

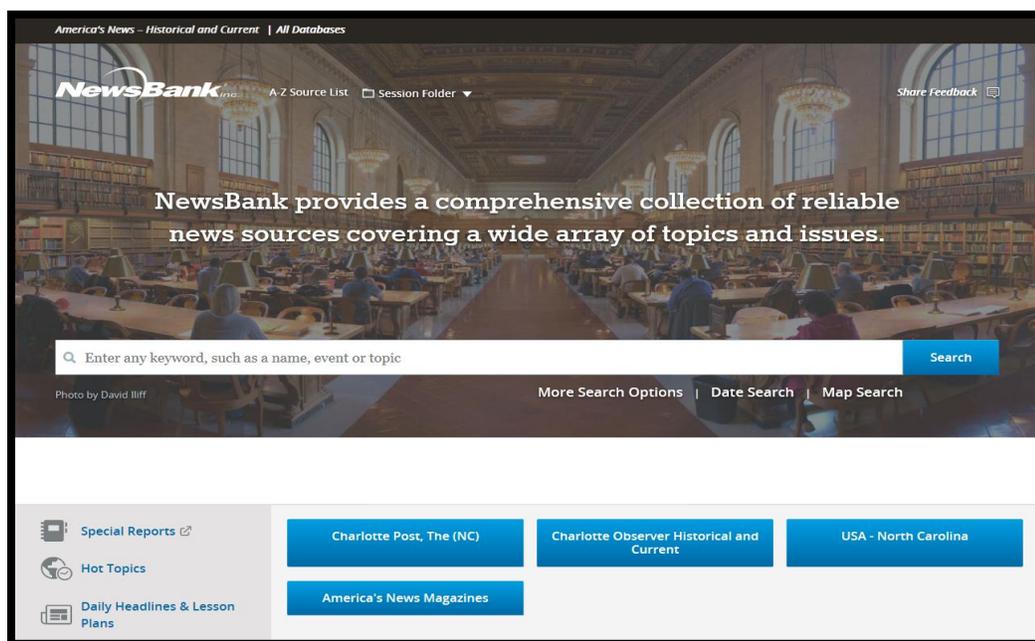
The Charlotte Observer

[THE CHARLOTTE OBSERVER \(Current and Historical Access\)](#)

Newsbank provides Charlotte Mecklenburg Library customers with digital access to **The Charlotte Observer**.

The Charlotte Observer (current and historical access) can be found on the [Resources](#) page of the [Charlotte Mecklenburg Library](#) website.

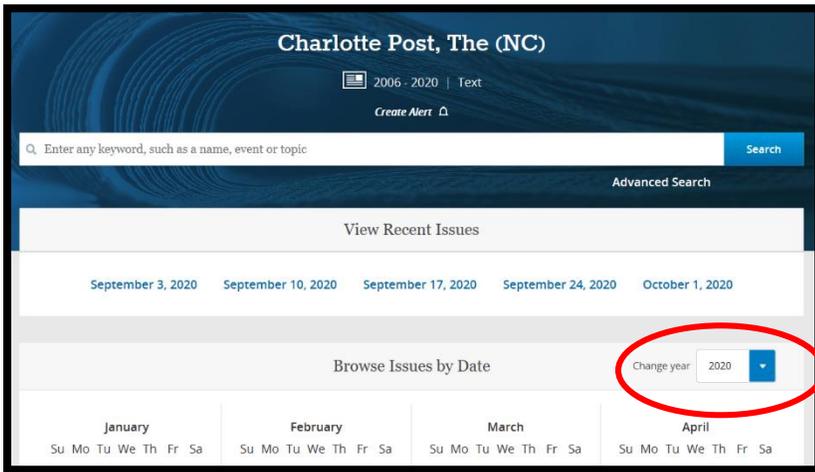
Library customers have access to four newspaper databases. You can choose from “Charlotte Post,” “Charlotte Observer Historical and Current,” “USA – North Carolina,” and “America’s News Magazines.” Databases can be searched separately as well as together. Articles are searchable by name, keyword, or phrase. If you know which database you want to search, click on the blue button that corresponds with the newspaper you are looking for. When inside a database, you can browse by issue date or search for a specific article.



The Charlotte Post

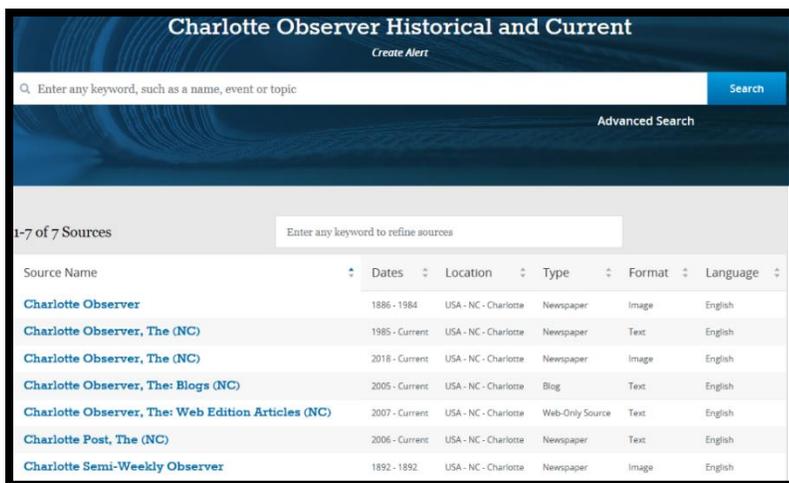
The Charlotte Post is the leading source of news affecting the African-American community in Charlotte, NC.

The Charlotte Post database is a text database that provides access to the text of the articles from The Charlotte Post issues, but it does not include images or display that article as it appeared in print. Content from The Charlotte Post is available from 2006 to current.



Search for articles using the search bar at the top or browse issues by date using the calendar. To change years, select the down arrow beside the year displayed. Click on the year you want to browse. After selecting an issue, news articles from that issue will appear.

The Charlotte Observer Historical and Current



Selecting “Charlotte Observer Historical and Current” allows you to search both the Charlotte Observer Historical archives and current issues.

Search all databases by using the search box at the top of the page. If you want to search a specific date, review the options listed under "Source Name" and click the link to the Charlotte Observer that contains the year you would like to search.

Charlotte Observer Historical and Current includes:

- Charlotte Observer (Historical access, 1886-1984) is an image database.*
- Charlotte Observer, The (NC) is a text database** and provides access from 1985 to the current date.
- Charlotte Observer, The (NC) 2018-current is an image database.* Use this option to view the current daily paper.
- Charlotte Observer: The Blogs (NC) is a text database** that includes all the blogs published by the Charlotte Observer from 2005 to current.
- Charlotte Observer, The Web Edition Articles (NC) are available from 2007 to current.
- Charlotte Post, The (NC) content is available from 2006 to current.
- Charlotte Semi-Weekly Observer (1892-1892).

* Image database: When you view or select a date, phrase, etc. the results will show an image of the article as it appeared in print. Depending on the quality of the scan, some images may be hard to read.

** Text database: A text database provides access to the text of the article, but it does not include images or display that article as it appeared in print.

USA-North Carolina

Source Name	Dates	Location	Type	Format	Language
Charlotte Observer	1886 - 1984	USA - NC - Charlotte	Newspaper	Image	English
Charlotte Observer, The (NC)	1985 - Current	USA - NC - Charlotte	Newspaper	Text	English
Charlotte Observer, The (NC)	2018 - Current	USA - NC - Charlotte	Newspaper	Image	English
Charlotte Observer, The: Blogs (NC)	2005 - Current	USA - NC - Charlotte	Blog	Text	English
Charlotte Observer, The: Web Edition Articles (NC)	2007 - Current	USA - NC - Charlotte	Web-Only Source	Text	English
Charlotte Post, The (NC)	2006 - Current	USA - NC - Charlotte	Newspaper	Text	English
Charlotte Semi-Weekly Observer	1892 - 1892	USA - NC - Charlotte	Newspaper	Image	English
Daily Charlotte Observer	1883 - 1883	USA - NC - Charlotte	Newspaper	Image	English
Daily Journal	1883 - 1883	USA - NC - Charlotte	Newspaper	Image	English
Weekly Charlotte Observer	1892 - 1892	USA - NC - Charlotte	Newspaper	Image	English
Weekly Observer	1892 - 1892	USA - NC - Charlotte	Newspaper	Image	English

Selecting the “USA – North Carolina” database will include everything listed in Charlotte Observer Historical and Current, but also have four other historic editions of the Charlotte Observer: The Daily Charlotte Observer, Daily Journal, Weekly Charlotte Observer, and Weekly Observer.

Unique to USA – North Carolina:

- Daily Charlotte Observer (1883-1883) is an image database. *
- Daily Journal (1883-1883) is an image database. *
- Weekly Charlotte Observer (1892-1892) is an image database. *
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Source Name	Dates	Location	Type	Format	Language
Air & Space	1997 - Current	USA - National	Magazine	Text	English
Ask The Expert: Harvard Health (USA)	2007 - 2016	USA - National	Newsletter	Text	English
Atlantic, The	1994 - Current	USA - National	Magazine	Text	English
Atlantic: Web Edition Articles (USA)	2006 - Current	USA - National	Web-Only Source	Text	English
Baby Talk	1999 - 2013	USA - National	Magazine	Text	English
BioPharm International (USA)	2007 - Current	USA - National	Journal	Text	English
Children's Guide: Harvard Health (USA)	2014 - 2016	USA - National	Newsletter	Text	English
CityLab (USA)	2011 - 2019	USA - National	Web-Only Source	Text	English
Commentary	1998 - 2013	USA - National	Magazine	Text	English
Cosmetic Surgery Times (USA)	2007 - 2012	USA - National	Journal	Text	English

America's News Magazines

If you select “America’s News Magazines,” it will include text editions of 47 American News Magazines. Magazine titles range from *Air & Space* to *Working Mother*.

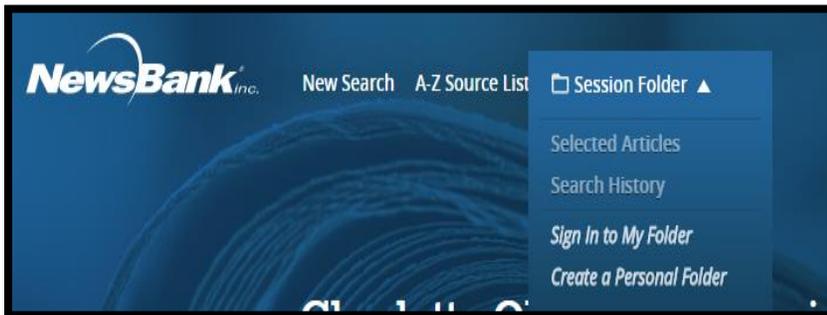
QUICK TIPS

Articles from all Newsbank databases can be printed, saved as PDF, or emailed.

To return to the main menu of databases, click on the  logo.

Creating an Account with Newsbank

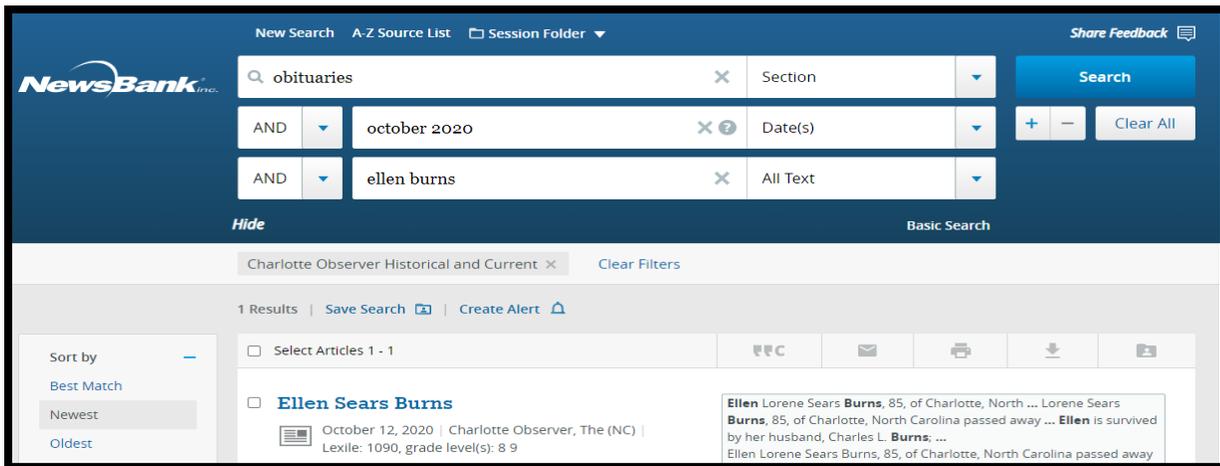
Looking up multiple articles or doing a project and want to keep all your articles in the same place? Create an account with Newsbank and you can save articles to a folder for future reference. Create an account by clicking the down arrow beside “Session Folder” in any database.



Click “Create a personal folder”. Follow the instructions for creating an account. After creating your account, you will see a folder with your name to save articles, searches, and alerts. *It is recommended you sign out of your account when you are finished using Newbank if you are on a shared computer.*

Find an Obituary

Searching for obituaries can be simplified by using the Advanced Search feature in the Charlotte Observer Historical and Current database. It is especially helpful if you are unsure of the spelling of a name or have an incomplete name.

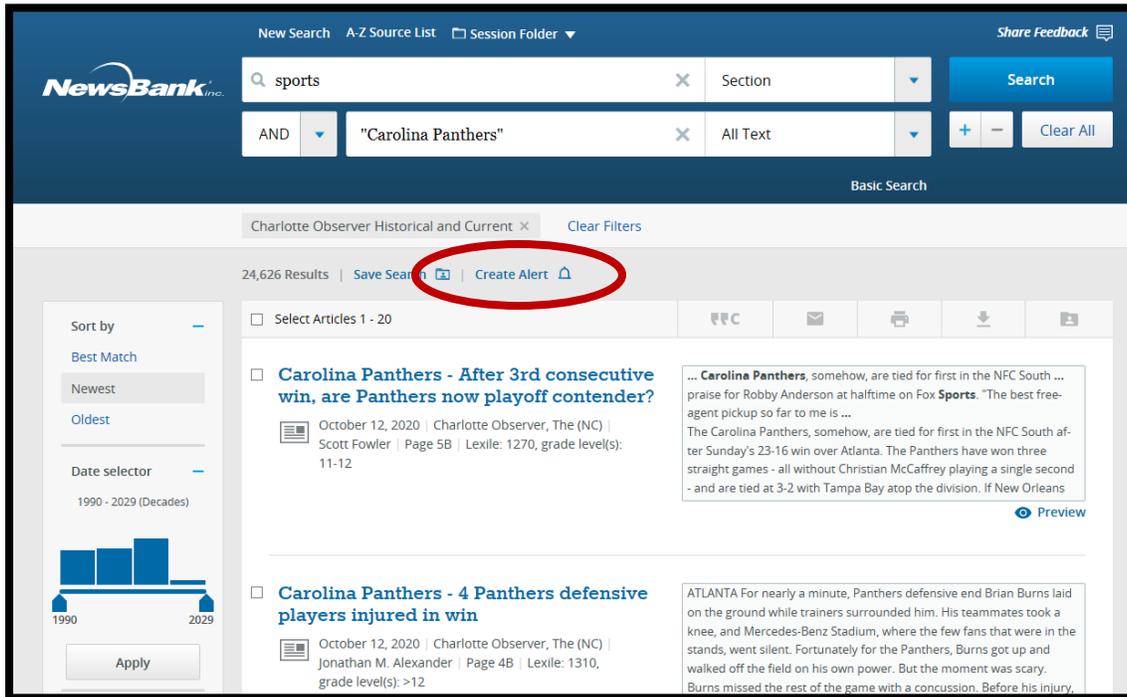


Use the advanced search feature to limit the search to the Obituaries Section. If you do not know the date, you can search a date range. Click the “?” in the text box to see what date formats you can enter. Name information should be search in “all text.”

OTHER FEATURES

Alerts

You can create an alert of any search to be emailed to you. In the example below, a search was created for the text phrase “Carolina Panthers” from the Sports section of the newspaper. After executing the search, click the “Create Alert” link as seen below. Alerts will be sent when new results matching your search criteria become available. Enter your email address and the frequency at which you want alerts.



Special Reports

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