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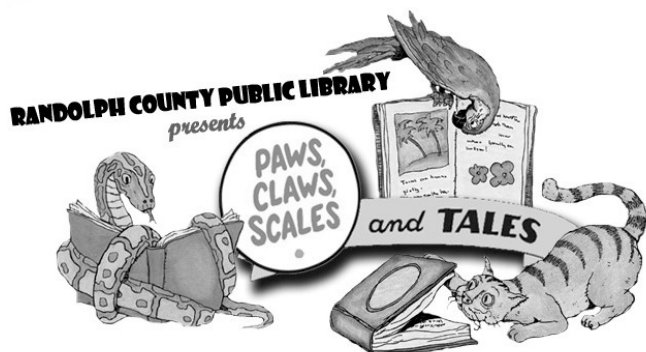
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SUMMER READING 2006

Summer Reading to give us paws... and claws too

♣ “Paws, Claws, Scales and Tales” is the theme of a wild and wooly Summer Reading Program focused on pets of all kinds.

This year’s program includes special appearances and events including a magician, a storyteller and — you’ve been waiting all these years — the return of The Snake Man with Penelope the Python. Meanwhile, kids will be invited to enroll in the Summer Reading Club, earning small awards and prizes as they pile up reading accomplishments.

The fun begins on June 12 and runs through the end of July. Weekly events at the Asheboro library include:

- **Film time**, 10 a.m. Tuesdays;
- **School age storytime**, 3:15 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

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Whynot come hear the Whynot Minstrels?

♣ Folk music and oldies in multi-part harmony will fill the air as the Whynot Minstrel Troupe performs at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 13, at the Asheboro library.

The performance, sponsored by the Friends of the Library, is free and the public is invited.

Founded by musicians Bob and Connie Vetera, the six-member combo is modeled after the New Christy Minstrels of the 1960s. Their repertoire covers pop and folk tunes popularized by such performers as The Kingston Trio, Eddy Arnold, Hank Williams, Nat King Cole, Simon & Garfunkel and John Denver.

The set also includes gospel songs such as “How Great Thou Art” and “Let There Be Peace on Earth.”

The group includes guitarists Bob Vetera, Lenny Brooks and Richard Church; and vocalists Connie Vetera, Carol Church and Chris Foust. The troupe specializes in benefit shows for assisted living facilities, and has performed at Relay for Life events and at Borders Books and Music in Greensboro.

Group leader Bob Vetera began playing guitar as a child, and formed folk music groups in high school and at the University of Pittsburg. At Pitt, his group — The Three Jolly Coachmen — “jammed” with the likes of Peter, Paul & Mary, The Brothers Four and The Kingston Trio, who hired the Coachmen as their summer stand-ins for county fairs throughout the east.

▼ The Whynot Minstrel Troupe



Ruby Councilman retires

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**from
 the
 director**

by Suzanne Tate



Ruby Councilman to retire

♣ **Ruby Thompson Councilman, head of the library's Technical Services department, will retire May 31 after 26 years with the Randolph Public Library.**



Ruby Councilman

She began work as a technical services assistant in 1980 under the guidance of Christine Kivett. In 1990, she became head of the department, responsible for ordering, billing, cataloging, processing and distributing all the items for the seven libraries. Over the course of her tenure, she estimates she has handled over 500,000 items from ordering into the hands of eager patrons. This figure includes the 7,000 books and 1,100 audiovisuals processed through the system in two months in the spring of 2000 after the library received the first of two generous Smart Start grants. The department set a record of 1,350 items processed in one week!

Brenda Elberson and Pam Mattson round out the small, but most productive staff.

Ruby graciously takes all the demands of the job in stride. She led the department through the transition from telephone and typewritten to online and

computer generated ordering and processing. She fondly recalls the days of the shelf list locator, a behemoth that held an index card for each item in the system, which had to be manually altered each time an item moved from one library to another. In the past year, she oversaw the transition from Dynix to the Horizon upgrade with its attendant headaches!

Ruby and her husband Vernon anxiously await the arrival of their first grandchild in May. Their daughter Tanya and husband James live just north of Charlotte.

She figures Highway 49 will be well traveled in the coming months and years. She also enjoys working in her yard, her work with her church, First Evangelical and Reformed, and traveling, especially to visit members of her large family who are scattered across the country.

She says she will miss the people more than the work, but that it had been so interesting to see the variety of titles and subjects added to the collection over the years for the patrons to enjoy. She plans to do some volunteering and possibly some part-time work in the future. But for right now, she will just enjoy that new baby.

Ruby — we'll miss you, but we wish you our very best!

Summer Reading to focus on pets

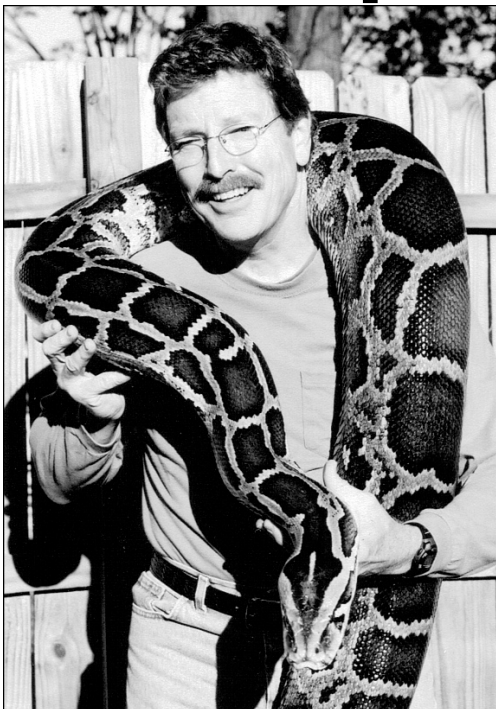
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- **Pre-school storytime**, 10:30 a.m. Thursdays.

Similar events take place at all the libraries; check with your local library for details.

Special programs and appearances include:

- **Ronald McDonald**, 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 14, Asheboro;
- **Jeff Robbins, mountain musician and storyteller**, Asheboro, 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 21; Archdale, 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 20; Franklinville, 2 p.m. Thursday, June 22; Liberty, 7 p.m. Monday, June 19; Ramseur, 10:30 a.m. Thursday, June 22; Randleman, 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 21; and Seagrove, 1 p.m. Tuesday, June 20.
- **Mark Daniel**, magician and storyteller, 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; and Seagrove, 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 11.



"Snake Man" Ron Cromer and Penelope the Python

- **Ron Cromer, The Snake Man**, will appear at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 27 at the Asheboro library (look for details in next month's newsletter).

As always, Summer Reading Program events are free and open to the public.

Juneteenth

Author Carole Boston Weatherford will perform a skit based on her book *Juneteenth Jamboree* as part of the third annual Juneteenth Celebration, 1 p.m.-sunset Saturday, June 17 at Asheboro's Bicentennial Park. Her visit is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Weatherford is author of more than a dozen books for children and young adults, which will be for sale at the event; Weatherford will be available to sign them.

Juneteenth recognizes a celebration held on June 19, 1865 as the last slaves in America were freed. The local celebration is sponsored by the Asheboro/Randolph Juneteenth Committee.

Career help

The library has a new resource for anyone seeking career advice and job information: the *Ferguson Career Guidance Center*.

Access the database with your library card at <http://www.randolphlibrary.org/jobsites.htm>.

Book sale

The Friends of the Library book sale will take place from 9-3 p.m. Saturday, May 27, at the Friends Book Store off the Asheboro Public Library parking lot.

Asheboro Reads announces titles

♣ **Asheboro Reads has announced book selections through January 2007.**

They are:

May 30, *The Same Sweet Girls* by Cassandra King; **June 27**, *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini; **July 25**, *Little Women* by Louisa May Alcott; **August 29**, *March* by Geraldine Brooks; **September 26**, *The Tea-Olive*

Birdwatching Society by Augusta Trobaugh; **October 31**, *Christ the Lord: Out of Egypt* by Anne Rice; **November 28**, *Evensong* by Gail Godwin; **January 30**, *Labyrinth* by Kate Moss.

Asheboro Reads meets at 2 p.m. on the last Tuesday of each month except December. Anyone who has read the book up for discussion is invited.

There is no charge and refreshments are served.

Baumann to take over Technical Services department

Reference Librarian Kari Baumann will succeed Ruby Councilman as head of the library's Technical Services department, which handles purchasing,

cataloging and processing of materials for the library system.

Councilman will retire on May 31 (see previous page).

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