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Henderson County Public Library Hosted Early Literacy Workshop

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On Friday, February 3rd, fifty youth services librarians representing seventeen different library systems came to the Henderson County Public Library to share ideas and strategies to encourage early literacy within their communities.

The seminar was spearheaded by Kathy Kirchoefer, Youth Services Coordinator for Henderson County Public Library. “I was thrilled to attend the Supporting Parents in Early Literacy through Libraries (SPELL) Symposium in Denver, Colorado this past September,” said Kathy, “I wanted an opportunity to share that information with my librarian colleagues in North Carolina.”

Kathy presented the SPELL project blueprint she learned from her time in Denver. She was joined by Lauren Leathers and Dede Walton from the local Parents as Teachers program. Things got rowdy when the librarians shared favorite story time songs, actions, rhymes, and stories during the Storytime Show-Offs session. The day ended with a Teen STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) Petting Zoo which included program ideas presented by three youth services librarians and Judi Donofrio from Hands On!

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