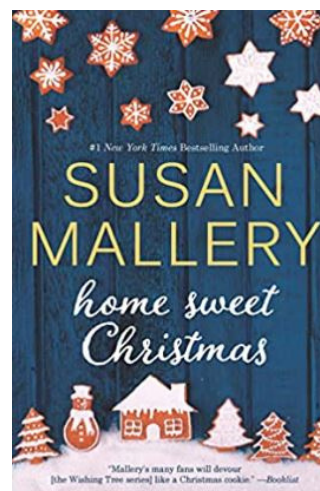


Nothing can replace the cozy feeling you get when there's a chill in the air and you're lost in a really good book. Inspired by incredible true stories of courage and sacrifice, Pam Jenoff's **Code Name Sapphire** is a powerful novel about love, family and the unshakable resilience of women in even the hardest of times.

Some books that may put you in the spirit for Christmas are **Christmas Memory** by Richard Paul Evans, **Christmas Spirit** by Debbie Macomber, **Home Sweet Christmas** by Susan Mallery and **The Twelve Topsy Turvy Very Messy Days of Christmas** by James Patterson.

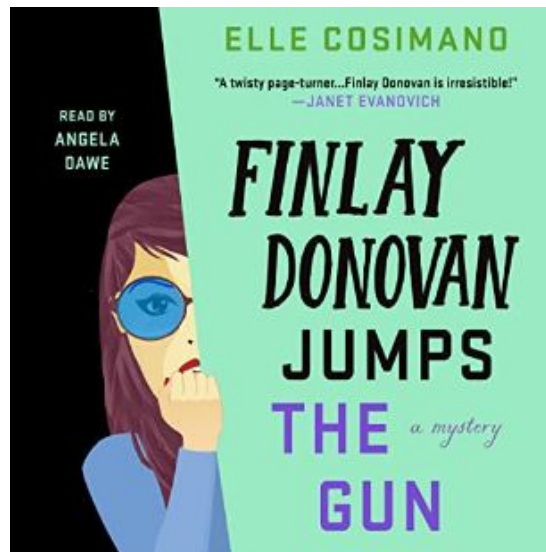


Louise Penny readers will be happy to read her new book **World of Curiosities** coming out in November.

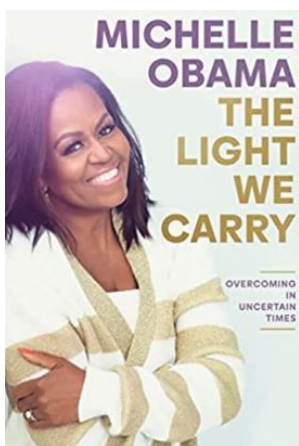


Debbie Recommends...

Finlay Donovan fans will enjoy Elle Cosimano's next installment, **Finlay Donovan Jumps the Gun**. "Fresh, heartfelt and witty, Finlay Donovan Jumps the Gun is a twisty page-turner, and its relatable heroine Finlay Donovan is irresistible!" —Janet Evanovich,



NON-FICTION

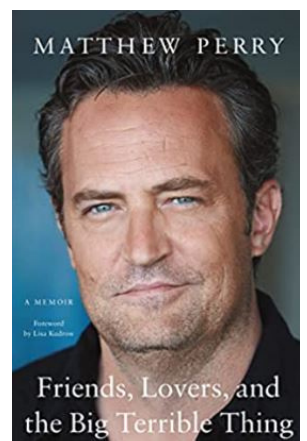


The Light We Carry by Michelle Obama

Obama's last book, the memoir *Becoming*, was the biggest book the year it was released. This follow-up discusses how to remain positive and hopeful in a world filled with uncertainty and pain.

Friends, Lovers, and the Big Terrible Thing by Matthew Perry

It has been 18 years since the last episode of Friends aired, and since the first episode, the cast has been subject to nonstop coverage in the tabloids, even today. Perry will become the first of the cast to release a memoir.





Events held by Cleveland County Arts Council located at
111 S. Washington St., Shelby, NC 28150

October 13 - November 3 , “Mystery Masterpieces
Exhibit”

October 13, 5-7pm, Opening Reception

October 13, 4-7pm, “Artist Pop-Up” Event on the Court
Square

October 7 & 8, “Foothills Quilters Guild Exhibit”

Nov. 5, 10-4pm, “Carolina Pottery Festival @ the
LeGrand Center, \$6

Nov. 17 - Dec. 23, ”Handmade for the Holidays”

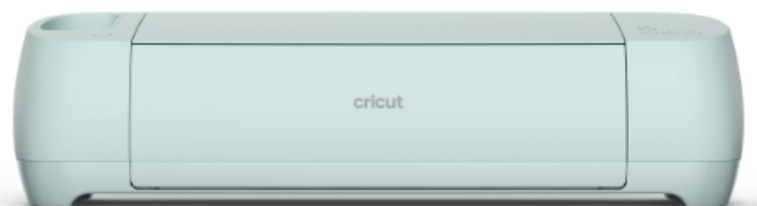
Feb. 9 - March 22, “Treasures of the Earth Pottery” Show
& Sale

Feb. 9, 5-7pm, Opening Reception

March 9th, 10-2pm, “Bowling for Dollars”

ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Are you passionate about helping the library provide services and programs in your community? Then learn more about volunteering at the Eugenia H. Young Memorial Library and the Spangler Branch. Today's library is so much more than just books!



Visit us on Facebook or call 704-487-9069 to volunteer.



Eugenia H. Young Memorial Library

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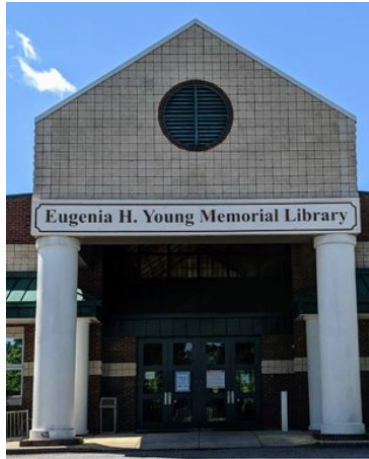
Friday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Sunday: CLOSED

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Spangler Branch Library

Monday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Tuesday & Wednesday 2 p.m. - 6
p.m.

Thursday: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Friday: Closed

Saturday: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Sunday: CLOSED

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