

# Children & Family

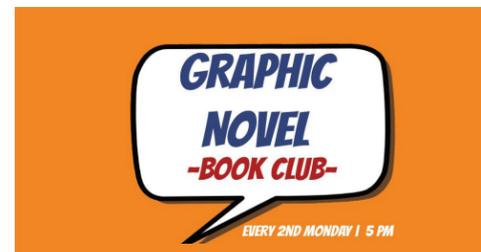
## STEAM Explorers

**Thursday | March 19 | 5 pm**  
Have fun exploring the world around you through science, technology, engineering, art, and math. For children in Grades K-5.

## Family Storytime

**Saturday | March 21 | 11 am**  
Join us at the library for a special family story time. We will celebrate through the sharing of picture books and crafts the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment, which guaranteed and protected women's constitutional right to vote.

# Teens & Tweens



## Graphic Novel Book Club

**Monday | March 9 | 5 pm**  
Enjoy comics or looking to try something new? Teens or tweens who are new to the format or avid readers are invited to join us for monthly discussions and new recommendations. Each month a topic will be chosen to help guide your comic selection. In honor of Women's History Month we encourage you to pick a title featuring your favorite female creators or characters.

# Adults Learning & Wellbeing

## Yo-Yo Skills Clinic and Meetup

**Saturday | March 7 | 11 am**  
Join us at the Ridgeview Branch for a special yo-yo skills performance and clinic courtesy of the NC Yo-Yo Chuckers. Come check out the latest cutting-edge developments from the world of yo-yoing and learn some new tricks! A free yo-yo will be provided to each participant.

## Gaining Computer Skills

**Monday | March 2 | 6 pm**  
Curious about computers? Please join us at the Ridgeview Branch Library to get hands-on practice with the library's computer hardware and software. Learn about different operating systems, how to use a mouse, type with a keyboard, open programs, and use a web browser to go online. If you have specific questions, bring them!

## Home Security Tips and Tricks

**Wednesday | March 4 | 5:30 pm**  
Join officers from the City of Hickory's Police Department to learn the basic steps necessary to securing your home. Have questions about outdoor lighting, landscaping, fencing, camera systems, or other aspects of home security and theft deterrence? They have answers! Come to the Ridgeview Branch Library to get the information you need to feel safe in your home.

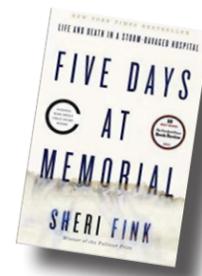
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To register call 828-345-6037

## Women's Day Celebration

**Thursday | March 12 | 6:30 pm**  
Join Friends of Ridgeview Branch Library and Women's Resource Center at their annual awards program and reception to celebrate and honor the contributions of women in our community. Tammera Hill, will be this year's guest speaker. The 2020 Community Service Awardees are Veronica Ballabeni, Mary Ann Crane, Arnita Dula, and Naomi East. This year's event will be held in the Coe Gallery at the Hickory Museum of Art.

## Trivia & Jingo

**Friday | March 13 | 10:30 am**  
Keep your mind active and sharp by taking part in a variety of quizzes, puzzles, and games at the library. Light refreshments are provided.



## The Sojourner Truth Book Club

**Monday | March 16 | 6:30 pm**  
Visit the library to take part in a multicultural book discussion. The book selection for this month is *Five Days at Memorial* by Sheri Fink. This group is open to the public and new members are always welcome.

## Mini Canvas Art <sup>R</sup>

**Thursday | March 19 | 6 pm**  
Let's paint! Get creative and challenge yourself to paint a petite piece of art. All supplies will be provided.

# News & Events

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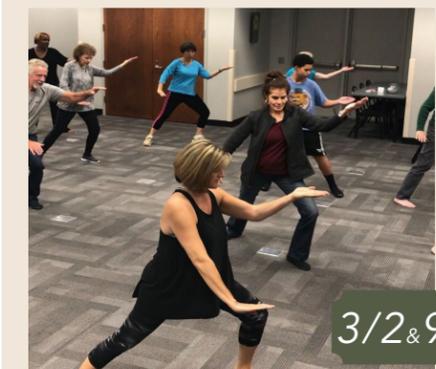
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**Kontras Quartet Rug Concert**  
Wednesday | March 4 | 11 am

A special performance for preschoolers



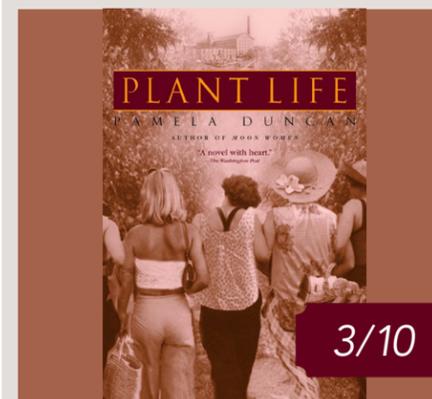
**Easy Tai Chi**  
Mondays | March 2 and 9 | 6:30 pm

Low-impact exercise movements combined with Qi Gong



**Vegetable Gardening for Beginners**  
Thursday | March 12 | 6 pm

Learn the basics of vegetable gardening



**Let's Talk About It Series**  
Tuesdays | March 10 | 6:30 pm

The remaining novel of the series is "Plant Life" by Pamela Duncan.



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Monday | March 2 | 2 pm

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Monday | March 16 | 6:30 pm

**Yello Dyno Child Safety**  
Saturday | March 28 | 11 am

# Children & Family

## Lego Club

**Mondays | 4 - 5 pm**

Kids of all ages enhance their building skills through free play with classic Legos.

## Preschool Story Time

**Tuesdays | 11 am**

Share the joy of children's literature through stories, rhymes and songs for children 3 and up.

## Musical Story Time

**Tuesday | March 3 | 11am**

Storyteller and musician, Sharon Clarke, shares the joy of stories and song for preschoolers.



## Kontras Quartet Rug Concert

**Wednesday | March 4 | 11 am**

A special performance for preschoolers, made possible by the Beaver Family Foundation and Western Piedmont Symphony Orchestra.

## Toddler Story Time

**Wednesdays | 11 am**

Enjoy short picture books, movement and music for children between 18 months and 3 years old.

## Family Story Time

**Thursday | March 19 | 6 pm**

Stories and crafts to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Women's Suffrage and the courageous individuals who fought for their right to vote.

## Paws to Read <sup>R</sup>

*By appointment*

Bring your children to read aloud to a certified therapy dog. It is a fun way for your child to gain confidence and improve reading skills. Call 828-304-0500 or stop by the Children's department.

## Baby Time

**Fridays | 10 am**

Bring your baby to experience this 30-minute language enrichment program for infants and crawlers.



## Dr. Seuss' The Cat in the Hat

**Saturday | March 7 | 11 am & 1 pm**

This Dr. Seuss classic comes to life in front of your eyes with costumes, puppets, music and circus feats that will have you on the edge of your seat. Sigmon Theatrical brings plenty of silliness, audience participation, and even a meet-and-greet with the Cat himself.

## Yello Dyno Child Safety Program

**Saturday | March 28 | 11 am**

The Children's Advocacy and Protection Center of Catawba County will present this non-fearful, musically driven safety program for kids ages 4-7 and their families. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

# Adults Learning & Wellbeing

## Technology Tutoring

Learn to use tablets, smartphones, ebooks or other technology, at a time that fits your schedule. Call 828-304-0500 for an appointment.

## Craft Club

**Mondays | 6 pm**

Join fellow crafters with your latest beading, scrapbooking or, other crafty work-in-progress. All skill levels are welcome to work on personal project or to enjoy the peaceful atmosphere coloring meditational pages provided by the library.

## Senior Trivia and Bingo

**Wednesdays | 9 am**

Come to the mind stimulating trivia games and bingo for seniors in a fun and friendly environment. These activities welcome all levels. Bring a friends and join to meet new people in the community. Sponsored by the Friends of Hickory Public Library.

## Karma Yoga

**Wednesdays | 6 pm**

Bring your yoga mat and wear comfortable clothing to join the beginner yoga and meditation class. No registration is required.

## Introduction to 3D Printing

**Monday | March 2 | 2 pm**

Lean about the process and materials for creating three dimensional objects. This presentation will explain the capacity of creating simple and complex prototypes or personal objects.



## Easy Tai Chi

**Mondays | March 2 and 9 | 6:30 pm**

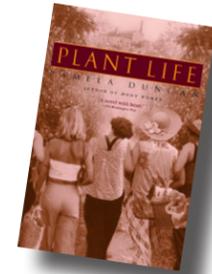
A winter series of Tai Chi Classes with low-impact exercise with a series of martial arts motions combining Qi Gong and breathing. Classes will be led by Diane Christensen, certified Easy Tai Chi Instructor.

## First Friday Local Author

**Friday | March 6 | 12 pm**

Bring lunch to the library to meet a local author at noon the 1st Friday of each month. Local authors will share their path to becoming a published writer. Cathy A. Cook will be speaking this month about her three published books: *Once Upon A Speech* (Kendall-Hunt), *The 11-Fingered Jesus* and, *The Beagle and his Boy*.

To apply as a writer speaker request an application from Linda Campbell at [lcampbell@hickorync.gov](mailto:lcampbell@hickorync.gov)



## Let's Talk About It Series

**Tuesday | March 10 | 6:30 pm**

Join "Let's Talk About It" book discussion series. The program selected is "Altered Landscapes: North Carolina's Changing World." The remaining novel of the series is "Plant Life" by Pamela Duncan.



## Vegetable Gardening for Beginners

**Thursday | March 12 | 6 pm**

Join us to learn about Vegetable Gardening. This presentation, "Vegetable Gardening for Beginners – Get Growing this Season!" will help you learn how you can grow your own fruits and vegetables all year round. Studies show that gardening can improve your health and reduces stress. It allows to become more active, and connect to wonderful people in your community.

## Turn Your Website into a Lead Generator <sup>R</sup>

**Monday | March 16 | 6:30 pm**

The seminar will teach the importance of creating a purposeful website that focuses in user experience and conversion metric that will convey a successful website.



## Irish Dance Program at the SALT Block

**Tuesday | March 17 | 6:30 pm**

Enjoy the St. Joseph School of Irish Dance at the Drendel Auditorium on the SALT Block. This local group will perform traditional dance steps under the direction of Meg Barrett. The performers are students from the Unifour area, ranging from elementary to high school age.



## Enhancing Mental Health with Alternative Treatments <sup>R</sup>

**Wednesday | March 18 | 10 am – 11 am**

Learn about effective alternative treatments that can benefit people managing mental illness.

## The Impact of Chronic Medical Illnesses on the Brain <sup>R</sup>

**Wednesday | March 18 | 11 am -12 pm**

Learn how to manage and support someone with chronic medical illness to overcome emotional and behavioral challenges.

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To register call 828-304-0500

## Introduction to Windows 10 <sup>R</sup>

**Friday | March 20 | 1- 4 pm**

Register for a one-on-one session that will give you a basic overview of Windows 10.

## Women's Suffrage Buttons <sup>R</sup>

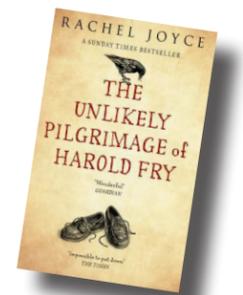
**Monday | March 23 | 6:30 pm**

Join the celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of women's suffrage by making commemorative buttons.

## Remarkable Women of Catawba County

**Tuesday | March 24 | 6:30 pm**

Learn from genealogist Peggy Mainess as she discusses the impact of remarkable women who united to bring culture and education to Catawba County during the early years.



## Open Door Book Club

**Wednesday | March 25 | 3:30 pm**

The selection for March is *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry* by Rachel Joyce.

## What Employers Want: An Employers Perspective

**Monday | March 30 | 6 pm**

Join Mike Willis from NCWorks for a workshop to learn what employers are really looking for in potential employees.

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