

# This Week @ Your Library

Dec 12-18, 2020

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## Festive Light Bulb Upcycling DIY

*Throughout December*

Want to try a fun and easy upcycling craft? Turn your burned-out light bulbs – smaller bulbs work best, ideally nightlight-sized



[C7] or small, vintage candle-type [C9, C11, or CA5] – into festive holiday decorations! When you register, you supply the bulb, and the kit will have everything else. To participate, send an email with the subject line 'Light Bulb DIY' to [share@catawbacountync.gov](mailto:share@catawbacountync.gov), including your name and the library location where you'd like to pick up your kit.

## 2020 Memories

*Throughout December*

The past year has been dramatically different than any other in our memories. We've all been literally living through history that has yet to be written. The library would like to play a part in preserving your experiences of this time for posterity. We present for you two options – do either or both:



### • Haiku 2020

Translate your experience of the past year and the pandemic into the form of a haiku poem (a total of 17 syllables, divided into three lines, respectively, with five, seven, and five syllables). Poems

will be displayed in a gallery on Facebook and in an exhibit in the Newton Library. Submit your poem electronically or in person, with a signed waiver.

### • Your 2020 Story

Share your memories long-form by letting the library create a private, one-on-one Zoom recording of your recollections to be preserved in our Local History collection. We'll get you started by asking a few questions: 1) What is your most striking memory from this past year? 2) How was your life different this year? 3) Did you have to cope with aloneness? 4) If you were to give some advice to your children/grandchildren/the future, based on what you learned this year, what would it be?

The waiver is located on the 'Arts @ the Library' page of our website. Send poems, waivers, and requests for a recording session to [share@catawbacountync.gov](mailto:share@catawbacountync.gov) or turn in poems to any library location. The Facebook gallery and Newton exhibit will be presented in January.

### Virtual STRONG Fitness with Honey & Jossiah

*Saturday, December 12 at 9 am*

Get in shape with this class's high-intensity interval training, which relies on body weight, muscle conditioning, and cardio and plyometric moves. Every squat, lunge, and burpee is driven by original music to help you burn calories while toning arms, legs, abs, and glutes! Join at <https://zoom.us/j/723012922> or at [www.facebook.com/ZumbaWithHmongSibs/](https://www.facebook.com/ZumbaWithHmongSibs/). Meets every Saturday.

### Ornament Share Zoom Program

*Saturday, December 12 at 3 pm*

Enjoy this all-ages program where we'll share how we're decorating round wooden ornaments! We'll introduce a couple of STEAM techniques and also invite attendees to share their

own designs or simply check out what others have created. Request a kit at your local branch; each one includes 4 ornaments to decorate. 1 kit per family/household, please. To sign up, visit <https://tinyurl.com/cclsornamentshare>.

### Family Santa Visit at Newton Library

*Monday, December 14 from 4-6 pm*

Santa is coming to the Newton library! We'll be hosting safe Santa visits by appointment only. Please sign up for a time slot at [www.signupgenius.com/go/4090948a8aa2cabf49-santas](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090948a8aa2cabf49-santas).



You only need to make a reservation once per family, not once per child. If the available spots fill up online, call Newton at 828.465.8665 to be put on the waitlist.

### Virtual Zumba with Honey & Jossiah

*Monday, December 14 at 6 pm*

This fun dance workout is appropriate for every skill and ability level and open to anyone 14+ (parental signature required for teens under 18). Use this Zoom link (<https://zoom.us/j/189229946>). Meets every Monday.



### El Camino Hacia La Universidad: Solicitudes y cómo pagar la universidad

*Lunes 14 de diciembre a las 6 pm*

En este taller nos enfocaremos en las solicitudes de ingreso y asistencia económica para ir a la universidad. Los temas incluyen: cómo solicitar entrar a la universidad, como solicitar asistencia económica, términos básicos en ayuda financiera, becas y tendremos tiempo de platicar con los participantes sobre dudas sobre el ingreso a la universidad y asistencia financiera para ir a la universidad a través de subvenciones, prestamos y becas. Para más información y obtener el enlace contacte a Soraya en [splace@catawbacountync.gov](mailto:splace@catawbacountync.gov). Programa presentado en español.

**St. Stephens Digital Book Club***Monday, December 14 at 6:30 pm*

For this discussion, participants will have the chance to talk about any book they've read with a green cover. Find the Facebook group here: [www.facebook.com/groups/St.StephensBookClub/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/St.StephensBookClub/).

**The Office Trivia Night***Tuesday, December 15 at 6 pm*

Think you're Catawba County's 'top dog' on Dunder Mifflin and its cast of zany-yet-lovable office workers? This is your chance to prove it!



Put on your most condo-appropriate attire, get your snacks and beverages ready, and join us to compete against fellow OfficeHeads in a trivia battle royale. Send an email to [share@catawbacountync.gov](mailto:share@catawbacountync.gov) to receive the Zoom invitation. Play solo or in a team of two or more.

**First Chapter Tuesdays***Tuesday, December 15 at 6:30 pm*

This young adult book club meets every first and third Tuesday via Zoom. We'll read the first chapter of a different young adult book and have a discussion to introduce teens to new authors, different genres, and books in general. This session's book is *You Should See Me in a Crown* by Leah Johnson. Register by visiting <https://tinyurl.com/FCTCrown> or emailing [tqintos@catawbacountync.gov](mailto:tqintos@catawbacountync.gov).

**Meet Our New Tablets***Wednesday, December 16 at 6 pm*

Did you know that the library lends Wi-Fi-enabled Samsung tablets that also come with a set of preloaded apps? Join us to learn how to borrow and use one of the tablets. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/cclstablets> to receive the Zoom link that morning.

**Live Preschool Storytime via Zoom***Thursday, December 17 at 10 am*

Gather the kids and join us for a live, interactive preschool storytime! This family-friendly virtual event will include singing, reading, finger plays, and lots of your favorite activities! Please register at <https://tinyurl.com/CatawbaThursdayStorytime>. You'll receive the registration confirmation and Zoom link in your email.

**LIVE Library to Go in Catawba***Thursday, December 17, 10 am-2 pm*

The Library to Go will be visiting the Town of Catawba on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month at Redeemer Lutheran Church (200 South Main St).

To ensure safety, we're asking visitors to make their stops brief, to sanitize their hands as they come in, and to wear a mask while in the building. We'll be taking temperatures at the door and will have extra masks and hand sanitizer for everyone to use.

**First Flight: Family STEAM Program***Thursday, December 17 at 4 pm*

Join us to commemorate the Wright Brothers' first flight. We'll feature planes from the Hickory Aviation Museum and host a live Zoom session where we'll build together a replica of the Wright Brothers' 1900 glider. Paper airplane designs may also be involved! Register at <https://tinyurl.com/FirstFlightFamily>. Make sure you pick up a kit with all the supplies you'll need from any library branch.

**Virtual Zumba with Honey & Jossiah***Thursday, December 17 at 5:30 pm*

This online class is appropriate for every skill and ability level and has the added convenience of being done from your own home! Use this Zoom link (<https://zoom.us/j/189229946>) or locate it at [www.facebook.com/ZumbaWithHmongSibs/](https://www.facebook.com/ZumbaWithHmongSibs/). Meets every Thursday.

**Upcoming! Hearts & Minds OLBC***Thursday, February 18 at 5:30 pm*

This OnLine BookClub has a focus on health and wellness. We'll meet on Zoom to discuss Stephanie Butland's *The Curious Heart of Ailsa Rae*. Make yourself a cup of tea or coffee and settle in with the rest of us to talk about this novel and its themes of life, loss, love, and living. Send an email to [share@catawbacountync.gov](mailto:share@catawbacountync.gov) to receive the Zoom invitation.

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**In-Person, Outdoor Tai Chi***Tuesday, December 15 at 3 pm*

Join Dr. George Place, director of the Cooperative Extension, for an outdoor session of tai chi at Bakers Mountain Park (6680 Bakers Mountain Road, Hickory, NC 28602), where you'll learn to improve your well-being and balance, both physically and emotionally. To participate, please call 828.465.8247.

**Santa Letters and Kindness Bingo***Through December 31*

Head to downtown Newton to create a joyful holiday season! Outside Refuge Designs (24A E 1st St) you'll find a box with Santa Letter templates and a Kindness Bingo sheet. If you complete 10 or more acts of kindness, bring your sheet by the Newton Library or share it with the Downtown Newton Development Association on Facebook for a chance to win Downtown Dollars. We'll draw a winner the first week of January! This project is in partnership with the Downtown Newton Development Association.

**SUFFRAGE: Hickory Museum of Art***Through January 24, 2021*

This exhibit celebrates the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment. Six regional artists display artwork that responds to themes associated with the women's suffrage movement, and a special series of panels created by CVCC graphic design students traces the movement's milestones. Also shown is an installation called *The Feminist To Do List* by fiber artist Susan Lenz. Its 42 vintage quilt blocks feature civic-minded call-to-action phrases. Collaborators include the Historical Association of Catawba County, the Catawba County Library System, the League of Women Voters, and the United Arts Council of Catawba County.

**PROGRAM REGISTRATION**

By scanning this QR Code with the camera app of your smartphone, you'll open an Internet browser and will be directed to our online events calendar. Then, simply click on any program name to find a link that will allow you to register online!

**PROJECT KITS FOR PICK-UP**

These kits are available for pick-up at any library branch.

- **First Flight: Family STEAM**  
*December 1-17*
- **Festive Light Bulb Upcycling DIY**  
*December 1-30*