

# This Week @ Your Library

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## Library Programs

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### Contribute to Our Seed Library Ongoing

Help us build a seed library, where the community can exchange seeds for free! We'll accept viable seeds at all locations during their standard business hours, and heirlooms are especially welcome. Please package and label any donations you drop off. The seed swap collection will be available to the public on March 20 and will be housed at the Main Library in Newton. Seeds are subject to availability and cannot be reserved.



### LIVE Zumba with Honey & Jossiah

Monday, March 15 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). Classes are held outdoors in the lower parking lot of the Newton Library. In the event of rain, join the virtual session with this Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87120563944?pwd=S09kaEVkd0dydm1VYVW14WnVUZG9sUT09>. Then enter the meeting ID: **871 2056 3944** and follow it with the passcode: **Dance**. [Please note that this word is case-sensitive. Enter it exactly as shown.] You can also visit [www.facebook.com/ZumbaWithHmongSibs/](https://www.facebook.com/ZumbaWithHmongSibs/).



### Seed Saving: Tips & Tricks

Tuesday, March 16 at 5:30 pm

Are you interested in learning more about the process of saving seeds? Join Dr. George Place as he discusses how to propagate and save a variety of seeds from your garden or farm. Register for the virtual program at <https://tinyurl.com/cclsSeedSaving>.

### ESL Class – Intermediate

Tuesday, March 16 at 6 pm

Practice speaking English with us on Tuesday evenings!

We'll spend the first 20 minutes or so on grammar and usage topics and then start our conversations. If you'd like to register for class or get more information about the weekly series that runs through May 2021, please call the Newton branch at 828.465.8664.



### Yoga & Chill

Wednesday, March 17 at 9:30 am

Take time for yourself and join our certified yoga instructor on Zoom for a meditation, some yoga poses, and a brief wellness topic of the month. Registration (and waiver) required at <https://tinyurl.com/ccls-yoga-chill>. Meets every third Wednesday.

### Black History Discussion Group

Wednesday, March 17 at 4 pm

This month we're learning about the rich heritage of Black history and music. Dr. David Cortello, music instructor at CVCC, will join us to field questions and provide background and context for the profound impact of Black Americans in the field of music, reaching back to the country's founding through the mid-20th century. To get a quick background on Black history and music, watch this short documentary: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=whN5PXsrP6E> and then register to attend our discussion on Zoom at <https://tinyurl.com/ccls-bhdg-reg>. We'll send you the Zoom link via email.

### Teen Recipes: Microwave Enchiladas

Wednesday, March 17 at 5:30 pm

April Vigaradt from the NC Cooperative Extension office is presenting a month-long series featuring easy microwave recipes. All programs are 30-minute Zoom sessions, and the library will provide some ingredients for each recipe in weekly kits. (Kits will be available for the first 10 people or households who register for each program.) Teens are also invited to attend the Zoom session and supply their own ingredients if registration is already full.

- March 10: Omelet
- March 17: Enchiladas
- March 24: Chili
- March 31: Chocolate Mug Cake

Teens should register at <https://tinyurl.com/CatCoMicrowave> and can sign up for any or all sessions.

### LIVE Library to Go in Catawba

Thursday, March 18 from 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, and to wear a mask. We'll be taking temperatures at the door and will have extra masks and hand sanitizer for everyone to use.

### Employment Workshop: Expungement

Thursday, March 18 at 10 am

Thanks to a partnership with NCWorks Catawba, we're offering a virtual workshop about expungement. Do you or someone you know qualify? Learn what you need to know about having charges removed from criminal records. To participate, register at <https://tinyurl.com/catawbajobs>. A Zoom link will be sent to you before the day of the workshop.

**Live Preschool Storytime via Zoom***Thursday, March 18 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.

**Spring into Reading STEAM Program: Pi Day***Thursday, March 18 at 4 pm*

Join us to celebrate Pi Day by making a Pi-themed bracelet and learning about circles while blowing bubbles. Participants must register at <https://www.tinyurl.com/SpringIntoReading> to receive the Zoom link and a materials list. **Note:** This is the final STEAM program connected to our youth-targeted Spring Into Reading challenge coordinated through Beanstack.

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**Library to Go at Plaza Latina***Saturday, March 13 from 12-4 pm*

The library's mobile vehicle will be set up at Plaza Latina (1901 Northwest Blvd, Newton), so come by to visit, check out materials, talk about library resources, and learn about upcoming programs. We'd love to see you!

**Virtual Tai Chi***Wednesday, March 17 at 12 noon*

Our lunchtime tai chi class is led by Cooperative Extension director Dr. George Place. The virtual session is designed to help people relax in their homes or offices during a quick half-hour. It also helps promote balance and alleviate the effects of arthritis. To get the Zoom code, check [www.facebook.com/catawbacountylibrarysystem](http://www.facebook.com/catawbacountylibrarysystem) the day of the class.

**Registration**

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**IT'S THE FINAL WEEK!**

Our *Spring Into Reading* challenge ends on the first day of spring (March 20).

The challenge has two parts:

- 1) Kids are asked to read a total of 120 minutes each of the 7 weeks.
- 2) They're encouraged to attend 5 of the 7 virtual STEAM programs.

If they complete the reading challenges and the STEAM program requirements, they'll be entered into a drawing to win a cool, 3-D-printed monster!

To register for the virtual STEAM programs and receive materials lists to participate, visit <https://tinyurl.com/SpringIntoReading>. To log reading time and STEAM attendance, register at <https://catawbacountync.beanstack.org/reader365>.

The STEAM challenges are as follows:

- Week 1: Shadow Puppets
- Week 2: Borax Crystal Snowflakes
- Week 3: Ski Challenge
- Week 4: Save Han Solo
- Week 5: Bug Out Robots
- Week 6: Origami Rainbow Flowers
- Week 7: Pi Day

For details, call 828.465.8665 or visit [www.catawbacountync.gov/library](http://www.catawbacountync.gov/library).

**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!

**Drop-In Help**

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**Homework Helpers****Ongoing**

The 4-H Youth Council is partnering with the library to offer 20-minute time slots for homework and reading assistance.

Elementary and middle school-aged students may drop in on a first-come, first-served basis. Just check in at the circulation desk for guidance when you arrive. Parents must remain in the library during each session.



Participating branches include:

- Newton: Mon & Wed 4-6 pm
- Sherrills Ford-Terrell: Mon 4-6 pm
- Conover: Sat 10 am-12 noon

**Upcoming**

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**Hickory Ballet Storytime: Vivaldi's Four Seasons**

Celebrate the transition to spring by joining the Hickory Ballet & Performing Arts' Youth Company for a performance of Antonio Vivaldi's *Four Seasons* in an outdoor, socially-distanced, interactive storytime. The program by student dancers is open to all ages and to families. The Library to Go will also be set up at the Claremont and Newton events if you'd like to check out books, talk about programs, and more!

Performances are as follows:

- *Saturday, March 20 at 11 am*  
Conover City Park  
361 5th Ave SE, Conover
- *Saturday, March 20 at 3 pm*  
Claremont Town Hall (outside)  
3288 E Main St, Claremont
- *Saturday, April 17 at 11 am*  
Southside Park  
1775 Southwest Blvd, Newton

