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# NEWS



## ***Kids...***

♣ Mysterious adventures await children who join in this year's Summer Reading Program, "Get a Clue @ Your Library."

Storytimes for toddlers, preschoolers and all ages. Weekly school-age programs. Special events. All will help kids solve summer mysteries through reading.

Special guests include "Top Secret" storyteller Steve Somers and the ever-popular storytelling magician Mark Daniel, both appearing at all libraries, and famed lawman Sheriff Barb Dwire.

Find more inside this newsletter, and sign up at your local library starting June 6 at Archdale and June 11 elsewhere.

## ***Teens...***

♣ "YNK"\* what mysteries you'll find at the library, but one thing's for sure: Teen Summer Reading.

Teens who participate will receive a punch card with a hundred punches. Every ten pages read earns one punch on the card.

The reader with the most punches at the end of the program will get his or her picture on the library website and an interview in the library's *Teen Corner* newsletter, along with other prizes.

All participants will be entered in a drawing for various prizes that will take place during a July 26 wrap-up party.

See page 3 for more details.

\*YNK: "You Never Know"

## ***Adults...***

♣ Summer reading is for everyone, and this year, adults can get in on the act.

Submit a form (see page 3) for each book you read from the library's adult collection, or each audiobook to which you listen. Include a brief review of the book if you wish.

Each form will get you a chance to win prizes and a grand prize in a drawing on August 1. Your review also may be published in the August library column appearing in *The Courier-Tribune*.

Each participant also will receive a "library buck" good for the purchase of one hardback or two paperback books at the Friends of the Library book sale.

[www.randolphlibrary.org/summerreading.html](http://www.randolphlibrary.org/summerreading.html)

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Sat 10-3

**Extension Service**  
336-318-6816 or 336-318-6817  
Mon-Fri 9-5

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336-318-6833

*from  
the  
director*



## April is the surveyingest month

♣ April of each year is **Performance Evaluation Month for the Asheboro, Archdale and Seagrove libraries.**

This budgetary feature was introduced three years ago by then County Manager Frank Willis and his assistant Will Massie, to tie organizational goals to budgetary expenditures.

Government wants to know: what services are needed, how they will be provided, how much they will cost, how well they are being provided and what has been accomplished by offering them. Every April we encourage patrons to fill out a one page survey of measures the library has set to ensure that the informational needs of every patron are met effectively and expeditiously.

Survey says: patrons are more than satisfied, rating our service as "excellent" a large percentage of the time. Beyond that, comments (and we are required to report them all!) from each library and section are overwhelmingly positive, focusing primarily on the all important human element of the equation. "Staff always friendly and helpful." "Everybody is friendly and professional." "Friendly, helpful staff, well-informed and knowledgeable." "You guys rock!"

It is gratifying to hear what we already knew reinforced in such a positive way. Our most important asset



is our staff. People are the key to a successful organization. Each and every organization, particularly in the service area, is acutely aware of this. Randolph County Government is proud of the fact that it not only hires quality people but the number of budgeted positions per 1,000 population is much lower than surrounding counties!

Speaking of quality people, Harriet Rietschel of the Archdale Library is retiring May 31 after 13 years. Originally from Maine where she worked in emergency services, she and her husband Carl moved here for better jobs and warmer weather. We will sorely miss her knowledge and her "warmth" (Look for a feature about Harriet in next month's newsletter).

We thank you for taking time to submit a survey if indeed you did. We encourage you to give us feedback on our services at any time. But you'll get a free pen for your opinion in April!

# YNK (you never know)...

...what mysteries await teens @ the library

## Teen Summer Reading

- Register to participate at your library
- Receive a punch card; 10 pages read earns one punch.
- Teen with most pages read will be recognized on library website, interviewed for the *Teen Corner* newsletter, and receive his or her choice of an American Library Association celebrity READ poster.
- All participants will be eligible for prizes in a drawing that will take place at wrap-up party on July 26.



## Events

**ASHEBORO... Game Day**, 4:30 p.m. Thursday, June 14: board games, card games, trivia and more! Refreshments provided; **College 101**, 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 27: Learn the ins and outs of campus life. Cost, \$3; call 318-6000 or 318-6824 to register; **Scavenger Hunt & Wrap-Up Party**, 4:30 p.m. Thursday, July 26.

**RAMSEUR... All 4-5 p.m. Tuesdays: Get Blogging** with Amy Keith Barney, June 12; **\$\$\$ Clueless \$\$\$** with Carol Akers, June 19; **Page Turners** with Anna Golden, June 26; **Unlocking the Past** with Emily Johnson, July 10; **A Mystery Unfolding** (origami) with Irene Smith, July 17.

**SEAGROVE... "Slices and Sleuths" Teen Pizza Party**, 6 p.m. Friday, July 27

[www.randolphlibrary.org/teens.html](http://www.randolphlibrary.org/teens.html)  
[rcplteencorner.blogspot.com](http://rcplteencorner.blogspot.com)

## Asheboro Reads

Next up for Asheboro Reads is *Three Dog Life* by Abigail Thomas, 2-3:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 29. The title for June 26 is *The Faith Club : a Muslim, a Christian, a Jew — Three Women Search for Understanding* by Ranya Idliby, Suzanne Oliver and Priscilla Warner; and for July 31, it's *A Thousand Splendid Suns* by Khaled Hosseini.

Into late summer and fall, titles are *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen, August 28; *Snow Flower and the Secret Fan* by Lisa See, September 25; and *The Camel Bookmobile* by Masha Hamilton, October 30.

## Computer class

Asheboro library computer classes take place at 9:30 a.m. Wednesdays and occasional Saturdays. The classes, which alternate among basic Internet, email, advanced Internet/NC LIVE and word processing, are free but space is limited.

Call the library 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, May 26, at the Friends Book Store off the Asheboro Public Library parking lot.

## ADULT SUMMER READING PROGRAM ENTRY FORM

(age 20 or over)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Library Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Book: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief Review (attach a sheet if needed):

**RULES:** What counts: Any book or audiobook from the library's adult collection. Double chance to win if you read the Asheboro Reads library book club selection for June/July (submit two forms)

**REWARDS:** Every participant will receive a Library Buck good for one regular hardback book or two paperback books from the Friends of the Library Book Sale. There will be a drawing August 1 for additional prizes and a grand prize.

**All seven libraries  
now offer wireless  
Internet access**

Wireless Internet access is now available at all seven libraries. Users with wireless-capable laptops and other devices can connect at any of the libraries at no

cost, free of time constraints placed on library computers and without the need for a library card.

Otherwise, all rules of library Internet use apply.

# Friends of the Randolph Public Library

**YES!** I'd like to become a Friend and support the wonderful programs sponsored by the Friends each year:

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- Family..... \$25
- Patron ..... \$100
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- Lifetime..... \$500
- Corporate Sponsor..... \$\_\_\_\_\_

**Mail to: Friends of the Library**  
**P.O. Box 2806**  
**Asheboro, NC 27204**  
*Memberships are tax deductible*

**YES!** I'd like to help: \_\_\_Program planning\_\_\_Program Receptions \_\_\_Book Sales\_\_\_Membership

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Theodore and Sue Pugh

**In Memory of: Alex Chatham, Jr.**  
By: Talmadge and Sara Baker  
Ralph and Gerri Hardison  
Gail and Shirley Swaringen  
Dot and Bob Walker

**In Memory of: Roberta B. Lane**  
By: Jim and Wendy Kinlaw

**In Memory of: Martha Morrison McCrary**  
By: Dennis and Leslie Marquardt

**In Memory of: Patricia Hardy Matkins**  
By: Marion and Hal Davis

**In Memory of: Arch Morgan**  
By: Beckie Henry and Judy Bullins Morgan

**In Memory of: Judy Patterson**  
By: Michael, Suzanne, Tyler and Sarah Liningier

**In Memory of: Elizabeth Pate Williams**  
By: Clark R. Bell  
Little Gate Garden Club  
Ruth and Russell Walker

**In Honor of: Bob and Betty Armfield**  
By: Bill and Emily Johnson

**In Honor of: Community Citizens**  
By: Coleridge Lions Club

**In Honor of: Glenn and Stacey Curtis**  
By: Tony and Betty Leonard  
Sandra and Jack Livingston  
Suzanne and Claude Tate

**In Honor of: Erma Kirkman**  
By: Elaine Curtis

**In Honor of: R.E. "Spec" and Pearl Hoffman**  
By: Theodore and Sue Pugh