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NEWS



Ron Cromer
and pet Python
Penelope ▶

SNAKES IN THE LIBRARY



Snake Man returns with 15-foot Penelope, more

♣ They're not on a plane — they're... *in the library!*

Or will be, when Ron Cromer, The Snake Man, brings back Penelope the Python and a raft of other reptiles. "Snakes Alive," one of the most popular — and loudest — library programs, will take place at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 27, at the Asheboro library.

It's the grand finale to the Summer Reading Program, which this year focuses pets and is entitled "Paws, Claws, Scales and Tales." The program, sponsored by the Friends of the Library, is free and the public is invited.

In addition to his pet python, Cromer will bring along tamed, harmless reptiles such as box turtles and

a blue tongue skink, and of course snakes — some two dozen including king snakes, rat snakes, corn snakes, hognose snakes, garter snakes and water snakes.

Cromer, a herpetologist, spends about half of his programs focusing on the lives, habits and characteristics of reptiles, hoping to replace fear — especially of snakes — with understanding of and a healthy respect for the creatures. The rest of the presentation is hands-on, and participants have the opportunity to get up close and personal with Cromer's slithery friends.

A "snake free zone" will be provided for anyone who wants to get not so close and less personal.

Find out more about Cromer and friends at www.snakesalive.com.

TWO NEW WAYS TO FIND OUT FAST ABOUT HOLDS, OVERDUES AND DUE DATES!

Get email notices from the library:

- Quick notification about holds and overdues
- Call or come by your local library to sign up, or follow the instructions on the library's website, www.randolphlibrary.org.

Library e-mail notices (above) and Library Elf (see information at right) are separate services. You may use both; sign up for each separately.

Get email notices *Library Elf*:

- Quick notification about holds and overdues
- Due date reminders before items are due
- Manage all the library cards in your family
- Find out more and sign up at www.libraryelf.com.

Note: Library Elf is a third-party service not affiliated with the Randolph County Public Library.

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**from
 the
 director**

by Suzanne Tate



Grant buys caregiver books

♣ During May and June, the library will be displaying books designed to support the many caregivers in the county.

The acquisition of 23 books was made possible with a generous grant of \$300 from the North Carolina Family Caregivers Support Group. The grant was presented by the Rev. John Butler, program developer for the Randolph County Senior Adult Association, in May — designated annually since 1963 as “Older Americans Month.”

Caregiver’s Survival Guide by Kay Strom, *Elder Rage* by Jacqueline Marcell and *Thou Shalt Honor: The Caregiver’s Companion* by Beth McLeod are just a few of the many titles available on the subject of caregiving, the “simple” act which has become an increasingly complex and challenging task.

Titles were selected by Charlotte Routh and Betty Bunting of the library’s Extension Services Department, which provides regular delivery of library materials to the homebound, nursing homes and childcare centers. Betty has been nominated to serve on the Randolph County Aging Services Committee advisory board. Charlotte currently serves on both the Head Start and Randolph County Partnership for Children advisory boards.

All of us will most likely be caregivers at some time in our lives. It is



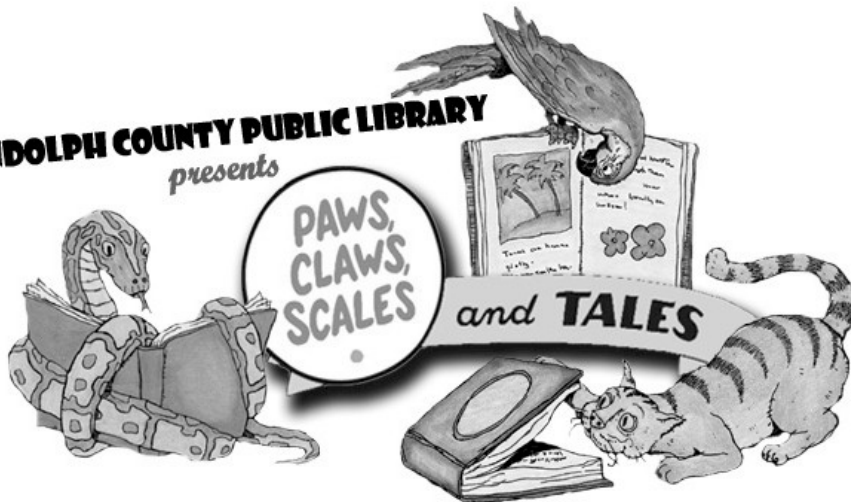
Library Director Suzanne Tate, Extension Services head Charlotte Routh and the Rev. John Butler display three of the books donated in support of family caregivers.

estimated that unpaid family caregivers will continue to be the largest source of long-term care services in the U.S. and are estimated to reach 37 million by 2050. North Carolina, like other states, cannot begin to meet long-term care obligation without contributions from family caregivers.

Caregiving exacts a heavy emotional, physical and financial toll on the provider. Hopefully, these books will answer questions for and provide support to those in need. North Carolina Poet Laureate Kathryn Stripling Byer has written a wonderful poem dedicated to family caregivers entitled “Hands All Around.” You can find this poem on an informative website sponsored by the North Carolina Family Caregivers Support Group at:

www.dhhs.state.nc.us/aging.

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SUMMER READING 2006

Summer Reading continues thru July

The Summer Reading Program continues through the end of July at all seven libraries. Weekly events at the Asheboro library include:

- **Film time**, 10 a.m. Tuesdays;
- **School age storytime**, 3:15 p.m. Tuesdays;
- **All-ages storytime**, 7 p.m. Tuesdays;
- **School-age programs** featuring various exciting presenters, 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays;
- **Toddler storytime**, 10:10 a.m. Thursdays; and



Mark Daniel and friend

- **Pre-school storytime**, 10:30 a.m. Thursdays. Similar events take place at all the libraries; check with your local library for details.

Magician, puppeteer and storyteller **Mark Daniel**, a summer favorite, will visit each library as follows:

Asheboro, 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 12; **Archdale**, 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 18; **Franklinville**, 2 p.m. Thursday, July 13; **Liberty**, 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 11; **Ramseur**, 10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 13; **Randleman**, 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 19; **Seagrove**, 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 11.

Library users are "local traffic only"

♣ **Blocked by a bright orange barricade on your way to the library?**

During road work on Salisbury Street, library users may find barricades in place

on Cox or Main streets where these streets intersect with Worth Street.

In these cases, library users can consider themselves "local traffic" and proceed past the barricades to the library parking lot.

Asheboro Reads

Next up for Asheboro Reads is *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini, 2-3:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 27.

The title for July 25 is *Little Women* by Louisa May Alcott.

Asheboro Reads is the discussion group that meets at the Asheboro library on the last Tuesday of each month. Anyone who wants to talk about the month's book is invited.

Computer class

The Asheboro library's computer classes are now held from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Saturdays.

The one-time, hour-long classes alternate among basic Internet, email, advanced Internet/NC LIVE and word processing.

The classes are free but space is limited. Call the Reference Desk at 318-6800, menu option 4, to sign up.

Book sale

The Friends of the Library book sale will take place from 9-3 p.m. Saturday, June 24, at the Friends Book Store off the Asheboro Public Library parking lot.

Donate your no-longer-needed books to the Friends of the Library Book Sale. Bring them to the sale, or contact the library at 318-6801.

Former Liberty librarian Mary Lovett dies

Mary Matthews Lovett, who became manager of the Liberty Public Library after a career in journalism, died on May 31.

A graduate of the UNC School

of Journalism, she was editor of *The Liberty News* and served as Liberty librarian from 1967-1983.

After retiring, she worked part-time at the Asheboro library.

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